

## A Week at a Glance

### Sunday, February 24

- 8:00 am *Intercessory Prayer* (C-11/12)
- 10:00 am Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School (Church/Ed./Chapel/Lounge)
- 10:00 am College-Age Small Group (Upper Room)
- 10:00 am Adult Bible Class: *How to Share Your Faith* (E-5)
- 11:30 am Children's Church I (3-, 4-, & 5-year-olds; C-8)
- 1:00 pm *COMMUNITY Fellowship* (Ages 18-27; Warren home)
- 7:00 pm Sr. High Youth Group (Y-401/TheLOFT)

### Monday, February 25

- 6:00 am Early Morning Prayer (Conference Room)
- 1:30 pm Bone Strengthening (The Chapel)
- 7:00 pm Hawthorne Community Bible School (YMC/The Chapel)
- 8:00 pm College & Young Adults Women (Ages 18-27; Warren home)

### Tuesday, February 26

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

### Wednesday, February 27

- 9:15 am *The Amazing Collection* Women's Bible Study (The Chapel)
- 9:30 am *Daughters of the King* Woman's Bible Study (Lower Chapel)
- 6:45 pm Worship Community Rehearsals (Sanctuary; C-10)
- 6:45 pm Kids' Klub (C-1, 2/3, 4, 5/6, 8, 9; Gyms, Y-201; Pavilion)
- 7:00 pm *Moms in Prayer* (HGC Library)
- 7:00 pm PRAYER MEETING (The Chapel)**
- 7:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study; 8:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study (TheLOFT)

### Thursday, February 28

- 7:00 am Prayer Meeting (Pastor John's office)
- 9:30 am *Deep Roots* Women's Bible Study (The Chapel)
- 9:30 am *Story Time* for Preschoolers/Moms in Bible Study (Nursery)
- 6:30 pm *New Beginnings* (Newark facility)
- 7:00 pm *The Amazing Collection* Women's Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 8:00 pm *COMMUNITY Fellowship* (Ages 18-27; Warren home)

### Friday, March 1

- 3:00 pm Sr. High Snow Camp (Departs from HGC parking lot)
- 7:00 pm Jr. High Youth Group (TheLOFT; Y-401)
- 7:00 pm *Released* (Lower Chapel; The Lounge; Nursery)
- 7:00 pm Bible Study in Spanish (Y-307)

### Saturday, March 2

- 7:30 am Men's *Life Group* Bible Study (TheLOFT)
- 8:00 am *Desire4Hope* Outreach (Paterson)
- 9:00 am Women's R&R (The Chapel)
- 6:00 pm GMGW Potluck Dinner & Game Night (The Chapel; Lower Gym)
- 7:00 pm Men: *Building for Freedom* (Contact Pastor Tim)

## Sunday, February 24, 2019 *Paving the Pathway Sunday*

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

Pastor John W. Minnema  
**“GOD’S  
SAVING GRACE”**  
Romans 3:21-31  
*Continuing in the series  
Romans:  
The Power of the Gospel*

**At 5:00 PM**

**Ordination Service for  
Jonathan D. Minnema**  
Pastor David A. Schuit &  
Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr.  
*Immediately following the service,  
everyone is invited to a reception  
being held in the overflow area*

*Today in The Chapel from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm  
you are invited to attend a farewell reception for  
Pastor Dave and Carol Andersen.*

## Welcome **Welcome to Hawthorne Gospel Church!**

We are glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new or looking to connect, please fill out the *Welcome/Prayer Request* card located in the back of the pew and hand it to a *Connector* at the Welcome 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

Whether you are new to HGC or have been attending for years, this is an opportunity to find out more about our church, how to get involved, and how to grow in your faith. This two-week, one-time experience is held every other month on Sunday mornings. Details on the next scheduled session will be announced soon.

**Baby Boy!** Titus John, born February 20<sup>th</sup> to Pastor Tim and Emily Stanley. **Celebration & Praise!**

**Our March Prayer Calendar** is available at the Welcome Center in the church foyer today! Be sure to pick up a copy . . . and pray!

**Our Daily Bread Devotionals**, for the months of March, April, and May, are available at the Welcome Center in the church foyer today. *Our Daily Bread Devotionals* are great witnessing tools...use them to reach out to your family and friends!

**Midweek Prayer** for adults is held Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in The Chapel. Come, enjoy a devotional by one of our pastors and join your hearts with others in prayer.

**On Thursday Mornings** at **7:00**, men meet in Pastor John's office to pray. Men of all ages are welcome to attend.

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

**Board  
Member  
on Call**

## Pastoral Leadership Team

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## Pray for the Sick

**Home:** Jay Aftab; Patricia Albright; Lorrie Doris Anderson; Lori Bader; Louise Ballentine; Ellie Bauer; Kenneth De Block; Bertha Beller; Walter Boroughs; Nicole Braciliano; Sharon Braunlin; Randy Broolsma; John Calabrese; Vicki Calabrese; Vincent Carnevale; Esther Christensen; Kari Ann Dale; Judy Delaney; Marie D'Elia; Phil Dimitri; Ellen Forstrom; Kyle Franklin; Don Frey; Glenn Garside; Dearh Goller; Mark Halliwell; Linda Hanowitz; Mark Hastings; Herm Heiser; Bobbie Jones; Dee Kemper; Ben Kudisch; Marie Lanzalotto; John Lee; Joe Letterese; Jake & Arlene Locicero; Lisa Lovell; Amelia Mandaro; Karen Mandell; Ruth Marion; Michael & Janice Martin; Steve Meyers; Kris Miller; Miguel Miranda; Elaine Miyamoto; Al Molzan; Carlos Moran, Jr.; Doris Mossige; August Nicholas; Elianna Otera; Eliseo Pagano; Carol Pavlik; William Pezzuti; Joan Podschelne; Jennifer (*Tanis*) Powell; Luz Pring; Alice Rascio; Al Rick; Linda Rick; Julie Rieke; Gladys Rink; Bob Rogers; Jacinta Ruiz; Connie Sayles; Maryann Schwinge; Gari Semon; Antonia Spagnola; Diane Spath; Adolf Stelter; Tim Tileston; Ilse Troper; James Unrath; Pablo Valentin; Anna Van Dyk; Lisa Van Hise; Marion Warnet; Ashley Williams

**Hospitals & Rehabs:** Stephanie Allen; Chris Bracken; Betty Cleveland; William & Janet Davies; Raymond De Rouville; Henrietta Lawless; Phil Paolucci; John Prochaska; John Spence; Bud Stranberg; Diane (*Bacolo*) Vigilanti (*surgery this Wednesday*)

**In Appreciation** for all the prayers, cards, notes, meals, and other expressions of Christian love shown during her hospitalization and recovery period, Marion Kligen says **thank you!**

**Our Christian Sympathy** is given to Barbara Hazen at the Homegoing of her mother, Ruth Van Slooten, on February 18<sup>th</sup> in NC.

## 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.

*Missionaries of the Week*

## SCOTT & CATHERINE MERCER

God has put a desire on the Mercers' hearts to help make every home a godly home. They accepted a call from *FamilyLife* to serve full time as missionary staff in 2007. After serving at headquarters for two years in the publishing department, Scott and Catherine accepted a commission to be area directors in Pittsburgh, PA and moved to the area in 2011.

As area directors, they work with a local ministry team to promote both live and hosted events while connecting opportunities and resources with churches, organizations, and people. Their cornerstone live event is called *the Weekend to Remember*, but they facilitate video events through the use of *the Art of Marriage* as well.

The Mercers feel privileged to be called by God to this ministry for such a time as this and are thankful for the prayer and financial support of Hawthorne Gospel Church.

## A New Bible Study in Spanish

A new Bible study in Spanish will begin on  
**Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 pm** in room **Y-307**.

For more information, please contact Blucher Chacon  
Thank you!

## The Lifeline for Parents

Once a month, our Student Ministry hosts **The Lifeline** for parents with children from middle school through young adults. At the meeting being held on **Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**, we will discuss the topic of Gender and Sexuality Identity. Join us at **7:00 pm** in The Chapel. For more information, contact Pastor Jake at [jake@hgusa.org](mailto:jake@hgusa.org) or 973-427-6960, extension 174.

## Sr. High Snow Camp

Sr. High will be at Camp-of-the-Woods  
from **Friday to Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019**  
(Departs on **Friday at 3:00 pm**; Returns on **Sunday at 6:00 pm**)

Cost: \$175

Questions? Contact Pastor Jake at  
jake@hgusa.org or 973-427-6960, extension 174.

**Space is limited...so sign up ASAP!**

**Donations** for Snow Camp expenses are appreciated!

Please use a pew envelope and mark it

**Sr. High Snow Camp.**

## Ladies' R&R

Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 9:00 am in The Chapel

Guest speaker: **Kerri Schaefer**

**Topic: "To BE or Not to BE"**

God's Word is filled with "BE" attitudes.

Come, learn more about

how to BE the woman God wants you to BE.

A continental breakfast will be served at 8:45 am

## Save the Date

**Great Marriages God's Way** will hold a Potluck Dinner & Family Game Night on **March 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00 pm** in The Chapel. All alumni of the GMGW classes also are invited to attend.

If your last name begins with A-M, bring a salad or entrée; and if your last name begins with N-Z, bring a dessert. Questions or to RSVP, call Barbara Vander Wiele.

## Men's Ministry You're Invited...

### Co-ed Pickleball Game Night

Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm  
in the Pavilion



### Men's Conference

Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 to 11:00 am  
in The Chapel

Guest speaker

**Daniel P. Buttafuoco**

Founder of Buttafuoco & Associates, PLLC,  
the Historical Bible Society, and author of the book

*Consider the Evidence*

He also is a defender of the faith!

Sign up this morning in the Pavilion or  
email nelac@hgusa.org, or 973-427-6960, extension 122.

## After-School Club

We are looking for individuals who would like to volunteer (weekly or monthly) to help put together an After-School Club for School #6 in Paterson. Club ideas could include crafts, sports, cooking, book club, etc.

If interested in serving in the public schools, please contact Sandy Lynn Bober at [sandy@hgusa.org](mailto:sandy@hgusa.org) or 973-427-6960, extension 166.

