

HAMILTON REFORMED CHURCH | October 6, 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

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Sunday Morning Pastor Kevin Hart

“These Last Days”

Hebrews 1:1-4

When something major in our life changes, everything else must change as well. The author of Hebrews is eager to explain that our lives have just changed because of what God has done. God has spoken to us in a new way, a way that reassures us of His love and promises us a different life.

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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: Bern & Donna Diekema

Nursery Volunteers: Bev Ende, Olivia McCormick

Children In Worship: Lynn Bosch, Kendra Bosch

Next Week (October 13):

Greeters: Arie & Hope Doolaard

Nursery Volunteers: Jen Becksford, Ryleigh Becksford

Children In Worship: Ryleigh Becksford, Brooke Mulder

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

Sunday School Classes: 10:45am

- Three Years Old-12th Grade meet downstairs
 - Preschool (3-4 Years Old) meets in Room 101
 - Kindergarten-1st grade meets in Room 107
 - 2nd Grade meets in Room 106
 - 3rd-4th Grade meets in Room 109
 - 5th-7th Grade meets in Room 108
 - 8th-12th Grade meets in the Youth Room
- Women's Bible Study begins today in the Conference Room

The Gathering (high school youth group): 6:00pm

This Week

Sunday, October 6

9:30am Sunday Worship
Children In Worship
10:45am Sunday School
6:00pm The Gathering

Tuesday, October 8

11:30am Ende Visitation
1:00pm Ende Funeral

Wednesday, October 9

10:30am Play Group
11:30am Library
5:45pm Wednesday Meal
6:00pm Youth Praise Team
6:30pm Kid Connection,
Grow & Gravitate

Thursday, October 10

12:00pm Red Cross
Blood Drive

Friday, October 11

10:00am Pantry

Saturday, October 12

6:00am Men's Bible Study

A Look Ahead

Sunday, October 13

Communion Vespers

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.

55+ Retirees & Senior Adults of HRC

The next 55+ gathering will be Thursday, October 17, at 11:30am for lunch at the **Hawk's Nest**. Please sign up on the bulletin board by Oct. 13 if you plan on attending.

Join Us for Play Group & Library!

If you are a parent or grandparent of children ages infant to preschool, you are invited to join us on Wednesdays for play group, library and fellowship. Play group will begin at 10:30am. Coffee will be available and kids can play with toys inside or on the playground outside. The library will open at 11:30am to check out books.

Support Our Youth

Meals and supplies are needed to help the youth groups run smoothly this year. Please check outside of Andy and Erin's office (back hallway) for ways you can help. We appreciate your support!

Primary Department Needs

The primary department is in need of a few items:

- CLEAN, empty one-gallon milk jugs
- boxes of Kleenex

Items should be placed in the Sunday School tote outside the library. Thanks for all your support!

A Note from the Property Committee

Recently we had the carpets cleaned in many areas of the church. As we look for ways to keep the facility looking good, we encourage anyone who helps out in the kitchen to use caution when removing trash bags from the trash barrels as the bag could leak fluids as it is carried out. We would ask that the barrels be wheeled outside before removing the bag from the barrel, or carry the bag out using a route that does not cross over a carpeted area. Please see a member of the Property Committee if you have any questions (Larry Boerman, Ross Eding, Tom Weerstra). Thank you!

October Mission of the Month

Hope College Chapel Ministries

Chapel Ministries' primary focus is to prepare students for the Church 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

Josh & Alison Perkins

Ministry Focus

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

Please Pray for:

- All those affected by Hurricane Helene
- Wednesday night programming as it begins this week

Our Sympathies to:

- Bev Woldring on the passing of her brother-in-law, Larry Woldring, on Wednesday, September 25
- Rick & Bev Ende on the passing of Rick's mother, Donna Ende, on Wednesday, October 2

A Note of Thanks

Thank you for the meals we enjoyed, all the cards, prayers and rides to the hospital. Thank you to Pastor Kevin for the visits at Meijer Heart Center. Thanks to Pastor Ron for the phone calls, the visits to the hospital, and stopping by the house before surgery. All were very much appreciated. What a wonderful church family we have!

Dick & Linda Bonzelaar

Wednesday Night Meals Needed!

We are excited for Wednesday Night Meals to begin on October 9 and we need YOUR help to make them a success! Each committee/group is asked to sign up for ONE FAMILY MEAL NIGHT during the course of the education year. Not a member of a committee? Gather up a few of your friends and sign up for one of the meal dates. Fall Session open dates:

October 16 ~ October 23

November 6 ~ November 13

Sign up on the bulletin board outside the kitchen. Please list what your meal will be when you sign up. Please contact Pat Kragt if you have questions.

Need a meal idea? We now have a cookbook with recipes for large meals (available in the kitchen, office, and online on the "Get Involved" page).

Please Continue to Pray for:

Continuing Care

Dick Bonzelaar
Dave Elenbaas

Friend at Home

Harvin Bultman

Education Volunteers

Drew Boerman
Jessi Boerman

Kitchen Volunteers

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

Tithes & Offerings

September 29 Total - \$6,566

Offering - \$6,001

E-tithe - \$565

*\$8,117 needed weekly
to maintain budget*

September Mission of the
Month Offering
Audio Scripture Ministries
\$605

Faith Development Opportunities

Adult Bible Studies

Women's Bible Study: Meets during Sunday School

Men's Bible Study: Meets every other Saturday at 6:00am

Wednesday Nights at HRC

Our Wednesday Night programming 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! **A reminder to Youth Praise Team – please move to the front of the line so you can eat and get up to the Sanctuary by 6:00pm.**

Youth Praise Team (2nd – 12th grade): Practice is held 6:00-6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

Kid Connection (Three Years Old – 3rd Grade):

Students gather in the basement from 6:30-7:30pm.

Grow (4th – 5th Grade): Students gather in Room 8 in the back hallway from 6:30-7:30pm.

Gravitate (6th – 8th Grade Youth Group): Gravitate meets in the Youth Room downstairs 6:30-7:30pm.

Attention Parents!!!

When your child(ren) are done eating on Wednesday night, please send them downstairs before programming begins. We have all sorts of games and activities set up.

If they are a part of Youth Praise Team, please send them to the Sanctuary at 6:00pm for practice.

Wednesday Night Meals

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

October Meals

October 9

Cold cuts, hot dogs and tater tots served by the Kitchen Staff

October 16

HELP NEEDED!

October 23

HELP NEEDED!

October 30

TBD served by Gravitate

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.

Community Events & Opportunities

Red Cross Blood Drive

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Thursday, October 10, from 12:00-6:00pm 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 (not required, but recommended), visit: redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Sponsor code: Hamiltonreformed

Soup-tober

Hungry For Christ is helping collect soups for the month of October. There is a box near the courtyard for donations that will go to a food pantry in our area.

Joy Closet

We are pleased to join with Joy Closet as an additional mission effort. Joy Closet provides free clothing and items for foster, adoptive, and kinship families. New and used clothing newborn to 3XL, toys, books, coats, backpacks, school supplies and toiletries are all accepted and may be placed in the labeled laundry basket near the interior courtyard door.

Love INC Sponsor-a-Family

It's that time already! Love INC is seeking a number of sponsors to help out this Christmas. As we approach the holiday season in these next couple of months, would you consider whether you, your family, your small group or neighborhood could sponsor a local family for Christmas? Sponsors are asked to spend about \$50 per family member on some practical needs and a fun gift. Your generosity will be such a blessing to families in need! To learn more, call the Love INC Allegan County office at (269) 751-2533 and ask for Sarah, or email sarah@loveincnwa.org.

Urgent Household Goods Needs at Love INC

Do you have gently used household goods you could donate? Could you purchase some new, quality items to help restock our pantries? Love INC is in need of the following items: silverware, pots and pans, rugs, clocks, and plastic bowls. Donations can be dropped off at the Love INC office in Hamilton, Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm.