

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, MARCH 11TH

Ushers AM Ron Brouwer (northeast), Matt Pogue (southeast),
Doug Benthem, Devon Kamphouse
Nursery AM JoAnne Benthem, Talli Bode, Brett Kamphouse
Greeters AM West – Garrett & DeAnn Prince
East – Rocky & Cindy Schierbeek
Coffee Servers: Larry & Sandy Plugger, Greg & Sandy Plugger,
Dan & Lindsay Zuiderveen

Please bring 5 dozen cookies each

Children & Worship Leader/Teacher: Renee Pogue
Children & Worship Adult Helper: Sherry Zuiderveen
Children & Worship Child Helper: Mason Heuker

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
Sam Yonkman
Dan Zuiderveen
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WELCOME TO LUCAS CHRISTIAN **REFORMED CHURCH**



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 11, 2018

TENTS & TABLES: SHADOWS OF THE SAVIOR

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Vogel Center CRC will be hosting a Spring Day of Prayer service on this coming Wednesday, March 14th at 7:00 p.m. This Evening will give Christians from all around the greater McBain and Falmouth areas a chance to come together to worship God and pray for our community. *The timing of this event is scheduled each year as the Spring agricultural season is beginning and we will be praying for God's blessing on the Farms in our area.* We will also be praying for local businesses, schools, government, and churches. **Please join us as we seek God's blessing together! Nursery will be provided.**

The AMEN Chorus will begin Rehearsals on Saturday, March 17th from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Rehoboth Reformed Church in Lucas. Rehearsals will be held every Saturday until the **Concert dates which are April 28th and April 29th.** If you are a gentlemen that loves to sing and worship God through song and fellowship, we invite you to come. We ask that you bring \$10 to cover the cost of the music and supplies. For further information please contact **Angela Warner** at #231-330-0894, kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com or visit www.amenchorus.org. The Amen chorus is directed by **Angela Warner and accompanied by Sandy Bode.**

NMCS ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING - On Monday, March 19th, at 7:00 p.m., the Board will update the membership on Board activities for the past year, present the 2018-2019 budget for approval, ask the membership to elect board members and vote on new proposals, and recognize staff service. If you are an NMCS Association member and cannot attend, you may submit an absentee ballot by **Noon on March 19th.**

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 18TH

Ushers AM Kathy Spoelma (northeast), Larry Pluger (southeast), Dan Zuiderveen, Dereck Kamphouse

Nursery AM Sandy (G) Pluger, Renee Pogue, Mason Heuker

Greeters AM **West** – Sharon Van Houten
East – Kraig & Jennifer Van Houten

Coffee Servers: Dan & Juli Tacoma, Garrett & DeAnn Prince, Kurt & Ally Brinks, Reeves & Courtney Box
Please bring 5 dozen cookies each

Children & Worship Leader/Teacher:
Erin Lavender

Children & Worship Adult Helper:
Deb Hoeksema

Children & Worship Child Helper:
Sydney Heuker

Praise Team: Green

Offering for Next Week:
AM 1st: General Fund/Budget
2nd: Lucas CRC Building Fund

Welcome to Lucas CRC! We are glad that you are here to worship God with us. We hope that you feel a warm welcome here and invite you to spend some time with us after the service.

WEEK AT A GLANCE...

SUNDAY:

9:30 AM **Fourth Sunday of Lent**
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:

9:00 AM Women's Bible Study Group
Meets in the Fellowship Hall

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study Group
Meets in the Fellowship Hall
Family Dinner @ Highland CRC

7:00 PM Young Peoples Meets in the Youth Group Room
Gems Program @ Highland CRC
CenterShot Program @ Highland CRC

NEXT SUNDAY:

9:30 AM **Fifth Sunday of Lent**
Morning Worship Service
Children & Worship

10:50 AM Sunday School for all Ages

11:00 AM Adult Sunday School

12:00 PM **Think Spring Potluck in the Fellowship Hall**
Fellowship Committee Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

3:30 PM **Autumnwood Church Service**

6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

We welcome, Arynn Van Singel, who will be Singing for us during the Morning Worship Service. Thank you for your Ministry of Music TODAY!

