

HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | April 28, 2024

HEARTBEAT



Connecting people
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

"What Prevents Me?"
Acts 8:26-40

In the story of Philip with the Ethiopian eunuch we encounter two important parts to God's Good News. First, that there is tremendous benefit when there is someone willing to guide and explain God's message of Hope. Second, that we be prepared to guide one over the perceived barriers to fully embrace God's Grace.



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Sunday Mornings at HRC

Worship Locations

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

Greeters: Howie & Carol VanderPoppen

Next Week (May 5): June VanFarowe

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: Jessi Boerman, Drew Boerman

Next Week (May 5): Holly Cochrane, Brianna Fales

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: Lynn Bosch, Aurora Boerman

Next Week (May 5): Lynn Bosch, Kami Bosch

Sunday School Classes: 10:45am

- Three Years Old-12th Grade meet downstairs
 - Preschool (3-4 Years Old) meets in Room 101
 - Young 5s-1st Grade meets in Room 106
 - 2nd-3rd Grade meets in Room 107
 - 4th-6th Grade meets in Room 108
 - 7th-9th Grade meets in Room 109
 - 9th-12th 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

This Week

Sunday, April 28

9:30am Sunday Worship

Children In Worship

10:45am Sunday School
Classes

Wednesday, May 1

11:30am Library

Thursday, May 2

9:00am Staff Meeting

12:00pm National Day of
Prayer at Veteran's
Memorial Park

Friday, May 3

10:00am Pantry

A Look Ahead

Sunday, May 12

Reception of New
Members

Saturday, May 18

Trip to John Ball Zoo

Sunday May 19

Graduate Recognition
Baccalaureate

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podcasts?

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available online!

Visit our website:
hamiltonreformedchurch.org
and click on the podcast tab
at the top of the page.

Community Events & Fundraisers

- **National Day of Prayer:** Thursday, May 2, from 12:00-12:50pm at the Hamilton Veteran's Memorial Park (3440 M-40).
- **Compassionate Heart ~ Hearts In Motion 5K Run/Walk & Flamingo Fun Run:** Grab some friends and sign up for Compassionate Heart's 5K on Thursday, May 2 at Compassionate Heart Ministries. The Flamingo Fun Run is from 5:30-6:00pm and the 5K Walk/Run begins at 6:30pm. Sign up at: runsignup.com/Race/MI/Zeeland/HeartsinMotion5KRunWalk10KRun
- **Camp Beechpoint 20th Annual Benefit Auction:** You are invited to Camp Beechpoint on Saturday, May 4, from 4:00-6:00pm for a benefit auction to raise funds for campers-in-need. Visit www.partner.beechpoint.org to view the unique items up for bid.
- **Right to Life ~ Walk for Life - 5k Walk/Run:** Right to Life of Holland will hold their annual Walk for Life on Saturday, May 18, beginning at 10:00am at Lawrence Street Park in Zeeland (registration begins at 9:30am). Pledge sheets are available online at: www.rtlofholland.org or stop by the Holland Right to Life office and pick one up!
- **Baccalaureate:** You are invited to the Baccalaureate Service of the Hamilton High School Class of 2024 on Sunday, May 19, at 2:30pm at Overisel Reformed Church.
- **Lions Club Chicken BBQ:** The annual Lions Club Chicken BBQ is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, at Hamilton Middle School from 4:30-6:30pm. Tickets can be purchased at Hamilton Dentistry, State Farm in Hamilton, Hamilton Chiropractic, or through Lions members. Tickets will also be available at the door.
- **Graduation:** You are invited to the Graduation Ceremony of the Hamilton High School Class of 2024 on Thursday, May 23, at 7:00pm at Hamilton High School.

April Mission of the Month

Western Theological Seminary

Western Theological Seminary offers academic study in a nurturing community to prepare men and women for the challenges and opportunities of ministry in today's world. They are rooted in scripture, open to the world, joyful, hopeful and confident in God's purposes. Western prepares students for real-life ministry by offering one of the top seminary educations, focused on individual growth.

Ministry Focus

Please pray for Grant Me Hope as they reach out to families to adopt teens that are aging out of the foster care system.

Missionary of the Week

Dave & Linda McCleery

Please Pray for:

- Eileen Schrottenboer is suffering with burning skin syndrome.
- Mike Shaffer was a patient at Holland Hospital for medical testing and observation related to an infection. He has since returned home.

2024 Church Mission Trip

We are trying to finalize the list of those interested in an All-Church Mission Trip (for adults and high school teens).

