

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, MARCH 17TH

Ushers AM Den Heuker (Northeast), Dan Zuiderveen (Southeast),
Matt Pogue, Wyatt Zuiderveen

Nursery AM Brenda Benthem, Talli Bode, Devon Kamphouse

Greeters AM **West**—Darrell & Kim Kuiper
East—Emilie Kuipers

Coffee Servers: Curt & Shirley Van Houten, Doug & Vonn Benthem,
Joey & Heidi Roberts

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

Elder

Darrell Kuiper
Rocky Schierbeek
Bruce Benthem
Jim Benthem
Rog Hoeksema
Mike Nederhood

Church Families

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

Deacon

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Welcome To Lucas Christian Reformed Church

March 17, 2019



Worship Serve Love

LUCAS CRC — MARCH 17, 2019
MORNING SERVICE 9:30 AM

God Gathers Us

Call to Worship: Revelation 7: 9-12

*Song (s) of Praise/Adoration:

Salvation Belongs To Our God

LUYH Book #608 vs. 1-2

Be Unto Your Name

*God's Greeting & We Greet Each Other

*Song: Be Thou My Vision

LUYH Book #859 vs. 1-2

*Prayer of Confession of Sin:

LUYH Book #640

*Assurance of Pardon:

Affirmation: The Forgiveness of Sins

LUYH Book #678

*Song of Assurance :

O Great God

Prayer

Offering: 1st: General Fund/Budget

2nd: Lucas CRC Building Fund

Prayer with Children for Children & Worship

God Speaks To Us In His Word

Scripture: 1 John 4: 1-6

Bible Page: 1902

Message: Test The Spirits

*Song of Response:

Lead Me, Guide Me

LUYH Book #329 vs. 1-3

We Depart To Serve God And Our Neighbor

*Benediction

*Doxology: Be Thou My Vision

LUYH Book #859 vs. 4

(*Please stand if you are able)

SERMON NOTES AM

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Mississippi Mission Trip is in need of Donations of the following Items. We feed approximately 60, three Meals a day for 6 days. Any amount will help, monetary donations, are also accepted and we will purchase the Items for you: ***Pork or Beef Roasts, Hamburger, Chicken Leg Quarters, Turkeys, Breakfast Meat (Sausage, Bacon, Ham), Butter, #10 Cans String Beans, #10 Cans Fruit (Pineapple, Peaches, Mixed, etc.), 9x13" Pans of Homemade Lasagna (we will supply Pans, just ask), Cinnamon Rolls, Banana Bread, Cookies, Box Cereal (Kid-friendly).*** Please prayerfully consider donating any of these Items to the Group. The deadline for **Drop-Off is this coming Friday, March 22nd.** We can Pick-Up if necessary. **Drop-Off can be done at Cadillac CRC or in the Foyer of NMC School, please label for Mississippi Trip, or by contacting one of us. Monetary Donations are also gladly accepted for us to purchase these if easier.** Thank You!

Questions???? Contact: **Dennis Anderson** #231-878-1778, **Teri Rasey** #231-884-1119, **Keith Beerens** #231-510-0032, or **Kurt Borchers** #231-942-1352.

Prime Rib Dinner: Join us at Vogel Center CRC on Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:00 p.m. for our 2nd Annual Men's Night. Pastor **Brian Bosscher** will be speaking on how discipleship and spiritual growth can lead to peace. Worship and Praise will be led by **Justin Sluiter from Highland CRC.** We will also have a special Guest Speaker and hear the testimony of one of our **Journeymen Members!** Tickets are \$10 per seat and seating is limited so you will want to RSVP soon (this Event sold out last year). Contact the **Church Office** at #231-825-2053 or register online <http://www.vogelcentercrc.org/> by **Wednesday, March 27th.** Dinner of prime rib, potato, and vegetable begins at 6:00 p.m.

The Mississippi Trip is in need of an Additional Adult Woman as Chaperone and Back-Up Driver. We have more girls going than boys this year so this is needed. Contact **Dennis Anderson** #231-8781778. Thank You!

Prosper CRC will be hosting 2019 Simulcast Secret Church on Friday, April 26th, 7:00 p.m. - 1:00 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 – Prayer, Fasting, and the Pursuit of God!** (Event description from <https://secrechurch.radical.net/>) Cost is \$10. Contact **Alex Dodde** at #231-349-2806 or adodde@gmail.com with Questions or to Sign-Up.

