HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | July 28, 2024

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

Watch our services online at: facebook.com/HamiltonReformedChurch or https://www.youtube.com/@hamiltonreformedchurch4058/streams



Sunday Morning Pastor Ron Lugten

"Undeserved Kindness" 2 Chronicles 33:1-17

Regardless of how far we might stray from God, He is ready to show underserved kindness by forgiving and restoring those who humble themselves, confess to Him their sin, and return to Him.

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: Kirk & Joann Boerman and family

Nursery Volunteers: Jessi Boerman, Drew Boerman Summer Story Time: Holly Cochrane, Matthew Fales

Next Week (August 4):

Greeters: Larry & Shelly Boerman

Nursery Volunteers: Kathy Weerstra, Matthew Fales

Summer Story Time: Elijah Helder, Lisa Helder

6th Annual Volunteer Fair

August 4 ~ 10:45-11:30am

Join us in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service for our 6th annual volunteer fair. Several of our ministries will have tables set up with information on how YOU can get involved. Stop by each table and check it out!

Children's Ministry ~ Student Ministries

Kids Hope ~ Church Ministries

Sunday Morning Activities ~ Wednesday Night Activities

AND MANY MORE!!!

Raffle Tickets

Each time you volunteer or sign up to donate, you will be given a raffle ticket for various prize baskets and items.

Winning tickets will be drawn at 11:30am.

This Week

Sunday, July 28

9:30am Sunday Worship Summer Story Time

Wednesday, July 31

1:20pm Youth Group HAYM Outing to Lake Arvesta

Thursday, August 1

12:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, August 2 10:00am Pantry

A Look Ahead

Sunday, August 4

6th Annual Volunteer Fair

Tuesday, August 6
Hamilton Community
Historical Society Potluck

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.

A Peek at the Past: Potluck

The Hamilton Community Historical Society presents "A Peek at the Past: Grandma's Best Dish" on Tuesday, August 6, at 5:30pm at HRC in the Fellowship Hall. You are invited to an old fashioned potluck that includes favorite family dishes, perhaps those that grandmother made. Dig out grandma's cookbook and consider sharing your own treasured recipe (maybe bring a few copies for a recipe exchange). Please bring your own table service, water and coffee will be provided. There will also be a display with some of the Hamilton history "collection" as well as history boards and our "Hometown Heroes" book. PLEASE RSVP by email to hamiltonmichiganhistory@gmail.com or on Facebook Messenger (to Hamilton Community Historical Society) so they can prepare enough seating for everyone.

Feeding America Food Distribution

The next Feeding America food distribution is Monday, July 29, from 5:00-6:00pm at "The Old Bus Garage" (3644 48th Street). Picking up for others will no longer be an option for Hungry For Christ frozen protein boxes and Feeding America food boxes are limited to ONE per household.

Harvest Table

Beginning on Sunday, August 4, and each Sunday until the harvest season ends, you are invited to bring excess produce from your garden to church to share with others. Please leave items on the designated table in the lobby. You are welcome to take home what you can use. If you have extra bags at home, please bring those, too.

Love INC Backpack Ministry

Love INC continues to collect school supplies for at-risk students in NW Allegan County. A shopping list of much-needed items is available on the ledge outside the library. Donated items should be brought directly to Love INC. Thanks!

July Missions of the Month

Bible League
Wycliffe Bible Translators

Bible League International serves the under-resourced church with Bibles and training to transform lives worldwide through God's Word.

Wycliffe USA serves together with churches and Bible translation organizations around the world so that local churches have Scripture and other resources to meet their spiritual needs, along with the capacity to continue to meet those growing needs in the future.

Ministry Focus

Please pray for Josiah Walcott and family as they give the kids of military families a solid foundation in life with Jesus.