When: July 13-20

Where: Eastern Baptist Association – Rose Hill, NC
<https://vimeo.com/832323068>

What: Disaster Relief (home repairs), Food Ministry, Thrift Shop

Cost: \$50 per person + travel costs (travel there and back (carpool), room, and meals)
Likely \$300-350 per person before any offset

We plan on leaving Saturday, July 13, in the morning and will return home Saturday, July 20, in the evening. In addition to growing together as a church body while we show the love of Christ to others in need, we will be touring the North Carolina Battleship at a cost of \$10-14 per person (<https://battleshipnc.com/visit/>).

Please let Pastor Kevin know if you are interested or would like more details.

Please Continue to Pray for:

Continuing Care

Jean Hutt
Bev Woldring

Undergoing Treatment

Bob Rigterink
Shirley Wassink

Friend at Home

Jill Broekhuis

Education Volunteers

All those who have helped
with Sunday School

Kids Hope Mentor

Carol VanderPoppen

Tithes & Offerings

April 21 Total - \$8,743

Offering - \$6,920

E-tithe - \$1,823

*\$8,117 needed weekly
to maintain budget*

Updates from Children's Ministry

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

We're Going to the Zoo!

Join us for a trip to the zoo on Saturday, May 18. A headcount is needed to obtain a group rate so please sign up on the bulletin board by the kitchen or at signup genius (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E48A4A623A4FF2-49179004-john>).

Any questions, please let Gracie or Nicki know.

Summer Story Time

Children in Worship will be wrapping up on May 5.

After a short break we will be kicking off our Summer Story Time program. There are 8 lessons during the summer and our theme this year is "Splash!". We will be visiting lots of Bible stories that involve water. There is a sign-up sheet on the Primary Dept bulletin board if you are interested in leading a lesson or two.

Dates to Remember

May 5

Last day of Children In Worship and Sunday School

May 18

Trip to John Ball Zoo

June 16

Summer Story Time Begins

VBS 2024



This year's VBS program will be Camp Firelight. VBS will run from July 23-25. If your child is 3 years old (and potty trained) through 4th grade this fall, we'd love to have them join us! We are also looking for many volunteers to lend their talents. Craft, games, snack, junior helpers, and more. Please go to <https://vbspro.events/p/049e4e> to sign up your child(ren) or volunteer. You can also see Gracie or Nicki and we'll get you signed up.

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

Gravitate

May 25: Meet at church at 3:00pm. We are heading out to John Casemier's cabin for a bonfire and some hiking. We will return to church around 6:15pm.

The Gathering

May 11 Service Project: 10am-12 pm
Community Action House Food Club
May 19 Baccalaureate Service: 2:30pm
at Overisel Reformed Church

Please remember our May Prayer Buddies in your prayers this month!



Elijah Helder

Parents: Eric & Lisa Helder

Birthday: June 11

Age / Grade: 17 years old / 11th grade

I like to: play video games and airsoft

Prayer Request: Please pray that I have a successful year in school and for guidance towards what to do in the future as I start to think about life after high school



Aiden Boerman

Parents: Drew & Jessi Boerman

Birthday: October 25

Age: 6 months old

I like to: eat, be active, play with my cousins, go for golf cart rides, and chase the animals when I'm in my walker

Prayer Request: Please pray that I continue to be an easy-going baby and that I continue to learn new things



Beau Casemier

Parents: John & Libby Casemier

Birthday: June 28

Age / Grade: 17 years old / 11th grade

I like to: work at Brink Farms, hunt and ride dirt bike

Prayer Request: Please pray for a safe and healthy school year

Mason Cassiday

Parents: Josh & Jessica Cassiday

Birthday: May 17

Age: will be 12 years old

Cooper Cassiday

Parents: Josh & Jessica Cassiday

Birthday: November 19

Age: 8 years old

Harper Cassiday

Parents: Josh & Jessica Cassiday

Birthday: August 19

Age: 4 years old

Consistory Chronicles

April Elders / Consistory Meetings

The Consistory met this week and reviewed items in the life of the church, including activities of the *55+ Seniors and Retirees* group and support for our local schools in conjunction with *City on a Hill*.

- We will be looking to form a team for *Evangelism and Hospitality* to address future outreach and welcoming opportunities.
- The Elders met twice and were happy to receive into membership five of our young people: Aurora Boerman, Molly Casemier, Brianna Fales, Anna Hart and Zoe Rozendaal. The Elders also discussed review items for themselves and pastor.
- The Deacons are actively addressing smaller projects around the church including a newly leased copier at reduced costs and a new phone system.
- We continue to work on implementing the new online Quickbooks and hope to have financial reports soon.
- The Executive Team, Elders and Consistory will take the month of May off and plan on meeting again in June.

