

HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | November 19, 2023

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 Hart

“Encourage One Another”
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

The backdrop is a question about the end times, but Paul uses this to emphasize the point of paying attention, staying focused on the mission without reference to when Christ will return.



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Sunday Mornings at HRC

Worship Locations

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

Greeters: Reed & Debbie Lampen

Next Week (Nov. 26): Jack & Mary Lezman

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: Deb Meiste, Molly Casemier

Next Week (Nov. 26): Jackie Taratuta, Matthew 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: Gracie, Kendra and Kamryn Bosch

Next Week (Nov. 26): Lynn Bosch, Kamryn Bosch

Sunday School Classes: 10:45am

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

The Gathering (High School Youth Group)

Meets 6:00-7:30pm in the Youth Room downstairs

This Week

Sunday, November 19

9:30am Sunday Worship

Children in Worship

10:45am Sunday School

6:00pm The Gathering

Monday, November 20

5:00pm Executive Team Meeting

Tuesday, November 21

10:00am Bible Study

6:30pm Personnel Meeting

Wednesday, November 22

7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve
Worship Service

November 23-24

Church Closed for
Thanksgiving Holiday

HRC Podcast

Our sermons are now available as a podcast!

Visit our website:

hamiltonreformedchurch.org

and click on

the "sermons" box.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

You are invited to join us Wednesday, November 22, at 7:00pm as Rev. Ed Schmidt leads our annual Thanksgiving Eve worship service.

Holiday Hours

Church will be open regular hours Monday-Wednesday (8:00am-1:00pm). Church will be closed Thursday-Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Women's Ministry Christmas Party

Women's Ministry will be holding their Christmas Party for ALL women on Monday, December 4, at 7:00pm. There will be fellowship, games, appetizers, desserts and FUN! Ladies, we hope you will join us and come hungry! The evening will conclude with a Secret Pal gift exchange (participation in Secret Pal is not required to attend). Please sign up on the bulletin board by the kitchen if you plan on attending.

Blessings Basket

The Blessings Basket is outside of the library to celebrate the birth of Aiden Todd, son of Drew & Jessi Boerman. Welcome him with a card or small gift.

We are Collecting

The primary department is collecting paper towels tubes and newspapers (we are all set with toilet paper tubes). Donations can be placed in the Sunday School tote outside the library or dropped off in the church office.

Youth Group News

- If you are going on either of the retreats in January, please bring your retreat forms to Andy & Erin.
- Stop by the bulletin board in the back hallway (outside the youth office) and see a list of activities our church youth are involved in.

November Mission of the Month

Compassionate Heart Ministries

Compassionate Heart Ministries was founded in 2006 as a place where those with disabilities could find friends, acceptance and have fun while building inclusive relationships in Christ. Since that time, hundreds of families and individuals (ages 14 - 45) with mild to moderate disabilities have found a home and a family of support.

Missionary of the Week

Bethany Flynn
Mission Driven Ministries
7500 Memorial Pkwy #215A
Huntsville, AL 35802
Email:
bethanyf@protonmail.com

Please Pray for:

- Nelvin DeWeerd has returned home from Meadow Woods Nursing and Rehab Center following rehab for surgery to repair a fractured hip. He continues to recover and gain strength at home.

A Note of Thanks

Many thanks to Kid Connection and to the Youth Praise Team for all of the donations given to the Personal Needs Pantry. Your continued giving for this ministry is so appreciated! Your donations really do make a difference and are a blessing to others.

Dear Friends and Family of HRC: Thank you for all the kind and thoughtful gestures of love and support given over the past month. I feel so very welcomed and appreciated. Truly, our family continues to feel so blessed to be a part of this faith community.

Thank you ~ Pastor Kevin

Congregational Meeting

Our annual congregational meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 5, at 7:00pm.

Pantry Volunteer Coordinator

We are excited to welcome Bev Ende as our new volunteer coordinator for the Love INC Personal Needs Pantry here at HRC. Bev will be taking over for Shelly McCormick on December 1.

Christmas Tree Lighting Event

Hamilton Dentistry and the Hamilton Lions Club invite you to celebrate the Christmas season at a tree lighting ceremony on Saturday, November 25, at 7:00pm at the Hamilton Medical Center (3494 Lincoln Rd.). Following the tree lighting we will be singing Christmas carols. Cookies and hot chocolate will be provided. All are welcome!

Please Continue to Pray for:

Continued Care

Holly Harper
Bill Jacobs
Brian VandenBrink

Friend at Home

Jill Broekhuis

Education Volunteers

Tyler & Jackie Taratuta

Kids Hope Mentor

Diane VanLente

Ministry Focus

Please pray for Dave McCleery as Dave administers the operations with Mission Aviation Fellowship in Central Asia.

Tithes & Offerings

November 12 Total - \$12,864

Offering - \$8,113.39

E-tithe - \$965

*\$7,744 needed weekly
to maintain budget*

Faith Development Opportunities

Adult Bible Studies

Women's Bible Study: Meets during Sunday School

Study on Romans: Meets Tuesdays 10:00-11:30am

Men's Bible Study: Meets every other Saturday at 6:00am

Wednesday Nights at HRC

Our regular Wednesday Night activities will not be held this week and will resume again on November 29.

Wednesday Night Meal: Meals are served in the Fellowship Hall from 5:45-6:15pm. All are welcome to these meals...free of charge!

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.

55+ Retirees & Senior Adults of HRC

Because of the busyness surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas, the 55+ gatherings will be combined into one holiday gathering on Thursday, December 14, at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will sing some Christmas songs, listen to the story of Jesus' birth as told in the Bible, and Cal Klokkert will present his Tribute to Johnny Cash. Refreshments will be served following Cal's presentation and a free-will offering will be received for him. Invite your friends and neighbors to this special holiday gathering! Please sign-up on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church kitchen.

Wednesday Night Meals

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

Upcoming Meals

November 22

No Meal or Regular Wednesday Night Activities

November 29

Ham & potato casserole and salad served by the Women's Bible Study

December 6

Creamed chicken on buns and salad served by the Mission Committee

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.



Spreading Christmas Cheer

Christmas Cards for Our Friends at Home

You are encouraged to send some Christmas cheer to those who are not able to worship with us regularly...

- Mail a card or stop in for a visit
- Bring a card to church and place it in the box on the ledge outside the library by Wednesday, December 6 (can address to a specific person or leave unaddressed – PLEASE rubber band your cards together)
- After December 6, we ask that you mail the cards directly to our Friends at Home

Leona Boerigter

Jill Broekhuis

Jean Hutt

Harv Bultman

Alvina Klein

Nellie Brower

Orvin Deters

Nelvin DeWeerd

Bob Tucker

Marianne Yonker

Joyce VanDam

Clara TenHagen

Ivan Top

Christmas Cards for Kids

Kids LOVE getting mail of their own. This Christmas, you are encouraged to bring signed Christmas cards to church and place them in the box on the landing leading up to the Sanctuary. We will distribute them to the kids in our congregation. Please rubber band your cards together. We have 29 kids and will take care of distributing the cards.