

Harlem Happenings



December 10, 2023

TODAY

9:10 AM — PRE-WORSHIP PRAYER in classroom L7.

9:30 AM — MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME in Fellowship Hall.

There is no singing in the Sanctuary today.

11:00 - 11:35 AM— SUNDAY SCHOOL for all ages.

4:00-8:00 PM— THE WAY CHRISTMAS PARTY and CAROLING! All high school and post high students are welcome!

THIS WEEK

Mon. 7:00 PM— SEARCH TEAM MEETING.

Tues. NO QUILTER'S GROUP.

Wed. **6:15-7:45 PM**— GEMS & CADETS PIZZA PARTY! **7:00 PM**— Join us for a PRAYER MEETING in the Narthex.

Thurs. 5:30-6:30 AM— Early Morning MEN'S BIBLE STUDY and CONVERSATIONS GROUP.

Thurs. 7:00 PM— JAM SESSION in the Sanctuary.

ADVANCED NOTICES

The office will be closed on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1 for the holidays.

Dec. 24, 7:00 PM— CANDLELIGHT SERVICE.

Dec. 24 & 31— NO Sunday School.

Dec. 25— NO FOOD DISTRIBUTION. *Our next one will be January 22.*

Dec. 26 & Jan. 2— NO QUILTER'S GROUP.

Dec. 27 & Jan. 3— NO Gem's & Cadets and Prayer Meeting.

Jan. 7, 6:00-8:00 PM— THE WAY meets in the Compass.

Jan. 8, 7:00 PM— MEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY.

Jan. 9, 7:00 PM— CONSISTORY MEETING.

HARLEM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Retired/Repurposed Guys: Looking for an opportunity to work with young people while encouraging them to explore future opportunities in the trades? Route could be just the thing! Route is a program in Holland that has just been launched to introduce homeschooled teens to the construction and automotive trades while teaching practical, character-building life skills. We need more Christ-following mentors to work alongside these youth as they learn. Classes are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9am-3pm. **If you are interested**, please talk to Jeff Nienhuis or go to adifferentroute.org to learn more about this new program and the opportunities available!

Christmas gifts to Harlem staff: We will have a special offering **today** for a Christmas gift to the staff. You can designate your gift as desired. Any gifts not specifically designated will be divided among our pastor, bookkeeper, children's ministry coordinator, office administrator, and custodians. Thank you! —*The Deacons*

Help support the annual H.W.M. Underwear Tree. **Today is the LAST day** we are collecting **NEW** undergarments (all sizes) for men, women, and children who have contact with the Holland Rescue Mission. Take advantage of seasonal sales on **NEW** socks, T-shirts, underwear, etc. Donated items can be placed under the special tree which will be set up near the church office.

Your 2024 offering envelopes are in your mailbox today! If you do not use offering envelopes, but would like to, there will be some available in Fellowship Hall to grab next week.

It is almost time to register for summer camp! Registration is open for Cran-Hill Ranch! Camp Geneva's general registration will be open January 9th. Because we believe in the value of a Christian camping experience, Harlem has agreed to pay 50% of the camp fee for your child to attend summer camp in 2023. To get the voucher code call or email the church office.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parkview is having a Christmas Toiletry Drive for the home now until December 23! They are requesting soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, and shaving cream. Items can be dropped off at Parkview's front porch or Harlem Church's office. Thank you!

The March for Life will be on January 20, 2023 at 11:00am at Centennial Park in Holland. This is put on by Right to Life of Holland Area each year to remember the unborn children who have lost their lives. Following the march, a devotional and prayer service will be led by Ken Stults at 11:30am at Central Avenue CRC in the Ministry Center. A freewill offering will be taken. Please join us!

It is time once again for **Right to Life's High School Oratory Contest!** All pro-life high schoolers are invited to be a part of this event. Research one of the following issues and make a 5-7 minute pro-life presentation to a panel of judges: abortion, euthanasia, infanticide, embryonic stem cell research/human cloning. The deadline to apply is February 27. For more information or to apply, contact Betty at the Right to Life office by phone: 616.396.1037 or email: rtlholland@egl.net.

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR TODAY:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR— Ben & Kati Fought
USHER & OFFERING— Kyle Van Malsen
ORGANIST/PIANIST— Joan Bader
SOUND— Mike Bronkema
VIDEO— Lona Bronkema
LIVESTREAM— Travis Berkompas
TECH SET-UP— Travis Berkompas
NURSERY— Stacey Campins, Taylor Dirkse
LENA'S ROOM— Cindy Bakker
SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM— Mike Weaver, Steve Kraker
NARTHEX PRAYER TEAM— Sally Mulder, Kelly Schaap
COFFEE HOSTS— Dave & Mary Visser

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR DECEMBER 24:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR— Terry & Judy VanDyke
USHER & OFFERING— Bill DeFeyter
ORGANIST/PIANIST— Christie Berkompas
SOUND— Steve Fisher
VIDEO— TJ VanderVeen
LIVESTREAM— Ben Fought
TECH SET-UP— Ben Fought
NURSERY— Margi Fought, Makayla Dirkse
LENA'S ROOM— Margi Fought
SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM— Howie & Tammy Baumann
NARTHEX PRAYER TEAM— Steve Fisher, Terry Ebels
COFFEE HOSTS— Dennis & Sally Mulder

Church Assistance Program

As a part of Harlem, you are invited to contact Pine Rest for counseling, legal advice, mental health referrals, elder care consultation, etc. at free or reduced cost. To contact Pine Rest, visit www.pinerest.org/cap or call 616.455.6210.

You can call 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week to speak to a counselor. When calling, please remember to identify yourself as a CAP member.

You will be asked to give a password; Harlem's password is HarlemCAP. All contacts are kept confidential. Reports made by Pine Rest to Harlem do **not** contain any names or specific details.