HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | February 25, 2024

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to God's family, Word

and way of life

HRC Core Values: Open Hospitality | Selfless Generosity Intentional Faith Development | Compassionate Acts of Service

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Sunday Morning Pastor Kevin Hart

Second Sunday of Lent

"Losses and Gains" Mark 8:31-38

We are often measuring life in plusses and minuses. The world is always asking if it is good for you. What happens to our measures when Jesus enters?

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Sunday Mornings at HRC

Worship Locations

Join us upstairs in the Sanctuary or downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

Greeters: Vern & Diane Sale Next Week (March 3): Scott & Irene Sikkema and family

Nursery

A nursery is provided during the worship service for infants through 3 years old. The nursery is located on the main level (west side of the building).

Nursery Volunteers: Kathy Weerstra, Lisa Haskill Next Week (March 3): Libby Casemier, Callie Casemier

Today's Activities & Information

Children in Worship

Children ages 3 years old – Kindergarten will be dismissed from the morning worship service to head downstairs for Children in Worship

Volunteers: Jen Becksford, Ashtyn Becksford, Zander Boerman Next Week (March 3): Lynn Bosch, Kami Bosch

Sunday School Classes: 10:45am

- Three Years Old-12th Grade meet downstairs
 - $_{\odot}$ Preschool (3-4 Years Old) meets in Room 101
 - $_{\odot}$ Young 5s-Kindergarten meets in Room 106
 - \circ 1st-2nd Grade meets in Room 107
 - o 3rd-6th Grade meets in Room 108
 - Exploration of Faith (7th-12th Grade) meets in Room 109
 - $\circ~9^{th}\text{--}12^{th}$ Grade meets in the Youth Room
 - Women's Sunday School / Bible Study meets in the Conference Room
 - Adult Sunday School "The Chosen" meets in Fellowship Hall 1A

The Gathering (high school youth group)

The Gathering meets in the Youth Room downstairs from 6:00-7:30pm

This Week

Sunday, February 25

9:30am Sunday Worship Children In Worship 10:45am Sunday School 6:00pm The Gathering

Monday, February 26

8:30am Prayer Group6:00pm Elders Meeting7:00pm Consistory Meeting

Tuesday, February 27 10:00am Bible Study

Wednesday, February 28

10:30am Playgroup
11:30am Library
5:45pm Meal
6:00pm Youth Praise Team
6"30pm Kid Connection, Grow & Gravitate

Thursday, February 29

9:00am Staff Meeting

Friday, March 1 10:00am Pantry

HRC Podcast

Our sermons are now available as a podcast! Visit our website: hamiltonreformedchurch.org and click on the "sermons" box.

Playgroup & Library

If you are a parent or grandparent of children ages infant to preschool, you are invited to join us on Wednesdays for playgroup, library and fellowship. Playgroup will begin at 10:30am. Coffee will be available and kids can play with toys inside or on the playground in the courtyard. The library will open at 11:30am to check out books. We hope to see you there!

Feeding America Food Pantry

The next Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry distribution is Monday, February 26, from 5:00-6:00pm at "The Old Bus Garage" located at 3644 48th Street in Hamilton. Mobile Pantries are like farmers markets on wheels that provide groceries, including produce, protein, dairy, grains and more, to anyone in need at no charge. Feeding America is always looking for additional volunteers – visit FeedWM.org for more information.

Exploration of Faith

Pastor Kevin continues to lead a Sunday School class downstairs for teens to explore their faith. We will meet in Room 109 downstairs (attend as you are able). This is open to students in 7th - 12th grade who are interested in exploring what it means to embrace their faith and possibly becoming active members of HRC (this is exploration and in no way obligates one to becoming an active member).

Sunday School – "The Chosen"

You are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service where Jeff Reuschel will show a short clip from The Chosen and lead a discussion on this portrayal of the Gospel.

February Mission of the Month

Words of Hope

Words of Hope isn't just a devotional ministry, and it's not just a missions agency either! Words of Hope provides access to Scripture for people living around the world.

Missionary of the Week Josiah Walcott

Ministry Focus

Please pray for those involved in the Hamilton Elementary "Released Time" as well as the kids that are able to attend.

Please Pray for:

- John Kleinheksel is a patient at Meijer Heart Center after suffering a heart attack. He underwent bypass surgery on Thursday, February 22, for multiple blockages.
- Shirley Wassink has returned to Heritage Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Zeeland for rehabilitation and further recovery following a recent hospitalization.
- Bethany Flynn, a missionary we used to support, has returned home after working in Gaza with a team in the medical area of ministry.
- Students and staff of Hamilton Schools as they cope with the sudden loss of a high school student.
- Larry Haverdink is recovering after the removal of his gallbladder.

Our Sympathies to:

Orv Deters on the passing of his sister-in-law, Agnes (Aggie) Vander Ploeg Michmerhuizen, on Friday, February 16.

A Note of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, phone calls and offers to help after my recent hip replacement. I can't tell you how much I appreciate it! This surgery went so well that even Jack didn't have to help much. I am doing great and continuing with PT. You all are so kind and caring and I feel so blessed to be a part of this church family!

Mary Lezman

Possible Mission Trip

We are exploring the possibility of an All-Church Mission Trip to Rose Hill, NC July 14-20, 2024. This is a mission opportunity for adults (high school teens also encouraged to attend). Possible work includes disaster relief, food and thrift store ministry. See Pastor Kevin for more information and/or interest.

Please Continue to Pray for:

Continued Care Vern Klein Mary Lezman

Undergoing Treatment Bob Rigterink Shirley Wassink

Friend at Home Orvin Deters

Education Volunteers

Brianna Fales Madi Fales

Kids Hope Mentor

Diane VanLente

<u>Tithes</u> & <u>Offerings</u>

February 18 Total - \$10,920 Offering - \$5,935 E-tithe - \$4,985 \$8,117 needed weekly to maintain budget

Updates from Children's Ministry

Nicki Boerman & Gracie Bosch – Children's Ministry Coordinators - hrcchildren@gmail.com

It's been a great year at the zoo! We've learned that Jesus is like the zookeeper, he takes care of us and all of his animals. We've also learned about lions, monkeys, elephants, zebras, giraffes, parrots, ostriches, and kangaroos. We have three more animals to learn about this year. We also have a great end of the year idea in the works so stay tuned!

Move-Up Night for 3rd & 5th Grade

Hey 3rd & 5th graders! March 13 will be "Move-up Night". 3rd grade students will visit the Grow class and 5th grade students will join Gravitate.

Dates to Remember

March 13 Move-Up Night

<u>March 20</u> Kid Connection Year End Party

March 31 & April 7

No Children In Worship or Sunday School Classes (Easter / Spring Break)

Student Ministries

Grow: 4th-5th Grade / Gravitate: 6th-8th Grade / The Gathering: 9th-12th Grade Andy & Erin Rozendaal – Directors of Youth Leadership - hamrefyouth@gmail.com

It is hard to believe we are at the end of the youth group year. However, we have some great things in the works to get us together for a monthly gathering each month this spring and summer. Keep an eye on the calendar and your email for nights of service to fun things like Craig's Cruisers, outdoor movies, bonfires, and kayaking down the river.

Gravitate

Meets Wednesdays - 6:30-7:30pm

<u>Calendar</u>

March 6: MOB – Laser Tag Night March 13: Lesson (Move-Up Night) March 20: Year End Party

The Gathering

Meets Sundays - 6:00-7:30pm

<u>Calendar</u>

March 3: Lesson Night March 10: Game Night March 17: Lesson Night March 22-23: Year End Lock-In

Grow

Meets Wednesday - 6:30-7:30pm

March Theme: What Now? When we tell others about God, lives are changed

Please remember our March Prayer Buddies in your prayers!



Felicity Boerman

Parents: Phil & Nicki Boerman

Birthday: December 24

Age: 4 years old

- **I like to:** dance, play with baby dolls, and spend time with my sisters
- **Prayer Request:** Please pray that I continue to be healthy and make new friends



Madison Fales

Parents: Larry & Holly Cochrane Birthday: April 26

Age / Grade: 16 years old / 10th grade
I like to: hang out with friends, craft and sing
Prayer Request: Please pray that I do well in choir and all of my classes, keep my anxiety under control and grow healthy friendships.



Grayson Mulder

Parents: Jeff & Sandy Mulder
Birthday: January 19
Age / Grade: 7 years old / 1st grade
I like to: play in the sandbox, tube, swim, play soccer, drive my RC Truck, catch frogs and crayfish, and build with Legos
Prayer Request: Please pray for good health in the new year, and help me to focus on tasks and continue to learn



Callie Casemier

Parents: John & Libby Casemier
Birthday: August 20
Age / Grade: 11 years old / 5th grade
I like to: play soccer, go skiing, fish, and cook
Prayer Request: Please pray for a safe and healthy year

Faith Development Opportunities

Adult Bible Studies

Women's Bible Study: Meets during Sunday SchoolStudy on Romans: Meets Tuesdays 10:00-11:30amMen's Bible Study: Meets every other Saturday at 6:00am

Wednesday Nights at HRC

Our Wednesday Night programming is designed around giving families a night to set aside in their week to rejoin the church family and celebrate what has happened that week over a shared meal and programming for students three years old – 8th grade. Wednesday night meals are served in the Fellowship Hall from 5:45-6:15pm. All are welcome to these meals...free of charge! <u>A reminder to</u> <u>Youth Praise Team – please move to the front of the line so you can eat and get up to the Sanctuary by</u> <u>6:00pm.</u>

- Youth Praise Team (2nd 12th grade): Practice is held 6:00-6:30pm in the Sanctuary.
- **Kid Connection (Three Years Old 3rd Grade):** Students gather in the basement from 6:30-7:30pm.
- **Grow (4th 5th Grade):** Students gather in Room 8 in the back hallway from 6:30-7:30pm.
- **Gravitate (6th 8th Grade Youth Group):** Gravitate meets in the Youth Room downstairs 6:30-7:30pm.

