

"Winning People for Christ and Equipping Them to Serve."

AUGUST 17, 2025

Welcome, friends, new and old! May God's presence bring warmth, enlightenment and joy as we worship together!

-ORDER OF SERVICE-

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Worship Songs

Goodness of God

He Is Worthy

Holy Forever

Dismiss Kids

Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Kathy Vana

"Wealth & Finances - Blessed to Be a Blessing"

Proverbs 22:9

Prayer

Closing Song

I Surrender All

Blessing

Postlude

Our Connections Pastor would love to hear from you! Pastor Kathy Vana: kathy@rehoboth.church

-SCHEDULE-

TODAY

9 AM, Morning Prayer 9:30 AM, Worship Service

Speaker: Pastor Kathy Vana

"Wealth & Finances"

4 PM, Prayer on the Lawn, McBain Public

6 PM, Elizabeth Circle Pic-Nic @ Mike &

Vickie Bosscher's

THIS WEEK

Monday, August 18

12 PM, Golden Girls @ Big Boy

6:30 PM, Prayer Alliance Meeting

7 PM, Property Meeting

Tuesday, August 19

6 AM, Men's Life Group

7 PM, Worship Practice

Thursday, August 21

4:30 PM, Loaves & Fishes - Food Dist.

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, August 24

9 AM, Morning Prayer 9:30 AM, Worship Service

Speaker: Pastor Ben Ingebretson

"Humility & Pride"

Monday, August 25

1:30 PM, Esther Circle, Host: Lola S. 12 PM, Golden Girls @ Big Boy

Tuesday, August 26

6 AM, Men's Life Group 7 PM, Worship Practice

Thursday, August 28

1:30 PM, Blood Drive

4:30 PM, Loaves & Fishes - Food Dist.

*We are approaching that time of year again where we will start the process of voting for our new Elders and Deacons. Please start praying over this process and pray over your own candidates.



<u>Kids Church Dismissals:</u> ALL Kids Church classes will dismiss at the end of service, we will resume our 11 AM dismissal again on Sunday, September 7th.

<u>Kids Check-In</u>: Don't forget to check-in your child(ren) upon arriving at church at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings! Here children will be registered, if they aren't already, and given name tags. Our name tags help the kids church volunteers learn names, they will include your phone number(s) to contact you during service if needed, and will even include any allergies your child(ren) may have.

<u>Nursing Mothers</u>: Downstairs in the toddler room there is a private nursing room for you to nurse. There is a TV installed in the nursing room so that you can watch and enjoy service in real time in the comfort of the private room. You are most welcome to use it whenever the need arises.

<u>Kids Church Busy Bags</u>: Parents, do you have little ones that just aren't ready to venture to kids church and leave you yet? Worried they won't be entertained during service? We have the answer! "Busy Bags" are now available at the check-in desk near the welcome center. Please help yourself and take home.

-NEW SCHOOL YEAR!-

Come pray over our students! We will meet on the front lawn of McBain Public **TODAY** at 4 PM. Please bring a lawn chair or blanket.

-LOAVES & FISHES-

Food Distribution

On Thursday, August 7 we served...
156 Total Households
488 Total People

-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

Study the Heidelberg Catechism with us! The Adult Sunday School class will start meeting again SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH for the fall season. We meet each week after church in the Assembly room from 10:50 AM to 11:30 AM. We will be using the Kevin DeYoung book "The Good News We Almost Forgot" and gently used copies are available for FREE! We plan to complete the study of the entire catechism by next June. If you wonder what our core Christian beliefs really are, or why we do things "the Reformed way", have never seen the catechism, or have seen it many years ago, this class if for you! If you have questions or want a copy of the book now, give Dean Smallegan a call at 231-920-5439.

