Heritage Weekly Newsletter **February 4, 2024**

Sunday, February 4 10:45 am Sunday School 10:55 am Catechism 11:00 am Adult Sunday School 5:30 pm College & Career Group 6:30 pm Fusion Monday, February 5 Cadets 7:00 pm 7:00 pm GEMS Tuesday, February 6 9:45 am Coffee Break 3:30 pm En Fuego Treat Tuesday Wednesday, February 7 8:30 am Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study 7:00 pm Friendship Sunday, February 11 10:45 am Sunday School 10:55 am Catechism 11:00 am Adult Sunday School 3:00 pm Guatemala Mission Trip Team Meeting Monday, February 12 7:00 pm Cadets **Tuesday, February 13** 9:45 am Coffee Break 6:30 am Council Meeting Wednesday, February 14 8:30 am Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study 7:00 pm Friendship Thursday, February 15 JOY Breakfast at One More Grill 9:00 am 7:00 pm All Church Euchre Tournament We give thanks to God for his provision for our church in 2023. Because of your generosity, we were blessed to finish 2023 with our

General Fund offerings exceeding our expenses by \$74,571.11. The Administrative Council intends to tithe 10% of this surplus to a charitable organization outside of Heritage. If you would like to suggest an organization to be considered, contact Tim Klaasen (tim.klaasen@clc.com, 616-212-9230) by the end of February. Thanks be to God!

Guatemala Mission Trip Team Meeting -On February 11 at 3:00 PM, we will be having team meeting in the loft to go over the details for the June 2 - 9 trip and answer questions. We will also be setting dates and preparing for fund raising and team building.



JOY will be having a breakfast at a Rew 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.

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.

Spiritual Gifts Survey promotes using Godgiven gifts in service of others, the church, and Christ, through matching needs with those possessing appropriate skills and interests. Please fill out the survey and place completed surveys in the baskets on the nametag tables.



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 meeting date is today, 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

We have a big need for prayer shawls at this time. There is information on a tote in the Prayer Room with some patterns. These can be knit, crocheted, or quilted. Please help us continue to bless those who need the encouragement of a prayer shawl. Thank you! Judy Shear



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!



We deliver 90 food bags every other Wednesday to people at Byron Village. We need more soup, canned fruit, spaghetti, spaghetti sauces, cereal, and canned vegetables. If every ryone 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.



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!

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.

Are you looking for a place to invest your time in Kingdom work? PRC Grand Rapids has an urgent need for volunteers at their Compassionate Support Services office. The needs include receptionist assistants, sorters, and cleaners. All details including contact information can be found at www.prcforlife.org/join-us/volunteer

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 February 25 [Winter] Retreat is on February 9-11] 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]

FUSION SUNDAY NIGHTS - 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 Laos.

TUESDAY

Pray for God's blessing and protection this week on Heritage staff member, Dan Mouw, Congregational Life Pastor.

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 Henry & Jacque Bouma (Grand Rapids, MI).

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

February 4	Faith Promise
February 11	Christian Ed Ministry
February 18	Benevolence
February 25	Christian Ed Ministry

Evening Special Offerings

February 4	Commission 127
February 11	ThereforeGo Ministries
February 18	Cadets
February 25	CRCNA - Disability Concerns

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.