

“Pressing on to Maturity”
Hebrews 5:11-6:12



Hawthorne
GOSPEL CHURCH

Sunday, March 15, 2020

Live Stream 10:00 AM

Pastor John W. Minnema

**“PRESSING ON
TO MATURITY”**

**Hebrews 5:11-6:12 Continuing the
series in Hebrews: *Focus on Christ*”**

“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

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 form on our website*.

Health/Safety Precautions

We continue to monitor the situation with the Coronavirus and want to keep our church family as safe and healthy as possible while attending events here at HGC, so please note the following:

- ☛ We will discontinue the shaking of hands and/or physical contact until further notice, especially during our services.
- ☛ Our maintenance staff continues to clean and sanitize our church/school facilities regularly.
- ☛ We will continue to supply hand sanitizer while it is available to us.
- ☛ Bagels and Munchkins will **NOT** be provided during the morning Fellowship Time in the Pavilion, but coffee, tea, and cold beverages will be available.
- ☛ In the case that we aren't able to meet on a Sunday in the next few weeks, we will have services that you can stream online in place of regularly meeting. We will announce this on social media and the website, should it be necessary.

Thank you for your prayers and cooperation and for doing your part to keep our church healthy.

A Week at a Glance

Monday, March 16

- 6:00 am Early Morning Prayer (Church Office Conference Room)
- 1:30 pm Bone Strengthening Exercise for Women (The Chapel)
- 1:30 pm *Moms in Prayer* (HGC Library)
- 8:00 pm College & Young Adults (Women Ages 18-27; Warren home)

Tuesday, March 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 *GLS: Play & Pray* (C-6)
- 7:00 pm Ladies' *In-Touch* Bible Study (The Chapel)
- 7:00 pm *LifeGivers* (Lower Chapel)
- 8:00 pm College & Young Adults (Men Ages 18-27; Warren home)

Wednesday, March 18

- 9:15 am *Women of The Way* (The Chapel)
- 9:30 am *Daughters of the King* Bible Study (Lower Chapel)
- 7:00 pm PRAYER MEETING (The Chapel)**
- 7:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study; 8:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study (TheLOFT)

Thursday, March 19

- 7:00 am Prayer Meeting (Pastor John's office)
- 9:30 am *Deep Roots* Women's Bible (The Chapel) & *StoryTime* (C-5/6) 6:15 pm *New Beginnings* (Departs HGC parking lot)
- 7:00 pm *Women of The Way* (Conference Room)
- 7:00 pm *Linked* (Upper Room)
- 7:30 pm *GriefShare* (The Chapel/Lower Chapel/The Lounge)
- 8:00 pm *COMMUNITY* (Women & Men Ages 18-27; Warren home)

Friday, March 20

- 7:00 pm Jr. High Youth Group (Y-401; TheLOFT)
- 7:00 pm Kids' Klub (Lower Church; YMC; Gyms; Pavilion)
- 7:00 pm *Moms in Prayer* (HGC Library)
- 7:00 pm Co-Ed Adult Bible Study (Y-301)

Saturday, March 21

- 7:30 am Legacy Builders' Men's Bible Study (TheLOFT/Y-401)
- 9:00 am *Serving Hands* (The Chapel)
- 9:30 am MOMS & TOTS (C-10)

EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Pastoral Leadership Team

John Minnema, Senior Pastor pastorjohn@hawthornegospel.org
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Vision in Action (VIA) Meeting

Join us on Sunday, March 22nd, at 1:00 pm as Doug Christensen shares his journey of living with a loved one with ALS, how that experience impacted him and his family, and what it was like to finally say good bye to his wife. It is an incredible story of God's grace, the bond of human love, and the support of the church.

A VIA meeting is a time to come together to be better informed about what God is doing in the world through our missions partners. We meet in The Chapel from 1:00 to 2:15 pm. A light lunch will be provided.

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IMPORTANT!

Due to the Coronavirus, we have canceled our **Feed My Starving Children** event that was scheduled for this Thursday through Saturday (March 19th through 21st). We thank all of the over 1,300 volunteers who signed up to make a difference in the life of a hungry child! If you signed up, you will be receiving an email from **Feed My Starving Children** advising you of the cancellation.

Please pray! We are hopeful to be able to reschedule a **Feed My Starving Children** event sometime soon.

Pastoral Staff Updates

Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr. will continue as our Associate Pastor; however, his responsibilities will be lessened in Hawthorne to include his new role as Pastor of Hackensack. Pastor Howie will work with our pastoral staff to shepherd, encourage, and give oversight to our new *Hackensack Family*.

Pastor David Schuit will continue to serve as our Pastor of Missions, but also will assume responsibility of our Visitation Ministry. He will organize and provide pastoral care for those in hospitals, nursing homes, etc.

Pastor Jonathan Minnema will oversee the Adult Education Ministry, in addition to his current responsibilities as Pastor of Teaching and Media Ministries. Adult Education includes the Sunday Adult Bible Classes and Hawthorne Community Bible School.

Please pray for each of our pastors as they move into these new roles within the church.

Praise the Lord! It's Official!