Golden Girls! The next Golden Girls lunch will take place on MONDAY, AUGUST 25[™] at 12 PM at Big Boy in Cadillac, previously scheduled for Aug. 18[™]. Sign-up at welcome center [©]

Blood Drive: Come give blood at Rehoboth on **THURSDAY, AUGUST 28**TH between 1:30 PM and 5:30 PM. The need for blood in our community is great right now, and every single part of your donation will stay here and will help save up to 3 lives. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are recommended so you have less wait time. To sign-up, scan the QR code OR visit https://tinyurl.com/5cbc7bwf

<u>Save The Date</u>! Our annual Fall Kickoff will be **SUNDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 7**TH immediately after the church service. We will be serving pulled pork sliders & sides. Inflatables will be set up for the kids. Please bring a lawn chair and come join us as we kick off a new school year here at Rehoboth!

Life Group Fall Sign Ups: We have 4 Life Group options for you to consider this fall. One of them, led by Dean Smallegan, will be meeting after church on Sunday mornings. They will be taking a look at the Heidelberg Catechism. All ages are welcome! We have a men's group led by Troy Finstrom that meets EARLY on Tuesday mornings. If you're an early riser, this is a great group to join! Karla DeZeeuw leads a women's group. This fall, Rich & Pam Smallegan and Bernie & Linda Steenwyk are starting a new group. They will decide on times, dates, and what to study after they meet for the first time to figure out what's the best fit for their group. Sign up at the Connections table or talk to Pastor Kathy if you have any questions.

SpringHill Women's Retreat! SEPTEMBER 26 – 28, Renew, Reflect, Rejoice! Uniting Women in Faith and Fellowship! For more info & to sign-up visit https://tinyurl.com/5hkxethr or scan the QR Code. Housing: Standard \$195, Premium \$249, No Housing \$159. Lead Speaker Alyson Pryor. If you plan to go please also sign your name at the Welcome Center. More info to come! Questions? Ask Sarah ©



<u>Calling all Gardeners</u>! If you have any extra produce in your garden this season consider donating it to Loaves & Fishes here at church! With your help we would love to help feed our community!

<u>Volunteers Needed</u>! Are you a person who likes to help behind the scenes? We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with Sound Booth, Propresenter, and Video/Live Stream to help our services reach others. Your support in volunteering for one of these positions would be greatly appreciated. Training is available and it would only take one hour a week to serve Jesus and Rehoboth. If you are interested, please fill out our volunteer form at The Welcome Center and someone from the Worship Team will contact you. Thank you for considering this wonderful opportunity to serve Jesus in a small, yet very important capacity. The more volunteers we have, the better! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Teresa Carrington or Brent Eisenga.

<u>Pop Cans</u>: Have a bunch of pop cans cluttering up your house or your garage? Let our teens take care of them for you! Jason will even come pick them up if you don't want to haul them to church. Find him on Sunday morning or hit reply on this email and we'll arrange pickup.

<u>Save The Date</u>! MARCH 28 - APRIL 4, 2026! Adult mission trip to support flood survivors in New Bern, NC. More information coming soon. BE IN PRAYER! God can use even you!

-COMMUNITY-

<u>Project Canefire Picnic</u>: Please join us if you are a former volunteer, interested new volunteer or staff member. Along with your family, for our annual informational Project Canefire picnic on **TUESDAY**, **AUGUST 26**TH at 5:30 PM at Keith Dick's barn at 2431 E. Workman Rd., Falmouth, MI. Hope to see you there, along with your families.

Radiant Grace Learning! A new K-5 Christina School at 301 E. John St., Lake City. One room schoolhouse, 16 hr. school week, M-Th 10:30 AM – 2:30 PM. State of MI certified teacher, lessons taught with movement, music and literature. Critical thinking and community mindedness encouraged. \$200 tuition/month for 9 months. \$50/month multi-student discount, *some scholarships available. Plenty of non-school time for being a kid – playing, exploring, extra-curricula's, family time, etc. Contact Penny at (231) 468-9173 or penny.rudolph4@gmail.com. Enrollment is open for this one of a kind educational opportunity.