THIS EVENING, Pastor Dirk Koetje from Prosper CRC will be leading us, as part of a Pulpit Exchange. Pastor Todd will be preaching and leading the Evening Worship Service at Prosper CRC.

The "Feed the Need" Program needs your help! Our Church is in need of a new person to handle this Program. *Duties include things like scheduling meals, visits, etc. to Members of our Congregation as the need arises. A full Description is available on the table in the Fellowship Hall.* Any Questions may be directed to **Lindsay Zuiderveen.**

THANK YOU to all the people who gave or sent me many Birthday Cards for my **94th Birthday** recently! ~June Bazuin~

Next Week Sunday, March 18th, we are responsible for leading the Afternoon Worship Service at Autumnwood. This is a great opportunity to serve the people of our community by helping to lead in worship by *singing a song, playing an instrument, reading a Bible passage, or bringing the short meditation.* Please talk to **Pastor Todd** if you are able and willing to participate.

Wednesday Family Nights are re-scheduled for March to meet on Wednesday (s), March 14th and March 21st. **GEMS** and **Center Shot** at **Highland CRC** all plan to meet on these dates. A Family Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. each night.

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” – **TODAY** – **Lindsay Zuiderveen**
- ★ *Middle School Class for grades 6th-8th*—10:45 a.m. Sanctuary & Classroom studying “Apostle’s Creed”—**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 “Ecclesiastes”— **TODAY** – **Rog Hoeksema**
- ★ *Youth Group*—7:00-8:30 p.m. Young Peoples Room studying “King David by David Nasser” - **Mar. 14**—**Evie Kamphouse**
- ★ *Women’s Bible Study Groups*—9:00-10:30 a.m. & 6:30-8:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall, studying “The Wisdom of God: Seeing Jesus in the Psalms & Wisdom Books by Nancy Guthrie” - **Mar. 14**— **Michele Kuperus**

PERIODICALS:

- ⇒ **BETHANY CHRISTIAN SERVICES NEWSLETTER**
- ⇒ **JARED & SUSAN BENTHEM’S PRAYER LETTER**
- ⇒ **MARCH/APRIL TODAY’S**
- ⇒ **NMCS COMET CONNECTION**
- ⇒ **PRECIOUS GEMS NEWSLETTER**
- ⇒ **WORKPLACE CHAPLAINS PRAYER LETTER**

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- * March 19—Elder’s Meeting
- * **March 25—Palm Sunday**
- * March 25—No Sunday School for All Ages
- * March 25—Jail Ministry
- * March 26—Deacon’s & Council Meeting (s)
- * **March 30—Good Friday**
- * **April 1—Easter Sunday**
- * April 1—No Sunday School for All Ages
- * April 1—No Children & Worship
- * April 3—Autumnwood Singing
- * **April 21—3rd Annual Ladies Tea Luncheon**
- * **April 26 & 28—Lucas CRC Diaper Pantry**

DISCIPLESHIP DUTIES:

We are in need of an Individual or a Couple to help lead our Youth Group. Is God calling you to this important and very rewarding ministry? The responsibilities for this position will depend on your own gifts and abilities. Talk to **Pastor Todd** for more information.

Perfect Attendance for February in Sunday School: Emery Brinks, Kenzie & Bella Lavender, Wyatt, Eli & Silas Zuiderveen, Cameron & Braylin Stahl, Lia & Sammy Plugger, Ben Shaarda, and Renee Kuperus.

Congrats to all our Sunday School Students who memorized another verse from our memory passage! Great job reciting Romans 12:13, Sammy & Lia Plugger, Wyatt & Eli Zuiderveen, Connor Brinks, Colton Plugger, Bella Lavender, and Renee Kuperus!

