



# HRC Heartbeat March 19, 2023

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## Happening this Week

### **Sunday, March 19**

9:30am Sunday Worship – Pastor Kevin

Scripture: Matthew 6:25-7:11

Message: "Our Anxiety"

Children In Worship

10:45am Sunday School Classes

3:00pm Prayer Walk

6:00pm The Gathering

### **Monday, March 20**

8:45am Preschool

### **Tuesday, March 21**

8:45am Preschool

1:00pm Quilting Group

### **Wednesday, March 22**

8:45am Preschool

10:30am Library & Play Group

6:00pm Kid Connection Year End Party

### **Thursday, March 23**

8:45am Preschool

### **Friday, March 24**

8:45am Preschool

10:00am Pantry

The Gathering End of the Year Lock-In

### **Saturday, March 25**

## A Look Ahead...

### **March 26**

Sunday Worship – Pastor Kevin

### **March 27**

Elders Meeting

Consistory Meeting

### **April 6**

Red Cross Blood Drive (10:45am-4:00pm)

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

### **April 15**

Mom2Mom Sale

### **April 29**

Church Auction

## HRC News & Upcoming Events

**Prayer Walk:** Do you like to walk? Do you like to pray? This afternoon, March 19, we will gather at 3:00pm at HRC and join with others from surrounding churches to walk through our various neighborhoods and pray for our community. After an introduction and instructions, we will separate into groups and be given areas to go and walk the 'neighborhood' praying for our community. This is an opportunity to grow in our faith walk while working alongside other brothers and sisters in the faith.

**Kid Connection Year-End Event:** Hey Kid Connection! We will be wrapping up our year under the sea on Wednesday, March 22, at 6:00pm. Please join us for some fun ocean snacks and "Finding Nemo". There will be no Wednesday night meal so please eat before you come.

**Blessings Basket:** The Blessings Basket is outside of the library to welcome River Gabriel, son of Tyler & Jackie Taratuta. Please welcome him with a card or small gift.

**Please Stand By:** Thank you so much for your patience as we continue to learn the upgraded system in the Tech Booth. The sound quality is working better now.

**Cut It Out!** Children's Ministry has the "cut it out" bin out again with many craft projects that need to be cut out. The bin is on the counter downstairs with baggies of projects and instructions. Thanks for your continued help!

**Church Auction – April 29:** The auction is only a month away! Sign up on the bulletin board outside the library if you have any items to donate. Donated items may be dropped off in the office Monday-Friday. We need YOUR help to make this auction a success! Funds raised will go toward installing additional lighting in the church parking lot.

**Kids Hope:** Please consider helping to change the lives of our local students and their families as a mentor, prayer partner, or event coordinator/worker. Thank you for all your support and encouragement. Please feel free to contact Joy at [kidshopehrc@gmail.com](mailto:kidshopehrc@gmail.com)



**Please Pray for:**

- Belva Brower is scheduled for hip replacement surgery on Monday, March 20, at Zeeland Hospital
- Terry Dougan has been diagnosed with stage 4 metastatic prostate cancer, and will soon undergo 8-10 weeks of radiation treatments. From Terry: "Over the past few weeks, Joan and I have both felt our Lord God walking beside us, giving us comfort, calmness and assurance that everything will be ok. We covet your prayers as I (we) go through this journey. Thank you."
- Harv Hoekje was a patient at Meijer Heart Center where he underwent a surgical procedure after suffering a heart attack. He has since returned home where he continues to recover
- Stu Woldring was briefly readmitted to the hospital for pneumonia and has since returned home where he continues to recover

**Ongoing Cares & Concerns:**

- Sara Groenheide
- Brian VandenBrink

**Our Sympathies to:**

- Paul & Jean Koopman and family, Belva Brower, and extended family on the passing of Irene "Bunny" Slotman on Sunday, March 12

**Friend at Home of the Week:**

Jean Hutt

**Missionary of the Week:**

Chad & Dara Vanden Bosch  
 Audio Scripture Ministries  
 PO Box 1439  
 Holland, MI 49422  
 Email: chad@asmtoday.org

**Missionary Prayer Requests:**

Please pray for the military youth ministry that Josiah Walcott is involved in through Youth For Christ in Europe. Pray that the kids feel the camaraderie of sharing the word of God together.

***March Mission of the Month***

The Gate Youth Ministry (at Cultivate Church)

**Ministry Helpers**

Greeters: Paul & Lynn Bosch

Nursery Helpers: Luanne Elenbaas, Madi Fales

**Next Week (March 26):**

Greeters: Doug Brower, Lori Brower

Nursery Helpers: Deb Meiste, Olivia McCormick

Praise Team: Brian, Tim, Kathy & Jen

**Tithes & Offerings**

March 12 Total - \$10,901

Offering - \$8,836 E-Tithe - \$2,065

\$7,744 needed weekly to maintain budget

***Easter Flowers***

You are invited to bring flowering plants to decorate the Sanctuary for Easter. Plants may be given in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone, or simply to bring color and life to the sanctuary. ***Due to an increasing number of members who are unable to attend worship Easter morning because of sensitivities and allergies, we ask that you do not bring in hyacinths or stargazer lilies which have a strong fragrance.*** Sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board outside the library. Sheets, as well as labels to write your name on and attach to the bottom of your pot, will be available in the Fellowship Hall the first week of April. The names of those donating plants and those in whose honor or memory they are given will be published Easter morning.