<u>The Blank Canvas Tour with Jason David</u>: **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**, 5pm: Lake City CRC is excited to bring Jason David, cancer survivor and recording artist to our area! You are invited to join him at 5pm at the Lake City High School gym for an amazing live theatrical experience combining a motivational message, stand-up comedy, visual fx, music and much more! All are welcome!

-PAST PRAYER CHAIN MESSAGES & UPDATES-

"Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus, 'Don't be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed.'"

~ Luke 8:50

UPDATE 8/8: Merle Smallegan is resting – and waiting. More tests need to be done. He will have surgery next week. UPDATE 8/11: Merle had heart bypass surgery on 8/12 at Munson in Traverse City. UPDATE 8/12: Merle is recovering from surgery sooner than expected. The surgeon told the family everything went well. They performed 3 bypasses, and his heart is functioning well. Thank you for your prayers for surgery, and please continue to pray as he heads into recovery. UPDATE 8/14: Merle has been able to get up and walk the halls. He was unable to do so on 8/13 as his blood pressure fell each time he stood up. Praise! Chest tubes were removed this morning, and the surgeons are pleased with his progress. Please continue to pray for his recovery.

<u>8/11/25</u>: We are asking you to lift the Baileys before the Lord again. **Colter Bailey** will be heading back to DeVos again tomorrow, 8/12, for Round 4 of his chemo treatments. Please pray that it's a short stay this time and that side effects are minimal. Colter's 2nd birthday is on 8/15, and he will most likely be in the hospital on this day. Pray that they can find extra ways to celebrate amidst a difficult time. Please also pray for Derek & Krisann as their kids go back to school and have 2 extra kids staying with them as they begin a new school year. We give thanks that Colter had a great week at home. He's gained some weight back and has been in great spirits. Praise the Lord!

<u>8/12/25</u>: After a doctor's appointment on 8/12 to check on the wound on **Donna Maynard**'s leg, they have instructed her to go the hospital for an antibiotic IV. The wound on her leg was from a past surgery that never healed and has increasingly gotten bigger. Due to the pain and overall uncomfortability of the wound she has also been having a hard time sleeping. The doctors would like to keep her at hospital for a few days to monitor her. Please pray that they are able to heal her and that she can finally get some rest.

-KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS-

Keep in your prayers the members of our congregation who are in nursing or health care facilities, Dorothy Bazuin at Maple Ridge Living Center in Cadillac, Jeanette Derrick & Kay Hofstra at Curry House in Cadillac, Betty Meyering at Whispering Pines in Lake City, Frances Bierens at Sunnyside Senior Living in Cadillac and Joan Sutton at Autumnwood in McBain.

Be in prayer for the following person(s), as they undergo treatment and receive on going care for cancer: Don Schepers, Mary Jo Blackmer, Pastor Dave McMahon & Colter Bailey.

VOLUNTEER RRC OPPORTUNITIES WE NEED YOU



KIDS CHURCH

We are always looking for volunteers in kids church during service. If you love working with kids this could be a great fit! Reach out to Troy Finstrom at troy@rehoboth.church

MEDIA

Looking for a spot behind the scenes? We are in need of people to run the sound booth, pro-presenter and the live stream during service. Reach out to Teresa Carrington at worship@rehoboth.church or Brent Eisenga.

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LOAVES & FISHES

Are you free on Thursdays? Our food pantry is every Thursday from 4:30pm - 5:30pm. We always need volunteers to help bag and pack. Reach out to Sarah Eisenga at sarah@rehoboth.church



MENTORING

Do you have an hour a week during the school year to spend with an elementary school student? If so, contact Jessica Whetstone at (231) 920-8082.





NOTSURE?

Do you want to volunteer but not sure what would be a good fit? Fill out a Spiritual Gifts Inventory at https://tinyurl.com/2v5spwre or reach out to Pastor Kathy at kathy@rehoboth.church for more info on our various teams YOU could be a part of.



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