

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.

THOSE SERVING TODAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

Ushers AM Dave Zuiderveen (Northeast), Howard Prince (Southeast), Patrick Lavender

Nursery AM Heidi Heuker, JoAnne Benthem, Emma Shaarda

Greeters AM West—Sharon Van Houten

East—Gerry & MaryJane VandenBerg

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

Please bring 5 dozen cookies each

Children & Worship Leader/Teacher: Danielle Plugger

Children & Worship Adult Helper: Deb Hoeksema

Children & Worship Child Helper: Kate Shaarda

Elder

Bob Zuiderveen
Rocky Schierbeek
Jim Plugger
Jim Benthem
Rog Hoeksema
Dan Tacoma

Church Families

A-B
C-Kamphouse
Kortman – L
M-Plugger
Pogue-S
T-Z

Deacon

Marc Plugger
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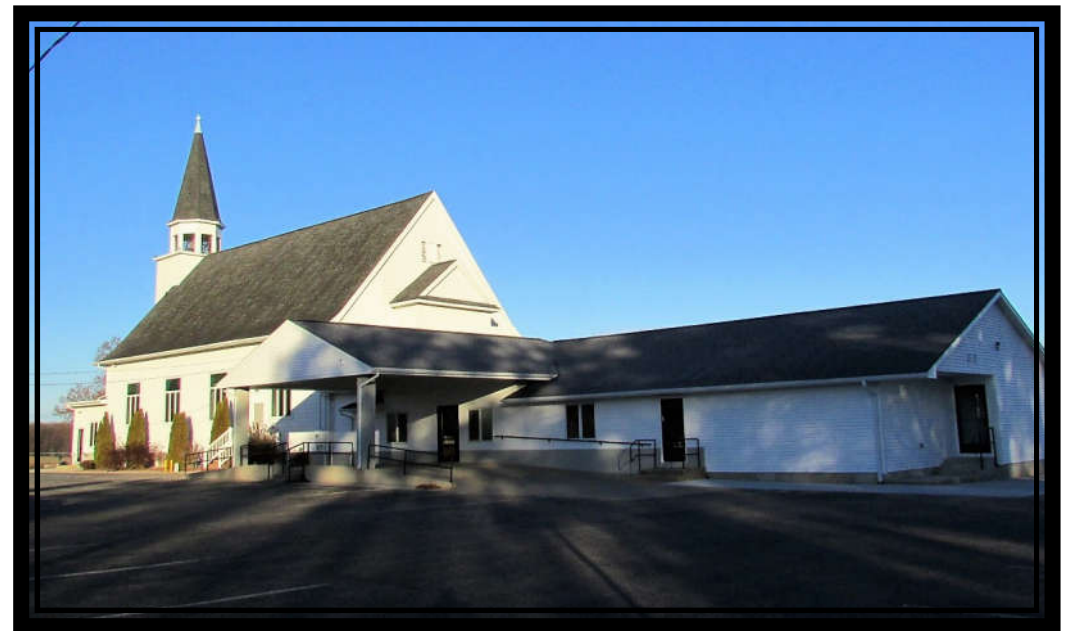
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Welcome To Lucas Christian Reformed Church

September 09, 2018



Worship Serve Love

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Lucas CRC will be hosting the Classis Northern Michigan Fall Meeting on Tuesday, September 25th.

A Classis is a regional group of Churches within our Denomination, which meets twice a year to discuss and take care of joint Ministry and business. At this Classis Meeting, *Pastor Todd* will be examined by classis for *Ordination as Minister of the Word*. **The Examination is open to anyone who would like to come and will most likely take place around 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.**

KID'S HOPE KORNER:

KIDS HOPE MENTORS

NEEDED: Have you felt a tugging at your heart to get involved in this amazing Mentoring Program? **1 Child, 1 Mentor, 1 hour a week!!! IT CHANGES LIVES!!** Contact **Heidi Heuker** at #231-920-4190.

