

HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | APRIL 23, 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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*Journey to
Pentecost*

April 23 - May 28



Sunday Morning
Pastor Kevin

“Breaking Bread”
Luke 24:13-35

As we journey to Pentecost we will ask how God can use us to share His kingdom of love, faith and hope. We will make this journey alongside and with the help of some of the lesser known followers of Christ. This week we walk and then run with two who came to know Jesus in the intimacy of fellowship.

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Sunday Mornings at HRC

Worship Locations

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

Greeters: Larry & Holly Cochrane and family

Next Week (April 30): Bern & Donna Diekema

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, Les Meiste

Next Week (April 30): Jessi Boerman, Drew Boerman

Children In Worship

Children 3 years old through kindergarten will be dismissed from the worship service and head downstairs for a Bible story, activity and small snack.

Sunday School classes begin at 10:45am:

- Three Years Old – 8th grade meet downstairs
 - Preschool (3 – 4 years old) meets in Room 101
 - Young 5s – Kindergarten meets in the Red Carpet Room
 - 1st – 2nd grade meets in Room 107
 - 3rd – 5th grade meets in Room 108
 - Middle School (6th – 8th grade) meets in Room 109
- High School (9th – 12th grade) meets in the Youth Room downstairs
- Women's Sunday School / Bible Study meets in the Conference Room

Printed Heartbeat

We have transitioned those with email away from a printed version of the Heartbeat. We have a limited number of printed Heartbeats available on Sunday mornings for those visiting with us. If you would like to continue receiving a printed version, please contact the church office so we can plan our printing accordingly.

This Week

Sunday, April 23

9:30am Sunday Worship
Children In Worship
10:45am Sunday School

Monday, April 24

8:30am Prayer Group
6:00pm Elders Meeting
7:00pm Consistory Meeting

Wednesday, April 26

10:30am Library
& Play Group
11:30am Wahoo
Wednesday Lunch
6:00pm Hamilton Historical
Society Meeting

Thursday, April 27

9:00am Staff Meeting

Friday, April 28

10:00am Pantry

Saturday, April 29

5:30pm Auction Meal
6:45pm Auction

Auction – April 29

Dinner at 5:30pm ~ Auction begins at 6:45pm

Women's Ministry will be providing the main course (hamburgers and hot dogs) and the congregation is asked to bring a salad or dessert. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the kitchen if you are attending so we can plan accordingly.

Auction Donations: If you have an item or items to donate and didn't sign up on the bulletin board, that's okay. We are still accepting donations up to the start of the auction (they just won't be listed in the auction booklet as that is already printed).

Auction Donation Drop-off: All donations can be dropped off in the office Monday-Friday from 8:00am-1:00pm. Larger items can be brought directly to the auction if they haven't already been dropped off. Gift cards or event tickets should be given to one of the committee members or held onto until the night of the auction.

Summer Story Time

Throughout the summer months (June, July, and August) we will once again be offering Summer Story Time during the morning worship service. Summer Story Time will be for children three years old to 2nd grade. This year our theme is "At the Beach". Our Bible stories will focus on different themes of the beach. We are in need of volunteers to make this a success. Check out the Student Ministries bulletin board by the carport entrance to sign up to be a leader or helper.

A Look Ahead

May 7

Final Week of Children In
Worship & Sunday School

May 21

Recognition of Graduates

June 18

Summer Story Time Begins

Podcast Now Available

Do you like listening to podcasts? Our sermons are now available online!

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

Tithes & Offerings

April 16 Total - \$9,355

Offering - \$8,790

E-Tithe - \$565

\$7,744 needed weekly to maintain budget

Temporary Job Opening

HRC is looking for someone to work at church this summer to cover a medical leave. This paid position is approximately 10 hours a week. You would be in charge of cleaning the church (indoor custodian). The job will start early June and last 2-3 months depending on the need. This is a great opportunity for someone looking for a temporary summer job, including high school or college students. Please reach out to one of the Personnel Committee members if you are interested or have questions. Lisa Hulst, Holly Cochrane, Terry Dougan, Bob Berens, Dave Mazurek, or Pastor Kevin

Hungry for Christ Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, April 29 ~ 8:00-10:30am
at Hungry for Christ (4565 135th Ave., Hamilton)

The community is invited to a pancake breakfast cooked and served by Hungry for Christ's faithful volunteers. Stay and tour the facility and learn more about the programs offered by Hungry for Christ. Every dollar donated will go toward their "Pounding the Pavement" project to resurface their parking lot.

National Day of Prayer

Mark your calendar for the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 4, from 12:00-12:50pm at the Hamilton Veteran's Memorial Park (3440 M-40).

Contribution Statements

Quarterly contribution statements were placed in mailboxes. Please contact Nicki in the office Mondays or Thursdays if you have any questions.

April Mission of the Month

Western Theological Seminary

Western Theological Seminary offers rigorous academic study in a nurturing community to prepare men and women for the challenges and opportunities of ministry in today's world. They are generously Reformed, 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.

Missionary of the Week

David & Linda McCleery
Mission Aviation Fellowship
9305 Northwind Dr.
Zeeland, Mi 49464
Email:
dave@innetworkusa.org

Prayer Concerns

- Ivan Top has returned home where he continues to recover following a recent hospitalization for issues related to congestive heart failure.

Congratulations to:

Breanna (Eding) & Avery Calkins who were united in marriage on Saturday, April 22. May God bless them as they begin their life together as husband and wife.

Our Sympathies to:

Scott & Joy Essenburg and family on the passing of their son, Matt Essenburg, on Wednesday, April 19.

A Note of Thanks

Thank you for all of the well wishes, cards, phone calls and visits during my recent hospitalization. It is all very much appreciated!

Julie Woldring

Thank you for the Easter lily and for all the cards I received last Christmas. Thanks also to Pastor Ron for his visits.

Clara TenHagen

Thank you to my church family for your support during my recent illness. Thank you for the thoughts and prayers, calls and messages, and your cards and visits. Thanks also to Pastor Ron for his visits and calls. Your caring is truly appreciated as I gain strength.

Jim Veldhoff

Please Continue to Pray for:

Continued Care

Belva Brower

Bob Rigterink

Undergoing Treatments

Terry Dougan

Kids Hope Mentor

Pat Kragt

Friend at Home

Leona Boerigter

Ministry Focus

Please pray for Grant Me Hope. They are in the process of renovating several buildings to house foster kids that have reached the age of 18 and have no place to live. Pray for full-time house parents for each of the locations, for volunteer mentors, and for the success of this important work as they serve these vulnerable young people.



Library News

Library, Play Group and Fellowship

Area preschoolers (and their parents or grandparents) are invited to join us on Wednesdays from 10:30am-12:00pm for library, play group and a time of fellowship. Coffee will be available, kids can play on the playground, and the library will be open for anyone to check out books. We'll be serving hotdogs, chips, water, and cookies on Wednesdays to interested preschoolers and their parents at 11:30am.

New Children's Books

Book Boxes:

*The Eric Carle
Ready to Read Books
Little Kitty Phonics
Froggy Phonics
Lalaloopsy Phonics*

Peppa Pig books:

*Peppa Plays Soccer
Peppa's Halloween Party
Bedtime for Peppa
Peppa's School Day
Peppa's Dentist Trip*

Pete the Cat books:

*Firefighter Pete
I Love My White Shoes
Cool Cat Boogie
His Magic Sunglasses
Snow Daze
Rocking In My School Shoes*

Clifford books:

*The Big Itch
Class Trip
Takes a Trip
We Love You*

I Spy books:

*Animals
A Butterfly
Funny Teeth
A Pumpkin
Lightning in the Sky
Eggs in a Nest
An Apple
Letters*

Little Critter books:

*Just A Mess
Just Go To Bed*

New Adult Books

Stop by the library and pick up a new book for Spring reading:

The Mercy Tree
by Sharlene MacLaren

26 Below
by Kimberly Woodhouse

Books by
Christina Suzann Nelson
What Happens Next
Shaped by the Waves

The Water Keeper
by Charles Martin

A Promise Engraved
by Liz Tolsma

Books by Karen Kingsbury
In This Moment
Two Weeks
On Every Side

Extreme Measures Series
by Lynette Eason
Life Flight (book #1)
Crossfire (book #2)
Critical Threat (book #3)

New Tween Books

Picture of Hollis Woods
Guinea Dog
Bella Broomstick Magic Mistakes