

# “Servants of Jesus Christ”

Romans 16:1-27

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”  
John 3:16

## Sunday, November 24, 2019 THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

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

Pastor John W. Minnema  
**“SERVANTS OF  
JESUS CHRIST”**  
Romans 16:1-27  
Concluding a series in Romans

**At 5:00 PM**

Pastor Timothy Stanley  
**“NEW LIFE  
IN CHRIST”**  
2 Corinthians 5:14-21

**At Hackensack at 11:00 AM**

Pastor Kirk De Boer  
**“STUMBLING BLOCKS OR  
STEPPING STONES”**  
Romans 14:13-23 ~ Continuing in a series in Romans

## 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 Cathedral Choir

presents

### Handel's Messiah

Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary

## Give Thanks!

We are often reminded from the Scriptures that we are to be a thankful people. We are to continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise (Hebrews 13:15), do everything without complaining or arguing (Philippians 2:14), and give thanks in all circumstances (1 Thessalonians 5:17).

We will be gathering together in the Sanctuary on  
**Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm**  
for a special time of praise and thanks to God.

The congregation is given an opportunity to stand  
and give thanks to the Lord during this

### Hour of Praise.

In addition, we are asking you to prayerfully join us in giving a gift of thanks to the Lord. Our Thanksgiving offering this year has been designated for our **Feed My Starving Children (FMSC)** outreach taking place in March, 2020. Through a partnership with **FMSC**, we plan to pack 250,000 meals in three days for needy children around the world. To help pay for the food that we will be packing, please use a pew envelope and mark it **Feed My Starving Children**.

*Thank you...and have a blessed Thanksgiving!*

## A Week at a Glance

### Sunday, November 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)
- 11:30 am *Children's Church I* (3-, 4-, & 5-year-olds; C-8)
- 11:30 am *Alpha & Omega Children's Choir Rehearsals* (C-10)
- 1:00 pm *COMMUNITY* (Ages 18-27; Warren home)
- 1:30 pm *Perspectives Class* (The Chapel)
- 7:00 pm *Sr. High Youth Group* (Y-401/TheLOFT)

### Monday, November 25

- 6:00 am *Early Morning Prayer* (Conference Room)
- 1:30 pm *Moms in Prayer* (HGC Library)
- 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, November 26

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

### Wednesday, November 27

**HGC Library is closed**

- 9:00 am *HCA Thanksgiving Chapel* (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm **HOUR of PRAISE** (Sanctuary)

### Thursday, November 28

**HGC Campus is closed for Thanksgiving**

### Friday, November 29

**HGC Office, Library, and Academy are closed**

- 6:00 pm *Cathedral Choir Rehearsal* (Lower level of church; Sanctuary)

### Saturday, November 30

**HGC Library is closed**

- 7:00 am *Sr. High Paintball Jim Thorpe PA* (Departs HGC)
- 7:30 am *Men's Bible Study* (TheLOFT; Y-401)
- 8:30 am *Fast Break Basketball Camp* (Upper Gym)
- 6:00 pm *H.E.A.R.T.S. Homeschoolers Basketball* (Lower & Upper Gyms)
- 6:30 pm *PrimeTime Fellowship* (The Chapel)
- 7:00 pm *Cathedral Choir "Messiah" Concert* (Sanctuary)

## Pastoral Leadership Team

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## Thanksgiving Ministry Opportunity

Did you know that less than 20% of the nearly one million international students studying in the US will ever be able to visit an American home? These international students are here to study at our universities, but they want to learn about us and our culture, too!

Our church has an outreach ministry to international students on the campuses of Stevens Institute of Technology and FDU. During the holiday time, most of the students are not able to return home. This makes for a great opportunity to not only share our Thanksgiving meal with them, but to share ourselves!

On Thanksgiving Day morning, the students from Stevens will be brought to our church campus. Those who sign up to host a student may pick them up here. In the evening, they will be brought back to HGC and buses will return them to their campus. This is a great way to introduce your children to people from other cultures, enjoy their friendship, tell them about why we have a Thanksgiving holiday, and to share Christ's love with them.

For more information, or to share your Thanksgiving dinner with an international student, visit the special display in the Pavilion this morning or contact Shirley Innis during the week ... you'll be glad you did!