Single MOMM Event Night: Saturday, April 6th, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.: Lake City CRC will be hosting a Single MOMM Event Night partnering with Traverse City based Single MOMM to bring their mission to Lake City! Single MOMM's mission is to cultivate communities to ignite hope, healing, and confidence within single moms through story-based awareness, mentorship, and guidance. One way to do this is through a Single MOMM Event Night which provides a few hours where overwhelmed, tired, and alone doesn't exist. When moms walk through the doors, they are met with the message, **"You're off Duty"** and **"You Belong Here."** Come if you are a single mom and/or invite your single mom friends! Register at www.singlemomm.org/lakecityeventnight . Childcare provided. Many **Volunteers are needed for this event —greeters, food prep, food servers, child caregivers, security, master storyteller** and more! If interested in volunteering, contact **Lacie Hejnal** at #248-496-9643.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The AMEN Chorus will begin practicing on Saturday, March 30th from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. (note the different Practice time) at Rehoboth Reformed Church. Our Concert this season will be on **Saturday, May 4th at 7:00 p.m.** at Rehoboth. Please come to the first Rehearsal with \$10 to cover the cost of Music. If you have any Questions, please contact **Director Angela Warner** at kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com or #231-330-0894.

MARK YOUR CALENDER: Wexford-Missaukee Right To Life Annual Spring "Focus On Life Dinner" will be Monday, April 29th, at the Cherry Grove Event Center, Cadillac. More info will be forthcoming in a few weeks!

KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP and PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE – NOW on THURSDAY, March 21st: PRESCHOOL/Young 5's OPEN HOUSE RESCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 21—8:30 a.m.—7:00 p.m. KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP - THURSDAY, MARCH 21st - 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. At NMCS our mission and vision are based on the belief that each child is created in God's image and as such has inestimable worth. As image bearers of God, children must develop spiritually as well as mentally, physically, emotionally, and socially. Growth in these areas is a developmental process. We are excited to partner with you to guide your child to achieve growth in all areas. Our Early Childhood Development Program Curriculum presents a Christ-centered worldview. Program goals include living closer to Jesus, learning to cooperate cheerfully with others, achieving a healthy self-image, functioning comfortably in a routine and structured environment, improving verbal and auditory skills, developing motor and perceptual skills, recognizing numbers and developing basic number skills, and developing reading readiness skills. Come with your child to visit the Teacher in the Classroom on **Thursday, March 21st**; we will be available to answer all of your Questions.

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH

Ushers AM Darrell Kuiper (Northeast), Kathy Spoelma (Southeast), Howard Prince, Sammy Plugger

Nursery AM Erin Lavender, Faith Lawson, Jenna Kuperus

Greeters AM **West**—Garry & Lorraine Martz
East—Steve & Becky Nicholas

Coffee Servers: Jim & JoAnne Benthem, BJ & Molly Plugger, Dave & Joyce Zuiderveen
Please bring 5 dozen cookies each

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Karen Benthem

Children & Worship Adult Helper:
Sherry Zuiderveen

Children & Worship Child Helper:
Sydney Heuker

Praise Team: Yellow

Offering for Next Week:
AM 1st: General Fund/Budget
2nd: Christian Education Fund

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...

SUNDAY:

Second Sunday of Lent

9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
Children & Worship
10:50 AM Sunday School for all Ages
11:00 AM Adult Sunday School

MONDAY:

7:00 PM Elder's Meeting *in the Council Room*

WEDNESDAY:

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study Group
Meets in the Fellowship Hall
Lucas Cadet Club Meeting
Downstairs @ Church

NEXT SUNDAY:

Third Sunday of Lent

9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
Children & Worship
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

THIS MORNING, PASTOR JOHN SHOAF WILL BE BRINGING GOD'S WORD TO US DURING OUR MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE AS PASTOR TODD AND MICHELE HAVE BEEN AT THE LIGONIER NATIONAL CONFERENCE.

John is an Ordained Minister who served as lead Pastor for over 10 years in a **Reformed Baptist Church**. We are thankful for his willingness to lead us in God's Word! If you have any Questions or Concerns while our Pastor is away, please contact your **District Elder** or **Deacon**.