Missionary/Ministry Updates

Updates are available by the Missionary Board from:

- Chad & Dara VandenBosch
- Jennifer Lucking
- Hungry For Christ
- Josh & Alison Perkins

Please Pray for:

 Kendra Bosch is attending Camp Geneva July 28 – August 3

Our Sympathies to:

- Larry & Shelly Boerman and family on the passing of Larry's mother, Joyce Boerman, on Tuesday, July 23
- Harv & Evelyn Hoekje on the passing of their brotherin-law, Louis Culver, on Tuesday, July 23

A Note of Thanks

I would like to thank my church family for the many birthday cards and well wishes I received celebrating my 90th birthday. They were all appreciated very much! Shirley Berens

Thanks to everyone who made VBS a success this year!! It was a great week filled with lots of excitement and learning to trust in God when we're afraid! Thank you to those who donated, volunteered, and prayed for God to guide us. We truly appreciated ALL of it!

The Mission Team to Rose Hill, NC has returned after accomplishing significant work on a 'new build' for Ms. Jones. We worked from the block foundation up, putting in joists, floors, and walls in significant heat. Additionally, we did work at a separate site on a parsonage, and at the Mission Center with food distribution. All of this could not have been done without the strong prayer and financial support of our beloved church. We were in this together. Please accept the team's sincere appreciation and overwhelming gratitude for all the support we felt from each of you.

*Daily updates were emailed during the mission trip. If you didn't receive them and would like a printed copy, you can pick up a packet from the ledge outside the library. You can also contact the office and we will put a packet in your mailbox.

Please Continue to Pray for:

Continuing Care

Eileen Schrotenboer

Friend at Home

Harvin Bultman

Missionary of the Week

Jennifer Lucking
Restorations Second Stage Homes
201 Paradise Rd. North
Hamilton, Ontario
L8S 3T3 Canada
Email:

jennifer@restrationscanada.org

Kitchen Volunteers

Those who volunteer in the kitchen for Fellowship Time, Wednesday night meals as well as funerals

Tithes & Offerings

July 21 Total - \$8,380 Offering - \$6,905 E-tithe - \$1,475

\$8,117 needed weekly to maintain budget

Updates from Children's Ministry

VBS was a success and we were so blessed. We had about 170 kids registered for the event with 150 in attendance each night. We had 55 volunteers and greatly appreciate each of them who helped make the week run smoothly. We'd also like to thank you all for the donations!

It is hard to believe, but the education year is right around the corner. We are busy preparing for another great year of Sunday School. Stop by the HRC Kids table at the volunteer fair on Sunday August 6 to see how you can be a part of the Children's Ministry here at HRC.



Registration and Prayer Buddy forms will be sent through email soon. Please look for an email from hrcchildren@gmail.com. All forms are due by Sunday, August 25. Thanks ~ Gracie and Nicki



Prayer Buddies

We would love to know how to specifically pray for your child(ren)! Each month several children are featured in the Heartbeat for the congregation to pray for. Prayer Buddy information questions will be included in the Student Registration Google Form that will be emailed soon. Please submit completed forms by Sunday, August 25. A photo of your child(ren) should be emailed to the church office. If you prefer paper copies of the form, they will be available on the ledge outside of the library. Prayer buddies is for ALL children infant through 12th grade.

Student Registration Forms

Student Registration Forms are one of the ways we use to create a safe environment for our students.

Registration forms and information letters will be emailed to parents soon using a Google Form. Please fill out the form for each of your children.

Each child must have an updated registration form on file, in order to participate in HRC education programs. Completed forms should be submitted or returned to Nicki or Gracie by Sunday, August 25. If you prefer paper forms, they will be available outside the library.

Updates from Children's Ministry

Leader / Helper Sign-Up

Do you have a love for children and a desire to encourage them to develop a relationship with Jesus Christ? If so, we have a place for you to use the gifts God has given you in Children's Ministries. As you spend time in prayer listening to God - where and how is He urging you to plug in?

A sign-up poster will be on the bulletin board by the carport soon, or stop by the Volunteer Fair on August 4 following the morning worship service. Our kids need adults in their lives who love God and them!

