

HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | July 30, 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

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

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<https://www.youtube.com/@hamiltonreformedchurch4058/streams>

Sunday Morning  
Pastor Kevin Hart

“Journey with Jacob:  
What Is This You Have Done?”  
Genesis 29:15-30

Life can be tough, and sometimes we seem to just make it tougher. Our journey with Jacob takes us to one of Jacob's low points as the deceiver is deceived. What should be our response, where will we turn when we encounter such times?



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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).

Nursery Helpers: Deb Meiste, Matthew Fales

Next Week (August 6): Holly Cochrane, Madi Fales

## *Summer Story Time*

Children 3 years old through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be dismissed from the morning worship for a Bible lesson and activity. Weather permitting, we will be meeting in the courtyard (we will meet in the Conference Room in the event of rain). Parents – please pick your children up immediately following the worship service.

## *5th Annual Volunteer Fair*

August 6 ~ 10:45-11:30am

Join us in the Fellowship Hall on August 6 for our 5<sup>th</sup> annual volunteer fair. Several of our ministries will have tables set up with information on how YOU can get involved. Stop by each table and check it out!

Children's Ministry ~ Student Ministries ~ Kids Hope  
Sunday Morning Activities ~ Wednesday Night Activities  
Church Ministries ~ AND MANY MORE!!!

### **Raffle Tickets**

Each time you volunteer or sign up to donate, you will be given a raffle ticket for various prize baskets and items. Winning tickets will be drawn at 11:30am.

*\*If you would like to donate toward the purchase of prizes, please designate it on an envelope and drop it off in an offering box or the church office.\**

## *This Week*

### **Sunday, July 30**

9:30am Sunday Worship  
Summer Story Time

### **Friday, August 4**

10:00am Pantry

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## *A Look Ahead*

### **August 6**

Volunteer Fair

August 13

Missionary Josiah

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## *HRC Podcast*

Our sermons are now available as a podcast!

Visit our website:  
[hamiltonreformedchurch.org](http://hamiltonreformedchurch.org)  
and click on  
the "sermons" box.

## *Pictorial Directory Updates*

If you are new to HRC or have had any changes to your family in the past year (or would just like to update your directory picture), please submit a photo to the office by the end of July. *If you are a regular visitor with us, we'd love to include you, too!* Pictures do NOT need to be formal. You can either email your picture to church: hamiltonreformedchurch@gmail.com or drop off a printed picture and we will scan it and then return it. Along with your picture, please fill out a yellow information form. Forms can be found on the ledge outside the library.

## *Upcoming Youth Group Events*

### **Middle School Cookout (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students)**

When: Saturday, August 5, at 5:00pm

Where: Rozendaal's (5301 133<sup>rd</sup> Ave.)

### **High School Kayaking (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students)**

When: Sunday, August 13, at 3:00pm

Where: Meeting at church

Watch your email for more details and to RSVP.

## *Egg Cartons Wanted*

We are collecting egg cartons. Please drop them off in the church office. Thanks so much!

## *Harvest Table*

Beginning on Sunday, August 6, and each Sunday until the harvest season ends, you are invited to bring excess produce from your garden to church to share with others. Please leave items on the designated table in the lobby. You are welcome to take home what you can use. If you have extra bags at home, please bring those, too.

## *July Missions of the Month*

### **Bible League Wycliffe Bible Translators**

Bible League International serves the under-resourced church with Bibles and training to transform lives worldwide through God's Word.

Wycliffe USA serves together with churches and Bible translation organizations around the world so that local churches have Scripture and other resources to meet their spiritual needs, along with the capacity to continue to meet those growing needs in the future.

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### **Missionary of the Week**

Bethany Flynn

Mission Driven Ministries

7500 Memorial Pkwy #215A

Huntsville, AL 35802

Email:

bethanyf@protonmail.com

## *Please Pray for:*

- Dale Lampen has moved to MediLodge of Holland for a time of rehab and continued recovery following a recent stroke.
- Aurora Boerman and Anna Hart are attending Paradise Ranch at Grace Adventure July 31-August 4.
- Kamryn Bosch, Grayson Rozendaal and Zoe Rozendaal are attending Camp Geneva July 31-August 4.

