

HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | February 22, 2026

# 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

JOIN US IN-PERSON OR ONLINE | SUNDAYS AT 9:30AM

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## Sunday Morning ~ Pastor Kevin Hart

First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 3:1-7

Matthew 4:1-11

“Did God Actually Say...?”

Life is full of questions. As we journey through *Lent*, we are going to explore a series of questions that challenge our faith. Today we look at questions that can lead us astray.

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# *Sunday Mornings at HRC*

## **Worship Locations**

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

## **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).

## **Ministry Helpers**

Greeters: Scott & Joy Essenburg

Nursery Volunteers: Nicki Boerman, Aurora Boerman

Children in Worship: Deb Meiste

Security Team: Mark Groenheide, Todd Burton

## **Next Week (March 1):**

Greeters: Rick & Missy Eustice

Nursery Volunteers: Holly Cochrane, Brianna Fales

Children in Worship: Lynn Bosch, Kami Bosch

Security Team: Jim Van Den Beldt, Tyler Taratuta

# *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

## **Sunday School Classes: 10:45am**

- Three Years Old-12<sup>th</sup> Grade meet downstairs
  - Preschool (3-4 years old) meets in Room 101
  - Young 5s, Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> grade meet in Room 107
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade meets in Room 106
  - 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade meets in Room 109
  - 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade meets in Room 108
  - 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade meets in the Youth Room
- Women's Bible Study meets in the Conference Room

**The Gathering (high school youth group): 6:00pm**

# *This Week*

## ***Sunday, February 22***

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

## ***Monday, February 23***

9:00am Prayer Group  
6:00pm Elders Meeting  
7:00pm Consistory Meeting

## ***Tuesday, February 24***

1:00pm Quilting Group  
1:30pm Women's Bible Study

## ***Wednesday, February 25***

5:45pm Meal  
6:00pm YPT  
6:30pm Kid Connection  
Grow  
Gravitate

## ***Thursday, February 26***

7:00pm Discipleship Team Meeting

## ***Friday, February 27***

10:00am Pantry

## ***Saturday, February 28***

8:00am Scrapbooking

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Our sermons are now available as a podcast!

Visit our website:  
[hamiltonreformedchurch.org](http://hamiltonreformedchurch.org)  
and click on the podcast tab at the top of the page.

## ***Peanut Butter Drive***

Hungry For Christ is helping collect peanut butter through the end of February. There is a box outside the library for donations that will go to local food pantries.

## ***LLPP Preschool Enrollment***

LLPP Hamilton Reformed Preschool Enrollment has started for the 2026-2027 school year! Contact LLPP to learn more about our preschool programming or to set up a tour.

(269) 256-5327

llpp.hamilton@gmail.com



Children need support to develop spiritually, emotionally, intellectually, socially, and physically. At LLPP, our faith shapes the way we care for children. We engage in many different activities, from painting and singing to counting and speaking, all of which show evidence of a loving God. Whether specifically referenced or not, our faith informs each of our interactions.

## ***Office Hours***

The office will be open from 8:00-10:00am on Friday, February 27 and will be closed after that as staff is attending training. The church doors will remain open until 1:00pm as usual and the Love INC Personal Needs pantry will also be open.

## ***Move-Up Night***

Hey 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders! February 25 will be “Move-up Night”. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students will visit the Grow class in Room 8 and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will join Gravitate in the Youth Room downstairs.

## ***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 provide access to Scripture for people living around the world.

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### **Missionary of the Week**

Chad & Dara VandenBosch  
Audio Scripture Ministries  
PO Box 1439  
Holland, MI 49422  
Email: [chad@asmtoday.org](mailto:chad@asmtoday.org)

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### **Ministry Focus**

Please pray for those involved in the Hamilton Elementary Release Time and the students that are able to attend.

## *Please Pray for:*

- Melissa Eding is scheduled to have her tonsils removed on Tuesday, February 24
- Gord Poll is a patient at Meijer Heart Center and anticipates undergoing open heart surgery

## *A Note of Thanks...*

We would like to thank the congregation for its prayers, support, and meals during our difficult season of losing Suzanne's father in early January and then followed by a challenging period of illness as she battled COVID and pneumonia. We feel so blessed and thankful to be part of such a loving church family.

Pastors Kevin & Suzanne Hart and family

## *Important Reminders*

Just a few friendly reminders:

- All meetings or events held at church need to be scheduled through the office. Please contact Sara or Nicki to verify if a date is available and they will write it on the calendar. Please do not write your own events on the calendar if Sara or Nicki are not available (you can leave a note on either of their desks for when they are back in the office or you can email church).
- The deadline to submit information to be published in the Heartbeat is 8:00am on Thursdays. In the event that the deadline changes, a notice will be published the week prior (holidays or special circumstances).
- The office is open Monday-Friday from 8:00am-1:00pm. Church is locked when the office is closed (other than Wednesdays for meal prep and activities).

## *Please Continue to Pray for:*

### **Continuing Care**

Amy Carroll  
Terry Dougan  
Marilyn Everling  
Larry Haverdink  
Jon Schrotenboer

### **Undergoing Treatments**

Bonnie DeZwaan  
Bern Diekema

### **Friend at Home**

Vern Klein

### **Education Volunteers**

Deb Meiste  
Les Meiste

### **Kitchen Volunteers**

Those who volunteer in the kitchen for Fellowship Time, Wednesday night meals as well as funerals

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## *Tithes & Offerings*

February 15 Total Budget

Offering – \$8,499

Offering – \$6,394

E-Tithe - \$2,105

*\$8,962 needed weekly  
to maintain budget*

*Offering boxes are available by each entrance and at the top of the stairs for your tithes and offerings.*

# Faith Development Opportunities

## *Adult Bible Studies*

**Women's Bible Study:** Meets during Sunday School

**Women's CBS Connect Bible Study:** Meets Tuesdays at 1:30pm

**Men'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 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Wednesday night meals are served in the Fellowship Hall from 5:45-6:15pm. All are welcome to these meals...free of charge! **A reminder to Youth Praise Team – please move to the front of the line so you can eat and get up to the Sanctuary by 6:00pm.**

**Youth Praise Team (2<sup>nd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade):** Practice is held 6:00-6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

**Kid Connection (Three Years Old – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade):** Students gather in the basement from 6:30-7:30pm.

**Grow (4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade):** Students gather in Room 8 in the back hallway from 6:30-7:30pm.

**Gravitate (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> 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 25

Casseroles served by the Elders

### March 4

HELP NEEDED

### March 11

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Please contact Pat Kragt if you have any questions.

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## *Help Needed*

We have a few more dates open for groups or committees to serve meals on a Wednesday night.

Sign up on the bulletin board outside the kitchen or talk to Pat Kragt if you are able to help. Thanks!