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Love is great when spoken,
but greatest when shown.
Do little things daily to show
your loved ones you care.

First Allendale CRC
Monthly Financial Report
December 31, 2024

Beginning Checking Balance **\$96,481.32**

Revenue	December	Year-To-Date	Budget	Remaining
General Fund Collections	\$63,988.77	\$196,723.65	\$374,850.00	\$178,126.35
Christian Education Tuition Assistance	\$2,766.00	\$11,299.00	\$23,500.00	\$12,201.00
Causes	\$8,705.00	\$41,805.35	\$65,000.00	\$23,194.65
Cadets	\$205.00	\$1,473.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,527.00
Gems	\$1,740.00	\$3,051.71	\$6,000.00	\$2,948.29
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Interest Income	\$57.88	\$276.74	\$100.00	-\$176.74
Total Revenue	\$77,462.65	\$254,629.45	\$472,450.00	\$217,820.55

Expenses

Facilities	\$3,946.64	\$24,531.92	\$105,400.00	\$80,868.08
Worship and Music	\$1,490.00	\$5,095.94	\$10,700.00	\$5,604.06
Education	\$149.56	\$5,260.61	\$11,500.00	\$6,239.39
Staff	\$21,825.77	\$103,549.66	\$210,756.00	\$107,206.34
Local Ministries	\$23,406.18	\$58,173.76	\$89,770.00	\$31,596.24
Denominational Ministries	\$15,430.51	\$26,736.79	\$47,000.00	\$20,263.21
Total Expenses	\$66,248.66	\$223,348.68	\$475,126.00	\$251,777.32
Reserved Funds Used	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Net Income/Loss	\$11,213.99	\$31,280.77	-\$2,676.00	-\$33,956.77

Reserved Fund Balances

Restricted Bequests	\$12,704.36
Building Maintenance	\$19,673.86
Christian Education Tuition Assistance	\$9,831.00
Causes	\$0.00
Ministry Shares	\$0.00
Total Reserved Funds	\$42,209.22

General Funds Available **\$65,486.09**

Barnabas Accounts

Ministries Fund	\$79,271.97
General Reserve	\$110,574.35
Building Maintenance	\$41,385.14
Total Barnabas Funds	\$231,231.46



January 2025

While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." —Acts 13:2

The gospel has always been a seed that spreads.

We see it early in our history when the Church is scattered by persecution in Acts 8. In this case, the gospel spreads through a diaspora movement of displaced people who nonetheless take this good news wherever they go. This is still happening today. Many of our church planters in the Great Lakes Region are those who have been displaced because of persecution, war, or severe economic hardship. These communities, like the Dutch immigrants who founded the CRC, are committed to the gospel, to prayer, to God's Word, and to sharing the good news with their fellow displaced neighbors.

We also see the seed spread through the Church sending committed servants in Acts 13. The gospel spreads in this case through intentional planting of the seed in new soils. Sometimes that seed begins to bear fruit right away as in Pisidian Antioch (Acts 13:13-52). Other times it was really difficult as it was in Iconium (Acts 14:1-7). In both cases, the gospel is sown and spreads.

We have a long history of sending committed servants to new places to share the good news of Jesus. Today we send these servants to five continents (including North America) to sow the seed of the gospel in communities. They, too, are committed to the gospel, to prayer, to God's Word, and to sharing the good news with their neighbors.

This newsletter is filled with ways to learn about, connect with, and support those servants. They are our missionaries, set apart for the work the Lord has called them to

so that the good news of Jesus spreads to every nation.

—Scott Stark, Great Lakes Regional Mission Leader



Q&A with Pamela Alderman

Have you ever used art as outreach? As an artist and missionary in our region, Pamela Alderman has found a unique calling to provide interactive art experiences that provide hope and healing for people—especially for people who might not find themselves in a church building. We chatted with Pamela to get a glimpse of her ministry and how your church can partner with her to help form connections in your community.

[LEARN MORE](#)

Where Will Your Church Go?

What can we learn about sharing the gospel from believers in cultures different from our own? A brand new mission trip from Resonate, Witness Trips are all about listening and learning from mission practitioners in a context different from your own—and it's designed to help your church or ministry group serve better in your community!

- Partnering with missionaries is an important way to spread the gospel, but these partnerships can also help your church grow. Supporting a missionary is about more than providing finances, however—it's also about prayer, care, and community. [Here are some resources to provide you with ideas for caring for your missionaries well.](#)
- [Expand your church's vision with a Witness Trip.](#) Visit one of Resonate missionaries, church plants, campus ministries, or other partner ministry to see how people live out the gospel in a context different from your own. When you return, you'll work with a coach to design steps toward growing your witness to Jesus in your own community.
- Global Coffee Break (GCB) members and anyone interested are warmly invited to visit the new CRCNA Ministry Support building on February 6th, 10:00–11:30 AM. Connect with your local GCB representative, enjoy coffee and fellowship, and explore the latest *Discover Your Bible* studies. [View event details here.](#)
- Is your church looking to support a missionary? Resonate missionaries Charles and Hensel Oh have been serving in the Philippines, but now they're following God's call to Japan—where less than 1% of the population identifies as Christian. [Learn more about their ministry here.](#)

Thank you for your work spreading the gospel in your community and throughout the world. Resonate exists to plant churches, send missionaries, and support you and your church as you join in God's mission. Want to talk? [Send me an email!](#)



Serving with you,

Scott Stark Great Lakes Regional Mission Leader

✉ [sstark@crcna.org](mailto:ss Stark@crcna.org)



Winter 2025 Report

Thank you for your Support! In 2024, World Renew partnered with **67 Churches and Christian Organizations** and walked alongside **559,987 participants** in **1,305 communities** in **29 developing countries** worldwide. We look forward to 2025 and the impact we will continue to make through your support!

FOR the most up to date information, please read:

- 2024 Annual Report found here: [World Renew 2024 Annual Report](#)
- World Renew Winter Fieldnotes: [World Renew Winter Fieldnotes](#)
- DRS Opportunities: [DRS Sign UP to receive Opportunities and Spotlights](#)

Here are some updates:



DRS Response to California fires: DRS has been monitoring and praying for the survivors of the California wildfires, an unfortunate reminder of the ongoing need for disaster response programs. We are grateful for the support raised by the World Renew community to help us respond. World Renew DRS will coordinate with officials and other voluntary organizations to plan a response to assist survivors of the January wildfires. World Renew DRS

prioritizes assisting homeowners who are uninsured, elderly, low income, or otherwise unable to recover from a disaster on their own. The organization will prepare to help residents as the threat is brought under control and response agencies gain access to destroyed areas.

GLOBAL HEALTH: In 2024, 126,710 people participated in World Renew health programs, gaining access to essential resources and knowledge to improve their nutrition and overall health. Together, we're building stronger, healthier communities worldwide. Thank you for making this transformative impact possible! Go here (worldrenew.net/our-stories/kenya-miracle-of-good-health) to read the story of Sanita and how because of the work of World Renew, she gave birth to a healthy baby. World Renew offers Maternal and Child Health (MCH) programs for pregnant women, mothers, and children where they can receive advice on medical care, nutrition, and more. We also equip local community health volunteers (CHVs) with the tools, support, and knowledge they need to care for pregnant women and improve their health.



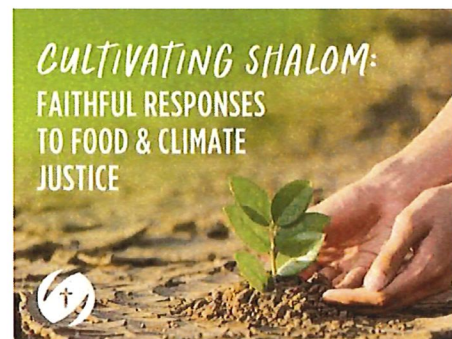


SUSTAINABILITY: In Nicaragua, solar-powered pumps are being used for a community water system, supported by World Renew. Solar energy is transforming lives around the world, especially in regions facing food insecurity and water scarcity. From pumping water in drought-stricken areas to powering irrigation systems for farmers, solar energy is helping communities grow food, access clean water, and improve their livelihoods. We continue to support solutions that empower people and protect our planet. From solar to wind, and everything in between, clean energy is not just a solution—it's a lifeline for communities in need.

DRS NEW Director: Bob Laarman retired as the DRS Director and Chris Gibson has been named as the new director.