2024 Consistory

Elders

Dave Bakker
Terry Dougan
Scott Essenburg
Calvin Kragt
Jeff Reuschel
Jim Van Den Beldt

Deacons

Larry Boerman
Todd Burton
Ross Eding
Rick Eustice
Tyler Taratuta
Tom Weerstra

Consistory Officers

Vice President

Jeff Reuschel

Clerk

Scott Essenburg

Congregational Life

Dave Bakker

Spiritual Formation

Jim Van Den Beldt

Service & Outreach

Calvin Kragt

Deacon Chair

Tyler Taratuta

Treasurer

Rick Eustice

Facility/Property

Tom Weerstra, chair

Larry Boerman

Ross Eding

Love Fund & Budget

Todd Burton

We're Heading to the Zoo!

Who wants to go to the zoo??

We spent the year learning about zoo animals in Kid Connection and now it's time to see some of those animals in real life. We're heading to the zoo!

Where: John Ball Zoo

When: Saturday, May 18th (beginning at 10am)

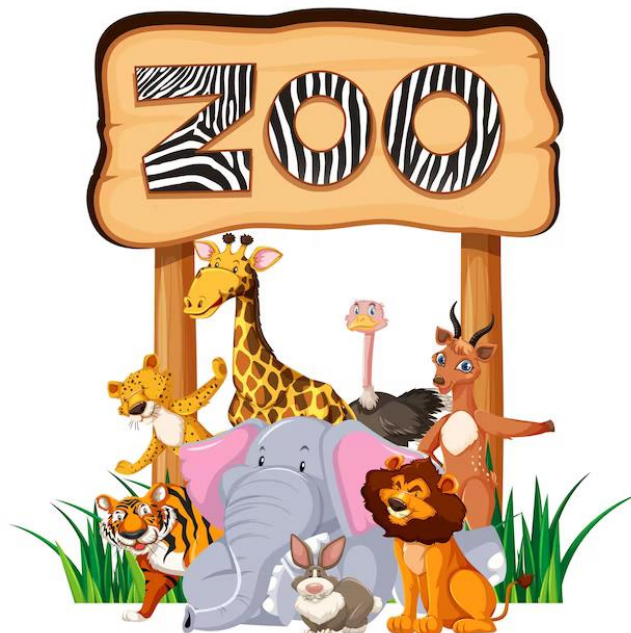
Who: HRC kids/ Kid Connection kids and their families, members of the congregation (and their families too)

We are asking that kids be accompanied by a parent on this trip. We will meet up at the zoo and enjoy the animals. Come to the zoo at 10am and leave when you need to. A ticket count is needed to secure a group rate. Once the group rate is secured, we will figure out the cost to attend. If you would like to join us, please visit the link below or the signup sheet on the bulletin board by the kitchen.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E48A4A623A4FF2-49179004-john>

If you have any questions please reach out to Gracie and Nicki in person or by email: hrcchildren@gmail.com

We are looking forward to seeing you all there!



“My Favorite Things”

Join us for a fun Ladies Night Out

You are invited to attend a fun filled evening with ladies sharing their favorite things. The night will include mouthwatering desserts, a time of fellowship, and our favorite “must-haves”.

You are asked to bring 3 of your favorite things:

- ☼ all 3 items can be identical
- ☼ all 3 items can be different
- ☼ each item must be valued at approx. \$10 (totaling approx. \$30 for the 3)

During the evening, you will be choosing 3 different items to take home—3 other ladies favorites.

Some ideas would include:

- ☼ food / beverage items
- ☼ beauty / hair products
- ☼ home décor
- ☼ seasonal items
- ☼ plants / flowers
- ☼ etc.



Be creative – the possibilities are endless! Something that is a must-have, a favorite of yours. Your items must be visible; no packaging or gift bags etc. Feel free to make them look fun!

Details of the event: Monday, May 20 – 7:00pm

A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board by the kitchen; deadline to sign up is May 19.

Questions? Talk to one of the committee members:
Lisa Hulst, Donna Jurries, Shelly McCormick or Karen TerHaar

Invite your friends and family! We hope to see you there!!



