

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 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

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

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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!

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!

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.

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.

SAVE THE DATE---Project Canefire Taco Dinner Fundraiser on Friday, October 12th from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Lucas Christian Reformed Church (10479 S Lucas Rd., McBain, MI. 49657) Free Will Offering-Come One-Come All!!! Call **Paul Benthem** for more Information at #231-667-7200.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

SERMON SERIES:

****Morning Services:** From now until the beginning of **Advent**, we will focus on the **Sermon on the Mount** in a Sermon Series 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 Sermon 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).

UPCOMING SERVICES:

****Sunday, September 30th PM – Pulpit Exchange with Prosper CRC.** Pastor Dirk Koetje will be preaching for us. Pastor Todd will be at Prosper CRC.

****Sunday, November 11th AM – Pastor Todd will be on a Classis Preaching Assignment at Ellsworth CRC.** Pastor Rich Langton will be leading our **Morning Worship Service**.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ◇ 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**
- ◆ October 3—Finance Committee Meeting
- ◆ October 10—Fellowship Committee Meeting

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

Ushers AM Larry Plugger (Northeast), Den Heuker (Southeast), Kathy Spoelma

Nursery AM Juli Tacoma, Sharon Van Houten, Karlie Heuker

Greeters AM West—Dan & Lindsay Zuiderveen
East—Doug & Vonn Benthem

Coffee Servers: Larry & Sandy Plugger, Greg & Sandy Plugger, Mike & Rose Nederhood

Please bring 5 dozen cookies each

Children & Worship Leader/Teacher:

Karen Benthem

Children & Worship Adult Helper:

Sherry Zuiderveen

Children & Worship Child Helper:

Sydney Heuker

Praise Team: Blue

Offering for Next Week:

AM 1st: General Fund/Budget
2nd: Safe Church Counseling Fund

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ◆ October 12—Private Event @ Church
- ◆ 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! 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...

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 Plugger's**

WEDNESDAY:

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study Group
Meets *in the Fellowship Hall*

NEXT SUNDAY:

Safe Church/Abuse Prevention Sunday

9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
Children & Worship

10:50 AM Sunday School for all Ages

6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

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 TODAY 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**.

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!

To our Church Family & Friends,

Thank You sincerely for your expressions of sympathy, thoughtfulness, prayers, cards. It is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered.
~Ken & Judy Kamphouse & Family of our Grandson Joshua Kamphouse~

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~

Lucas CRC will be hosting the Fall Classis Northern Michigan 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.**

PERIODICALS:

**** SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER TODAY'S**
**** NMCS COMET CONNECTION**
**** JOSH & MANDY SHAARDA'S PRAYER LETTER**

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

FINANCIAL FACTS:

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

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!**

FELLOWSHIP FUNCTIONS:

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 **TONIGHT**. 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**.

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**.

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" - Complete Lesson #2 & Read Judges 2:6—3:6—**Sept. 19—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**.

YOUTH GROUP resumes on Wednesday Night, October 10th, at Church from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. We will be Meeting in the Young Peoples' Room downstairs. Please contact **Dan Shaarda** or **Evie Kamphouse** with any Questions.

LUCAS CADET CLUB Begins next Month! The Lucas Cadet Club for Boys ages 1st Grade - 5th Grade, will be Meeting at Lucas CRC from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. On the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the Month starting on **Wednesday, October 3rd**. Contact **Kraig Van Houten, Dan Zuiderveen, or Kurt Brinks** for more Information!