Volunteers Wanted:

We are looking for volunteers to teach/lead Children in Worship, Sunday School and Kid Connection. Please begin praying about this and consider where God is calling you to help. Sign-up sheets will be available at the Volunteer Fair on August 6 or on the Children's Ministry board!

We are looking for volunteers to help out during:

Sunday Morning

- Children's Message
- Children In Worship

Sunday School

- 2nd Grade
- 3rd 4th Grade
- Substitute teachers

Wednesday Night

- Crowd control before programming starts
- Kid Connection
 - Games leaders
 - Craft leaders

Dates to Remember

August 4

Volunteer Fair

August 11

Last Day of Summer Story Time

August 25

Student Registration and Prayer Buddies Forms Due

September 8

Volunteer Commissioning Volunteer Meeting Children In Worship Begins

September 15

Sunday School Begins

September 22

No Children In Worship or Sunday School (school break)

October 2

Wednesday Night Kick-Off

October 9

Wednesday Night Activities and Kid Connection Begin



Consistory Chronicles

July Elders / Consistory Meetings

The Consistory met during an exciting time during this summer. Our mission team had just returned from Rose Hill, NC, and our community Vacation Bible School was about to begin.

- The Elders were excited to report the acceptance of a Transfer of Membership for Bill and Karen MacKechnie.
- Communion has been moved to Sunday, August 11 with Vespers the following week on August 18.
- The Deacons gave an update on our financial system overhaul as well as a healthy financial update. The AC repair continues to be in process with most items addressed
- The next Executive Team meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 19. The next Elders and Consistory meetings are scheduled for Monday, August 26.

Alliance of Reformed Churches Updates

Harvest Network Gathering

We belong to the Harvest Network which will have its Network Gathering August 22-24. The purpose will be to 'build relationships, experience a reset for ministry, and talk about what is next for the network. Current leaders interested in attending should contact Pastor Kevin for registration by August 14.

App for Alliance of Reformed Churches

There is now an App available for the *Alliance of Reformed Churches* that allows one to stay up to date with our new denomination. This App can be found in your Apple or Google store.

2024 Consistory

Elders

Dave Bakker
Terry Dougan
Scott Essenburg
Calvin Kragt
Jeff Reuschel
Jim Van Den Beldt

Deacons

Larry Boerman
Todd Burton
Ross Eding
Rick Eustice
Tyler Taratuta
Tom Weerstra

Consistory Officers

Vice President
Jeff Reuschel
Clerk
Scott Essenburg
Congregational Life
Dave Bakker
Spiritual Formation
Jim Van Den Beldt
Service & Outreach
Calvin Kragt
Deacon Chair
Tyler Taratuta

Treasurer

Rick Eustice

Facility/Property

Tom Weerstra, chair Larry Boerman Ross Eding

Love Fund & Budget
Todd Burton

August Ministry Volunteers

Ministry	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25	
Greeters	Larry & Shelly Boerman	Dick & Linda Bonzelaar	Mike & Gracie Bosch and family	Paul & Lynn Bosch	
Nursery	Kathy Weerstra Matthew Fales	Nicki Boerman Aurora Boerman	Lisa Haskill Anna Hart	Maddy Poll Molly Casemier	
Summer Story Time	Elijah Helder Lisa Helder	Lisa Helder			
Camera	Jerry VanLente	Missy Eustice	Ryan Lindholm	Eric Helder	
PowerPoint	Mark Kleinheksel	Ryleigh Becksford	Craig Poll	Kilee Kleinheksel	
Sound	Brian Kleinheksel	Jeff Mulder	Tim Bleeker	Paul Koopman	
Pianist/ Organist	Nancy Kleinheksel	Deb Meiste	Ruth Brink	Sherry Kleinheksel	
Praise Team	Paul, Dave, Gracie & Kendra	Brian, Tim, Kathy, Jen & Ashtyn	Instrumentalists Dave & Lane	Brian, Calvin, Molly & Bev	