## *A Note of Thanks*

Thank you to everyone for the many cards and well wishes we received for our 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary! God has blessed us with so many years.

Don & Donna Lampen

Thank you for your prayers, cards and food. Thank you for the beautiful blanket from the blanket ministry.

Thanks also to Pastor Kevin and Pastor Ron for the visit and calls. I feel blessed to be part of this church family.

Gloria Haverdink

Thank you for all your prayers and cards following the passing of our sister-in-law, Ruthie Wassink.

Larry & Sharon Haverdink

Stu & Shirley Wassink

## *Love Inc Backpack Ministry*

Love INC is accepting donations of school supplies for their backpack ministry to help equip students in Hamilton, Allegan and Fennville schools. Donations should be dropped off at the Love INC office in Hamilton Monday-Friday from 9:00am-3:00pm (*we are not collecting them here at church*). Complete shopping lists of requests supplies are available outside the library to take with you when you go shopping. Items are due to the Love INC office by Friday, August 11.

## *Please Continue to Pray for:*

### **Continued Care**

Amy Carroll  
Stu Woldring

### **Friend at Home**

Alvina Klein

### **Missionary Focus**

Please pray for Rebecca Laarman as she begins a new ministry "Empowering Youth Global Connection" located at City on a Hill in Zeeland.

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## *Tithes & Offerings*

July 23 Total - \$6,510.70

Offering - \$5,245.70

E-tithe - \$1,265

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

# Updates from Children's Ministry

VBS was a success and we were so blessed. We had about 160 kids registered for the event with 140-150 in attendance each night. We had over 60 volunteers and greatly appreciate each of them who helped make the week run smoothly. We'd also like to thank you all for the donations!

It is hard to believe, but the education year is right around the corner.

We are busy preparing for another great year of Sunday School. Stop by the HRC Kids table at the volunteer fair on Sunday August 6 to see how you can be a part of the Children's Ministry here at HRC.



Registration and Prayer Buddy forms will be sent through email soon. Please look for an email from hrcchildren@gmail.com. All forms are due by Sunday, August 27. Thanks ~ Gracie and Nicki



## Prayer Buddies

We would love to know how to specifically pray for your child(ren)! Each month several children are featured in the Heartbeat for the congregation to pray for. Prayer Buddy information questions will be included in the Student Registration Google Form that will be emailed soon. Please submit completed forms by Sunday, August 27. A photo of your child(ren) should be emailed to the church office. If you prefer paper copies of the form, they will be available on the ledge outside of the library. *Prayer buddies is for **ALL children** infant through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.*

## Student Registration Forms

Student Registration Forms are one of the ways we use to create a safe environment for our students. Registration forms and information letters will be emailed to parents soon using a Google Form. Please fill out the form for each of your children. Each child must have an updated registration form on file, in order to participate in HRC education programs. Completed forms should be submitted or returned to Nicki or Gracie by Sunday, August 27. If you prefer paper forms, they will be available outside the library.

# Updates from Children's Ministry

## Leader / Helper Sign-Up

Do you have a love for children and a desire to encourage them to develop a relationship with Jesus Christ? If so, we have a place for you to use the gifts God has given you in Children's Ministries. As you spend time in prayer listening to God - where and how is He urging you to plug in?

A sign-up poster will be on the bulletin board by the carport soon, or stop by the Volunteer Fair on August 6 following the morning worship service. Our kids need adults in their lives who love God and them!

## Volunteers Wanted:

We are looking for volunteers to teach/lead Children in Worship, Sunday School and Kid Connection. Please begin praying about this and consider where God is calling you to help. Sign-up sheets will be available at the Volunteer Fair on August 6 or on the Children's Ministry board!