CURRENT KHUSA MENTORS: School has now begun and we are looking forward to getting back to Meeting weekly with our kiddos! We will let the kids get adjusted to new Teachers and new Schedules for a few weeks. **Look for details soon about a starting date!**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ◇ **September 23—Abuse Awareness/ Safe Church Sunday**
- ◇ September 24—Elder's Meeting
- ◇ **September 30—Autumnwood Church Service**
- ◇ **September 30—All Nations Heritage Sunday**
- ◆ October 1—Deacon's & Full Council Meetings
- ◆ **October 2—Autumnwood Singing**

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

- Ushers AM** Curt Van Houten (Northeast), Paul Taylor (Southeast), Doug Benthem
- Nursery AM** Brenda Benthem, Faye Lutke, Dereck Kamphouse
- Greeters AM** **West**—Sam & Denise Yonkman
East—Dave & Joyce Zuiderveen
- Coffee Servers:** Steve & Becky Nicholas, Kraig & Jennifer Van Houten, Kathy Spoelma

Please bring 5 dozen cookies each

Children & Worship Leader/Teacher:

Erin Lavender

Children & Worship Adult Helper:

Sandy (L) Pluger

Children & Worship Child Helper:

Mason Heuker

Praise Team: Red

Offering for Next Week:

AM General Fund/Budget

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ◆ October 10—Fellowship Committee Meeting
- ◆ October 15—Private Event @ Church
- ◆ **October 17—Ladies Luncheon @ Lakeside Charlies Cadillac, MI.**
- ◆ **October 21—Pastor Appreciation Fall Casserole Potluck**
- ◆ **October 21—Disability Concerns Sunday**
- ◆ **October 25 & 27—Lucas CRC Diaper Pantry**
- ◆ **October 28—Reformation Sunday**
- ◆ **October 28—Church Education**
- ◆ **October 28—Sunday School Parent's Sunday**

Welcome to Lucas CRC! We gather to encounter God through his Word and to respond in song, prayers, and by listening. Our prayer is that you will experience God's presence today in a special way as he meets with his people. And we invite you to take some time after the service to allow us to get to know you better.

WEEK AT A GLANCE...

SUNDAY:

- 9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
Children & Worship
- 12:00 PM **Church Picnic Potluck @ Lake Missaukee Campground Pavilions**
- 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

WEDNESDAY:

- 6:00 PM Women's Bible Study Group
Meets *in the Fellowship Hall*
- 7:00 PM **Lucas Cadet Club Counselors Informational/Planning Meeting *in the Church Basement***

SATURDAY:

ALL DAY Private Event @ Church

NEXT SUNDAY:

- Mission Emphasis Sunday**
- 9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
Children & Worship
- 11:00 AM **Safe Church Training Class *in the Sanctuary***
- 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service
- 7:30 PM **Campfire @ Jim & Karen Pluger's**

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

SERMON SERIES:

Morning Services: This Morning, Pastor Todd will begin a new **Series on the Sermon on the Mount, called Living Upside-Down**. If you haven't already done so, you are encouraged to take a few minutes this week to read through the entire Sermon on the Mount found in **Matthew 5-7**.

Evening Services: As we continue through the **Book of Revelation** in our **Series The Dragon-Slayer Saga**, we are approaching the half-way point of the Book. We will plan on taking a few weeks looking at **Chapter 11** before taking a break from the Series. This would be a great time to read through the entire book of Revelation again (or for the first time).

TRAMPOLINE POLICY: Due to Insurance purposes no children are allowed to play on the Trampoline at the Parsonage on Sunday or during any Church related Activities. At the request of the **Building & Grounds Committee**.

LIFT CHAIR: Our Church has a lift chair that we have in storage downstairs. If anyone in the Congregation has a need for this chair, please contact a Member of the **Building & Grounds Committee**.

THE KITCHEN CART - THAT IS BY THE CHURCH MAILBOXES - HAS LOTS OF VARIOUS CONTAINERS, DISHES, AND OTHER THINGS. If something is yours, it would be appreciated if you would take the item home with you! Thanks!

PRIVATE EVENT: this coming **Saturday, September 15th** all day at Church. So please plan accordingly!

We are deeply grateful for your prayers, visits, cards, and other expressions of support during this time of surgery and recovery for Donna. The new knees are healing well and recovery continues through intensive physical therapy and medical care. God is good! ~Jerry & Donna Lutke~

PERIODICALS:

**** SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER**

TODAY'S

**** NMCS COMET CONNECTION**

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP:

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!!

Our Sunday School Season is fast approaching and we are in need of a **Teacher for the Preschool Kindergarten Class**. Please prayerfully consider leading this amazing group of kids. For more information or any Questions, please talk to **Lindsay Zuiderveen**.

FINANCIAL FACTS:

BUDGET NEWS: Don't forget! All 2019 Committee Budgets are due to Jennifer Van Houten by Sunday, September 23rd!

