

*Nursery is available during the Morning Service  
and upon request during the Evening Service.*

### **Our Mission**

As followers of Jesus Christ we are called to worship, serve,  
and love so that God is glorified and lives are transformed.

### **Our Vision**

Our vision is to become a loving presence in the  
community that connects people of all ages to Jesus Christ  
through engaging worship and meaningful acts of service.

### ***WORSHIP SERVE LOVE***

#### **THOSE SERVING TODAY, DECEMBER 9TH**

**Ushers AM** Paul Taylor (Northeast), Curt Van Houten (Southeast),  
Larry Plugger, Sammy Plugger

**Nursery AM** Linda Mulder, Sharon Van Houten, Devon Kamphouse

**Greeters AM West**—BJ & Molly Plugger

**East**—Matt & Renee Pogue

**Coffee Servers:** Dan & Jan Van Houten, Faith Lawson,  
Ken & Judy Kamphouse

**Please bring 5 dozen cookies each**

**Children & Worship Leader/Teacher:** Talli Bode

**Children & Worship Adult Helper:** Faye Lutke

**Children & Worship Child Helper:** Jenna Kuperus

<b><u>Elder</u></b>	<b><u>Church Families</u></b>	<b><u>Deacon</u></b>
Bob Zuiderveen	A-B	Marc Plugger
Rocky Schierbeek	C-Kamphouse	Sam Yonkman
Jim Plugger	Kortman – L	Dan Zuiderveen
Jim Benthem	M-Plugger	Shane Stahl
Rog Hoeksema	Pogue-S	Steve Nicholas
Dan Tacoma	T-Z	Greg Plugger

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**LUCAS CRC — DECEMBER 09, 2018**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 AM**

**God Gathers Us**

Call to Worship: Psalm 24: 7-10  
\*Song (s) of Praise/Adoration:  
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel  
LUYH Book #61 vs. 1-3  
Come, Thou Long—Expected Jesus  
LUYH Book #56 vs. 1-3  
\*God's Greeting & We Greet Each Other  
  
\*Song (s): Sing We Now Of Christmas  
O Come, All Ye Faithful  
LUYH Book #76 vs. 1-3  
**Advent Reading:** Lucas Cadet Club  
\*Song of Advent: O Shepherd, Hear & Lead Your Flock  
LUYH Book #64 vs. 1-3  
**Prayer**  
Offering: 1st: General Fund/Budget  
2nd: Lucas CRC Building Fund  
Offertory Song: Offering  
*Michele Kuperus*  
Prayer with Children for Children & Worship

**God Speaks To Us In His Word**

Scripture: Isaiah 9: 6  
Bible Page: 1072  
**Message:** "Almighty God"  
\*Song of Response:  
Meekness & Majesty  
LUYH Book #157 vs. 1-3

**We Depart To Serve God And Our Neighbor**

\*Benediction  
\*Doxology: O Come, All Ye Faithful  
LUYH Book #76 vs. 4

(\*Please stand if you are able)

**LUCAS CRC — DECEMBER 09, 2018**  
**EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:00 PM**

**God Gathers Us**

Opening Prayer  
\*God's Greeting & We Greet Each Other  
Song (s) & Carol (s):  
\*With Joy I Heard My Friends Exclaim  
LUYH Book #66 vs. 1, 3, 5  
Creator Of The Stars Of Night  
LUYH Book #71 vs. 1-3, 5  
Of The Father's Love Begotten  
LUYH Book #78 vs. 1-2, 4-5  
Glory To God  
LUYH Book #84  
**Prayer**  
Song (s) & Carol (s):  
Angels We Have Heard On High  
LUYH Book #82 vs. 1-3  
How Great Our Joy  
LUYH Book #90 vs. 1-3  
Joy To The World  
LUYH Book #92 vs. 1-4  
\*Angels, From The Realms Of Glory  
LUYH Book #81 vs. 1-2, 4-5

**God Speaks To Us In His Word**

Scripture: Songs of Songs 6: 4—7: 9  
Bible Page: 1055  
**Message:** "How Beautiful"  
- The King's Song Series  
\*Song of Response:  
What Child Is This?  
LUYH Book #95 vs. 1-3

