

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, FEBRUARY 25TH

Ushers AM Steve Nicholas (northeast), Howard Prince (southeast), Rocky Schierbeek, Brett Kamphouse

Nursery AM Ally Brinks, DeAnn Prince, Karlie Heuker

Greeters AM West – Marc & Danielle Pluger
East – BJ & Molly Pluger

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

Please bring 5 dozen cookies each

Children & Worship Leader/Teacher: Cindy Schierbeek

Children & Worship Adult Helper: Patti Brouwer

Children & Worship Child Helper: Jenna Kuperus

<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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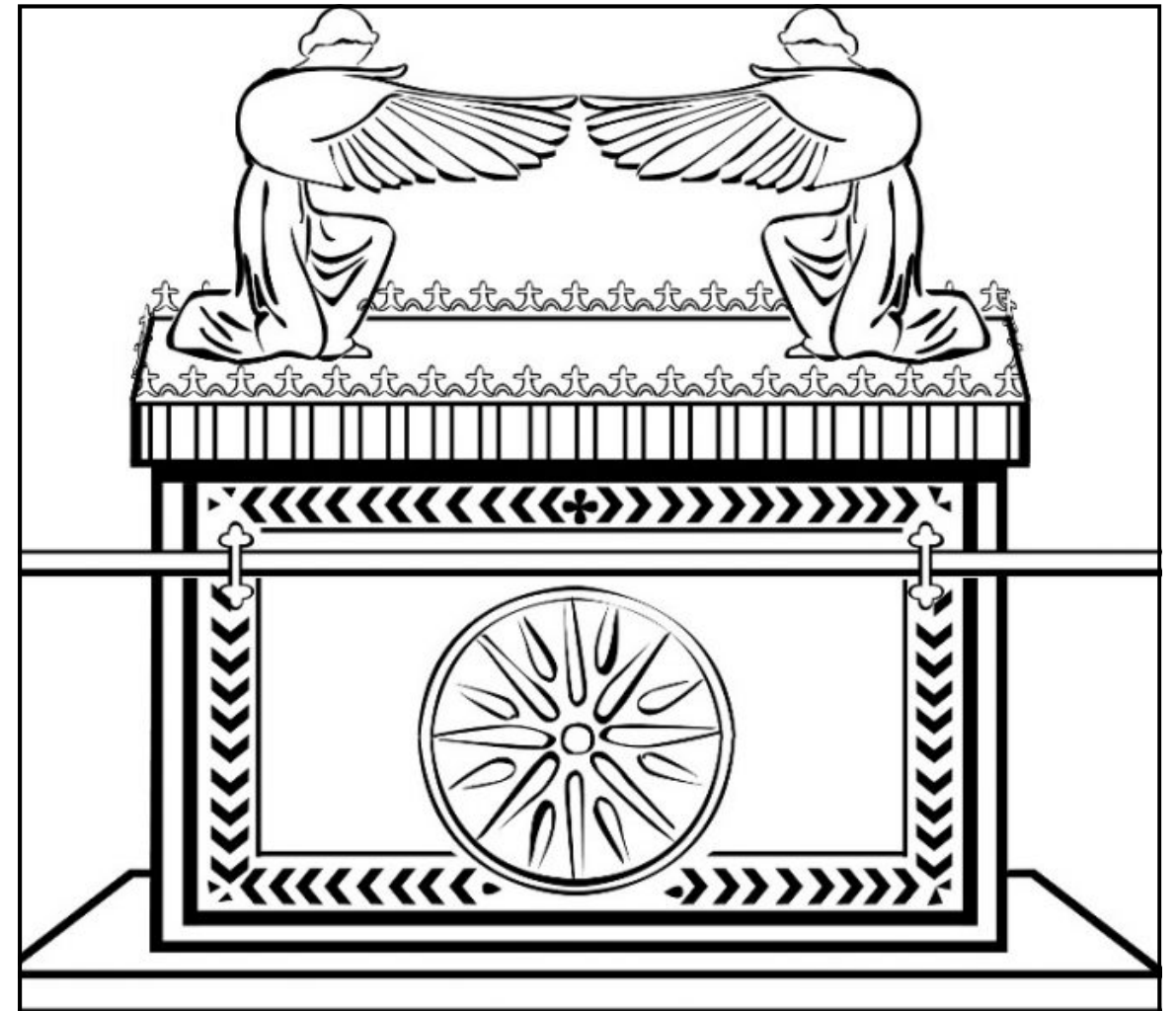
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WELCOME TO LUCAS CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 25, 2018

TENTS & TABLES: SHADOWS OF THE SAVIOR



**MINISTRIES @ LOCAL CRC'S
PARTNERING WITH LUCAS CRC:**

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ⇒ March 6—Autumnwood Singing
- ⇒ **March 14—Annual Day of Prayer**
- ⇒ March 18—Autumnwood Church Services
- ⇒ March 18—Fellowship Committee Meeting
- ⇒ March 19—Elder’s Meeting
- ⇒ **March 25—Palm Sunday**
- ⇒ March 25—No Sunday School for All Ages
- ⇒ March 25—Jail Ministry
- ⇒ **March 29—Good Friday**
- ⇒ **April 1—Easter Sunday**
- ⇒ April 1—No Sunday School for All Ages
- ⇒ April 1—No Children & Worship
- ⇒ **April 26 & 28—Lucas CRC Diaper Pantry**

**THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY,
MARCH 4TH**

- Ushers AM** Dave Zuiderveen (northeast), Garrett Prince (southeast), Curt Van Houten, Sydney Heuker
- Nursery AM** Angie Kamphouse, Juli Tacoma, Jenna Kuperus
- Greeters AM** **West** – Jim & Karen Pluger
East – Howard & Nancy Prince
- Coffee Servers:** Steve & Becky Nicholas, Kraig & Jennifer Van Houten, Paul & Kathy Spoelma
- Please bring 5 dozen cookies each**

Children & Worship Leader/Teacher:
Danielle Pluger

Children & Worship Adult Helper:
Sandy (L) Pluger

Children & Worship Child Helper:
Karlle Heuker

Praise Team: Red

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

Welcome to Lucas CRC! A special welcome to all visitors! We hope that you are blessed, encouraged, challenged and uplifted through your time here with us. Please let us know if you have any questions or if you need prayer.