## Meal Ministry Team

Through a team of volunteers, we will provide three meals for two weeks to church members/attendees in times of need. We serve families and individuals after the birth of a baby, surgery or a hospitalization, or during times of a crisis. Volunteers are contacted through email and are asked to sign up to provide a meal through a meal calendar. Sound like something you might like to do? If so, please contact Kathryn Wansong at the church office ([kwansong@hawthornegospel.org](mailto:kwansong@hawthornegospel.org)) to make us aware of a need or to volunteer to help serve our church family.

## God's Word Tells Us to Be Baptized!

The following believers will give public testimony to their faith in Jesus Christ through baptism this morning:

At the 8:25 am service:

Samuel Burk

At the 9:55 am service:

Francesca Boru

Eddie Johnson

Tracy Petronzio

David Teran

Melissa Teran

Also, a video will be shown of the baptism of  
Jacob Vander Pyl  
that took place on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 while on  
The Wilderness Xperience  
at Burnt Island Lake, Algonquin Provincial Park, Canada.

At the 11:25 am service:

Sharon Ibrahim

Ralph Savino

## New Beginnings

**Our New Beginnings Ministry** offers an opportunity for you to come with us one Thursday evening as we visit with men and women who are ill and in need of encouragement and prayer. If you've ever thought that God might be calling you to serve Him in this way, now is the time to join us for an evening to experience His blessing in serving others. Our team of both men and women currently has an opening for another man. Why not join us for a visit—or for details, contact Cara Greene.

In need of spiritual encouragement or prayer? The Board member on call this week is Michael Eelman (michael.eelman@hawthornegospel.org).

**Board  
Member  
on Call**

## New Beginnings Christmas Stocking Outreach

**Next Sunday**, Ziploc bags, along with a list of suggested items needed to fill those bags, will be made available to those who wish to participate in this outreach. These items will be used to fill Christmas gift bags for the HIV/AIDS patients at a Newark facility. Completed bags are due back by **Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**, and should be placed in the *New Beginnings Christmas Stocking Collection Box* that will be located in the church foyer soon.

**Pray for the Sick** **Home:** Jay & Wendy Aftab; Vera Amaral; Marian Bakker; Ellie (*Schuit*) Bauer; Randy Broelsma; Vicki Calabrese; Esther Christensen; Laura Christenson; Kari Ann Dale; Judy Delaney; Vince Della Ratta; Marie D'Elia; Mike De Urso; Phil Dimitri; Helene Dubetsky; Bob Estrada; Chuck Evans; Ellen Forstrom; Glenn Garside; Mark Halliwell; Mark Hastings; Carolyn Hubertz; Bobbie Jones; Jack & Dee Kemper; Ben Kudisch; Charlie Landers; John Lee; Joe Letterese; Jake & Arlene Locicero; Lisa Lovell; Carol Lupano; Lisa & Ruth Marion; Mike & Janice Martin; Karen Meima; Steve Meyers; Emelia Misovic; Alfred Molzan; Carlos Moran, Jr.; Len Mulé; Andrea, August, & Dawn Nicholas; Ray Obsuth; Ermetta Olson (*heart procedure this Wednesday*); Ralph Opderbeck; Phil Paolucci; Carol Pavlik; Bill Pezzuti; Joan & Tom Podschelne; Jennifer Powell; Luz Pring; Rich Prins; John Prochaska; Michael Quinn; Alice Rascio; Laura Rehbein; Al Rick; Julie Rieke; Gladys Rink; Kaci Rodriguez; Robert Rogers; Jacinta Ruiz; Connie Sayles; Kristen Seidman; Lories Slockbower; Laura Smith; Diane Spath; Adolf Stelter; Tim Tileston; Julia Anne Torrano (*newborn—to gain weight*); Ilse Troper; Jim Unrath; Pablo Valentin; Lisa Van Hise; Diane Vigilanti. **Hospital/Rehabs:** Aidan Raudenbush; Antonia Spagnola.

**Home with the Lord:** Al Langlois, a faithful attendee, entered into the presence of the Lord on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Al served as an usher and was a member of *Encore*. Our Christian love is given to his daughters, Bonnie Langlois and Denise De Block.

## Bethel Ranch Outreach

It's not too late to join the team of volunteers who are helping to prepare a portion of the Thanksgiving dinner or helping to serve Thanksgiving dinner to the men at Bethel Ranch. Prepared food may be delivered to the Pavilion kitchen on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, between 12:00 and 9:00 pm. To help serve, or to bring food directly to the Ranch (1005 Union Valley Road, West Milford) on Thanksgiving Day, arrive between 10:00 and 11:45 am—dinner will be served at noon. There will be a short chapel service after the meal that will end by 2:00 pm. For more information, visit the special display in the Pavilion this morning, or contact Bob Falconieri. Thank you for serving!