**We are looking for volunteers to help out during:**

### ***Sunday Morning***

- Children's Message
- Children In Worship

### ***Sunday School***

- Kindergarten – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade
- Substitute teachers

### ***Wednesday Night***

- Crowd control before programming starts
- Kid Connection
  - Games leaders
  - Craft leaders

## Dates to Remember

***August 6***

Volunteer Fair

***August 13***

Last Day of  
Summer Story Time

***August 27***

Student Registration and  
Prayer Buddies Forms Due

***September 10***

Volunteer Commissioning  
Volunteer Meeting

***September 24***

Children In Worship and  
Sunday School Begin

***October 4***

Wednesday Night  
Kick-Off

***October 11***

Wednesday Night Activities  
and Kid Connection Begin



# *Consistory Chronicles*

## **June Elders / Consistory Meetings**

Consistory held two separate meetings in June and took the month of July off. We remain blessed and uplifted by all that the Lord has done among us.

- The Elders were pleased to welcome into membership Scott and Pam Devereaux.
- After meeting with Tyler and Jackie, the Elders approved baptism for River Gabriel Taratuta.
- A further review of our membership rolls and related contacts resulted in the agreed upon removal of some inactive members.
- The Deacons continue to make building improvements and weigh next steps. Take a moment to check out the much needed new carpet downstairs.
- After careful work and consideration, the Consistory was happy to bring on Andy and Erin Rozendaal as our next Co-Directors of Youth Leadership. They already have plans for the Junior and Senior High youth for this summer.
- Congregational Life reported that a ramp was successfully built for one of our members.
- The Consistory approved a process of background checks for all volunteering to work with children/youth in the church.
- The June financial reports are as follows:
  - General Fund: \$133,148
  - Building Fund: \$18,729
  - Building Maintenance Fund: \$8,494
  - Memorial Fund: \$23,920
  - Love Fund: \$4,919
- The next Executive Team meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 21. The next Elders and Consistory meetings are scheduled for Monday, August 28.

## *2023 Consistory*

### **Elders**

Terry Dougan  
Scott Essenburg  
Gary Jurries  
Calvin Kragt  
Jim Kraker  
Jeff Reuschel

### **Deacons**

Mike Bosch  
Ross Eding  
Rick Eustice  
Ryan Lindholm  
Tyler Taratuta  
Tom Weerstra

## **Consistory Officers**

### ***Vice President***

Jeff Reuschel

### ***Clerk***

Jim Kraker

### ***Congregational Life***

Gary Jurries

### ***Spiritual Formation***

Scott Essenburg

### ***Service & Outreach***

Calvin Kragt

### ***Deacon Chair***

Rick Eustice

### ***Treasurer***

Mike Bosch

### ***Facility/Property***

Ross Eding, chair  
Ryan Lindholm  
Tom Weerstra

### ***Love Fund & Budget***

Tyler Taratuta

## *August Ministry Volunteers*

Ministry	August 6	August 13	August 20	August 27
<b>Greeters</b>	Mary Haverdink	Eric & Lisa Helder	Jeff & Lisa Hulst	Dick & Arlynn Immink
<b>Nursery</b>	Holly Cochrane Madi Fales	Nicki Boerman Zander Boerman	Jackie Taratuta Olivia McCormick	Libby Casemier Molly Casemier
<b>Summer Story Time</b>	Shelly Boerman Zander Boerman		--	--
<b>Camera</b>	Missy Eustice	Ryan Lindholm	Eric Helder	Nathan Hart
<b>PowerPoint</b>	Mark Kleinheksel	Ryleigh Becksford	Craig Poll	Kilee Kleinheksel
<b>Sound</b>	Jeff Mulder	Tim Bleeker	Paul Koopman	Paul Bosch
<b>Pianist/ Organist</b>	Sherry Kleinheksel	Nancy Kleinheksel	Ruth Brink	Deb Meiste
<b>Praise Team</b>	Kathy, Molly, Calvin & Deb	Brian, Paul, Jen, Ashtyn & Anna	Instrumentalists	Tim, Lane, Kathy, Anna & Molly

## **Upcoming Community Events**

### *Red Cross Blood Drive*

The next Red Cross Blood Drive at HRC will be held on Thursday, August 3, from noon-5:45pm. To schedule an appointment visit: [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (not required). Sponsor code: Hamiltonreformed

### *Grant Me Hope's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Family FUNFEST*

Saturday, September 23 ~ 12:00-6:00pm ~ Dutch Village

Grant Me Hope's Family FunFest has:

\*BIG TRUCKS!\* from all over West Michigan! Some new, some old, but all BIG!