On March 3rd, the Leadership of both churches signed the final documents to legalize the transfer of ownership from FBC to HGC. Over the next few weeks, we anticipate being able to have our Leadership Teams evaluate needs, strengthen the ministry there, and even determine necessary staff. **Leadership Teams** will begin to form to evaluate the various aspects of the ministry to help in determining how to most effectively move forward. If you had reached out and expressed an interest in serving on a Team, you should have been contacted over the last few days. If you were not contacted, and you still desire to serve on a **Leadership Team**, please email Pastor Kirk DeBoer (kirk@hawthornegospel.org). Teams will include the following areas:

Administration, Building & Grounds, Communication, Pastoral Care & Prayer, School, Technology, Worship Service, and Church Community.

Grace of Giving Sunday

March 22nd, 2020

A special offering will be collected at all four Sunday services next week which will go toward paying off the new building. Please prayerfully consider giving a gift of any amount so that we might finish construction debt-free.

Pray for the Sick

Home: Tim Adriance; Jay & Wendy Aftab; Vera Amaral; Karen Beller; Joan Buchanan-Smith; Vicki Calabrese; Kari Ann Dale; Judy Delaney; Vincent Della Ratta; Marie D'Elia; Samantha De Vries (*4 years old; heart*); Phil Dimitri; Helene Dubetsky; Chuck Evans; Ellen Forstrom; Glenn Garside; James Goulian; Mark Halliwell; Mark Hastings; Carolyn Hubertz; Bobbie Jones; Gabrielle Kemavor; Jack & Dee Kemper; Charlie Landers; John Lee; Jake & Arlene Locicero; Lisa Lovell; Carol Lupano; Michael & Janice Martin; Karen Meima; Steve Meyers; Emelia Misovic; Carlos Moran, Jr.; Len Mulé; Dorothy Nickles; Raymond Obsuth; Ermetta Olson; Ralph Opderbeck; Phil Paolucci; Carol Pavlik; Luz Pring; Rich Prins; John Prochaska; Alice Rascio; Laura Rehbein; Julie Rieke; Gladys Rink; Kaci Rodriguez; Robert Rogers; Jacinta Ruiz; Connie Sayles; Laura Smith; Diane Spath; Adolf Stelter; Alice Tenny; Tim Tileston; Julia Anne Torrano; Ilse Troper; Pablo Valentin; Randi Venema; Diane Vigilanti

Hospitals & Rehabs: Ron Fletcher; Joe Letterese; Bob Masterson; Mary Miller; Joan Peano; Jack Seidler; Robert Taber

Our Christian Sympathy is given to James (Jim) McLean at the Homegoing of his wife, Ruth Anne, on March 2nd.

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

Financial Giving Updates!

February 29 th , 2020 ~ Year-to-Date	General Fund	Missionary Fund
Received	\$ 567,833.88	\$ 110,158.22
Needed	\$ 549,901.00	\$ 93,612.60
Balance	\$ 17,932.88	\$ 16,545.62

Paving the Pathway Update

Goal: \$5,628,181.00!

Received: \$4,334,788.63 (through March 8th)

Needed: \$1,293,392.37

Ways to Give:

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2020 Donation Receipts

Knowing and following the details below greatly helps us with processing and providing you with a complete year-end receipt!

We receipt, always following **IRS** requirements:

- ☛ Cash and check donations in any amount in a filled-out pew envelope. If your check is below \$250 and is not in an envelope, that will not be included on your year-end receipt.
- ☛ Electronic donations in any amount via our website, App, or mailed in bank-generated checks.
- ☛ Checks in the amount of \$250 or more or your individual check gifts for any one day totaling \$250 or more, as long as your name and address are on the check.

NOTE: Please neatly fill in the pew envelope with your first and last name, address, cash and/or check number(s) and the fund(s) to which your donation should be used.

Questions? Contact Chad De Boer (973-427-6960, ext. 116).

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, March 18th, 2020 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel
Pastor Timothy Stanley

March 22 nd , 2020 AM Services Pastor John W. Minnema "God's Certain Promise" Hebrews 6:13-20 <i>Continuing in the series in Hebrews: "Focus on Christ"</i>	March 22 nd , 2020 at 5:00 pm Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr. "The Changing Church"
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At Hackensack at 11:00 AM
 Pastor Jonathan D. Minnema
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Wednesday Prayer Meeting, March 25th, 2020 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel
Pastor Jonathan D. Minnema

Communion Sunday	
March 29 th , 2020 AM Services Pastoral Staff "Our Wonderful High Priest" Hebrews 7:11-28 <i>Hebrews series: "Focus on Christ"</i>	March 29 th , 2020 at 5:00 pm Pastor Mark Rolling "Jesus, Mediator of a New Covenant" Hebrews 8

At Hackensack at 11:00 AM
 Pastor Mark Rolling and Pastor Timothy Stanley
 "Our Wonderful High Priest"
 Hebrews 7:11-28; *Continuing in the series in Hebrews: "Focus on Christ"*

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, April 1st, 2020 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel
Pastor David A. Schuit

Palm Sunday	
April 5 th , 2020 AM Services Pastoral Staff "Hosanna in the Highest"	April 5 th , 2020 at 5:00 pm Pastor Mark Rolling "Behold Our King"

At Hackensack at 11:00 AM
 Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr.
 "Hosanna in the Highest"

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, April 8th, 2020 at 7:00 pm in The Chapel
Pastor Scott Warren