## Hope for the Holidays A Christmas Remembrance Service

with Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr.  
will be held on  
Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am  
in The Chapel

If you have been bereaved of a loved one  
any time within the last year and  
wish to have the support of others  
who also are experiencing loss,  
you are cordially invited to attend  
this annual service held by our  
**GriefShare Ministry!**

Luncheon will be served following the service.

To register, come to the Pavilion this morning,  
email [nelac@hawthornegospel.org](mailto:nelac@hawthornegospel.org), or  
call 973-427-6960, extension 122.

## UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

**HOUR OF PRAISE, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary**  
Pastor John W. Minnema

### Christmas Communion

December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 AM Services

Pastoral Staff  
"The Light of the World"  
John 1:1-18

December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 PM Service

Pastor David A. Schuit  
"The True Meaning of Christmas"  
Luke 1

At Hackensack at 11:00 AM

Pastor Jake Minnema and Pastor Timothy Stanley  
"The Light of the World"  
John 1:1-18

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel  
Pastor David A. Schuit

December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 AM Services

Pastoral Staff  
"God with Us"  
Matthew 1

December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 PM Service

Pastor Mark Rolling  
"A Savior is Born"  
Matthew 1

At Hackensack at 11:00 AM

Pastor Mark Rolling  
"God with Us"  
Matthew 1

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel  
Pastor Mark Rolling

December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 AM Services

Pastoral Staff  
"The Son of the Most High"  
Luke 1

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:00 pm and  
December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 5:00 pm

Worship Community and the  
Alpha and Omega Children's Choir  
"The Carols of Christmas"  
Directed by Rommel Guingon

At Hackensack at 11:00 AM

Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr.  
"The Son of the Most High"  
Luke 1

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel  
Pastor John W. Minnema

## Grace of Giving Sunday

Join us on **December 8<sup>th</sup>** in prayerfully giving an extra gift toward our

### *Paving the Pathway Building Project*

which still is in need of funds to meet our goal. A second offering will be received at all services.

### *Paving the Pathway Update*

**Goal: \$5,628,181.00!**

**Received: \$4,141,610.11** (through November 20<sup>th</sup>)

**Needed: \$1,486,570.89**

**THANKYOU!**

## Ministry Financial Needs Update!

October 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2019 ~ Year-to-Date	General Fund	Missionary Fund
<b>Received</b>	<b>\$ 2,610,208</b>	<b>\$ 487,988</b>
<b>Needed</b>	<b>\$ 2,722,505</b>	<b>\$ 480,532</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$ (112,297)</b>	<b>\$ 7,456</b>

### AC / Dehumidifier Compressor Replacement

**Still Needed: \$4,745.00**

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### Golf Cart

We are in need of an additional multi-passenger cart to assist people to and from their vehicles during construction. If you have one you would like to donate or let us use during the building project, please contact Chad (973-427-6960). To make a donation, please use a pew envelope and mark it *Golf Cart*. Thank you for giving!

**Ways to Give:** APP ~ WEB ~ PLATE

## Prayer is Important!

**Every Sunday Morning**, from **8:00** to **8:20**, a special time of **Intercessory Prayer** is held for our worship services. Please join us in room C-11/12 (lower level of the church building).

## The Lifeline for Parents

Once a month in The Chapel, our Student Ministry hosts **The Lifeline** for parents with children from middle school through young adults. The focus is to become better equipped to parent our children in a broken world through specialized speakers and workshops, as well as gain support through fellowship and prayer.

On **December 6<sup>th</sup>**, at **7:00 pm**, Christine Bae (MA, LAC, MHC-LP), who works with children, adolescents, and adults, will speak on *Suicide and Your Teen*. In her practice, Christine utilizes different types of therapy to cater to each of her client's needs along with Parenting Support/Coaching and Faith-based Counseling. For more detailed information, please contact Pastor Jake at [jake@hawthornegospel.org](mailto:jake@hawthornegospel.org).

## The HGC Worship Community

and the

## Alpha & Omega Children's Choir

present

## "The Carols of Christmas"

on

Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm

and

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm

in the Sanctuary!