HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | December 21, 2025

# 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

4th Sunday of Advent

Matthew 1:18-25 "Love: Do Not Fear"

As we get ready in this season of Advent, we are reminded that God is in control and that we need not fear – though the events around us might suggest otherwise.

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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: Arie & Hope Doolaard

Nursery Volunteers: Gracie Bosch, Kami Bosch

Security Team: Ross Eding, Todd Burton Children In Worship: resumes January 11

### **Christmas Morning (December 25):**

Greeters: Terry & Joan Dougan

No Nursery

### Next Week (December 28):

Greeters: Pat & Kris Driscoll

Nursery Volunteers: Holly Cochrane, Brianna Fales

Security Team: Mark Groenheide,

Children In Worship: resumes January 11

### Christmas Day Worship Service

Join us Christmas morning at 9:30am as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

### From the HRC staff



We wish you and your loved ones a most blessed Christmas season. It is our prayer that the anticipation and thrill of the Christ Child will fill your heart and that the salvation He delivered will be deeply rooted within your soul. It has been our pleasure to serve alongside you this past year and we pray God's blessing upon you as we enter a new year.

### This Week

Sunday, December 21 9:30am Sunday Worship

*Monday, December 22* 9:00am Prayer Group

Thursday, December 25
9:30am Christmas Day
Worship Service

### A Look Ahead

December 28

Ordination / Installation of Newly Elected Elders and Deacons

Our sermons are now available as a podcast!
Visit our website:
hamiltonreformedchurch.org
and click on the podcast tab at the top of the page.

### Worship and Music Coordinator

We are excited to welcome Mary Cupery to our HRC staff as our new Worship and Music Coordinator. She brings years of experience working in this capacity in previous churches through the years. Mary was a homemaker for a number of years and with her husband raised four children. She has been a school teacher (Music, English, Science) and continues to substitute teach in the area. The Search Team was impressed throughout the interview process with Mary. Her husband, Dennis, is a retired minister and plans to be around. Mary is in the process of learning our systems and making new connections with our various music people. Please take time to welcome Mary and Dennis to our church family.

### Temporary Custodial Help Needed

We are in need of custodial / cleaning help for 4-6 weeks in January and February to cover for Amy Carroll while she is out recovering from surgery. Please contact a member of the Property Committee (Drew Boerman, Larry Boerman, Mark Woldring) for more details or if you are interested in helping.

### Christmas Cards for Friends at Home

You are encouraged to send some Christmas cheer to those who are not able to worship with us regularly. We are no longer accepting cards at church, however a list of our Friends at Home, along with their addresses, can be found on the ledge outside the library.

### Christmas Cards for Kids

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. Please rubber band your cards together. We have a total of 31 kids and will take care of distributing the cards.

# December Missions of the Month

Adult & Teen Challenge HAYM (Hamilton Area Youth Ministries)

Adult & Teen Challenge provides Christian faith-based, residential care to young people and adults who struggle with lifecontrolling problems.

HAYM is the youth ministries of ten area churches working together to love, care for and be a part of students' lives for the cause of Jesus Christ!

Missionary of the Week Josh & Alison Perkins

### **Ministry Focus**

Please pray for the volunteers and staff of Love INC as they help meet the needs of the Hamilton area community.

### Please Pray for:

- Lisa Haskill is recovering at home following surgery on her inner ear
- Alvina Klein is a patient at Zeeland Hospital where she is undergoing testing

### Our Sympathies to:

Brian & Lisa Kempkers and family on the passing of Lisa's sister, Lorrie Jamieson, on Tuesday, December 16

### A Note of Thanks...

Thank you all for your prayers, cards and caring. Thank you to Pastor Kevin for the hospital visit.

Shirley Berens

### Address Directory Updates

It's time to update our Address Directory. Yellow information sheets have been placed in mailboxes. Please look over the sheet and make any necessary updates or corrections. Forms are due back to the office by January 4, 2026. Thanks!

### Congregational Meeting Summary

The following slate of nominees were approved at our annual congregational meeting and will be Ordained/Installed on December 28: Elders – Bill MacKechnie and Mike Shaffer; Deacons – Mark Woldring and Jim Veldhoff. Please notify VP Calvin Kragt or Pastor Kevin if you have any concerns.

### Thanksgiving Offering

General Fund	\$100.00
Projects Fund	\$4,165.00
Love INC	\$2,215.00
Hungry For Christ	\$2,865.00
Total	\$9,345.00

# Please Continue to Pray for:

### **Continuing Care**

Larry Haverdink
Dick Immink
Nancy Kleinheksel
Jon Schrotenboer
Mike Shaffer
Elijah Helder (MP training)

#### **Friend at Home**

Jon & Eileen Schrotenboer

### **Education Volunteers**

Julie Woldring Jen Becksford

### **Pantry Volunteers**

Those who coordinate our volunteers and make sure there are enough supplies on hand and those who help clients on Fridays.

## Tithes & Offerings

December 14 Total Budget Offering – \$5,740 Offering – \$4,070 E-Tithe - \$1,670

\$8,475 needed weekly to maintain budget

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