Heritage Weekly Newsletter **January 21, 2024**

Sunday, January 21

10:45 am Sunday School 10:55 am Catechism 11:00 am Adult Sunday School

Monday, January 22 Cadets 7:00 pm 7:00 pm GEMS

Tuesday, January 23 Coffee Break 9:45 am

Wednesday, January 24 8:30 am Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study 7:00 pm Friendship

Thursday, January 25

10:00 am Community Play Group

Sunday, January 28

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Monday, January 29 7:00 pm Cadets

Tuesday, January 30 Coffee Break 9:45 am

Wednesday, January 31

8:30 am Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study 7:00 pm Friendship

Thursday, February 1

Community Play Group 10:00 am

All-Church Potluck Lunch - On Sunday, January 29 at 11:45 AM, we are having an allchurch potluck meal in the Ark. Join us for a great time of fun, food, conversation and spending time getting to know and connect with people from church. Please bring a main course and a salad if you are able. Table service, drinks and desert will be provided. No need to sign up, just show up.

ALL CHURCH EUCHRE TOURNAMENT -

Thursday, February 15 - Anyone is welcome to attend this event. We will be starting the Euchre tournament at 7:00 PM in the ARK Loft. No need to have a partner as we will be changing partners each round. Invite a friend and just show up ready for a night of fun competition, cards and fun. Snacks will be provided!



JOY will be having a breakfast at a new place. The location is One More Grill (formerly AJ's) which is located at 1830-142nd Ave Dorr. The date is Thursday, February 15 at 9:00. Call Judy Johnson at 616-644-0193 to RSVP.



Community Play Group for children ages 0-5 with their caregivers -Join us every Thursday from 10:00

11:00 am here at Heritage in the ARK. Email erichards@heritagecrc.net for more information.



Hope Unexpected nurtures, empowers, and equips single mothers by demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ. For the month of January, we will be collecting diapers and wipes

for babies supported by Hope Unexpected. Please bring your donations to the office or the fellowship hall.

FAMILY PROMISE AT HERITAGE CHURCH – A NEW OPPORTUNITY COMING YOUR

WAY!! As a church, we are committing to being a Family Promise Church. This means that starting on March 17-24, four times a year we will be housing homeless families, who are in the IHN 60 day program. During these weeks, we will need of a lot of volunteers to make it all work; [Setting up and taking down the rooms, providing evening meals, providing fun care for the kids after dinner, being an overnight host, providing food items for breakfast, activities for the kids on Saturday mornings, and washing linens after it is done.] We will be having two training events for the congregation on February 11 and 25 after the morning services from 11:00 to 11:45 in the sanctuary. Please mark these dates on your calendar to learn about this program and check out the ways that you might be able to be involved in caring for the families God sends our way.

TRAINING SCHEDULE: February 11th "Family Promise Called to Care Training Part 1" will be a great overview of Family Promise of West Michigan, our history in the community, mission, and services we provide.

February 25th "Family Promise Called to Care Training Part 2" will be focused on IHN logistics, trauma-informed care, expectations when interacting with the families we serve, and emergency procedures when volunteering in IHN. Abbey Wallace, Program Manager with IHN will be joining us for this particular training.



Nursery volunteers are needed for the next several months. If you are willing to volunteer for a spot, please sign up via this link <u>https://m.signupgenius.com/?</u>

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College & Careers

February 4! This is a get together for post-high school young adults from Heritage CRC and beyond. The goal of the group is to hang-out, talk about relevant topics, and support one another. We hope to meet for a good dinner one time each month at our house. Our next meeting date will be on February 4 from 5:30-7:30 PM. Please text Michele at 616-240-6474 have any guestions. We'd love to have you join us! Andy & Michele Michmerhuizen



The Basket Ministry is short on medium size baskets. If you received any gifts in baskets for Christmas or have any around the house you won't use, we would sure appreciate them! You may leave them in the Basket Room.

Thank you!



Want to make a difference in a child's life? We need PRAYER PARTNERS! Could you spend some time each week praying for a mentor student pair? Let's lift these pairs up to the Father. If you feel led and are willing, reach out to Heather Oosterman - 485-59770; HOPE oostermanh@heritagecc.net

We deliver 90 food bags every other Wednesday to people at Byron Village. We need more soup, canned fruit, spaghetti, spaghetti saucés, cereal, and canned vegetables. If everyone could bring at least one nonperishable food item per week, we will be able to continue delivery food bags and establishing relationships and spreading God's love in Byron Village.

Your Heritage CRC contribution statement is in your church mailbox.

Sunday School is collecting again this year for Camp Tall Turf. They have a continuing need for arts and craft supplies, so we would welcome your donations of either monetary or craft items. We will have a collection time during Sunday School singing and will have a basket outside of the Connections Room.

Volunteers are needed at both our Byron Center and Grand Rapids locations of Hope Unexpected. Opportunities include providing/serving meals, childcare, mentoring and being a member of the prayer team. Please contact Darla at 616-490-0184 or email darla@hopeunexpected.org for more information.

EN FUEGO [Grades 6-8th]

EN FUEGO TREAT TUESDAY - Feb. 6 from 3:30-5:15 PM -Our next treat Tuesday is on February 6. Plan on meeting at church at 3:30 PM. We will be back around 5:15 PM. Please sign up by emailing Pastor Kevin at kevinvw@heritagecrc.net.

EN FUEGO SUNDAY NIGHTS - Our next Sunday Night meeting will be on January 28 from 6:30-8:15PM. We will be having pizza, so plan on eating at church. Plan on meeting in the ARK! You are welcome to bring a friend!

FUSION [Grades 9-12]

<u>FUSION SUNDAY NIGHTS</u> - Impact Small Group Night - February 4, 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Join us for a time of worship time and then Impact Small Groups. Bring a friend and join us Sunday night.

PRAYER ENCOURAGEMENT TEAM Weekly Prayer Guide

MONDAY

Pray for God's strength to be with the many persecuted Christians in the country of Uzbekistan.

TUESDAY

Pray for God's blessing and protection this week on Heritage staff members, Bob Huisman, Preaching & Worship.

WEDNESDAY

Ask God to B.L.E.S.S. (Body, Labor, Emotional, Social, Spiritual) those who do not yet know Him.

THURSDAY

Pray for all of our missionary partners. This week especially pray for Eagles Nest School/ Orphanage (Guatemala).

FRIDAY

Pray for God's blessing on our young adults.

SATURDAY

Ask God to bless the civil and church leaders of our city, state, and nation.

GIVING GIFTS

Thank you for offering your time, talents and treasures for God's glory and the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.

The General Fund is supported through gifts received during the Sunday morning offering and white budget envelopes.

Gifts for the Building Fund, Faith Promise Missionary Support, Christian Education Ministry, Tuition Assistance or another cause can be designated through your blue budget envelopes.

On line giving is available. You can go the Heritage CRC website or go to https:// heritagecrc.net/online-giving.

Church Communications

To receive prayer requests, worship information, and the weekly church newsletter, please contact our church secretary, Brenda at office@heritagecrc.net.

Morning Special Offerings

January 21	Benevolence
January 28	Christian Ed Ministry
February 4	Faith Promise
February 11	Christian Ed Ministry

Evening Special Offerings

January 21 Right to Life January 28 Tuition Assistance February 4 Commission 127 February 11 ThereforeGo Ministries

Heritage Christian Reformed Church

A Community of Christ Followers Serving Him, His People, and His World.

Office Hours/Sunday Worship

Monday—Friday 8:00 AM—3:00 PM

Sunday Services are at 9:30 AM & 5:00 PM

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Resources

Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services Church Assistance Program (CAP)

616-455-6210 or 1-800-442-0809 The CAP online library is https://pinerest.org/CAP. Password = "HeritagecrcCAP".

Right Now Media Digital Discipleship Resource

Free access to thousands of video Bible studies and supplemental materials for children, adults and groups. Contact the church office with your email to receive your invitation.

If you want to watch the online services, you can find them on Heritage's Facebook page, on YouTube, or on the website www.heritagecrc.net.

Elder/Deacon Households

Family Last Name Adams - Buquet Burgess - Dykstra Edema - Hartgerink Haveman - Kloostra Knarr - Mouw Mulder - Quist Raak - Smith Smits - VanderKooi VanderLaan - Zull Elder/ Deacon Team Jack DeGroot/Bill Selles Kurt Meekhof/Zach Blacquire Harry Myers/Andy Helmholdt Dave Haagsma/Ben Quist Jon Diekema/Tyler Dreyer Rob Green/Chris VanderLaan Jay Miedema/Eric DeGroot Paul Burgess/Nick Meekhof Randy VanLaar/Brandon Mingerink

The Elders and Deacons welcome you to call anytime you have a praise or concern.