

HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | April 12, 2026

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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Believe



Sunday Morning
Pastor Kevin Hart

John 20:19-31

“Believe”

The week after Easter, we explore the Gospel writer John's great desire and purpose for writing – that we might come to believe and not doubt. He takes us through the disciple Thomas' struggle to believe and calls us to take up the challenge to believe.

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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: Jeff & Lisa Hulst and family

Nursery Volunteers: Drew Boerman, Jessi Boerman

No Children in Worship (Spring Break)

Security Team: Jim Van Den Beldt, Tyler Taratuta

Next Week (April 19):

Greeters: Dick & Arlynn Immink

Nursery Volunteers: Sandy Mulder, Brooke Mulder

Children in Worship: Deb Meiste, Aurora Boerman

Security Team: Ross Eding, Mark Groenheide

Today's Activities & Information

- No Children In Worship or Sunday School classes this week (off for Spring Break)
- Communion Vespers will be served in the Conference Room immediately following the worship service

Attention Graduates

Are you graduating from high school or college this Spring? Did you graduate from college this past winter? We would like to celebrate with you! Fill out a graduate form and submit it to the church office along with a photo of yourself (forms are available in the church office or on the ledge outside the library). **Forms are due to the office by Sunday, April 19.** We will be honoring all of our graduates in May.

This Week

Sunday, April 12

9:30am Sunday Worship

10:30am Communion

Vespers

Monday, April 13

9:00am Prayer Group

Thursday, April 16

10:00am Staff Meeting

Friday, April 17

10:00am Pantry

Friday, April 18

6:00am Men's Bible Study

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.

Pictorial Directory Updates

We will be updating the Pictorial Directory this year. Please update the green form that was in your mailbox and return it to the tray outside the library, updated pictures can be emailed to hamiltonreformedchurch@gmail.com – *if you have no updates or changes, please note that on your form before returning it (make sure your name is on it).*

Bells Across America

On Sunday, May 3, HRC will be participating in Bells Across America during our worship service. Bells will ring from coast to coast as a grateful nation pauses to honor those firefighters who died in the line of duty in 2025 and previous years.

Light the Night Red

You are invited to light your home, fire department, or community building in red April 26 - May 3 (during the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend) as a symbol of support and remembrance to honor fallen firefighters and their families. For more information visit: <https://weekend.firehero.org/events/memorial-weekend/light-night-fallen-firefighters/> or see the poster outside the library.

Joy Closet Needs

Joy Closet provides free clothing and items for foster, adoptive, and kinship families. They are currently in need of:

- Socks for men, women, children (new only)
- Underwear for men, women, children – all sizes (new only)
- Pajamas – all sizes (new or gently used)
- Beach towels (new or gently used)

All items should be placed in the labeled laundry basket near the interior courtyard door.

April Mission of the Month

Western Theological Seminary

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

Chad & Dara VandenBosch
Audio Scripture Ministries
PO Box 1439
Holland, MI 49422
Email: chad@asmtoday.org

Ministry Focus

Please pray for Sandi Nyboer as she mentors and helps meet the needs of young families in the Hamilton area.

Please Pray for:

- Belva Brower is a patient at Holland Hospital where she is undergoing testing
- Larry Haverdink is a patient at Holland Hospital where he is undergoing testing
- Yvonne Wentzel is recovering at home after undergoing a procedure to remove her kidney stones

A Note of Thanks...

Thank you very much for the beautiful Easter lily.
Joyce VanDam

Thank you so much for the incredible love and support you showed me during my recent illness and hospital stay. Your many texts, calls, cards, meals, sweet treats, and beautiful flowers meant more to me than words can express. Each gesture was a reminder how fortunate we are to be surrounded by such a caring and compassionate church family! A special thank you to Pastor Kevin for his kindness and encouragement – it truly lifted my spirits. Most of all, thank you for your prayers! We could truly feel them, and they brought comfort, strength, and peace during a difficult time. God is so good!