Upcoming Community Events

Red Cross Blood Drive

The next Red Cross Blood Drive at HRC will be held on Thursday, August 1, from noon-6:00pm. To schedule an appointment visit: redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (not required). Sponsor code: Hamiltonreformed

Grant Me Hope's 9th Annual Family FUNFEST

Saturday, September 21 ~ 12:00-6:00pm ~ Dutch Village

Grant Me Hope's Family FunFest has:

- *BIG TRUCKS!* from all over West Michigan! Some new, some old, but all BIG!
- *CARS & MOTORCYCLES!* Unique cars come out every year! Don't miss it. Registration at 11:00am, \$20 per vehicle. Trophies awarded.
- *DUTCH VILLAGE!* Fun rides and activities, a petting zoo, gorgeous flower beds and lots Dutch history, exhibits, demonstrations and performances!
- *FOOD!* We'll serve a picnic meal inside Dutch Village starting at noon.

FREE WILL DONATION

Visit grantmehope.org/funfest or email info@grantmehope.org for more information!

August

Birthdays

August 1: Kathy Burton

Gord Poll

August 2: Gregg Brower

August 4: Gladys Serie

Sharon VanDyke

August 5: Misti Lindholm

August 6: Gracie Bosch

August 7: Del Redder

Tom Weerstra

August 8: Earl Smit

August 10: Jaycee Poll

August 11: Linda Wolters

August 12: Tami Folkert

Bev Rigterink

August 13: Joyce VanDam*

August 14: Terry Dougan

August 18: Harper Cassiday

August 20: Callie Casemier

August 22: Lisa Haskill

August 23: Colin Eding

August 24: Marilyn Everling

August 25: Peggy Klingenberg

August 27: Devin Kroeze

August 31: Mike Bosch

Todd Burton

*Address can be found in address directory.



Gladys Serie is celebrating her 90th birthday on August 4.

Anniversaries

August 3, 2018 Drew & Jessi Boerman

> August 5, 1976 Gord & Linda Poll

August 6, 2022 Nick & Tami King

August 9, 1985 Brian & Paula VandenBrink

August 11, 2001 John & Libby Casemier

August 12, 1995 Tom & Kathy Weerstra

August 14, 1981 Tim & Cheryl Bleeker

August 14, 1981 Dick & Arlynn Immink

August 15, 2008 Phil & Nicki Boerman

August 16, 1997 Ryan & Misti Lindholm

August 16, 1979 Jeff & Laurie Reuschel

August 19, 1983 Brian & Nancy Kleinheksel

> August 27, 1988 Todd & Kathy Burton

August 27, 2016 Don & Tami Folkert

August 28, 1981 Les & Deb Meiste

Happening in August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 12:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive	2 10:00am Pantry	3
9:30am Worship Summer Story Time 6th Annual Volunteer Fair	5	5:30pm A Peek at the Past: Potluck (more info on page 3)	7	8	9 10:00am Pantry	10
9:30am Worship Communion Summer Story Time	8:30am Prayer Group	13	14	9:00am Staff Meeting 6:00pm Cub Scouts Event	16 10:00am Pantry	17
9:30am Worship Communion Vespers The Gathering Kayaking (9th-12th grade)	19 5:00pm Executive Team Meeting	7:00pm Discipleship Team Meeting	21	9:00am Staff Meeting	23 10:00am Pantry	24
25 9:30am Worship	26 8:30am Prayer Group 6:00pm Elders Meeting 7:00pm Consistory Meeting	27	28	9:00am Staff Meeting	30 10:00am Pantry	31 8:00am Scrapbooking

Severe Weather Cancellation Guidelines

If a Tornado Watch or Warning has been posted for Allegan County within one hour prior to a church service or church activity, the service/activity will be cancelled. Also, if a Severe Thunderstorm Warning has been posted for Allegan County within one hour of any church service or church activity, the service/activity will be cancelled. Please check one of the following for the status of church activities: