

# HRC Heartbeat February 5, 2023

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### Happening this Week

#### Sunday, February 5

9:30am Sunday Worship – Pastor Kevin Celebration of the Lord's Table Scripture: Joshua 1:1-9 Message: "Be Strong and Courageous" Children In Worship
10:45am Sunday School Classes
6:00pm The Gathering

Monday, February 6 8:45am Preschool

Tuesday, February 7 8:45am Preschool

#### Wednesday, February 8

8:45am Preschool 10:30am Library & Play Group 5:45pm Wednesday Night Meal 6:00pm Youth Praise Team 6:30pm Kid Connection, Grow, Gravitate

#### Thursday, February 9

8:45am Preschool 9:00am Staff Meeting 12:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive

#### Friday, February 10

8:45am Preschool 10:00am Pantry

Saturday, February 11

## <u>A Look Ahead...</u>

#### February 12

Sunday Worship – Pastor Kevin Communion Vespers

February 15 Student Ministries BINGO Event (all invited)

February 16 Senior Adult Ministry Meeting at The Trestle

#### February 22

Ash Wednesday Service (Youth Praise Team, Kid Connection and Grow will not meet – no meal will be served)

## HRC News & Upcoming Events

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** The next Hamilton area blood drive will be at HRC on Thursday, February 9, from noon until 5:45pm. For more information or to schedule an appointment (not required), call 1-800-RED CROSS, or go to redcrossblood.org, sponsor code: hamiltonreformed

**Library, Play Group & Fellowship:** Attention parents (and grandparents) of preschoolers - join us on Wednesdays for library, play group and a time of fellowship. You are invited



to come with your children 10:30am-12:00pm. Coffee will be available, kids can play on the playground, and the library will be open for anyone to check out books.

<u>Directory Updates:</u> The new 2023 address directories have been placed in mailboxes. Extra copies are available in the church office. 2022 pictorial directory updates were also placed in mailboxes. If you never received a binder, please let the office know and we will get one for you.

Ash Wednesday Service: The 40 day season of Lent which leads up to Easter begins with Ash Wednesday. There are actually 46 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter but Sundays do not count as part of Lent since the atmosphere and themes of Lent – repentance, denial, sacrifice, reflection – do not fit the resurrection spirit of Sundays. You are invited to join us on February 22 for an Ash Wednesday service. Those who desire it will receive the administration of ashes on their foreheads.



# Join Us for BINGO

# Wednesday, February 15

Everyone is invited to join Student Ministries to play BINGO. We will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:30pm and will be done by 7:30pm. There will be prizes for all ages.



#### Please Pray for:

- Norma Reeves was a patient a Holland Hospital where she was treated for pneumonia. She has since returned home.

#### **Ongoing Cares & Concerns:**

- Vern Klein
- Veta Lohman

#### Friend at Home of the Week:

Joyce VanDam

#### Missionary of the Week:

Josiah Walcott YVC Letters PSC 47 Box 414 APO, AE 09470 Email: jwalcott@yfc.net

#### Missionary Prayer Requests:

Please pray for Josh Perkins and family as they work in church planting in the Arab region of Dubai.

> February Mission of the Month Words of Hope

<u>Tithes & Offerings</u>

January 29 Total - \$7,252.70 Offering - \$6,687.70 E-Tithe - \$565 \$7,744 needed weekly to maintain budget

January Missions of the Month Offerings: Camp Beechpoint (scholarships) - \$247.50 Timberwolf Young Life Camp - \$247.50

#### Ministry Helpers

Greeters: Drew & Jessi Boerman Nursery Helpers: Lisa Haskill, Carla VanderPoppen

#### Next Week (February 12):

Greeters: Kirk & Joann Boerman and family Nursery Helpers: Shelly Boerman, Aurora Boerman Praise Team: Youth Praise Team

# **Breakfast & Learning**

#### Thursday, February 16 ~ 10:00am

Retirees and senior adults of HRC are invited to meet at The Trestle Stop for breakfast and to learn more about the formation of a ministry to retirees and senior adults of our church family (all those 55+ are invited).



There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board near the kitchen for those planning to attend. *Please sign-up no later than February* 12. Breakfast will be provided and the restaurant needs to be informed of the number of people to expect. If you have questions, please speak with someone from the Leadership/Planning Team: Bob & Bev Rigterink, Gary Jurries,

Frank Workman or Pastor Ron.

### Church Auction ~ Saturday, April 29

Mark your calendar and start planning for our upcoming auction! What can YOU donate? Everyone has a skill or a knack for something! If you have an item or items you are willing to donate, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the library. If you have questions, please contact Women's Ministry: Karen TerHaar, Shelly McCormick, Lisa Hulst, or Donna Jurries.

We need YOUR help to make this auction a success!

# Wednesday Night Activities

- Dinner is served from 5:45-6:15pm. The meal this week is cream chicken on buns, salad, fruit and chips and will be served by the Youth Praise Team.
  - All are welcome to these meals...free of charge!
  - $\circ~$  5-6 desserts are needed each week sign up on the bulletin board by the kitchen
- Youth Praise Team Rehearsal 6:00-6:30pm in the Red Carpet Room downstairs for 2<sup>nd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students
- Kid Connection meets 6:30-7:30pm in Room 101 downstairs for children 3 years old – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- Grow (4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) meets 6:30-7:30pm in Room 8 in the back hallway
- Gravitate (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade youth group) meets in the youth room downstairs



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# Grant Me Hope Homes is Searching for House Parents

Have you ever considered working in the mission field in your own backyard? There are aged-out, homeless, foster youth who need your need help. Grant Me Hope, a 501©3, is opening three homes for aged-

out foster youth in danger of homelessness. Each home needs full-time house parents. This will be a full time, live-in position for both parents. (It will not work if you have small children or have children living with you yet.) These parents will teach life skills, cooking, cleaning, laundry, car maintenance, how to get a social security card, help getting a driver's license, help filling out a job application, practicing for a job interview, make sure they get to their job, open a checking and savings account, oversee budgeting, make sure they get medical care, help them make wise choices, save money and eventually, get a place of their own.

Grant Me Hope Homes wants this home to always be a place they can come "home" to. If you are a Christian, love the Lord with all your heart and have a passion for foster children or the homeless, this is the calling for you!

Please send your cover letter and resume to Helen Zeerip at 930 Interchange Dr. Holland, MI 49423 or email Helen@GrantMeHope.org or call 616-836-7949.

## Kids Hope USA February Update

February is a month when we think about **possibilities**. The **possibility** of Winter leaving (Groundhogs Day) us soon. The **possibility** of spending time with a loved one (Valentine's Day). Sometimes possibilities seem endless and sometimes there doesn't seem to be any possibilities. Just remember that with God, all things are possible.

> But Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." **Matthew 19:26**

Please consider the possibility of sharing your faith in 2023. Think and ponder on what this might look like. There are young people in our community that need you as their mentor or prayer partner. Contact Joy Essenburg at <u>KidsHopeHRC@gmail.com</u> to become a

mentor, prayer partner or to find out

more information on Kids Hope in the Hamilton

Community.