***Palm Sunday***



Palm Sunday recalls the event of Jesus entering into Jerusalem and being greeted by the people waving palm branches. It's a reminder of the welcoming of Jesus into our hearts and of our willingness to follow him.

On Palm Sunday, April 2, everyone is invited to take a palm branch when they enter the Sanctuary (or Fellowship Hall) as we celebrate the triumphant entrance of our Savior.

*So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"*

*John 12:13*

## Upcoming Community Events

### Grant Me Hope Celebrating Hope



When: Thursday, April 20, 6:00-9:00pm

Where: Holland Civic Center Place

“Celebrating Hope” is Grant Me Hope's annual dinner-auction supporting their mission to find forever homes for foster children. Grant Me Hope helps foster children by producing high-quality videos and sharing them on television and social media in hopes for finding them an adoptive family. The videos work to both find families AND raise awareness to the needs of foster children. They are furthering their mission by opening the Grant Me Hope Homes to provide housing to those foster children who age out alone and face homelessness.

The night will include:

- Hors d'oeuvres, dinner, cash bar, plus homemade desserts
- A silent auction with incredible gifts
- A live auction with gifts, experiences and get-a-ways
- 50/50 raffle and other fun competitive games designed so that both foster children and YOU could win!
- A program updating guests about their progress with video production expansion, the Grant Me Hope Thrift Store AND the Grant Me Hope Homes!

Purchase tickets online at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/celebrating-hope-2023-registration-541123895137>

For more information, contact GMH Communications Director Netty Manwell at [Annette@grantmehope.org](mailto:Annette@grantmehope.org) or call (269) 620-1017.

### Compassionate Heart

#### Hearts In Motion 5K Run/Walk & Flamingo Fun Run

Thursday, April 20

at Compassionate Heart Ministries

Flamingo Fun Run – 5:30-6:00pm

5K Walk/Run – 6:30-8:00pm

Virtual Options

Grab some friends and  
sign up today at:

[compheart.org/news-events](http://compheart.org/news-events)



### Right to Life

#### Walk for Life - 5k Walk/Run

Saturday, April 22 – 10:00am

Lawrence Street Park in Zeeland

Registration begins at 9:30am, and the walk begins with prayer at 10:00am. \$50 in sponsorships/donations will receive a T-shirt. A lite lunch will be served, after the walk.

Pledge sheets are available online at:

[www.rtlofholland.org](http://www.rtlofholland.org) or stop by the Holland Right to Life office and pick one up!



**RIGHT TO LIFE**  
OF HOLLAND AREA

## Poverty + the Church

How do you add people from poverty into your church family in a dignified way?

Join Love INC Allegan County for a five-week study on Bill Ehlig and Ruby Payne's book, *What Every Church Member Should Know about Poverty*. Together, we'll engage in discussion on how to serve the poor and address issues churches face when doing so. Participants should purchase their copy of the book (available on Amazon) in advance and are encouraged to read the chapters listed below before their corresponding weeks.



**Date/Time:** Tuesdays March 28-April 25, 6:30-8pm

**Location:** The Love INC Alleghen County Hamilton Office (4621 135<sup>th</sup> Street)

Please RSVP by emailing [jean@loveincnwa.org](mailto:jean@loveincnwa.org). We hope you'll join us!

#### Study Schedule:

March 28: Forward, Preface, Chapters 1-2

April 11: Chapters 5-7

April 25: Chapters 11-12, Conclusions

April 4: Chapters 3-4

April 18: Chapters 8-10

Bonus Week—May 2: Unchurched Discussion Panel



HRC is excited to host our very first Mom2Mom sale!

**Saturday, April 15**  
**9:00am-12:00pm**

If you are interested in a space, you can sign up online at:

<https://forms.gle/s7vHGvc7JKeUWWUs9>

or stop by the office and pick up a sign-up form.

You can sign up for 1-3 tables (tables available on a first come, first serve). The cost is \$5.00 (no matter the size). Money raised will be used for additional toys/activities for our courtyard playground (more toys, chalk, bubbles, etc.).

Vendors will be able to set up on Friday, April 14, between 6:00-8:00pm and again on Saturday morning from 8:00-9:00am. Doors will open to the public at 9:00am

If you have any questions or want more information, please talk to Lynn Bosch, Maddy Poll or Nicki Boerman.