

Harlem Happenings

March 15, 2026



TODAY

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

9:30AM — MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME in Fellowship Hall. Join us for refreshments immediately following the worship service.

10:50-11:00AM— SINGING IN THE SANCTUARY for kids through 5th grade.

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

5:30-7:30PM—THE WAY meets in the Compass.

THIS WEEK

Tues. 9:00-NOON— QUILTER'S GROUP.

Wed. 6:15-7:45PM— GEMS & CADETS for kids 1st-8th grade.

Wed. 7:00PM—PRAYER MEETING in the narthex.

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

ADVANCED NOTICES

Mar. 18—ANNUAL PINEWOOD DERBY.

Mar. 22—A group from TEEN CHALLENGE will visit.

Mar. 23, 5:00PM—FOOD DISTRIBUTION.

Mar. 24, 6:30-7:45PM—TULIP WATERCOLOR CLASS. All skill levels welcome! Sign up in the narthex. Free class, please bring a donation for Hand2Hand. We will be working on small paintings of tulips, just in time for spring! Kids ages 8+ are welcome to attend with their parent. Please email Alyssa with any questions-
lyssjoyart@gmail.com

Mar. 27, 12:00-6:00PM—RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE. Sign up online at redcrossblood.org if you are willing to donate!

HARLEM ANNOUNCEMENTS

As part of the sanctuary renovation, the consistory is looking towards the congregation for financial support. Our goal is 50% of the project funded by gifts. **In your Church mailbox today is a pledge card and envelope.** Please consider if you are able to give to this project. We will be collecting these pledge cards on Sunday March 29 & April 5.

Make sure you stop in Fellowship Hall to vote for the "Best in Show" derby car! The winner will be announced Wednesday night! You are allowed ONE vote for Cadets and ONE vote for GEMS.

Daffodil and Tulip plants are for sale to be displayed Easter morning in memory of a loved one. **Cost is \$10.00 each.** To order, please sign up at the table in the entryway. Please put money in a labeled envelope and place in the offering.

All children need healthy, consistent relationships with adults who are committed to helping them grow, develop, and thrive. **Kids Hope is always looking for new volunteers.** Did you know we currently have students waiting to be matched with an adult!? You can be the stability a child needs to thrive! Please reach out to Michelle Rouwhorst for more information.

"Card Shower" for Mitch & Jamie Essenburg and Randy & Hilda Westrate. Please consider sending cards to friends of ours who used to attend Harlem. Jamie (Westrate) Essenburg grew up at Harlem and recently lost her 8-month-old son, Deacon due to illness. Her parents, Randy & Hilda

Westrate were long-time members, and Hilda served as the Children's Ministries Coordinator at Harlem for many years. In the fellowship hall, there are address labels and stamps. Please be sure to grab these after worship today. Even if you don't know the Essenburgs or Westrates, please still consider sending them a scripture to encourage and uplift them during this very difficult time. Thank you!

Sunday School substitute teachers are needed. If you are interested in helping out a couple times a year, email or talk to Lacey VanKampen.

Please consider bringing a baked good donation for the **Pinewood Derby on March 18**.

Human resources is seeking anyone who may be interested in working for the church as a **groundskeeper**. If you are interested, contact the office or Jeff DeFeyter (616-856-1974) for more information.

Hand2Hand Needs: individual cereal, jiffy pancake mix, individual oatmeal, jiffy corn muffin mix, jiffy biscuit mix, individual mac & cheese, small tortillas, soup.

Our Staff:

Matt Wohlford— Pastor,
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Makayla Pikaart— Administrative Assistant,
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Lacey VanKampen— Children's Ministry
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Rebecca Brewer— Bookkeeper,
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Michelle Rouwhorst— Kid's Hope Director,
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Kathy Groenewoud— Hand2Hand Director,
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Terry & Judy VanDyke, Paula TenHarmsel, Amanda Van Malsen — Custodians

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR TODAY:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR— Ben & Kati Fought

USHER & OFFERING— John Zwiers

ORGANIST/PIANIST— Ellie Nienhuis

SOUND—Mike Bronkema

VIDEO—Lona Bronkema

LIVESTREAM—Travis Berkompas

TECH SET-UP— Travis Berkompas

NURSERY— Cortney Stoel, Nikki Tiemeyer, Iris DeFeyter

LENA'S ROOM—

SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM—Howie & Tammy Baumann

NARTEX PRAYER TEAM— Steve Fisher, Terry Ebels

COFFEE SERVERS— Rob & Kelly VanEyck, Dave & Mary Visser

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MARCH 22:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR—Mike Long, Lyle Veldheer

USHER & OFFERING— Brad Brower

ORGANIST/PIANIST— Joan Bader

SOUND— Ben Fought

VIDEO—Kati Fought

LIVESTREAM—Kati Fought

TECH SET-UP— Ben Fought

NURSERY— Grace VanKampen, Summer VanKampen, Makayla Dirkse

LENA'S ROOM— Margi Fought

SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM— Terry & Judy VanDyke

NARTEX PRAYER TEAM— Kelly Schaap, Mike Weaver

COFFEE SERVERS— Austin & Becca Brewer, Mike & Lona Bronkema

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.