DRS sites: Long-term reconstruction sites in Sarasota, Florida, Mayfield, Kentucky, and Windsor, North Carolina, are all resuming after pausing for Christmas, as volunteers repair homes damaged by hurricanes and tornadoes. Additionally, we are deploying Unmet Needs Assessment teams to Iowa to help Long-Term Recovery Organizations after flooding in the summer of 2024. Finally, a very busy spring season has kicked off for the DRS Groups Program, sending many church and school one-week volunteer teams to various disaster partners to restore local communities.

UPCOMING Cultivating Shalom Virtual Discussions: Join this exciting five-week virtual series on Wednesday evenings February 19, 26, March 5, 12, & 19 at 7:30 PM Eastern (6:30 PM Central, 5:30 PM Mountain, 4:30 PM Pacific) hosted by World Renew. Guest leaders will share their expertise and perspectives about the intersection of faith, our relationship with creation, and our response to food and climate justice. Don't miss this opportunity to learn from experts in their fields! [REGISTER HERE](#)




The best way to regularly get news and updates from World Renew is **to sign up for emails and enews** at www.worldrenew.net/signup. When you sign up you will automatically receive annual reports and quarterly fieldnotes. You can also follow World Renew on Facebook or Instagram.

Attention J.O.Y. Group

We will be having a Potluck on Thursday, February 27, at 6:00 PM. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Coffee and rolls will be provided. Our Program will be A "Jeopardy Night." We will need 1 Score Keeper, 2 Judges, 9 Contestants, and an Audience! Please watch for a Sign-Up Sheet in a couple weeks.

Our (Second) First CRC Trivia Night

The (First) First CRC Trivia Night was such a success, the masses clamored for a (Second) First CRC Trivia Night! 😊 This year again our game Hosts were the Hosts with the Mosts, The Trevor Kuzee Clan! Featuring The One and only ... drum roll please ... Trevor Kuzee as The Questioner, The Magnificent and Beautiful Mallory Kuzee as Laptop Master, and Last, but certainly not least, The Spectacular Grady and Jack Kuzee as collectors of Answer Sheets! I think they deserve a drum roll as we  The church basement was filled with "Brain Waves" and loads of laughter. Five teams competed, with The PK Humblers Team as Champions. You should really consider joining in the fun next time!



80+ Birthday Club

Bern Scholma, 81 years old on Feb. 24



Lee & Jean Scholma, 56 years on Feb. 14



Lord of heaven and earth, we offer you our deepest gratitude for this country and the freedom to worship you. Stir up a sense of stewardship so we all may care for our nation and each inhabitant of it.

We pray especially for our leaders, that you will bless them with wisdom and humility. Prompt everyone in positions of authority to pursue righteousness, justice and the welfare of all.

Remind us of the psalmist's teaching: "Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord" (Psalm 33:12, NRSV). May that promise be fulfilled "from sea to shining sea." Amen.



True love

Many of us celebrate Valentine's Day in both fun and serious ways. Children exchange treats and



humorous cards with classmates and friends; some bring home handmade cards for the adults in their lives.

Romantic partners may go out to eat and present each

other flowers, chocolate, a fancy card — maybe even an engagement ring!

As playful as Valentine's Day can be, it's also a great time to remember the serious side of love, as indicated by these quotes:

- "When you love someone, you love the whole person as he or she is, and not as you would like them to be." —Leo Tolstoy
- "You don't love someone because they're perfect; you love them in spite of the fact that they're not." —Jodi Picoult
- "Love ... is quiet understanding, mutual confidence, sharing and forgiving. ... It settles for less than perfection and makes allowances for human weaknesses." —Ann Landers

We can do the difficult work of true love — actions, not just feelings — only because God loved us first. He did (and does) so despite our imperfection, and in Jesus, God shows us how to share true love with others. This Valentine's Day, if you don't remember any other profound quotes, hold this one in your heart:

- "We love because God first loved us." — 1 John 4:19 (NCV)