## Worship Community Opportunities!

The Worship Community Choir invites you to join its rehearsals this Wednesday at 6:45 pm in the Sanctuary. You may join our vocal or instrumental ministry.

If your talent is technical, the stage crew or sound team can use your help. Also, we could use help with the computer on Sundays for the slides.

If you prefer to participate on a short-term basis, consider singing for our Easter concerts. To participate, or for more information, please contact James Jensen at [james@hgcusa.org](mailto:james@hgcusa.org), or 973-427-6960, extension 160.



You're invited to  
Hawthorne Christian Academy's

## ANNUAL BANQUET & AUCTION

Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM  
Macaluso's in Hawthorne, NJ

For more information, contact Sandy Vasquez-Chong  
at [sandy.vasquezchong@hca.org](mailto:sandy.vasquezchong@hca.org) or  
973-423-3331, extension 225.



## THE DEFENDER FUND

The deadline to double your impact has been extended!  
Donate to The Defender Fund by the  
HCA Banquet on March 14<sup>th</sup> and  
your gift will be doubled by our very generous donor!

## Members, Mark Your Calendars!

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for  
**Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

Members are urged to attend. Visitors are welcome.

## UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel  
Pastor Scott Warren

March 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2019 AM Services	Communion Sunday	March 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2019 PM Service
Pastoral Staff "The Way to God" Romans 4:1-25 <i>Continuing in the series</i> Romans: The Power of the Gospel		Pastor Kirk De Boer "Lasting Friendships: David & Jonathan" 1 Samuel 20; 2 Samuel 1 <i>Continuing in the series</i> King David: A Heart after God


Wednesday Prayer Meeting, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel  
Pastor Mark Rolling

March 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 AM Services	March 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 PM Service
Pastor John W. Minnema "Peace with God" Romans 5:1-11 <i>Continuing in the series</i> Romans: The Power of the Gospel	Pastor David A. Schuit "An Enduring Legacy: Passing the Baton" 1 Kings 2; 1 Chronicles 29:26-30 <i>Concluding the series</i> King David: A Heart after God

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel  
Pastor Mark Rolling

March 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 AM Services	March 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 PM Service
Pastor John W. Minnema "Death or Life" Romans 5:12-21 <i>Continuing in the series</i> Romans: The Power of the Gospel	Annual Congregational Dessert and Business Meeting in the Pavilion

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel  
Pastor John W. Minnema



"Your eyes  
saw my  
unformed body;  
all the days  
ordained for me  
were written in  
your book before  
one of them  
came to be."  
Psalm 139:16

## Every LIFE is known and valued by God

Scripture leaves us no room for doubt—God loves and values the lives of all His children. Lighthouse has the honor of sharing God's love of life with those who struggle with an unplanned pregnancy or related concern. Our ultrasound ministry helps reveal the hidden secrets of the womb. Our post-abortion recovery program helps the hurting find forgiveness and a new perspective on life. Our parenting education with material aid shares God's love through practical, compassionate support that helps families thrive. Our student education program reaches area youth with the value of God's design for healthy and loving relationships.

Hawthorne Gospel Church is sharing God's love this month through a DIAPER & WIPES DRIVE that will assist Lighthouse moms and dads in need. Please bring your diapers (sizes 3, 4 & 5 are especially needed) and baby wipes to the church foyer over the next few weeks (through March 17<sup>th</sup>). On behalf of the hundreds of babies born to Lighthouse families last year: THANK YOU!

Lighthouse invites you to celebrate 35 years of bringing God's LOVE to LIFE on March 4<sup>th</sup> at our annual banquet. For more details or to register, please visit [FRIENDSOFLIGHTHOUSEPRC.ORG](http://FRIENDSOFLIGHTHOUSEPRC.ORG).

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## Vision for the Future Update on Potential Adoption of FBC

Over the last few weeks, there have been several meetings that have taken place to discuss the possibility of HGC "adopting" First Baptist Church in Hackensack and making their congregation and property an additional campus of the Hawthorne Gospel Church.

On January 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, FBC met as a congregation and were introduced to this concept by their leadership. The congregation also was offered the opportunity to voice concerns and raise any questions they might have about moving forward with HGC. Those questions were then submitted to our leadership to consider.

On, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, a number of HGC pastors and elders traveled down to FBC to meet with their congregation to answer those questions and address concerns about how things might look moving forward if the "adoption" was approved by the FBC congregation. Pastor John spent a great deal of time answering the questions that were previously submitted and addressing ones that came up from the people while there. He shared about the exciting possibilities of ministering in the city of Hackensack, the desire to see people come to Christ, and the continued focus of keeping the Word of God at the forefront as FBC has done for over 140 years.

**On Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**, the congregation at FBC voted to move ahead with being adopted by HGC. In the days ahead, our staff and elders will continue assessing the ministry needs at FBC and determine the next steps in this process.

Please pray for the Lord's leading in the days ahead, the many details and logistics that need to go into the planning of this potential new direction, and for our leadership and the leadership of FBC as we pursue what this might become.

*God has yet greater things for His people.*