

Harlem Happenings

September 27, 2026



TODAY

9:10 AM — PRE-WORSHIP PRAYER in classroom L7.
9:30AM — MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE.
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME. Join us for refreshments immediately following the worship service.
11:00-11:30AM—SUNDAY SCHOOL for all ages.
11:30-11:40AM—SINGING IN THE SANCTUARY for kids up through 5th grade.
5:30-7:30PM—THE WAY meets in the Compass.

THIS WEEK

Mon. 5:00PM—FOOD DISTRIBUTION.
Tues. 9:00-NOON—QUILTER'S GROUP meets.
Wed. 6:15-7:45PM—GEM'S & CADETS.
Wed. 7:00PM—PRAYER MEETING in the Narthex.
Thurs. 5:30-6:30AM— Early Morning MEN'S BIBLE STUDY and CONVERSATIONS GROUP.

ADVANCED NOTICES

Oct. 4, 5:00PM—NIGHT OF WORSHIP.
Oct. 5, 6:30PM—CONSISTORY MEETING.
Oct. 10, 9:00AM— DECORATING FELLOWSHIP HALL!
Join us at 9:00 this Saturday morning to set up and decorate the Fellowship Hall for the Pastor Appreciation Potluck!
Oct. 11, 11:00AM—PASTOR APPRECIATION POTLUCK

HARLEM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Do you have one hour a week to mentor a child? Kids Hope is looking for volunteers! We can work with your schedule! Please prayerfully consider helping this ministry! It really is a small commitment with a big impact! Please reach out to Michelle Rouwhorst for more information.

Hand2Hand Needs: Pancake mix, pudding cups, jiffy pizza dough mix, jiffy biscuit mix, oatmeal, popcorn

Hand2Hand Challenge: Count Your Blessings Jar!
Every time you eat a meal, snack, etc. this week or month, put **25 cents in a jar for each item of food** you eat. At the end of the week or month, donate what you collected to our Hand2Hand ministry. **You are blessed to be a blessing to others.**

Benevolence offering will be taken this Sunday. The need is great and the benevolence team relies on donations from the church body to support those in need. Please consider blessing this ministry!

We are in need of more **volunteers for our Hand2Hand deliveries** on Thursdays. If you are interested, sign up in the fellowship hall and if you have any questions, talk to Kathy Groenewoud.

Everyone is invited to a special Pastor Appreciation Potluck on October 11 in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00am! Please bring a hot dish, cold dish, or dessert to share. Let's come together in fellowship to celebrate Matt & Tara!

Our Fellowship Body Life Team is in need of more members! If you would like to help plan and organize events to bring the church together in fellowship, please talk to one of the current members: TJ VanderVeen, Paula TenHarmsel, or Angie Dick.

Let's plan our 2027 church campout! On the entryway table is a signup sheet for our weekend campout at Cran Hill Ranch. Please sign up and pick which weekends work best for you and your family!

Needed: a primary, lead custodian to work 10-12 hours per week beginning October 1st. For more information, contact Steve Kraker (616-540-2244), Dennis Mulder (616-610-1563), or John VanKampen (616-416-5808).

Right to Life of Holland Area's Annual Focus on Life Dinner will be held on Tuesday, October 20th at the Pinnacle Center in Hudsonville, MI with guest speaker Lydia Taylor Davis. **If you would like to attend or have any questions, speak to Kerry DeFeyter.**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parkview Home recently learned that most of our residents will see a significant reduction in their SNAP benefits due to some changes with legislation. Parkview is a non-profit home, so this loss will be incredibly difficult for us without some help. This is where supporting churches can help. **If you would like to support our residents, we would be so grateful for grocery store gift cards** (Meijer, Walmart, Sam's Club, Costco, Aldi, and Family Fare) or monetary donations to help make up for this unexpected loss. Thank you for helping us make sure our residents continue to have the food they need.

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Terry & Judy VanDyke, Paula TenHarmsel, Amanda Van Malsen — Custodians

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR TODAY:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR— Terry & Judy VanDyke
USHER & OFFERING— Jeff DeFeyter
ORGANIST/PIANIST— Roz Boeve
SOUND— Steve Fisher
VIDEO— TJ VanderVeen
LIVESTREAM— TJ VanderVeen
TECH SET-UP— Steve Fisher
NURSERY— Taylor Dirkse, Emmy Nienhuis, Makayla Dirkse
LENA'S ROOM— Tammy Baumann
SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM— Steve Fisher, Steve Kraker
NARTHEX PRAYER TEAM— Sally Mulder, Kelly Schaap
COFFEE SERVERS— Chip & Alisha Vanderzwaag, Austin & Becca Brewer

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR OCTOBER 4:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR— Mike Long, Howie Baumann
USHER & OFFERING— Justin Karsten
ORGANIST/PIANIST— Joan Bader
SOUND— Ben Fought
VIDEO— Kati Fought
LIVESTREAM— TJ VanderVeen
TECH SET-UP— Ben Fought
NURSERY— Lynn Schaap, Nikki Tiemeyer, Josie Nienhuis
LENA'S ROOM— Dawn Hemmeke
SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM— Terry & Judy Vandyke
NARTHEX PRAYER TEAM— Terry Ebels, Mike Weaver
COFFEE SERVERS— Brad & Katelyn Brower, Angie Dick

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.