**We Depart To Serve God And Our Neighbor**

\*Benediction  
\*Doxology: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice  
LUYH Book #98 vs. 3

(\*Please stand if you are able)

## THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH

**Ushers AM** Ron Brouwer (Northeast), Darrell Kuiper (Southeast),  
Garrett Prince, Braylin Stahl  
**Nursery AM** Talli Bode, Jennifer Van Houten, Karlie Heuker  
**Greeters AM** **West**—Howard & Nancy Prince **East**—Dan & Amy Shaarda  
**Coffee Servers:** Jim & JoAnne Benthem, BJ & Molly Pluger,  
Dave & Joyce Zuiderveen

Please bring 5 dozen cookies each

**Children & Worship Leader/Teacher:** Ally Brinks  
**Children & Worship Adult Helper:** Kurt Brinks  
**Children & Worship Child Helper:** Emma Shaarda  
**Praise Team:** Blue  
**Offering for Next Week:**  
**AM** General Fund/Budget

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**NMCS COACH POSITIONS AVAILABLE** We are seeking qualified, Christian individuals who will commit to fill the following Coach Positions at NMCS: **Boys Varsity Track Coach, JV Volleyball Coach, and Varsity Volleyball Coach.** Please, if you are interested, please contact **Dave Skinner:** [dskinner@nmcs.us](mailto:dskinner@nmcs.us); call #231-825-2999 ext. 104; or #231-920-1278. Thank You!

Please bring in your Men's, Women's, and Children's Shoes to Fox Motors, Chemical Bank, Evolve, UPS Store, Apple Valley Foods, Ebels, or Cadillac Institute of Cosmetology through Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup> to raise funds for **Precious Gems Home for Women.** Or they can be picked up! For Questions or to arrange Pickup, call **Lynn Mulder** at #231-878-8613. See the Poster on the **Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall**, or go to [www.preciousgemshome.org](http://www.preciousgemshome.org) for more information!

You are invited to Healing Private Wounds Seventh Annual Christmas Concert "The Glorious Sound of Christmas" TODAY at 4:00 p.m. at Cadillac United Methodist Church (1020 East Division Street Cadillac, MI. 49601). Join us for an outstanding Afternoon of beautiful Christmas Music, featuring talented **Musicians.** Delicious **Christmas Delights** will follow the Concert! Come and bring your family and friends! There is no cost. A **Free-Will Offering** will be taken to support Healing Private Wounds.

Attention Quilters and Ladies who Sew: Project Canefire is in need of your unused or unwanted Fabric and Notions for the 2019 Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic. Please consider donating pieces of Fabric that are 1/2 yard or larger (preferably bright cotton prints or solids). On this Trip, 12 new Sewing Machines will be distributed to the local women who will practice their sewing skills by learning to make a bag/purse. By learning to sew, these women are developing skills to promote autonomy, micro-enterprise, and improvement of their homes. You can put your **Donations in the Drop Box provided** or contact **Betsy Diemer** with any Questions at #231-825-2203 or [betsydiemer@gmail.com](mailto:betsydiemer@gmail.com).

**W**elcome to Lucas CRC! What a blessing to have received God's grace through the death and resurrection of Jesus! We are a community of sinners saved by grace, and we want all who are with us today to know and experience that same grace. Come and join us in this faith journey!

## WEEK AT A GLANCE...

### **SUNDAY:**

**Second Sunday of Advent**  
9:30 AM Morning Worship Service  
Children & Worship  
10:50 AM Sunday School for all Ages  
11:00 AM Adult Sunday School  
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

### **WEDNESDAY:**

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study Group Meets *in the Fellowship Hall*  
7:00 PM Youth Group Meets *in the Young Peoples Room*

### **NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Third Sunday of Advent**  
9:30 AM Morning Worship Service  
Children & Worship  
10:50 AM Sunday School for all Ages  
11:00 AM Adult Sunday School  
6:00 PM Annual Sunday School Christmas Program

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEND CARDS OR GIFTS TO ZACH OR TO GREG & SANDY PLUGER AT THE HOSPITAL,** the Address is: **Zach Pluger Trauma Burn Intensive Care Unit 1500 East Medical Center Drive Ann Arbor, MI. 48109-5035.**