Change of Heart

SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Day 1: Genesis 8:21-22 | Day 17: 2 Chronicles 33:12-13 |
| Day 2: Exodus 7:3-4 | Day 18: Psalm 51:10-12 |
| Day 3: Exodus 8:13-15 | Day 19: Psalm 51:16-17 |
| Day 4: Deuteronomy 4:9 | Day 20: Psalm 139:23-24 |
| Day 5: Deuteronomy 8:17-18 | Day 21: Ecclesiastes 11:9-10 |
| Day 6: Deuteronomy 10:15-17 | Day 22: Jeremiah 24:6-7 |
| Day 7: Deuteronomy 29:18-19 | Day 23: Jeremiah 32:39-41 |
| Day 8: 1 Samuel 7:3 | Day 24: Ezekiel 11:18-20 |
| Day 9: 1 Samuel 24:5-7 | Day 25: Ezekiel 18:30-32 |
| Day 10: 1 Samuel 25:32-34 | Day 26: Joel 2:12-13 |
| Day 11: 2 Samuel 24:10 | Day 27: Jonah 3:7-9 |
| Day 12: 1 Kings 8:46-49 | Day 28: Acts 2:37-38 |
| Day 13: 1 Kings 8:50-52 | Day 29: Acts 8:35-36, 38 |
| Day 14: 1 Kings 11:3-4 | Day 30: Acts 9:17-19 |
| Day 15: 1 Kings 11:9-10 | Day 31: Philippians 2:9-11 |
| Day 16: 2 Kings 23:24-25 | |

This unique scripture writing plan includes 31 days of scripture, so you can use it during any month. We recommend reading for context first, then writing each day's verses in a notebook or our faith journal. Feel free to make this study your own by reading each passage aloud, highlighting or color-coding important words, or jotting down questions for further research.

Did You Know?

THAT Time is.....

too slow for those who wait,
too swift for those who fear,
too long for those who grieve,
too short for those who rejoice.
But for those who love God,
time is eternity.

THAT Dar Oom had an interesting flight to

Florida to visit her niece,
Andrea. She stated..."If you
want a compensated flight and
voucher, you lose cabin
pressure and suck oxygen
until you land!" Never a dull
moment! We are thankful that
she arrived safe and sound at
Andrea, and that angels were surrounding her!



THAT

**Having noisy
children in the
church is a far
better sound
than the sound
of no children in
the church.**

THAT

1 Peter 4:7-10

The end of all things is
near. Therefore be alert
and of sober mind so that
you may pray. Above all,
love each other deeply,
because love covers over a
multitude of sins. Offer
hospitality to one another
without grumbling. Each of
you should use whatever
gift you have received to
serve others, as faithful
stewards of God's grace in
its various forms.

THAT

**TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
IN SOMEONE'S LIFE, YOU
DON'T HAVE TO BE BRILLIANT,
RICH, BEAUTIFUL, OR PERFECT.
YOU JUST HAVE TO CARE**





First Recipe Corner



Ingredients:

- 20 oz. bag of frozen hashbrowns
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. pepper
- 2 cups sour cream
- 10 oz. can of cream of chicken soup
- ½ cup milk
- 1 lb. of cooked chicken shredded (1 cup)
- 2 cups crushed corn flakes
- 4 TBSP melted butter

Easy Chicken

Hashbrown Casserole

Submitted by Nancy Pleune



NOTE: You can also substitute 1 lb. of browned ground beef for the chicken and then use Cream of Mushroom soup instead of Cream of Chicken.

Directions: Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large bowl mix together the salt, pepper, sour cream, cream of chicken soup and milk. Then stir in the chicken, cheese and hashbrowns.

Place into a lightly greased 9x13 baking pan.

In a small mixing bowl, mix together the crushed cornflakes with the melted butter. Sprinkle over the casserole.

Bake for 1 hour or until golden brown.

If you have a favorite recipe(s) that you would like to share, please turn it in to First in Focus for the rest of us to enjoy!!

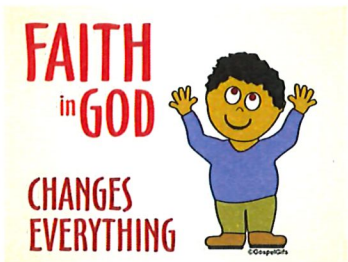
love is...



...never getting tired of seeing the same old face.

