

HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | October 8, 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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Sunday Morning
Pastor Kevin Hart

“Compassionate Acts of Service”

Acts 12:25

Luke 7:11-17

The compassion our Lord exercised becomes a model for us to reach out to those who are hurting and in need of God's restorative love.



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Sunday Mornings at HRC

Worship Locations

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

Greeters: Kevin & Michelle King

Next Week (October 15): Nick & Tami King

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: Luanne Elenbaas, Matthew Fales

Next Week (Oct. 15): Erin Rozendaal, Grayson Rozendaal

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

Communion Vespers

Communion Vespers will be served in the Conference Room immediately following the worship service

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

Youth Group

The Gathering (9th-12th grade youth group) meets at 6:00pm in the Youth Room downstairs

This Week

Sunday, October 8

9:30am Sunday Worship

Children in Worship

10:45am Communion

Vespers

10:45am Sunday School

6:00pm The Gathering

Monday, October 9

8:30am Prayer Group

Tuesday, October 10

10:00am Bible Study

Wednesday, October 11

10:30am Playgroup

11:30am Library

5:45pm Meal

6:00pm Youth Praise Team

6:30pm Kid Connection,
Grow & Gravitate

Thursday, October 12

9:00am Staff Meeting

12:00pm Red Cross Blood
Drive

Friday, October 13

10:00am Pantry

HRC Podcast

Our sermons are now available as a podcast!

Visit our website:
hamiltonreformedchurch.org
and click on
the "sermons" box.

Directory Updates

- A new pictorial directory update was placed in mailboxes last Sunday. If you need a directory, please contact the office

Wednesday Playgroup & Library

We're excited to welcome you back to playgroup. If you are a parent or grandparent of children ages infant to preschool, you are invited to join us on Wednesdays for playgroup, library and fellowship. Playgroup will begin at 10:30am. Coffee will be available and kids can play with toys inside or on the playground in the courtyard. The library will open at 11:30am to check out books. We hope to see you there!

Special Offering

On Sunday, October 22, we will collect a Special Offering to assist our friends at Calvary Reformed in Cleveland. They anticipate a \$13,500 shortfall this year as inflation has led to a significant increase in expenses, (such as utilities, while at the same time leading to lower offerings). HRC has a strong history of ministry with Calvary Reformed and we want to support the vibrant ministry efforts which include upcoming baptisms, unchurched professions of faith, meal ministry and many other ways in which they are reaching the neighborhood.

Perfumes & Fragrances

In recent weeks, a concern has surfaced concerning brothers and sisters who experience mild to severe reactions to colognes and perfumes. We ask that you please limit your use of these products by considering the well-being of others.

October Mission of the Month

Hope College Chapel Ministries

The main focus of Chapel Ministries is to prepare students to live as grateful lifelong followers of Jesus Christ, knowing the freedom of the gospel as they gather, nurture and send students out to live holistic lives in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Missionary of the Week

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

Ministry Focus

Please pray for the volunteers and students who attend The Gate, a local after-school ministry for Hamilton schools.

Please Pray for:

- Bill Jacobs is scheduled for knee replacement surgery on Wednesday, October 11, at Corewell Health Blodgett Hospital.
- Our Wednesday night programming as we begin our regular programs and activities on October 11.

A Note of Thanks

Dear Church Family: Thank you for your support and warm welcome of Wyatt through thoughtful conversations, meals, gift, cards, and best of all prayers. We are blessed to be a part of this caring community
Nick, Lisa, Isaac, Clara, and Wyatt Haskill

We would like to thank our church family for all of the pastor calls, cards and prayers following the sudden passing of my stepmom and Brian's latest foot surgery.
Brian & Paula VandenBrink

Red Cross Blood Drive

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Thurs., October 12, from noon-5:45pm at HRC. If you weigh at least 110 lbs., are 17 years old or older, and are in good health you may donate. To schedule an appointment visit: redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Sponsor code: Hamiltonreformed

Retirees & Senior Adults of HRC



Our next gathering will be dinner at The Trestle Stop on Thursday, October 19, at 5:00pm. Come for an evening of good food, fellowship, and getting to know each other better. The ordering and payment of dinner will be on an individual basis. Please sign up on the bulletin board near the drinking fountain in the back hallway by Sunday, October 15, if you plan on attending.

Please Continue to Pray for:

Continued Care

Nancy Jacobs
Brian VandenBrink
Stu Woldring

Friend at Home

Alvina Klein

Education Volunteers

Jen Becksford
Ann Eding

Tithes & Offerings

October 1 Total - \$6,980
Offering - \$6,415
E-tithe - \$565

\$7,744 needed weekly to maintain budget

Wednesday Nights at HRC

Our Wednesday Night is designed around giving families a night to set aside in their week to rejoin the church family and celebrate what has happened that week over a shared meal and programming for students three years old – 8th grade. Wednesday night meals are served in the Fellowship Hall from 5:45-6:15pm. All are welcome to these meals...free of charge!

Youth Praise Team: Our Youth Praise Team is for students 2nd – 12th grade and will meet on Wednesday evenings. We will learn new songs for Praise and Worship and talk about the meanings of the songs and incorporate Bible verses as well as a time of prayer. Practices will be held 6:00-6:30pm in the small side of the Fellowship Hall (note change of location).

Kid Connection: Three Years Old – 3rd Grade: Activities include a Bible story, game, and a craft all connected to the theme of the evening. Our theme this year is "At the Zoo". Students gather in the basement from 6:30-7:30pm. Watch the Heartbeat for some fun events throughout the year...the congregation is invited to join us.

Grow: 4th – 5th Grade: Grow is set up like youth group while offering more challenging material than Kid Connection. This year's topic is "Our Faith Journey". Grow meets on Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:30pm in Room 8 in the back hallway.

Gravitate (6th – 8th Grade Youth Group): Gravitate meetings are held on Wednesday evenings in the Youth Room downstairs 6:30-7:30pm.

Wednesday Night Clean-up Crew

We are looking for a few individuals who would be willing to occasionally serve on a clean-up crew following our Wednesday night meals. ***Our first need for a crew is Wednesday, October 18.*** Please contact Pat Kragt if you are interested in helping.

Wednesday Night Meals

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

October Meals

October 11

BBQ and hot dogs served by the VanLente family

October 18

Tacos served by the Church Staff

October 25

HELP NEEDED!

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.