**THIS JUST IN, OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM IS NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, DURING THE EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE.**

Please plan on coming to see what our Sunday School Students have been working diligently with for our enjoyment! A **Collection** will be taken for our **Sunday School Fund** then too! ~Lindsay Zuiderveen, Superintendent~

### PERIODICALS:

**\*\* NMCS COMET CONNECTION**

**\*\* NOVEMBER/DECEMBER TODAY'S**

ARE ALL AVAILABLE ON THE FELLOWSHIP HALL TABLE; PLEASE FEEL FREE TO TAKE A COPY TO PERUSE AT YOUR LEISURE!

### OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:

#### Outreach Opportunity @ Lucas CRC - Wild Beast

Feast needs a new Crew to put it on. Excellent Notes are available, if anyone is interested in taking this on. Please speak to **Dan Tacoma** as soon as possible!

### CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS: WOULD YOU LIKE TO DONATE A POINSETTIA FOR CHRISTMAS WEEKEND IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE? IT IS A WONDERFUL WAY TO MAKE OUR CHURCH SANCTUARY LOOK BEAUTIFUL!!!

Non-memorial donations are welcome as well. Please have the Poinsettias to Church by this coming **Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** at **Noon**. Please give **Jennifer Van Houten** the information for Memorials so she can put it in the Bulletin either via **phone-call, email, or the box marked "Secretary"**.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP:

#### CONGRATS TO ALL OUR KIDS THAT RECITED PSALM

**100:3!** Keep up the fantastic work! Brooklyn Bode, Sammy & Lia Pluger, Clayton Heuker, Wyatt & Eli Zuiderveen, Connor Brinks, Ben Shaarda, Braylin & Cameron Stahl, Gage & Easton Prince, and Colton Pluger.

#### BULLETIN COVER CONTESTS COVERS ARE DUE TODAY!!!

I'm so excited to see what everyone has come up with! Be sure to put them in my **Church Mailbox** or hand them to me at Practice. Good luck!!! ~**Lindsay Zuiderveen, Sunday School Superintendent**~

### MINISTRIES @ LUCAS

*Children & Worship—Ages 3-5—TODAY—Classroom #1* studying "The Jesus Storybook Bible" & Assorted Crafts—**Ally Brinks**

*Sunday School—Grades PreK (4 yrs.) - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – 10:45 a.m.* Sanctuary & Classrooms studying "Dwell Curriculum" – **TODAY – Lindsay Zuiderveen**

*Middle School Class—Grades 6th-8th—10:45 a.m.* Sanctuary & Classroom studying "Genesis in the Serendipity Bible"— **TODAY—JoAnne Benthem**

*High School Class – 10:45 a.m.* Young Peoples Room studying "Heidelberg Catechism"– **TODAY – Pastor Todd Kuperus**

*Adult Sunday School Class – 11:00 a.m.* Council Room studying "Romans"– **TODAY – Rog Hoeksema**

*Women's Bible Study Group—6:30-8:00 p.m.* Fellowship Hall, studying "Judges For You by Timothy Keller" - Complete Lesson #12 & Read Judges 17: 1—18: 31 —**Dec. 12— Michele Kuperus & Renee Pogue**

*Young Peoples – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade to High School—7:00-8:30 p.m.* Youth Group Room studying "Freedom In Christ by Josh & Mandy Shaarda" – **Dec. 12 – Dan Shaarda & Evie Kamphouse**

*Lucas Cadet Club—Boys Ages 1st-5<sup>th</sup> Grade—6:30-8:30 p.m.* Basement, "Bible Study Lessons & Badges"—1 Dozen Homemade Snacks Each = Cadet Counselors - **Dec. 19—Kraig Van Houten, Kurt Brinks, Dan Zuiderveen, & Nick Ochampaugh**

### YOUTH GROUP 2019 "GOD'S CREATION" CALENDARS ARE

**IN!** We will have a Table in the Fellowship Hall after Church this Morning to make delivery, or contact **Dan or Amy Shaarda** to arrange another time. Calendars are **\$7.00 each**, and Checks can be made out to **Lucas CRC Youth Group**. We do have some **Extras** if anyone missed the pre-order and would still like one. Thank you for your support!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