NO ATHLETE EVER SUCCEEDED WITHOUT
HARD WORK, AND NO CHRISTIAN EVER GROWS
IN GODLINESS WITHOUT SELF-DISCIPLINE.

JOHN MACARTHUR



a lovely aroma

Make this sweet-smelling gift for a friend or valentine.

What you need:

- Colored felt
- Scrap paper
- Permanent marker
- Scissors
- String
- Essential oils (rose, lavender, etc.)

What you do:

1. Draw a flower shape on paper and cut it out.
2. Place the flower template on felt and draw around it with the marker.
3. Cut out the felt flower. Then cut a small slit or hole through it.
4. Cut 8 inches of string. Thread it through the felt flower and tie to form a loop for hanging.
5. To the felt, add 3 to 5 drops of essential oil. This air freshener will last about 2 weeks.
6. Revive the scent, as needed, by adding a few drops of essential oil.

PUZZLE

FROM WORD TO WORLD

Words are important! God spoke and created all things.
What does the psalmist declare about creation?

Directions: Using the word clues, unscramble the letters to complete Psalm 102:25, NIV.

A preposition	NI	---
An article	HTE	---
Genesis means this	NINBGEIGN	-----
A second-person pronoun	OYU	---
Past tense of <i>to lay</i>	IDAL	---
An article	HET	---
A plural noun meaning <i>base</i>	SODTAINFONU	-----
A preposition showing possession	FO	---
An article	TEH	---
A concrete noun meaning <i>world</i>	HRTEA	-----

Psalm 102:25, NIV



“Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.”

II Cor. 9:6-8

Offerings for FEBRUARY 2025:

February 2 Family Life Center

February 9 Cadets

February 16 Love INC

February 23 DRS

Family Life Center of West Michigan:

A local ministry that assists young girls with unexpected pregnancies providing love, housing, Pregnancy support, food, and baby items.

Calvinist Cadet Corps:

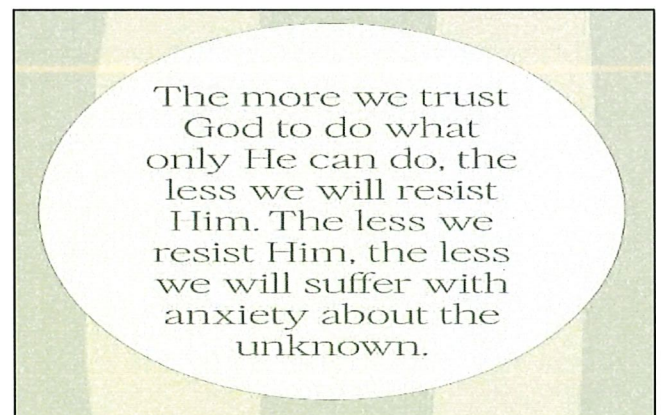
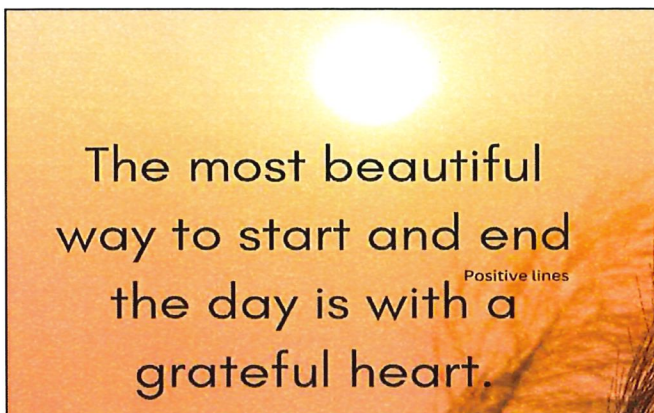
This offering provides direct financial support for the Calvinist Cadet Corps ministry of the Christian Reformed Church.

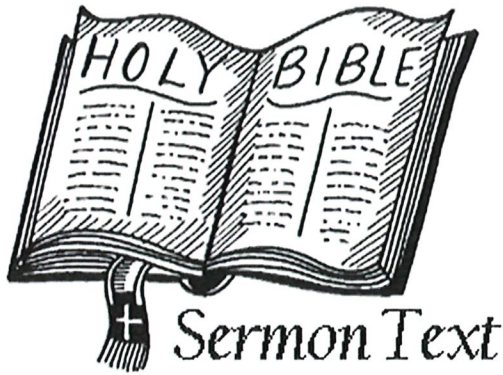
Love In The Name of Christ:

A local organization where staff and volunteers are there to provide real assistance as witnesses of Christ by being a connecting link between churches and people with unmet physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

World Renew – Disaster Relief Fund:

CRWRC ministry to show God’s love and bring hope to disaster impacted communities in North America by restoring the homes and lives of those that are most vulnerable.





FEBRUARY MONTH 2025

February 2 -

- AM ◊ Sermon Title: "34. Real Rest"
 ◊ Text: Lord's Day #38; Matthew 12:1-14
- PM ◊ Sermon Title: "9. Powerful Prayer"
 Text: Daniel 9



February 9 - Cadet Sunday

- AM ◊ Sermon Title: "35. Honor & Obedience"
 ◊ Text: Lord's Day #39; Romans 13:1-7
- PM ◊ Sermon Title: Zeeland Classis Pulpit Exchange
 ◊ Text:



February 16 -

- AM ◊ Sermon Title: "36. All You Need is Love"
 ◊ Text: Lord's Day #40; 1 Kings 21:1-16
- PM ◊ Sermon Title: "10. Principalities & Power"
 ◊ Text: Daniel 10

February 23 -

- AM ◊ Sermon Title: "37. Desire & Delight"
 ◊ Text: Lord's Days #41; Ephesians 5:3-21
- PM ◊ Sermon Title: "11. Back to the Future"
 ◊ Text: Daniel 11



We will be doing a project for Hope Packages (organization who gives out 1st night bags to kids entering foster care) and we will be putting together these bags at our February 13, 2025 Church rep meeting.

The following items are needed for children sizes

14, 16:

- PJ's
- Socks
- Underwear
- Sm. throw blanket
- Teen body wash
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste (NO toothbrushes)
- African-American hair care products
- Backpacks or duffle bags & Diaper Bags

PLEASE DROP OFF Items at our office BEFORE Feb. 13th

607 Heritage Court, Holland, MI

Help Centers in Ottawa & Allegan County

Allegan - Positive Options: 1.269.686.7111

Allendale - Positive Options: 616.865.1893

Love Inc.: 616.895.5683

Family Life Center of West MI: 616.895.8336

Grand Haven - Positive Options: 616.842.7510

Mosaic Counseling: 616.842.9160

Holland - Positive Options: 6146.396.5840

Bethany Christian Services: 616.3969.0623

Catholic Charities West MI: 616.796.9595

Jenison - Adoption Assoc.: 616.6377.0677

1.800.712.HELP

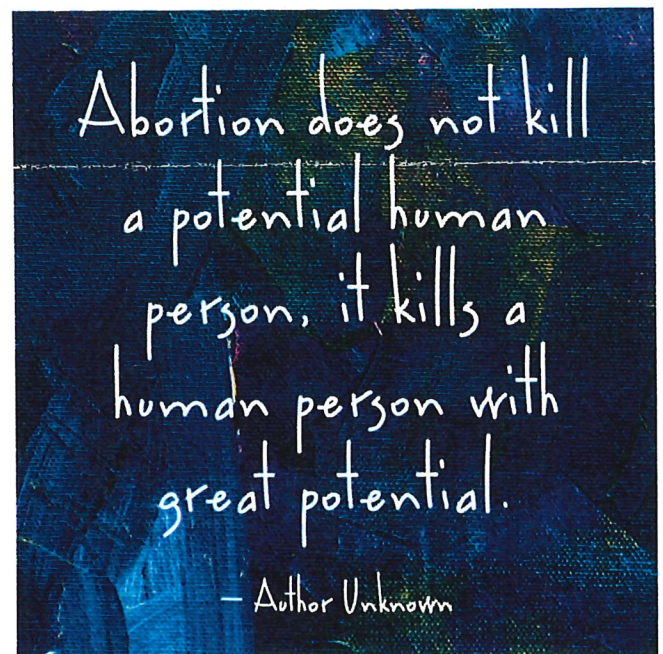
Post Abortive Networks

Lumina - 1.877.586.4621 or
postabortivehelp.org

Project Rachel - hopeafterabortion.com

Important Dates and INFORMATION

- ◆ Sanctity of Life Walk and Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, January 18th. Walk will begin at 11:00am around Centennial Park in Holland followed by the service in the sanctuary at Central Ave. CRC - guest speaker, Amber Roseboom, President of Right to Life of MI.
- ◆ Oratory Contest for Pro-Life HS students in Ottawa/Allegan County will be held on March 13, 2025. For more information and a registration packet call Ann or Betty @ 616.396.1037
- ◆ **NEW** - Essay Contest for Pro-Life HS students in Ottawa/Allegan County. If you would like more information or an application call Ann at 616.396.1037.



Life. The Other choice.

Whether you continue with or end your pregnancy has never been a choice of political parties or action groups. It is—and has always been—a choice of the pregnant.

**Pregnant? Want Help?
Call or Text**

1-800-712-HELP

A woman in Michigan can have an abortion for any reason at any point in her pregnancy.

But, today, women in Michigan are at far greater risk when they enter an abortion clinic than they were even a couple of years ago.

- Abortion clinic health and safety regulations are **GONE**.
- Women **no** longer need to be given **basic medical facts** about an abortion before having one.
- Last year, **serious complications from abortion increased** by 38%, largely after use of the abortion pill.*

For CHOICE to exist, women must have every opportunity to make a choice for life.

There are more than 100 Pregnancy Resource Centers in communities across Michigan.

If you're pregnant and need help, call or text 1-800-712-HELP. Support exists. Find confidential counseling, free medical care and material support in your community.

Learn more at rtl.org. Get help at Optionline.org.



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*Statistics from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

January 1, 2025

LIFE | SUPPORT TEAM

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gulker,

At Right to Life of Michigan, we are blessed to start the new year on a solid foundation, building on the historic successes of 2024, successes achieved by the grace of God and a lot of hard work in the face of seemingly insurmountable odds.

I love proving the naysayers wrong, don't you?

You may recall that just one year ago, the naysayers were everywhere. Disguised as "experts," they suggested the prolife movement in Michigan was a thing of the past and that abortion was a losing issue at the ballot box. They went so far as to suggest we should abandon our mission and shrink from the public square. Courage demanded the opposite!

Recall the words of President Teddy Roosevelt in his well-known speech, "The Man in the Arena."

"It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat."

We persevered together, and we proved the critics wrong!

Candidates for public office who remained true to their convictions and sought our prolife endorsement experienced big wins at the ballot box!

- The Right to Life of Michigan PAC made endorsements in **262** races.
- **We won back the State House of Representatives for the prolife cause!**
- Overall, in the State House, we won **51** of **56** races for a **91%** success rate.
- Doing our part to maintain a pro-life majority in the U.S. House of Representatives, we helped flip the **7th U.S. Congressional District** seat in Michigan, one of the most expensive races in the country.
- We were also able to help protect the **10th U.S. Congressional District**.
- When all was said and done, we were **100% successful in U.S. Congressional races**.
- Overall, we won **229** of our races for an incredible success rate of **87.4%**.
- **Our unprecedented Get-Out-the-Vote efforts, reaching 700,000 Michigan voters, paid off!**

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We will never allow the naysayers to derail us from our life-saving mission. We must remain vigilant and steadfast!

Our abortion-obsessed governor and her colleagues in both chambers wasted no time after their electoral defeats and immediately returned to their life-threatening work in the “*lame duck*” session, the last days of the 2023/2024 legislative session here in Michigan.

Under the guise of offering additional protections for reproductive health data, their “**Reproductive Health Data Privacy Act**” would have *limited the choices* presented to women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy by censoring advertisements for pregnancy resource centers (PRCs), blocking them from being sent to women within 1,850 feet of an abortion clinic, making *abortion seem to be the only option*.

Even more disturbing, the law threatened to undercut PRCs by suggesting they engage in “*the use of deceptive design*” simply because the centers offer life-affirming options to women considering abortion.

While these recent efforts to undermine the more than 100 PRCs in our state failed miserably, it is clear their extraordinary work is under assault! Now, more than ever, we must support our colleagues on the front lines and do our best to defend their lifesaving work!


In 2025, we will expand our reach across communities in every corner of our state and remain vigilant in the legislative and political arenas. We will continue to reach more and more women with a life-saving message that invites a choice for life.

With your steadfast support, we will continue to expand our important work in 2025. We will launch new, modern educational efforts to reach more women and save more lives.

We will never retreat from standing up for the most vulnerable among us. We are in this for the long haul. Step aside, naysayers! We’re coming through!

Thank you, and God bless you for your continued support.

With deepest appreciation,



Amber Roseboom
President
Right to Life of Michigan

P.S. Please go to our website rtl.org today and often to stay up to date on our life-saving plans for 2025. Then share this information with your family, friends, neighbors, and church community. Thanks again!

SCHEDULES FOR FEBRUARY 2025

TLC:

Feb 2 – Kay Schout, Diane Wohlford, Kirsten Keegstra
Feb 9 – Carol Gulker, Jan Kuzee, Brooke Kraker
Feb 16 – Kay Schout, Cheri Geurink, Kylee Morren
Feb 23 – Peggy Vredevoogd, Ellie Scholma, Clara Kruihoff



CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Feb 2 – Kristie Morren, Cheri Geurink, Annabelle Kruihoff
Feb 9 – Kristie Morren, Dora Busman, Lucas Schrotenboer
Feb 16 – Marcia Keegstra, Danni Kraker, Kirsten Keegstra
Feb 23 – Madison Schrotenboer, Conni Vollink, Brooke Kraker

NURSERY:

Feb 2 – Conni Vollink, Gwyn Ellens, Makayla Schurman
Feb 9 – Shelley Bosch, Kyleah Brower, Clara Kruihoff
Feb 16 – Jan Mohr, Jennie Keegstra, Annabelle Kruihoff
Feb 23 – Danni Kraker, Robyn Zwart, Kirsten Keegstra



LIBRARY:

Feb 2 – Lois Van Wienen
Feb 9 – Jean Christensen
Feb 16 – Elaine Chrstrup
Feb 23 – Julie DeVries



VALET PARKING/GREETERS:

Feb 2 – Bob & Judy Knoper
Feb 9 – Kirt & Sherri Schrotenboer
Feb 16 – Jerry & Sharon Berghorst
Feb 23 – Jon & Jean Christensen



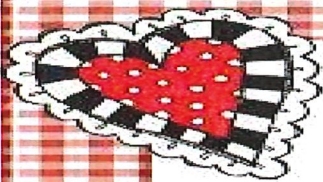
OPEN/CLOSE

Feb 2 – Bern Scholma
Feb 9 – Bob Knoper
Feb 16 – Lee Scholma
Feb 23 – Bern Scholma





Trevor Keegstra	1	
	2	Trevor & Mallory Kuzee
Taylor Brown	3	
Zach Sytsma	3	
Nancee Kraker	4	
Keegan Morren	5	
Grant Keegstra	12	
	14	Lee & Jean Scholma
Cal Gulker	17	
Sue Kraker	18	
Kevin Bosma	19	
Kim Kryger	21	
Steve Brown	23	
Lucas Groenink	23	
Wilson Kruthoff	23	
Kerry McIntyre	23	
Bern Scholma	24	
Lucas Schrotenboer	25	
Dave Gifford	27	
Ben Witte	27	



Life is like a camera: Focus on what's important, capture the good times, & develop from the negatives.





2025 Meetings

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 † Jr JAM/JAM	3 † MNBS	4 † Zeeland Classis Deaconal meeting	5 † Cadets † GEMS	6 † Zeeland Classis meets † Wyldlife	7 † Cadets to Craig's Cruisers	8 1 † Cadet Snow Derby † GEMS Over nighter pickup
9 † Cadet Sunday † Pulpit Exchange	10 † MNBS	11 † Tech Committee	12 † Cadets † GEMS	13 † Wyldlife	14	15 † GEMS Sweetheart Dinner
16 † Education Com. † Sunday School Winter Break † Jr JAM/JAM † SNL Bible Study	17 † MNBS	18	19 † Cadets † GEMS	20 † Wyldlife † ProLife Gathering of Classis Zeeland †	21	22 † ACS Auction
23 † SNL Bible Study	24 † MNBS	25	26	27 † Wyldlife	28 † Red Cross Blood Drive	