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August 23, 2026

North Hills Christian Reformed Church

Welcome to North Hills Christian Reformed Church, a church that glorifies... gathers... and grows! If this is your first time here, an especially warm welcome to you, and we hope you'll return again! We thank all our volunteers today, including **Helen Brien** for serving at the Welcome Desk. After we worship together, everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and fellowship; we thank **Michael Lopez**, today's host.

A **nursery** is available during the service. Infants, Toddlers and Preschoolers can be signed in by their parent(s) in Room F beginning at 9:20am. We thank today's attendants **Stephanie & Samantha Dexter**.

Birthdays this week:

August 24: Ann Black
August 24: Dan Asma
August 25: Bonnie Schieferstein
August 25: Rebecca Drewry
August 27: Nellie Creech
August 28: Margie Bolt
August 28: Jenna Montañez
August 29: Jim Coeling
August 30: Brianna Coeling, Emily Coeling,
Paul Holtrop, Emma Van Wyke



Can you help? The North Hills Christian Service Committee provides meals for congregants in need. Thank you to all who participate in this meaningful ministry! If you feel called to this opportunity, email Jenna Patten (Jenna@northhillscrc.org) to join the email list. When needs arise, Jenna sends an email with details with a Sign-Up Genius link.



Our STEWARDSHIP:

August 16 tithe:

\$3,958

Tithes received through August 16:

\$364,144

Ministry plan need through August 16:

\$364,904

There are four ways to give your offering:

- In person: An offering plate is at the east Sanctuary entrance
- Our website: Click "giving" tab
- Mail: Send a check to North Hills Church / 3150 N Adams Road / Troy / 48084
- On your phone: Download and use Vanco mobile app (Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement)





Mary Bernd
Allie and Tyler DeFrain
Sarah Flinkingshelt
Fred and Judy Freeland

Do you know your parish? Outside the church office is a bulletin board that lists all parishes of North Hills Church. What parish are you in? Who are your elder and deacon? You belong! Here is **Parish 4**, shepherded by **Elder Ray Rowell** and **Deacon Kip Drewry**:

Andrew and Melody Huisjen
Michael Lopez
Mary Beth Morren
Pat Reeves
Michael Rupke
Jennifer Shields
Ed and Janet van Veen
Danielle and Paul Walton
Ruth Warren
Val Warren
Patti Wilder
Robin Zurla



On Thursday August 13, several North Hills members were able to attend the private Lingenfelter Car Collection and Pratt and Millers race shop where the winning Daytona and Lemans Corvettes are built. Pictured here is **John Yuhas** who got to sit in the million-dollar C8 GT3 race car as it was being prepped for a race. The tour coincided with the Corvettes on Woodward charity event where all proceeds went to the Open Hands Food Pantry.



Congratulations to **Noah Cherry** who successfully completed the Nonprofit Management Certificate through Oakland University! And congratulations to **Martha Ruit** who has retired from her teaching career.



Kyle & Jacob Dexter, Mike Rupke, Leo & Aubrey Ortel delivered fresh produce to CAP (Community Assistance Program) on Saturday, August 1.





Thank You!

08/03/2026

North Hills CRC
3150 N Adams Rd
Troy, MI 48084

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous gift to God's mission. Your faithful support makes a meaningful difference in lives and communities all around the world!

Your support makes it possible to share the gospel with people who have never heard of Jesus, walk alongside seekers, and disciple believers. Together we are supporting missionaries and important ministries overseas, starting new faith communities, and strengthening existing congregations as they work to join God on mission. Ongoing programs, outreach efforts, and ministry initiatives continue to flourish thanks to partners like you who respond with compassion and commitment. Your giving helps ensure these ministries are well-supported and bear good fruit.

We are deeply grateful for your prayers and support! Thank you for taking a step into God's big story of redemption through your gift.

Serving with you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin DeRaaf".

Kevin DeRaaf, Director

Donation Details:

Amount: \$3,321.12

Date: 07/24/2026

Payment Method: Check

Designation(s): Aderemi, Sarah (\$1660.56), Lee, James and Barbarita (\$1660.56)

Note: An official tax receipt will be sent at the end of the year.

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Motivated by the love of Jesus to alleviate hunger and empower lives

August 11, 2026

North Hills Christian Reformed Church
3150 Adams Rd
Troy, MI 48084-1269

Dear Friends at North Hills Church,

On behalf of Oakland HOPE's Board of Directors, staff, and the thousands of local individuals and families we serve, I would like to thank you for your recent donation to our food pantry. Your contribution directly supports our mission to alleviate hunger and empower lives.

Access to nutritious food isn't a luxury; it's essential. Oakland HOPE provides access to FREE weekly groceries for Oakland County residents who are struggling to make ends meet. By distributing fresh produce, protein-rich meats, dairy products, baked goods, and shelf-stable items, we not only help local children and adults get the nourishment they need for their health and well-being, but we also help households reallocate their limited funds to cover other basic needs like housing, utilities, healthcare, and childcare. Our food pantry is a lifeline that helps keep our neighbors in need afloat and prevents them from sinking into deeper health and financial struggles.

Once again, thank you for your donation. We are grateful for your generous support and encourage you to continue to stand with us in the food-gap as we work to fight hunger and fuel HOPE for the most vulnerable in our community.

Sincerely,

Norma J. Okonski
Founder and Executive Director
norma@oaklandhope.org

*Friends -
Thank you for your
strong partnership!
support of our food pantry
dicts - giving them HOPE.
May God continue to
bless everyone at
North Hills Church.
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Date of Gift: 7/18/26

Gift Amount: \$3,647.64

Oakland HOPE is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization, EIN: 30-0761243. In accordance with IRS guidelines, gifts to Oakland HOPE are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law. No goods or services were provided in exchange for this donation.



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July 24, 2026

North Hills Christian Reformed Church
3150 Adams Rd
Troy, MI 48084-1269

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

On behalf of the Grace Centers of Hope family, I would like to thank you for your incredibly generous gift of \$1,660.56, received on 07/23/2026. It is your **belief in** and **support of** our programs that allow us to meet the diverse needs of the hurting individuals and families who come to us every day for help.

YOUR GIFT will directly impact the lives of the men, women, and children at Grace Centers of Hope. These are people whose lives have been ravaged by homelessness and addiction. In addition to meeting their immediate physical needs, we are able to give them **HOPE** for the future.

We believe the emotional hurts of the heart can only be healed by God, and He is using **YOUR GIFT** to help restore broken lives.

Your generosity will make it possible for us to reach out to hundreds of men, women, and children this year; meeting their basic needs with compassion, and providing them with the skills and accountability necessary to be successful in the future!

You can take pride in knowing your gift **WILL** make a difference!

Thanking God for you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Darin L. Weiss".

Pastor Darin L. Weiss
Chief Executive Officer

P.S. To learn more about our programs, volunteering, upcoming special events, or our thrift stores, please visit our website at gracecentersofhope.org.

Grace Centers of Hope is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization; no goods or services have been provided.

Serving those in need since 1942

Transforming Discipleship



From Left to right: Steven, Rachel, Kaylee, Anna, Emma

Much of our time as staff is spent making disciples who make disciples. We regularly meet with students individually to help them grow in their personal relationship with Jesus and live missionally. Julia has been discipling Emma, one of our student leaders, for over a year, and God has been using her in amazing ways! Emma has seen two of her small group members commit their lives to Jesus this year! We asked her to share how God used her in Kaylee's story.

Emma first met Kaylee in one of her graphic design classes. They started sitting together and building a friendship. "One time, I saw that she was working on a project that had an image of Jesus on it. I got curious, so I asked her if she was a Christian. She said she was still exploring Christianity. I saw that as an opportunity to invite her to my Bible study in the upcoming fall semester, and she said she'd like to go!"

In the fall, Kaylee consistently came to their Bible study and over time opened up about questions she had and things going on in her life. "There were several times where we would talk for hours after Bible study." Emma intentionally gave time to talk with Kaylee, listened to her with compassion, and thoughtfully challenged her to take steps toward Jesus. Kaylee started going to church with Emma, and "She has since given her life to Christ and gotten baptized!" Kaylee is on fire for God and growing as a powerful witness!

Seeing someone go from death to life in Christ is a joyful experience, and we're so thankful that those we disciple get to experience it as well!

What to pray for:

1. Summer Formation

In the world of campus ministry, it's easy to think of summer as a spiritual low. Our prayer instead is that this summer will be a formative time in our students' faith. Please pray that they come back to campus stronger in their faith and ready to serve God wherever they are called.

2. Leader Training

Each summer we train our new leaders in the skills they need to lead small groups well. We will cover topics such as discipleship, facilitating discussion, and outreach. Please pray that the Holy Spirit leads our preparation and discussions to impact our leaders.

3. Emma's Internship

Emma, who you just read about, will be serving as a student intern with us next school year! This means she'll take on some extra responsibility in the chapter, including evangelism and/or discipleship. We're so thankful for her passion, humility, and impact. Please pray for God to work powerfully through her.

Thank You

Thank you for your generous support! We couldn't serve without you! As we seek more sustainable funding, we're looking to raise another \$10,000 in recurring giving this school year. Join us in praying for the Lord's provision. You can also give by mail or online at givetoiv.org/ericandjulia



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PRISON MINISTRIES

DONATION RECEIPT

North Hills Christian Reformed Church
3150 N Adams Rd
Troy, MI 48084

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Crossroads Prison Ministries, thank you for your generosity in supporting the transformation of incarcerated men and women through the study of God's Word. Your commitment to supporting prison ministry is deeply appreciated and is a catalyst for change.

Donation Details:

Gift Amount: \$1,660.56

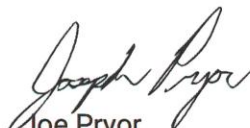
Donation Date: 7/28/2026

Reference Number: 1502

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16, NIV).

Thank you for your generous contribution. Your support connects people in prison with mentors and the Church, fostering both spiritual growth and personal transformation.

Retain this letter, which serves as your official tax receipt. No goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution, making your gift fully tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. In Christ,


Joe Pryor
President & CEO

PO Box 900 | Grand Rapids, MI 49509-0900


Hello,
I hope this letter finds you well. My name is Braden, I am Crossroads' new Development Officer. The chance to support this transformational ministry is such a blessing, but we could not do this without prayers & supporters like you. Please reach out any time if you have questions about our ministry or planned giving.

Blessings,
Braden