

# Harlem Happenings

## May 3, 2026

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### 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 5<sup>th</sup> grade

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

### THIS WEEK

Tues. 9:00-NOON— QUILTER'S GROUP.

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

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

### ADVANCED NOTICES

May 16, 5:00PM—SAVE THE DATE for our TACO DINNER & AUCTION FUNDRAISER for our Guatemala Mission Trip. We would love to have NEW items donated for those who are willing to contribute. Please contact Jeff Nienhuis if you have items you would like to donate.

June 7—GRADUATE SUNDAY!

June 21—ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.

### HARLEM ANNOUNCEMENTS

It's time to consider who God will help lead our church! **Consistory Nomination letters and ballots** are in church mailboxes and need to be returned to the ballot box on the entry table by May 10.

**“Thank you Harlem Church Family** for the many ways you blessed us after my fall. For the meals, cards, calls, visits and prayers we are so grateful! I felt your prayers going into surgery and they maintain me in this healing process. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! You have been a blessing and instruments of God’s love.” –Don & Linda VanKampen

**Dear Harlem Reformed Church Deacons and Church Family,** Thank you for your gift of \$329.50, received on April 23. We are grateful for the ways you choose to invest in girls through the ministry of GEMS. Because of your generosity, girls are being mentored, discipled, and reminded of their God-given worth. Your support helps place caring Christian women in girls’ lives, equips leaders with a strong biblical curriculum and training, and ensures girls around the world hear the truth of the gospel in meaningful, age-appropriate ways. GEMS exists to help girls know Jesus, grow in faith, and live out Micah 6:8 in everyday life. Your church’s partnership makes that possible—one girl at a time. We depend on your donations to sustain this ministry. Thank you for standing with us in this ministry. We are honored to serve alongside you and grateful for your prayers and support. *With gratitude, Jill Postma, GEMS Director of Finance*

**We give thanks to God that our church family has pledged \$95,000 towards our sanctuary update project.**

**We are looking for volunteers to be a part of the VBS Planning Committee.** If you are interested, talk to Lacey VanKampen or email her at [lacey@harlemchurch.org](mailto:lacey@harlemchurch.org).

**Save the Date for Vacation Bible School: Emerald Crossing: An Irish Adventure Through Psalm 23! July 13-17** for kids ages 3- 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Keep this week open if you would like to volunteer or have your kids attend. More information will be coming soon!

There will be no NEW rentals for the compass after **Sunday, May 17**. Any rentals that have already been confirmed for after that date will be kept, with the understanding the space may be set up differently because of worship. Thank you for your understanding. –*The Consistory*.

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.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**First Reformed Church**, 630 State Street in Holland is hosting a "**Prayers for Peace**" service on **Monday, May 4, from 5:30-6:00-PM**. All members of the Holland/Zeeland/Saugatuck community are invited to join together to pray for peace in our world, in our country, our communities, our churches, our homes, and our lives.

**Right to Life's annual Walk-for-Life** is Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> at City on a Hill in Zeeland. Pledge sheets are available at [www.rtlofholland.org](http://www.rtlofholland.org). Have questions? Call Ann at 616.396.1037.

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### RESPONSIBILITIES FOR TODAY:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR—Howie Baumann, Darion Fisher

USHER & OFFERING— Brad Brower

ORGANIST/PIANIST— Ellie Nienhuis

SOUND— Ben Fought

VIDEO— Kati Fought

LIVESTREAM— Kati Fought

TECH SET-UP—Ben Fought

NURSERY— Summer VanKampen, Vonnie VanKampen, Emily Bosma

LENA'S ROOM—

SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM—Terry & Judy VanDyke

NARTHEX PRAYER TEAM—Mike Weaver, Steve Kraker

COFFEE SERVERS— Justin & Heidi Karsten, Angie Dick

### RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MAY 10:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR— Mike Long, Darion Fisher

USHER & OFFERING— Jeff DeFeyer

ORGANIST/PIANIST— Roz Boeve

SOUND— Rob VanEyck

VIDEO— Kelly VanEyck

LIVESTREAM— Emmy Nienhuis

TECH SET-UP—Emmy Nienhuis

NURSERY— Sarah Zwiers, Amberley Machiela, Alma Campins

LENA'S ROOM— Dawn Hemmeke

SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM— Kelly Schaap, Steve Fisher

NARTHEX PRAYER TEAM— Howie & Tammy Baumann

COFFEE SERVERS— Howie & Tammy Baumann

### 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](http://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.