Attention Parents!!!

When your child(ren) are done eating on Wednesday night, please send them downstairs before programming begins. We have all sorts of games and activities set up.

If they are a part of Youth Praise Team, please send them to the Sanctuary at 6:00pm for practice.

Wednesday Night Meals

Meals are served 5:45-6:15pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Upcoming Meals

February 28 Casseroles, chicken nuggets and fruit will be served by the Youth Praise Team

March 6 BBQ will be served by the Prayer Group

March 13 TBD will be served by the Deacons

Please contact Pat Kragt if you have any questions.

Desserts Needed

We are in need of desserts each week for our Wednesday Night meals. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the kitchen.

March Ministry Volunteers

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Ministry	March 3	March 10	March 17	March 24	March 28 Maundy Thursday	March 31 Easter Sunday			
Greeters	Scott & Irene Sikkema family	Reed & Sandy Sloothaak	Bob & Sheri Sprik	Mike & Becky Shaffer		Tyler & Jackie Taratuta family			
Nursery	Libby Casemier Callie Casemier	Luanne Elenbaas Brianna Fales	Holly Cochrane Matthew Fales	Maddy Poll Molly Casemier		Bev Ende Olivia McCormick			
Children's Message	Kendra Bosch Anna Hart	Jeff Reuschel	Can You Help?	Pastor Kevin					
Camera	Eric Helder	Nathan Hart	Jerry VanLente	TBD		Ryan Lindholm			
PowerPoint	Craig Poll	Kilee Kleinheksel	Mark Kleinheksel	Ryleigh Becksford		Craig Poll			
Sound	Paul Koopman	Colin Eding	Brian Kleinheksel	Jeff Mulder	Paul Bosch	Tim Bleeker			
Pianist/ Organist	Deb Meiste	Ruth Brink	Sherry Kleinheksel	Nancy Kleinheksel	Nancy Kleinheksel	Nancy Kleinheksel Ruth Brink			
Praise Team	Calvin, Tim, Bev, Gracie & Kendra	Instrumentalists	Youth Praise Team	Brian, Tim, Jen, Ashtyn & Anna		Brian, Paul, Dave, Gracie, Kendra, Molly, Instrumentalists, Youth Praise Team			

Valet Parking: Gord Poll

Get Involved at HRC

There are many ways you can get involved at HRC! Sign up on the bulletin board outside the kitchen.

- Wednesday Night Desserts
- Valet Parking: 1 to 2 people are needed each month to assist with valet parking as needed.
- Personal Needs Pantry Volunteers: Volunteers are needed each Friday from 10:00am-12:30pm. ALL Fridays in March are open (the sign-up sheet is underneath the December-February sheet). Contact Bev Ende if for more information.
- Cookies: Cookies are needed for our time of Fellowship on Sunday mornings.
- Children's Message Presenter: A volunteer is needed on March 17

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Birthdays

- March 2: Breslin Boerman
- March 3: Grace Eding Cal Lubbers
- March 7: Harv Hoekje
- March 8: Paul Bosch Payton Eustice River Taratuta
- March 9: Melissa Eding
- March 10: Dale Lampen
- March 12: Kaitlyn Brus
- March 14: Doug TerHaar Tracy Van Den Beldt
- March 15: Marie Jacobs Irene Sikkema
- March 16: Phil Boerman
- March 17: Jim Harper
- March 19: Howard Busscher
- March 20: Linda Bonzelaar Kalissa Brus Diane Sale
- March 21: Doug Brower John Kleinheksel
- March 22: John Casemier Ben Hart Debbie Kroeze Erin Rozendaal
- March 24: Sue Dykhuis
- March 31: Jean Hutt*

Anniversaries

March 1, 2019 Bob & Bev Rigterink

March 5, 1971 Wayne & Bonnie DeZwaan

March 8, 2003 Andy & Erin Rozendaal

March 8, 1985 Doug & Karen TerHaar

March 20, 1970 John & Gloria VanderZwaag

> March 31, 1989 Pat & Kris Driscoll



Harv Hoekje is celebrating his 98th birthday on March 7.

Dale Lampen is celebrating his 96th birthday on March 10.

Diane Sale is celebrating her 90th birthday on March 20.

Jean Hutt is celebrating her 91st birthday on March 31.

Please celebrate with them by sending a card.

*Address can be found in the Address

Happening in March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:30am Worship <i>Children In Worship</i> 10:45am Sunday School 6:00pm The Gathering	4	5	6 10:30am Playgroup 11:30am Library 5:45pm Meal 6:00pm Youth Praise Team 6:30pm Kid Connection, Grow, Gravitate	7 9:00am Staff Meeting	8 10:00am Pantry	9 6:00am Men's Bible Study
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24 9:30am Worship <i>Children In Worship</i> 10:45am Sunday School	25 8:30am Prayer Group 6:00pm Elders Meeting 7:00pm Consistory Meeting	26	27	28 9:00am Staff Meeting 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service	29 10:00am Pantry	30
31 9:30am Worship He is Risen						