\*CARS & MOTORCYCLES!\* Unique cars come out every year! Don't miss it.

Registration at 11:00am, \$20 per vehicle. Trophies awarded.

\*DUTCH VILLAGE!\* Fun rides and activities, a petting zoo, gorgeous flower beds and lots Dutch history, exhibits, demonstrations and performances!

\*FOOD!\* We'll serve a picnic meal inside Dutch Village starting at noon.

FREE WILL DONATION

Visit [grantmehope.org/funfest](http://grantmehope.org/funfest) or email [info@grantmehope.org](mailto:info@grantmehope.org) for more information!



# August

## ***Birthdays***

August 1: Kathy Burton  
Gord Poll

August 2: Gregg Brower

August 4: Gladys Serie  
Sharon VanDyke

August 5: Misti Lindholm

August 6: Gracie Bosch

August 7: Del Redder  
Tom Weerstra

August 8: Earl Smit

August 10: Jaycee Poll

August 11: Linda Wolters

August 12: Tami Folkert  
Bev Rigterink

August 13: Joyce VanDam\*

August 14: Terry Dougan

August 20: Callie Casemier

August 22: Lisa Haskill

August 23: Colin Eding

August 24: Marilyn Everling

August 25: Peggy Klingenberg

August 27: Devin Kroeze

August 31: Mike Bosch  
Todd Burton

*\*Address can be found in address directory.*

## CONGRATULATIONS

Brian & Nancy Kleinheksel  
are celebrating their  
40<sup>th</sup> anniversary on August 19.

*Please celebrate with them by sending a card.*

## ***Anniversaries***

August 3, 2018  
Drew & Jessi Boerman

August 5, 1976  
Gord & Linda Poll

August 6, 2022  
Nick & Tami King

August 9, 1985  
Brian & Paula VandenBrink

August 11, 2001  
John & Libby Casemier

August 12, 1995  
Tom & Kathy Weerstra

August 14, 1981  
Tim & Cheryl Bleeker

August 14, 1981  
Dick & Arlynn Immink

August 15, 2008  
Phil & Nicki Boerman

August 16, 1997  
Ryan & Misti Lindholm

August 16, 1979  
Jeff & Laurie Reuschel

August 19, 1983  
Brian & Nancy Kleinheksel

August 27, 1988  
Todd & Kathy Burton

August 27, 2016  
Don & Tami Folkert

August 27, 2010  
Jeff & Sandy Mulder

August 28, 1981  
Les & Deb Meiste

# Happening in August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 12:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive	4 10:00am Pantry	5 5:00pm Gravitare Cook-out at Rozendaal's (6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade)
6 9:30am Worship Communion <i>Summer Story Time</i>  <b>5<sup>th</sup> Annual Volunteer Fair</b> 5:00pm Hymn Sing at Bentheim Reformed	7 6:30pm Personnel Team Meeting	8	9	10 9:00am Staff Meeting	11 10:00am Pantry	12
13 9:30am Worship <i>Summer Story Time</i> 10:30am Communion Vespers 3:00pm The Gathering Kayaking (9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade)	14 8:30am Prayer Group	15 1:00pm Quilting Group	16	17 5:00pm 55+ Retirees & Senior Adults of HRC Dinner at Trestle	18 10:00am Pantry	19
20 9:30am Worship	21 5:00pm Executive Team Meeting	22 7:00pm Discipleship Team Meeting	23	24 9:00am Staff Meeting  6:00pm Cub Scouts Community Day	25 10:00am Pantry	26
27 9:30am Worship	28 8:30am Prayer Group  6:00pm Elders Meeting  7:00pm Consistory Meeting	29	30	31		