FELLOWSHIP FUNCTIONS:

Think Spring Potluck!!! Please join us Next Sunday, March 18th, at Noon for great food and fellowship! Fellowship Committee will provide Sloppy Joes with buns and beverages. We will have disposable tableware available, unless you would like to bring dishes from home. Please bring a dish to share from your suggested group: **A-Kamphouse = Desserts, Kortman-Plugger = Chips/Fruits/Veggies, Pogue-Z= Salads;** Something that you would bring to a Spring barbecue! Come join with us as we celebrate spring amidst the blizzard conditions! See you there!

MINISTRIES @ LOCAL CRC’S PARTNERING WITH LUCAS CRC:

- ◆ Family Dinners @ Highland CRC – **Mar. 14**– 6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – **Church Office** #231-825-2171
- ◆ CenterShot (Archery) @ Highland CRC – **Mar. 14** - 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. – **Diane Eisenga** #231-357-6298 – Lesson Day, Theme “Stewardship”
- ◆ Gems @ Highland CRC – Grades 2nd-5th - **Mar. 14** - 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. – **Carrie Thompson** #231-250-7517—Lesson Day, Theme “In His Steps”

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NMCS Kindergarten Round-Up and Preschool Open House are just around the corner. Will your child be ready for Kindergarten or a Pre-kindergarten class next year? Northern Michigan Christian School provides quality education centered in God's Word and infused with Christ's love. **Come visit NMCS on this coming Thursday, March 15th between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.** to meet teachers and staff, visit classrooms, and find out about more about the Early Childhood Education Program at Northern Michigan Christian School. Optional kindergarten readiness testing is available by appointment. You can also call **#231-285-2492** or visit **www.nmcs.us** to learn more about all of our educational opportunities!

Please plan to join Northern Michigan Christian School on Tuesday, March 20th as the elementary students present "Martin and the Doors." This musical celebrates the life of protestant reformer Martin Luther and unlocks the five truths he taught; the word of God alone, Christ alone, faith alone, grace alone, and all glory be to God alone. **The Performance begins at 7:00 p.m. at Rehoboth Reformed Church in Lucas.**

The Northern Michigan 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament is a fun day for all! Come to the Tournament at NMCS on Saturday, April 7th to cheer on your favorite teams and enjoy great food! Join us for an exciting day!!! **This event is sponsored by the Vogel Center Christian Education Club.**

Creating Confident Caregivers: Six-session, evidence-based program designed to help family caregivers of someone living with memory loss at home. Provides tools, strategies, and activities to build the caregiver's skills and knowledge. Stress reduction and self-care is emphasized. Respite care may be available. **Date: Thursdays, April 5th - May 10th, from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Location: Wexford County Council on Aging, (714 W 13th Street, Cadillac, MI 49601)** Space is limited and pre-registration is required. **Call Sharon at #1-800-442-1713 to register or for more information, or visit online at www.aaanm.org/workshop-registration**

Prosper CRC will be hosting 2018 Simulcast Secret Church on Friday, April 20th, from 7:00 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. Taught by David Platt. Secret Church is our version of "house church" where we meet periodically for an intense time of Bible study—lasting 6+ hours. This is a great opportunity to worship with other believers from around the word—some of whom have to meet in secret! **This Year's Topic –Cults and Counterfeit Gospels!** For the good of our souls and for the sake of the church's mission, followers of Christ need to ask, *"What false gospels are being taught today?"* and *"How can I recognize the true gospel among so many counterfeits?"* Answering these questions will be the aim of Secret Church 18, "Cults and Counterfeit Gospels." We will consider the claims of Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons, and other Groups that claim to teach the truth. We will also explore more subtle distortions of the gospel, including prosperity teaching that is rampant across the church. In the end, our goal is to walk away from this Secret Church not only enabled to discern false gospels, but also equipped to share the true gospel with people around us and with peoples' around the world. **Cost is \$10. Contact Alex Dodde at #231-349-2806 or adodde@gmail.com with Questions or to Sign-up.**

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