THIS EVENING, LUCAS CRC WILL NOT HAVE AN EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE TONIGHT.

However, we encourage you to take part in the **Evening Worship Service** that will be taking place at **Prosper CRC at 6:00 p.m.** This Worship Service will include a time of **Commissioning for the Group that is heading to Mississippi** for the **Spring Break Service Project**. **Pastor Adam Barton** from **Vogel Center CRC** will be preaching.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COOKIES AND BEVERAGES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL, after the Service this Morning! **Decaf Coffee** available at the **Table in the Fellowship Hall**, and **Regular Coffee** is served from the **Kitchen Window**.

SERMON SERIES:

** **Morning:** We will continue through the book of **1 John** throughout the **Lenten Season**.
** **Evening:** **The Dragon-Slayer Saga**, our **Series** on the book of **Revelation**, will continue again **Next Week Sunday, March 24th**, as we will study Revelation 14.

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES ON SUNDAY (S), MARCH 24TH AND MARCH 31ST FOR SPRING BREAK. We will resume the following **Sunday, April 7th.**

LADIES OF LUCAS!

Be sure to save **Saturday Morning, April 20th**, for the **4th Annual Ladies Tea**. Invitations and more information to come in the following weeks! Contact **Michele Kuperus** with Questions.

LADIES' TEA NEWS --

Planning is underway for the **4th Annual Ladies' Tea**. As in recent years, along with signing-up to come, we would also love to have many **Volunteers to bring baked goods and/or groceries** to help with the Tea Menu. We will also be looking for **Volunteers to help set-up, prepare food, clean-up**, and of course, we will be needing our **wonderful MEN to help serve!** **Sign-Up Sheets** will be out in the **Fellowship Hall starting Next Sunday, March 24th**. If you have any Questions before then, please talk to **Karen Benthem, Heidi Heuker, Jennifer Van Houten, or Michele Kuperus**.

NMCS 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT -

The Lucas CRC Booster Club will be doing **Concessions** for the **3 On 3 Basketball Tournament** on **Saturday, April 6th**. We have placed **Sign-Up Sheets** on the table in the **Fellowship Hall** for anyone who would like to donate baked goods, food, or other supplies that are needed for this Event. The Booster Club would like to thank the Congregation in advance for all of your continued support. If you have any Questions, please feel free to contact **Carrie Stahl**.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ⇒ April 1—Deacon's & Full Council Meetings
- ⇒ **April 3—Lucas Cadet Club Pinewood Derby Car Race**
- ⇒ **April 6—3 On 3 Basketball Tournament @ NMCS w/ Lucas Booster Club Concession Stand**
- ⇒ **April 7—Refugee Sunday**
- ⇒ **April 12—Cadet Council Pinewood Derby Car Race @ Lake City CRC**
- ⇒ **April 14—Palm Sunday**
- ⇒ **April 19—Good Friday**
- ⇒ **April 20—4th Annual Ladies Tea @ Lucas CRC**
- ⇒ **April 21—Easter Sunday**
- ⇒ **April 25 & 27—Lucas CRC Diaper Pantry**

PERIODICALS:

- **NMCS COMET CONNECTION
- **MARCH/APRIL TODAY'S
- **JOSH & MANDY SHAARDA'S PRAYER LETTER

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

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.) - 5th 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 “Hebrews: Consider Jesus by Justin Buzzard” - Complete Lesson #7—Mar. 20— Michele Kuperus & Renee Pogue*
- *Lucas Cadet Club—Boys Ages 1st-5th Grade—6:30-8:30 p.m. Basement, “Bible Study Lessons & Badges”—2 Dozen Homemade Snacks = Wyatt Zuiderveen - Mar. 20—Kraig Van Houten, Kurt Brinks, Dan Zuiderveen, & Nick Ochampaugh*
- *Young Peoples – 6th Grade to High School—7:00-8:30 p.m. Apr. 10— Youth Group Room, studying “Freedom In Christ by Josh & Mandy Shaarda” – Dan Shaarda & Evie Kamphouse*

THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR ALL OF THE BIRTHDAY CARDS from this past week, it was so wonderful to hear from

so many on my special day!

~June Bazuin~

THANK YOU EVERYONE for the cards and prayers for my recovery. Your continued prayers will be greatly appreciated, as I don't listen too well to those trying to help me.

~Karen Pluger~