May Ministry Volunteers

Ministry	May 5	May 12	May 19	May 26
Greeters	June VanFarowe	Jim & Barbara VanGelderen	Jerry & Diane VanLente	Jim & Eunice Veldhoff
Nursery	Holly Cochrane Brianna Fales	Kathy Weerstra Olivia McCormick	Lisa Haskill Anna Hart	Marie Jacobs Matthew Fales
Children's Message	Diane VanLente	Nicki Boerman Gracie Bosch	--	--
Camera	Ryan Lindholm	Eric Helder	Nathan hart	Jerry VanLente
PowerPoint	Kilee Kleinheksel	Mark Kleinheksel	Ryleigh Becksford	Craig Poll
Sound	Tim Bleeker	Paul Koopman	Colin Eding	Brian Kleinheksel
Pianist/ Organist	Sherry Kleinheksel	Ruth Brink	Deb Meiste	Nancy Kleinheksel
Praise Team	Dave, Lane, Bev & Molly	Instrumentalists Dave, Tim	Tim, Calvin, Gracie & Kendra	Brian, Paul, Kathy & Anna

Valet Parking: Volunteer Needed



MEMORIAL DAY

Remember and Honor

Hamilton Memorial Day Parade

The entire community is invited to come out Monday, May 27, and celebrate Memorial Day as we honor our military heroes who gave their lives while serving their country. We would be honored to have all Veterans, combat and non-combat, come out and march in the parade. Rides are available. Enter your business or community floats, antique cars and tractors, horses, bikes and military vehicles, etc. We want to

see the whole community come out and be a part of this special time! Kids - we need a lot of candy catchers, too! Line up begins at 8:00am. Enter at the high school and follow the service drive around to line up at the middle school. The parade begins at 9:00am. Immediately following the parade, you are encouraged to attend a public Memorial Service at Riverside Cemetery. In the event of inclement weather, parade cancellation information will be announced on Wood TV 8.

***A note from the Allegan County Sheriff Department:
NO ATVs, dirt bikes, golf carts or other off-road vehicles
are allowed in the parade due to past accidents.***

May

Birthdays

May 2: Nick Haskill
May 3: Sandy Sloothaak
May 4: Eileen Schrottenboer
May 6: Adalynn Boerman
Caleb Cochrane
Macie Kleinheksel
Gloria VanderZwaag
May 7: Shelly McCormick
Bob Tucker
May 8: Kelsey Carroll
Nick King
May 13: Ann Eding
May 15: Emberleigh Poll
Shirley Wassink
May 19: Ruth Brink
Bern Diekema
McKinsey Doolaard
May 20: Joann Boerman
Curlene VanDyke
May 25: Brooke Boerman
Jessi Boerman
Les Meiste
May 28: Maddy Poll
Zoe Rozendaal
Diane VanLente
May 29: Avery Calkins
May 30: Dena Meiste
May 31: Lori Brower

Anniversaries

May 6, 1994
Ross & Melissa Eding
May 11, 2002
Brian & Lisa Kempkers
May 25, 1973
Rick & Bev Ende
May 25, 1991
Kevin & Suzanne Hart

Happening in May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 11:30am Library	2 9:00am Staff Meeting 12:00pm National Day of Prayer at Veteran's Memorial Park	3 10:00am Pantry	4
5 9:30am Worship Last Week of Children In Worship and Sunday School	6 8:30am Prayer Group	7	8 11:30am Library	9 9:00am Staff Meeting	10 10:00am Pantry	11 10:00am The Gathering Service Project
12 9:30am Worship Reception of New Members	13	14 1:00pm Quilting Group	15	16 9:00am Staff Meeting	17 10:00am Pantry	18 10:00am Trip to John Ball Zoo
19 9:30am Worship Graduate Recognition 2:30pm Baccalaureate at Overisel Ref.	20 8:30am Prayer Group 7:00pm Ladies Night Out "My Favorite Things"	21	22	23 9:00am Staff Meeting <i>HHS Class of 2024 Graduation</i>	24 10:00am Pantry	25 8:00am Scrapbooking 3:00pm Gravitate Hiking & Bonfire
26 9:30am Worship	27 <i>Church Closed</i>	28	29 7:00pm VBS Meeting	30 9:00am Staff Meeting	31 10:00am Pantry	

Severe Weather Cancellation Guidelines

If a Tornado Watch or Warning has been posted for Allegan County within one hour prior to a church service or church activity, the service/activity will be cancelled. Also, if a Severe Thunderstorm Warning has been posted for Allegan County within one hour of any church service or church activity, the service/activity will be cancelled. Leaders and chairs of committees have the right to conduct an event during a cancellation if they deem the conditions are safe. In such cases, the leaders and chairs are responsible for notifying members and participants to inform them the event is still taking place and where they will be meeting. Please check one of the following for the status of activities:

WOOD-TV (woodtv.com) ~ Fox 17 (fox17online.com) ~ WZZM (wzzm13.com)
HRC Prayer Line (269-751-5422, #18) ~ HRC's Facebook Page