Harlem Happenings
November 15, 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.

THIS WEEK

Tues. 9:00-NOON—QUILTER'S GROUP meets.

Tues. 7:00PM—WORSHIP TEAM MEETING.

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

Nov. 22, 5:30-7:30PM—THE WAY meets in the Compass.

Nov. 23, 5:00PM—FOOD DISTRIBUTION.

Nov. 25, 12:00-6:00PM—RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE. We are in need of more donors! Sign up at redcrossblood.org if you are willing to donate.

Nov. 26, 9:30AM—THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE.

Dec. 13, 5:30PM—CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM. Open house to follow.

HARLEM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for our **2027 Church Campout** at CranHill Ranch on June 16-20! Scan the QR code to reserve a site.

As temperatures are cooling down, **Landscape Design Services is teaming with Joy 99.3** to bring Comfort and Joy to those in need this winter. **New or used warm clothing items can be dropped off at Landscape Design Services' lobby through Nov. 13.** Donated items will be freely distributed throughout our community.

Today is Adoption Sunday, a day when we celebrate the gift of adoption and the families who have opened their hearts and homes to welcome children into their families. We are reminded that adoption is a beautiful picture of the love God has shown us by adopting us into His family through Jesus Christ. We invite everyone to join us for cake after the service as we celebrate adoption, give thanks for these families, and enjoy some time together. We hope you'll stick around!

We are in need of **snack donations for our GEM's and Cadets.** If you are willing to donate, we are asking for dye free snacks and juice boxes such as rice Krispie treats, goldfish, apple juice, etc. Please leave them in the office or the kitchen labeled for GEM's & Cadets. Thank you!

Join us for fun and fellowship for 55 and older, men & women, on **Thursday December 3rd at 1:00pm** in the Fellowship Hall. We will be playing 5 Crowns, Hand & Foot, and Dominos. **We will be meeting regularly on the first Thursday of the month.**

Kids Hope needs more volunteers! Has the spirit been nudging you? Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this ministry! It takes just one hour a week to be an encouragement to a child in need in our community. **We currently have 7 kids on a waitlist**! Their names are posted around the church. If one of their names sticks out to you, please see Michelle Rouwhorst for more information!

Seeking the Lord's Direction in your Life? Pr. Matt recently preached on that and I, **Mike Weaver, have begun a Spiritual Direction certificate training program** and I need people to start meeting with 1-on-1 as I begin this venture. What is that you ask? **It is a trusted, confidential conversation** with a companion in Christ who listens with you--not to fix or counsel you, but to help you notice how God is moving in your life and his heart for you. Does that interest you? If so, please connect with me by either approaching me at church or emailing me at mjweaver10@gmail.com. **There is no cost for this as I am in training, and we'd meet for about 50 minutes**

1x/month for 4-6 months. Life moves fast, and we have a lot of things vying for our attention. Let's sit down and attune to God together. I'd love to hear from you!

Hand2Hand Challenge: Count Your Blessings Jar! Hi Church, our Blessings jar is half full! Thank you, let's keep it rising to fullness! *–Kathleen Groenewoud.*

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are available in the Fellowship Hall! After filling them with gifts please be sure to enclose the $10 cost unless you have already paid online. Fill out the label as to the age and sex the gifts are appropriate for. **Return boxes to Harlem by November 15th**. If you have any questions, please contact Kerry DeFeyter.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Ben & Kati Fought, Paula TenHarmsel— Custodians

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR TODAY:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR— Darion Fisher, Mike Long
USHER & OFFERING— Justin Karsten
ORGANIST/PIANIST— Christie Berkompas
SOUND— Rob VanEyk
VIDEO— Kelly VanEyk
LIVESTREAM— Travis Berkompas
TECH SET-UP— Travis Berkompas
NURSERY— Cortney Stoel, Grace VanKampen, Anna Bosma
LENA'S ROOM— Margi Fought
SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM— Terry & Judy VanDyke
NARTHEX PRAYER TEAM— Terry Ebels, Steve Kraker
COFFEE SERVERS— Steve & Judy Kraker, Josh & Candece Tucker

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR NOVEMBER 22:

GREETERS/ELEVATOR— Lud Scholten, Howie Baumann
USHER & OFFERING— Darin Hemmeke
ORGANIST/PIANIST— Joan Bader
SOUND— Josh Heeres
VIDEO— Kelly VanEyk
LIVESTREAM— TJ VanderVeen
TECH SET-UP— TJ VanderVeen
NURSERY— Paisley VanKampen, Vonnie VanKampen, Makayla Dirkse
LENA'S ROOM— Cindy Bakker
SANCTUARY PRAYER TEAM— Howie & Tammy Baumann
NARTHEX PRAYER TEAM— Mike Weaver
COFFEE SERVERS—

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.