

A Week at a Glance

Sunday, April 15

- 10:00 AM Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School (Church/Ed./Chapel/Lounge)
- 10:00 AM College-Age Small Group (Upper Room)
- 10:00 AM *Equipping Track* (E-5)
- 11:30 AM Children's Church I (3-, 4-, & 5-year-olds; C-1)
- 1:00 PM *COMMUNITY* (Ages 18-27; Warren home)
- 7:00 PM Sr. High Youth Group (Y-401; TheLOFT)

Monday, April 16

- 6:00 AM Early Morning Prayer (Conference Room)
- 1:30 PM Bone Strengthening (The Chapel)
- 3:00 PM Annual Blood Drive (Bloodmobile in Church Parking Lot)
- 7:00 PM Monday Evening Bible School Classes (YMC; The Chapel)
- 8:00 PM College & Young Adults Women (Ages 18-27; Warren home)

Tuesday, April 17

- 9:30 AM *Women of the Word* Bible Study (Lower Chapel)
- 10:00 AM *God's Little Singers* (C-23/24); 11:00 AM *Play & Pray* (C-6)
- 7:00 PM *LifeGivers* (Lower Chapel)
- 7:00 PM Praise Dance Team Rehearsal (Upper Gym)
- 7:00 PM Ladies' *In-Touch* Bible Study (The Chapel)
- 8:00 PM College & Young Adults Men (Ages 18-27; Warren home)

Wednesday, April 18

- 9:15 AM *The Amazing Collection* Women's Bible Study (The Chapel)
- 9:30 AM *Daughters of the King* Bible Study (Lower Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Nursery/Story Time for Women's Bible Study (The Lounge)
- 6:45 PM Kids' Klub (Pavilion/Lower Church/Gyms/YMC)
- 7:00 PM *Moms in Prayer* (HGC Library); 7:00 PM *Equipping Track* (Y-306)
- 7:00 PM PRAYER MEETING (The Chapel)**
- 7:00 PM Jr. High Bible (TheLOFT); 8:00 PM Sr. High Bible (TheLOFT)

Thursday, April 19

- 7:00 AM Prayer Meeting (Pastor John's office)
- 9:30 AM *Deep Roots* (The Chapel) and Nursery/Story Time (C-6)
- 6:00 PM Women's Small Group Bible Study (Library)
- 6:30 PM *New Beginnings* (Departs church parking lot)
- 7:00 PM *Linked* (Upper Room)
- 7:30 PM *GriefShare* (The Chapel)
- 7:30 PM *Morning Star* Children's Grief Ministry (Lower Chapel)
- 8:00 PM *COMMUNITY* (Women & Men Ages 18-27; Warren home)

Friday, April 20

- 9:15 AM Serving Hands (The Chapel)
- 7:00 PM Jr. High Youth Group (Y-401; TheLOFT)
- 7:00 PM *Released* (The Lounge; Lower Chapel) & Childcare (C-5/6)
- 7:00 PM *The Amazing Collection* Women's Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 7:00 PM Family Movie Night (Lower Gym)

Saturday, April 21

- 7:30 AM Men's Life Group Bible Studies (TheLOFT)
- 7:00 PM Liberty University *LU Praise* Concert (Sanctuary)

Sunday, April 15, 2018

At 8:25, 9:55 & 11:25 AM

*Continuing in
the series on Great Texts
of the Old Testament*

Pastor John W. Minnema

“GIDEON”

Judges 6-9

At 5:00 PM

*Continuing in the series on
Church in Culture*

Pastor Kirk De Boer

**“PROVOKED, NOT
OFFENDED”**

Luke 19

Welcome

Welcome to Hawthorne Gospel Church!

We are glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new or looking to connect, fill out the yellow *Connector Prayer Request* card located in the back of the pew and hand it to a *Connector* at the Discovery Center for a small gift and some helpful information about our church. Please join us in the Pavilion between the morning services for a time of fellowship and coffee, and where you'll obtain information on upcoming events!

The Starting Place

We want to help you grow in your devotion to Christ. Sometimes the hardest part is taking the first step. We have the perfect first step for everyone, **The Starting Place!** It's the bridge you take from just attending church to developing your faith. This two-week, one-time experience is held every other month on Sunday mornings. The next scheduled session will be held on Sunday, May 6th and 13th, at 10:00 am in room C-10 (lower level of the church building). Sign up in the church foyer or on our website (hawthornegospel.com).

Congratulations! Henry (Ike) Bandstra will observe his 93rd birthday tomorrow, April 16th.

Celebration & Praise!

Baptismal Service

A baptismal service is planned for **Sunday, June 24th**. If you are at least 13 years old and desire to give public testimony to your faith in Jesus Christ through baptism, you must attend one of the following classes: **Sunday, June 3rd**, or **Sunday, June 10th**, at either **10:00** or **11:30 am** in room C-11/12 (lower level of the church building). You must bring to class a written copy of your testimony, which tells your story of how you received Jesus as your Savior, and a paragraph entitled *Why I Want to Be Baptized and What Baptism Means to Me*. Sign up today in the church foyer and pick up a copy of the brochure, *Why We Value Baptism*.

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Pray for the Sick

Home: Pat Albright; Michele Alonzo; Lorrie Doris Anderson; Vincent Anello; Louise Ballentine; Evalee Batistich; Ellie Bauer; Karen Beller; Vicki Calabrese; Vince Carnevale; Debby Chapman; Esther Christensen; Kari Ann Dale; Phil Dimitri; Bob Falconieri; Andy Feingold; Glenn Garside; Dearh Goller; Carl Grotz; Linda Hanowitz; Mark Hastings; Herman Heiser; Joseph Letterese; Robert & Marie Lanzalotto; John Lo Bue; Arlene Locicero; Lisa Lovell; Karen Mandell; Ruth Marion; Mike Martin; Harry McCullen; Kris Miller; Al Molzan; Doris Mossige; Dianne Nowak; Mary Pascual; Marian Petersen; Luz Pring; Alice Rascio; Linda Rick; Julie Rieke; Carlos Rivera; Bob Rogers; Jacinta Ruiz; Gail Schuit; Maryann Schwinge; Bud Stranberg; Tim Tileston; Norman Trass; Ilse Troper; Dolores Urbanovich; Pablo Valentin; Dave Woods

Hospitals & Rehabs: Raymond De Rouville; Henrietta Lawless; Steve Meyers; Phil Paolucci; Bill Pezzuti; Jennifer (Tanis) Powell; John Spence; Ashley Williams

In Appreciation for all of the cards and other expressions of Christian love shown at the Homegoing of her son, Marchris, Mrs. Thelma Robinson says **thank you!**



HGC Library Hours

Sunday: 9:30 to 10:00 am and 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Monday: Closed

Tuesday through Saturday: 12:00 to 3:30 pm

The Library is located on the upper level of The Chapel
Phone: 973-427-6960, extension 130.

The Compassion Experience!

Don't miss it ...

The Compassion Experience is a free event featuring an interactive journey through the true stories of children living in developing countries like the Philippines, Kenya, Uganda, and the Dominican Republic.

In this exhibit, you will step inside homes, markets, and schools—without getting on a plane and traveling to the country! You will see and hear each child's story that begins in poverty, but ends in hope.

The Experience is put on by *Compassion International*. It gives visitors a chance to see life for some children from a different perspective. Our hope is that by going through this exhibit it will provide an awareness of what it is like for many children around the world and give you an opportunity to make a difference in a child's life—not only physically, but spiritually.

The exhibit will be here April 20th through 23rd and you will be able to sign up on our website (hawthornegospel.com).

For more information, contact Pastor David Schuit.

Sundays @ 5 Gospel Café

Bakers are Needed for the 3rd Week!

To help, please contact Kelly Stephenson.

In need of spiritual encouragement or prayer?
The Board member on call this week is Douglas Hart.

**Board
Member
on Call**

Our Annual Blood Drive

will be held

Tomorrow, from 3:00 to 7:15 pm

in the Bloodmobile that will be parked in the lower section of our parking lot.

Visit the Pavilion today to sign up or call 973-427-6960.

Serving Hands

Serving Hands, a ministry for men and women of all ages who serve our missionaries through prayer and projects, will hold its meeting on **Friday, April 20th**, at **9:15 am** in The Chapel. Mrs. Claire Oppliger, our missionary with *Athletes in Action*, will share her ministry via SKYPE. Plan now to attend!

Family Movie Night

Friday, April 20th, at 7:00 pm
in the Lower Gym

Questions, or to R.S.V.P., email Jessica Clavijo at jessicac@hgcusa.org.

Liberty University in Concert

Liberty University is coming to HGC in concert on Saturday, April 21st, at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. LU Praise is a choir that has sung for the presidential inauguration and many other special events. Sammi Shaffer, who grew up in our church, sings with LU Praise. Plan now to attend as it will be a great night of worship. We also are looking for host families to house the visiting students. To host two or more students for Saturday evening, or for more information, please contact James Jensen at james@hgcusa.org.

National Day of Prayer Schedule of Events on Wednesday, May 2nd, 2018

| Time | Event | Location |
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| 7:00 PM | Special Prayer Gathering | The Chapel |

Schedule of Prayer Opportunities on the National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 3rd, 2018

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| 7:00 AM | Thursday Morning Prayer | Pastor John's Office |
| 12:00 Noon | Prayer at the Flag Contact: Peggy Goitz | Hawthorne Municipal Building 445 Lafayette Avenue |
| 12:00 Noon | National Day of Prayer Contact: Pastor Lloyd Vorderstrasse | Midland Park Firehouse Hall 24 Witte Drive |
| 12:00 Noon | Prayer at the Flag Contact: Jim & Carol Garofalo | Glen Rock Municipal Building 1 Harding Plaza |
| 12:00 Noon | National Day of Prayer Contact: Patti Carrera | Oakland Fire House 25 Yawpo Avenue |

Pray for America UNITY Brochures
will be available at the
Discovery Center in the church foyer soon.

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Pray for America UNITY!

67th Annual Observance

ENGAGE, ENCOURGE, EMPOWER!

*Make every effort to keep the unity
of the Spirit through the bond of peace.
Ephesians 4:3*

Scripture tells us again and again that
our fervent prayer is effective.
That our loving God responds to His children's
earnest pleas in mighty ways that avail much,
and ultimately determine the course of history.
Please attend one or more of the following events
as we join together with other believers
around the country in prayer for
The United States of America

Special Prayer Gathering
on **Wednesday, May 2nd, 2018**
at **7:00 PM** in The Chapel

Ride into Recovery Picnic Fundraiser
is **today** from 12:00 to 4:00 pm
at Van Saun Park, 216 Forest Avenue, Paramus.
Join the fun and be a blessing!

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, April 18th, 2018 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel
Pastor John W. Minnema

Missions Focus Sunday

April 22nd, 2018
AM Services
Pastor David Schuit
"Jesus and the Children"
Luke 18:15-17

April 22nd, 2018, 5:00 PM
*Continuing in the series on
Church in Culture*
Pastor Jim Bushoven
"Called, Not Employed"
Luke 10

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, April 25th, 2018 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel
Pastor David Schuit

April 29th, 2018
AM Services
*Continuing in the series on
Great Texts of the Old Testament*
Pastor John W. Minnema
"O Jerusalem"
2 Kings 25

April 29th, 2018
5:00 PM
Pastor Jim Bushoven
**A Night of
Restoration Experienced**

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, May 2nd, 2018 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel
Pastor Mark Rolling

May 6th, 2018
AM Services
*Continuing in the series on
Great Texts of the Old Testament*
Pastoral Staff
"David and Bathsheba"
2 Samuel 11-12; Psalm 32 & 51
and Communion

May 6th, 2018
5:00 PM
*Continuing in the series on
Church in Culture*
Pastor Mark Rolling
"Grounded, Not Distracted"
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 and Communion

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, May 9th, 2018 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel
Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr.

Grace of Giving Sunday

April 29th, 2018

Paving the Pathway

As we continue to plan for our proposed new building addition, April 29th has been set as *Grace of Giving Sunday*. We have been thrilled with the generosity displayed by our church family.

Our buildings are a tool God has provided for worshipping, growing, and serving so we may continue to *develop fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ*. It is not about buildings, but all about people. You can invest in the spiritual lives of others through this project. Please prayerfully consider how the Lord may want to use you on *Grace of Giving Sunday*.

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Prime Time

On **Saturday, April 28th**, at **6:00 pm** in The Chapel, Prime Time will host a German-style dinner. The cost is \$12 per person. For more information or to sign up, please visit the special display in the Pavilion this morning.

HAWTHORNE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Student Council Fundraiser “Free” Car Wash

April 21st and May 12th, from **8:00 am to 12:00 pm**
Lutheran Bethlehem Church, 155 Linwood Avenue, Ridgewood.

Donations are welcome and will be used to purchase a \$6,000 ultrasound machine for the Dream Center in Uganda.

Supernova SON VBS!

Get ready for our next VBS adventure from **June 25th to 29th**, **9:00 am to 12:00 pm**. Throughout the week, kids will learn that Jesus is everywhere...He knows everything...He is forgiving...He is all powerful...and He is the light of the world! Preregister online at hawthornegospel.com—we also offer classes for adults. For more information, please call 973-427-6960, extension 122.

There are opportunities for men, women, and teens to help in big and small ways. Please contact Catherine Talgada, VBS Volunteer Coordinator, at hgcvolunteervbs@gmail.com.

“Breakfast for Dinner” VBS Fundraiser

Wednesday, May 9th, at 5:30 pm in the Pavilion; \$5 per person!

Need Help Healing? Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center

offers free, confidential support for those troubled by a past abortion.

Individual help is available year-round, and post-abortion Bible study groups for women and men will start this month.

Please email Help@LighthousePRC.org to learn more.

All inquiries will be kept confidential.

There is no obligation to participate if you inquire.

HGC Outreach Ministries supports the work of the Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center!