Sue Lubbers

55+ Retirees & Seniors

The Hamilton Community Historical Society is hosting Loren Joostberns as he presents *WWII – Remembering “The Locals”* on Tuesday, April 28, at 6:30pm at The Trestle Stop. The 55+ group will be attending and sitting together. Sign up on the bulletin board by April 26.

Please Continue to Pray for:

Continuing Care

Sue Lubbers

Undergoing Treatments

Bonnie DeZwaan

Bern Diekema

Sue Dykhuis

Friend at Home

Marianne Yonker

Library

Those who keep our library stocked with books for adults and children as well as assist with checking books out

Tithes & Offerings

April 5 Budget Offering:

Offering – \$7,238.33

E-Tithe – \$1,070

Total – \$8,308.33

*\$8,962 needed weekly
to maintain budget*

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

Upcoming Fundraiser Events

Grant Me Hope ~ Celebrating Hope

Thursday, April 16, 6:00-9:00pm at the Holland Civic Center Place

“Celebrating Hope” is Grant Me Hope's annual dinner-auction supporting their mission to find forever homes for foster children. The night will include: Hors d'oeuvres, an amazing dinner, cash bar and more; an expansive silent auction; a live auction with large gifts, experiences, and get-a-ways and a 50/50 raffle and other fun competitive games designed so that both foster children and YOU win!

Purchase tickets online at: https://cbo.io/app/public/bidapp/ch26/tickets/tix_1

If you aren't able to attend, you can still bid for silent auction items online at: <https://cbo.io/app/public/bidapp/ch26/auction>

Hungry for Christ ~ Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, April 25 ~ 8:30-10:00am

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. Free will donations accepted.

Compassionate Heart ~ Hearts In Motion 5K Run/Walk & Flamingo Fun Run

Thursday, April 30 at Compassionate Heart Ministries

Flamingo Fun Run – 5:30-6:00pm / 5K Walk/Run – 6:30-8:00pm

Grab some friends and sign up today at: www.compheart.org/news-events

Right to Life ~ Walk for Life - 5k Walk/Run

Saturday, May 16 – 10:00am at Lawrence Street Park in Zeeland

Registration begins at 9:30am, and the walk begins with prayer at 10:00am. \$50 in sponsorships/donations will receive a T-shirt. A light lunch will be served, after the walk. Pledge sheets are available online at: www.rtlofholland.org/upcoming-events or stop by the Holland Right to Life office and pick one up!

Upcoming Activities

Kids Hope – Time to Celebrate!

Spring brings in transition and new birth. Easter has once again reminded us of how God's love transcends all the seasons and together, we rejoice in our salvation through Jesus Christ and share the Good News.

The school year is winding down. Our Kids Hope closing event to celebrate another completed school year will be on Friday, May 8, at The Overisel Hall (next to Overisel Reformed) from 3:00-6:00pm.

All students, mentors and prayer partners are encouraged to come and spend time together outside of the school environment. Hopefully, the weather will allow us to celebrate outside. We have The Critter Barn coming to share God's Word along with seeing and petting the animals. We will also have games outside and inside along with BINGO and pizza.



Volunteers to help with the closing celebration are always welcome. If you have time to help, please let me know (kidshopehrc@gmail.com). Donations towards our BINGO gifts would also be very much appreciated. New or gently used items that students could use and play with throughout the summer may be put into the bin by the church library.



Thank you for all your support throughout the year. A special thank you to all the mentors and prayer partners for the gifts of God that you share each week to your students.

In Christ,
Joy Essenburg, Kids Hope USA Director

Supporting Student Activities

Did you know that many of our students are involved in sports and other school activities? They would LOVE to have you come and support them at their events. There are event calendars with schedules available on the ledge outside the library – pick up a copy and support our students!

THIS WEEK Thursday and Friday, April 16-17 at 7:00pm at Hamilton High School, is the POPS Collage Concert – a concert celebrating the many talents of the Hamilton performing arts department (band, choir and so much more).