For the Evening Service on Sunday, September 30th, Pastor Todd and Pastor Dirk Koetje from Prosper CRC will once again be part of a **Pulpit Exchange**. Pastor Dirk will be preaching for us and leading our Service, while Pastor Todd will be leading at Prosper CRC.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:

Sewing Sisters Group Update: The next get-togethers are on **Monday (s), October 8th, November 5th, and December 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. *We could use more ¾" Non-Roll Elastic for the Pillowcase Dresses, and always welcome additional Working Helpers!* Any Questions can be directed to **Sandy (G) Pluger**.**

FELLOWSHIP FUNCTIONS:

7th Annual Church Picnic - Are you ready for some Fun, Fellowship, and great Food! Please join us **TODAY at Noon** for a Summer Potluck at **Lake Missaukee Campground Pavilion in Lake City, MI!** Please bring a **Picnic type Dish to Share** and yourselves! *(There is a Power Supply for any Hot Dishes brought in Crock Pots.)* Fellowship Committee will provide **disposable tableware**, unless you want to bring your own from home. **Lemonade and Coffee** provided too. If you love to cook or have a large family, we would love it if you would consider bringing an **extra Dish to Share** so that we don't run out of Food. There will be access to the **Beach for Swimming, Volleyball Court, and a Playground!** **No Pets allowed in the Pavilion area.** Be sure to mention you are with the **Lucas CRC Group when checking in, and you will not have to pay the \$2 Entry Fee.** See You There!!!

It is that time of year again to enjoy Fellowship around a Campfire with good Food!!! Please bring a **Dish to Share, your own Chairs, and a Roasting Fork to Jim & Karen Pluger's House** immediately following the Evening Worship Service **Next Sunday, September 16th.** The Fellowship Committee will provide Hot Dogs, Buns, Condiments, and disposable Tableware. The host will provide Beverages or a Dish to Share. **We encourage you to bring your own Dishes if you would like too.** Any Questions, please feel free to contact **Jennifer Van Houten**.

MINISTRIES @ LUCAS

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

*Sunday School for grades PreK (4 yrs.) - 5th Grade – 10:45 a.m. Sanctuary & Classrooms studying "Dwell Curriculum" – **Sept. 23 – Lindsay Zuiderveen***

*Middle School Class for grades 6th-8th—10:45 a.m. Sanctuary & Classroom studying "Serendipity Bible"—**Sept. 23—JoAnne Benthem***

*High School Class – 10:45 a.m. Young Peoples Room studying 'Heidelberg Catechism'– **Sept. 23 – Pastor Todd Kuperus***

*Adult Sunday School Class – 11:00 a.m. Council Room studying "Romans"– **Sept. 30 – Rog Hoeksema***

*Women's Bible Study Group—6:30-8:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall, studying "Judges For You by Timothy Keller" - **Sept. 12— Michele Kuperus & Renee Pogue***

DISCIPLESHIP DUTIES:

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH,** and will begin a study on the **Book of Romans** in the **Council Room downstairs a week later than the rest of Sunday School.** All are welcome to join in! Questions, talk to **Rog Hoeksema**.

SAFE CHURCH NEWS: There will be a **Safe Church Training Class for all of those who are NEW to helping out with Activities involving children at Lucas CRC Next Sunday, September 16th at 11:00 a.m.;** in the Sanctuary to briefly go over the current Safe Church Policy. **If you would like to view the policy beforehand, either via email or a printed copy, just ask.** Any questions, talk to **Jennifer Van Houten**.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP – all those who ordered a Bible Study Book from Michele will have **Study Materials in their Church Mailboxes TODAY.** Please read **Chapter 1 and the corresponding Passage from Judges before Wednesday, September 12th.** See you this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall! Questions, talk to **Michele Kuperus or Renee Pogue**.

LUCAS CADET CLUB COUNSELORS: We will be having an **Informational/Planning Meeting on Wednesday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m., downstairs.** Anyone that is still interested in being a **Cadet Counselor** is also welcome to attend. Please come with **Ideas for Events and Activities** for the upcoming Cadet Season.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Northern Michigan Christian School is seeking qualified Christian individuals to fill the following Positions for the upcoming School-Year: Route Bus Driver and Varsity Boys Basketball Coach. Those interested should send a **Cover Letter, Resume, and Letters of Reference to Dr. Daniel Albert, Head of School** at dalbert@nmcs.us.

Please join us for the Annual All You Can Eat Fish Fry on this coming Friday, September 14th at Northern Michigan Christian School (128 S. Martin Street McBain, MI) from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The delicious *Menu includes: All you can eat cod, walleye, baked walleye, chicken, corn, baked beans, French fries, baked potatoes, rolls, salad, homemade desserts, ice cream, and drinks.* **Cost is \$12 for age 10 & up, \$5 age 4-9, and 3 & under are free.** Proceeds benefit Christian Education. Questions, call #231-825-4055. We hope to see you there!

The McBain Community Library is excited to be hosting Author Beverly Lewis TOMORROW at 2:30 p.m. for a book Talk and Book Signing. Copies of her latest Book will be available for purchase. Questions, call the **Library** at #231-825-2197.

Windmill Tours of McBain invites you to join them November 26th - December 1st for a Bus Trip to Branson, MO. You will enjoy wonderful family **Christmas Shows and Samson at the Sight & Sound Theatre** plus more. **Sign-Up deadline is Monday, October 1st.** Call Ruth at #231-878-4961 or visit windmilltoursmi.com for additional information!

What is God doing with your time and talent this year? There is a place for you in Project Canefire! By God's grace Project Canefire will be installing water wells, building houses, supporting micro enterprise businesses, education, sewing, and Bibles. Join us in praising God in the **Dominican Republic January 22, 2019 – February 5, 2019.** **Team Meetings are at 7:00 p.m. every fourth Tuesday at Friends Ministry – 3728 S. Morey Lake City, MI. 49651 - beginning September 25th; October 23rd, November 27th.** For more information call **Mark Mogan #231-429-2974, Dave VanHouten #231-878-2314, or Paul Benthem #231-667-7200.** Experience Christ Together As We Join Him In His Work! The **total Budget for this year's trip is \$75,000.** As usual team members cover their own travel expenses and become fund raisers for God's work. If you want to participate with a financial gift, please send your tax deductible donation to Project Canefire, P.O. Box 556, Lake City, MI. 49651.

THE AMEN CHORUS will begin Practicing this coming Saturday, September 15th from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Rehoboth Reformed Church in Lucas, MI. Practices will be every **Saturday until October 27th; and October 28th and November 3rd** when we will have our **Programs.** If you are a gentlemen that loves to sing, and praise God through song, we would love to have you join us! We ask for **\$10 when you first come to cover the cost of the music.** For more Information, you can contact **Angela Warner** at kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com or #231-330-0894. **The Amen Chorus is directed by Angela Warner and accompanied by Sandy Bode.**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Northern Michigan Christian School will be hosting a TRIP (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program) Orientation for Families who are interested in participating in the Program and those who are new to the Program TOMORROW at 7:00 p.m. Contact **Tasha** at trip@nmcs.us to reserve your spot. For those of you who already utilize the TRIP Program, we will offer a **Refresher Course on Next Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 p.m.** to help you learn all of the user-friendly ways to make the Program work for you, including the **MyScripWallet App.** To make sure you are current on all the options available to you, plan to join us on the 18th. If you are interested in joining our fun and energetic crew in the **TRIP Office by Volunteering** once a week or even just once a month, we would welcome the help! Contact **Tasha** or **Kim** at trip@nmcs.us or #231-825-2492.

We invite you to attend Mission French Africa's Fifth Annual Gala – Transforming Light: Muhammad to Christ on Wednesday, October 17th with Registration at 6:30 p.m. and Dinner at 7:00 p.m. at Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park Grand Rapids, MI. We welcome you to bring a Guest! **R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, September 26th** by either visiting the website: www.missionfrenchafrica.eventbrite.com or calling #616-285-5906. Celebrating God's Goodness bringing the Gospel of Christ to French Africa!

In an effort to increase Donations of food items to both Back Pack Organizations, we are holding a Community Food Drive for Kids' on Saturday, September 15th from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Shoppers can go to **Walmart, Ebels General Store, or Dollar General in Lake City on Saturday, September 15th** and purchase Food Items from a **List provided by Volunteers in front of the Stores.** Food Items can then be dropped into **Food Collection Carts** as Shoppers leave the store. People can also make *Cash Donations from Tuesday, September 4th – Monday, September 17th at the Lake City Agency of McGregor Peterson, McNally's in McBain, or Shoreline Cafe in Lake City.* **Check your Church Mailboxes for additional info!**