### PASTOR'S PREVIEW

- ⇒ At the last Elders Meeting, Emma Shaarda Professed her Faith and her desire to become a full Member of the Church. What a joy it is when God's covenant children accept and affirm the promises of God made at their **Baptism!** We praise God for the faith that he has given to Emma and pray that he will continue to grow her in her love for Christ and the Church. **Emma will be making a Public Profession of Faith Next Week Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.**
- ⇒ We're thankful that God provides Leaders for his Church, and we're thankful for those who recently have been chosen for two-year terms as Elders and Deacons. Those selected for the Office of Elder are: **Bruce Benthem, Darrell Kuiper, and Mike Nederhood.** Those selected for the Office of Deacon are: **Kurt Brinks, Ron Lutke, and Garrett Prince.** Please pray for these men, that God will equip them and prepare them for the important work that they will be doing. We are thankful for those who are completing their terms of Service this year: **Elders – Dan Tacoma, Jim Pluger, and Bob Zuiderveen; and Deacons – Marc Pluger, Sam Yonkman, and Dan Zuiderveen.** The **Installation Service** will be on **Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup>.**
- ⇒ From Pastor Todd: I am so thankful for the support that my family and I have received throughout the past 3 years as I completed the process toward **Ordination as a Minister of the Word.** Having completed all of those requirements, I will be **Ordained on Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup> during our Morning Worship Service.** God has been so good and gracious to me and my family through this process, and you as our Church family have been so loving, encouraging and patient. **The Ordination Service will be a Special Service with participation by other Pastors and Family Members.** Thank you again for your love! We look forward to more years of Ministry together!
- ⇒ Now that Pastor Todd's School work has all been completed, he would like to take time to focus on getting to know you, the People of Lucas CRC, even better. He has created a **Schedule of Dates and Times** that he is available for **Visits.** Would you be willing to **open up your Home to him for a 30-45 minute Visit?** Or maybe spend some time together over **Lunch or for Coffee at a Restaurant?** His goal is to make sure that he has spent time with every Individual and Family of our Church in **January and February of next year.**

**2019 TWO ON THE TOWN WILL BE AVAILABLE AT DISCOUNTED PRICE OF \$17.50.** Please let **Sandy "L" Pluger** know by **Next Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>** if you would like a Book! Payment will be needed by **Next Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>** - Checks payable to: **Two On The Town.** Delivery will be on **Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>.** Sample Copies of participating Business' are on the Fellowship Hall Table.

### **SERMON SERIES:**

- **Morning Services:** For the **Advent Season,** we are focusing on **Isaiah 9:6** and the **Names** that are used of Christ in that important Advent Prophecy.
- **Evening Services:** Our Series on the **Song of Songs,** entitled **The King's Song,** will continue tonight and will then conclude in **January.**

### **UPCOMING SERVICES:**

- △ **Next Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> AM – Profession of Faith of Emma Shaarda**
- △ **Next Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> PM – Sunday School Christmas Program**
- △ **Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> PM – Candlelight Evening Worship Service**
- △ **Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> AM – Christmas Day Morning Worship Service**
- △ **Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup> AM - Old Year's Morning Worship Service**
- △ **Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup> PM – NO EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE**
- △ **Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup> AM – Installation of New Elders and New Deacons**
- △ **Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup> AM – Ordination Service for Pastor Todd**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ◇ **December 17—Elder's Meeting**
  - ◇ **December 22—Private Event @ Church**
  - ◇ **December 23—Autumnwood Church Service**
  - ◇ **December 24—Christmas Eve**
  - ◇ **December 25—Private Event @ Church**
  - ◇ **December 31—New Year's Eve**
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- ◆ **January 1—New Year's Day**
  - ◆ **January 1—Autumnwood Singing**
  - ◆ **January 3—Deacon's & Full Council Meetings**
  - ◆ **January 20—Winter Soup Potluck**
  - ◆ **January 20—Sanctity of Human Life Sunday**
  - ◆ **January 24 & 26—Lucas CRC Diaper Pantry**
  - ◆ **January 27—Cadet Sunday**
  - ◆ **January 27—Jail Ministry @ Missaukee County Jail**