WEEK AT A GLANCE...

SUNDAY:

- 9:30 AM **Second 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 Life Group Meeting w/ Potluck & Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall**
- 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

MONDAY:

- 6:30 PM Deacon’s Meeting *in the Deacon’s Room*
- 7:30 PM Council Meeting *in the Council Room*

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*
- 7:00 PM Young Peoples Meets *in the Youth Group Room*

NEXT SUNDAY:

- 9:30 AM **Third Sunday of Lent**
World Renew Disaster Relief Sunday
Morning Worship Service
Children & Worship
- 10:50 AM Sunday School for all Ages
- 11:00 AM Adult Sunday School

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR
CHURCH FAMILY:**

This coming week (Monday, February 26th – Friday, March 2nd), Pastor Todd will be attending the on-campus portion of his Classes at Calvin Seminary. Please keep him in prayer this week. Because he will be gone this week, please contact your district elder with any needs or concerns that you have. **Next Sunday, March 4th, Pastor Ed Gilbert will be leading our Morning Worship Service.** We will **not be having an Evening Worship Service at Lucas CRC**, but encourage you to attend another Service in the area!

Classis Northern Michigan will be meeting on Tuesday, March 6th at Friendship CRC in Gaylord. Please remember to pray for our delegates (**Pastor Todd & Jim Benthem**) and for all those who will be part of the Classis Meeting.

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.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at Lucas CRC, It was a pleasure for us to be in McBain in December, to spend time in fellowship and to worship our LORD together. Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and support for our work in Eastern Europe. We returned to Ukraine in the end of December; it has been exciting to see God at work in this part of the world. **Please keep us in your prayers and follow our ministry through our newsletter and website.** In Christ, **Eric & Stacey and Hans Hoeksema**

UPCOMING SERVICE/SERMON DETAILS:

- In our Evening Worship Services we will continue our study of the book of Revelation “*The Dragon-Slayer Saga Series*”. We continue with Chapter 7 TONIGHT.
- Sunday, March 11th – As part of a Pulpit Exchange, Pastor Dirk Koetje from Prosper CRC will be leading us in our Evening Worship Service, while Pastor Todd will be at Prosper CRC.

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” - **Feb. 28**—**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” - **Feb. 28**— **Michele Kuperus**

PERIODICALS:

MARCH/APRIL 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!

LUCAS LINK ARTICLES FOR MARCH ARE DUE TODAY. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT **DIANE KORTMAN-KIRT**.

DISCIPLESHIP DUTIES:

Life Group Meeting @ Lucas CRC with Potluck & Bible Study: The next Meeting date is TODAY at 12:00 p.m. at Church. We will be studying: “*A Faith for All Seasons: A Study of Life's Changes.*” If you are interested, please contact Rog & Deb Hoeksema or Jim & Karen Pluger.

E-FREE Church of Gaylord is again sponsoring a Men's Conference on Saturday, March 10th. Several of our men have enjoyed this Meeting over the past few years. For details on Speakers and info on Registering go to: <http://ahighercall.com/>, Other Questions or to arrange Carpooling, see **Rog Hoeksema** or **Gerry Vandenberg**.

SAVE THE DATE! The 3rd Annual Ladies Tea will be held on Saturday, April 21st, at 11:00 a.m. Write this date on your Calendars! More information to come soon! Thanks, ~**Michele Kuperus**~

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:

Sewing Sisters Group Update: The next get-together is **Monday, March 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Thank you to the ladies who came and worked to get over 86 Pillowcase Dresses done! What another successful day we had! Also thanks to all who have donated Pillowcases! *We can always use more Pillowcases and we welcome any additional Working Helpers!* Any Questions can be directed to **Sandy (G) Pluger @ #231-920-7191**. Thanks again!

FELLOWSHIP FUNCTIONS:

Think Spring Potluck!!! Please join us on 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-Pluger = 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!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Highland CRC's Contemporary Worship Band, JUMP, will be hosting a Worship Service on Next Sunday Evening, March 4th, at 5:00 p.m. The Congregation at Highland voted for their top 10 contemporary favorites, so these should be familiar tunes to most people. All members of the community, of all ages, are welcome to join us for a night of worship! **There will also be a Potluck Supper and a time of fellowship immediately following!** Please join us!

Vogel Center CRC will be hosting a Spring Day of Prayer service on 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.**

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 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!

It's time for Northern Michigan 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament. All players (4th grade through Adults) are welcome. The Tournament is **Saturday, April 7th at Northern Michigan Christian School in McBain and is sponsored by the Vogel Center Christian Education Club.** Entry forms are available at NMCS or local Area Schools Athletic Departments. Questions should be sent to sjenema@gmail.com or by leaving a message at #231-825-9819. **Entry deadline is Saturday, March 10th.**

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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