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# January 3, 2021

## WORSHIP SONGS

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Everlasting God

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Be Unto Your Name

We Fall Down

Your Love Never Fails

I Will Follow

## SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 40:1-8, 28-31

Jeremiah 29:1-14

## MESSAGE

**“New Year, Same Mission”**

Pastor Jon VanderWall

## TODAY AT HCC

9:30 am - Worship

11:00 am - Bible Study (People of The Book)

5:30 pm - Middle School youth group



## **Hopkins Community Church**

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HCC reports may be located on the church website  
(consistory minutes, bylaws, financial updates and others):

**[www.hopkinscommunitychurch.net/church-reports](http://www.hopkinscommunitychurch.net/church-reports)**

You will need to use this address to access the page.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

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**Welcome to worship! We are so glad you are here!**

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE:** Mark your calendars for the next blood drive that will be held on Tuesday, February 2 here at church. We will be hosting a blood drive every 8 weeks during 2021!

**WORSHIP TEAM HELP NEEDED:** The Worship Team is in need of several individuals willing to run sound and/or video equipment during services on Sunday morning. No prior experience is needed; we will train you! If you are interested, or curious about what this entails, please contact Pastor Jon.

**KEY FOBS:** Those who may need a key fob for ministry purposes should check with Kathy about receiving one. The door locks are scheduled to be rekeyed this week and there is no longer a spare key in the outside lockbox.

**GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2021** have been placed in your mailbox if you currently use envelopes. If you would like a packet, please check with Kathy in the office (hrcr@sbcglobal.net or 269-793-7361). We have a number of different giving options for you whether in person, via mail, ACH, and also online. You can check them out at: [www.hopkinscommunitychurch.net/giving/](http://www.hopkinscommunitychurch.net/giving/)

We are continually grateful for your ongoing generosity and support and encourage your continued commitment to God through faithful tithing and giving.

**THANK YOU:** Our family thanks you for the wonderful cards and gifts that we received over this Holiday season. We are abundantly blessed to be a part of the HCC family and are so grateful for the way you continue to embrace and support us. We pray that God will bless and grant each of you a great New Year!

Pastor Jon, Bethany and family

## THOUGHTS FOR REFLECTION

WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

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We all have high hopes for 2021, especially after the year that we've just had. You don't have to look far, however, to see that any immediate change for the better is still fairly far into the future. Whether it is mutated strains of COVID-19, continuing political turmoil, the moral degradation of society, increased tensions in the Middle East, or the general darkness of the winter season, pinning our hopes on something worldly to go right is ultimately a fruitless endeavor.

When the Kingdom of Judah was dragged into captivity, having lost any sense of "normal" for their lives, God spoke to them words of comfort and reassurance. Even in the swirling chaos that they experienced, God was there and He was still actively working in and through His people. Rather than sitting and waiting, protesting or resisting, God encourages His people to "settle down" and live as His people in a foreign and hostile land. Perhaps it is time for the Church to do the same and recognize that, even though our world has "changed", we are still called to the same mission, serving the same unchanging God.

### Questions to take home:

1. What is one thing that you've been holding on to this year hoping it would return to normal soon? Do you think that holding on to this has been hindering you in any way? How could you experience freedom in your life by giving it to God?
2. How does thinking about our current life as the "new normal" change your perspective for how you think about the things going on around you? How does your view of God's work in and through you change?
3. We, the church, are called to be "Christ's Hands and Feet", to minister and proclaim the Gospel in the context that we are in. What do you think needs to change for us if we are to do this effectively? What about for you?

## PRAYER

WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

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- **Braden Wamhoff** fell on the ice and broke his arm. Please pray for full healing for him.
- **Howard Lodenstein is home!** Please continue to pray for Howard and Jo as he needs to continue to regain his strength.
- **Lenora Kas** (Pat Lodenstein's mother) is under Hospice care.
- **Mary Jane Dussel** (Peggy Pompey-Simpson's mother) was diagnosed with Covid-19 over a week ago in a nursing home and she is not doing very well. Please keep her in prayer.
- **Renee Gorman** (Bill and Joan Riksen's daughter) was diagnosed with breast cancer. She will undergo a mastectomy January 12.
- **Carolyn Schafer** (friend of Joan Riksen) has a leg wound that is not healing. She also has family suffering with Covid-19 and some with serious illness.
- **Marian Lull** (Hopkins resident) was diagnosed with leukemia and given 6 months to live. Please remember her and her family in prayer during this difficult time.
- **Esther White** (Liz Antvelink's grandmother) is improving.
- **Trenton** (Ashley Zeinstra's friend's son) as he continues to recover from a skull fracture he sustained in a fall.
- **Louise Allen** (Carol Boverhof's sister)
- **June Krug** as she continues to battle liver and lung cancer.
- **Pat Modreske** (friend of Florence Balfoort)

The Search Team and Consistory will be meeting Friday and Saturday for a retreat centered around discerning a long-term vision for HCC.

## VOLUNTEER MINISTRY

WEEKS OF JANUARY 3 & 10, 2021

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### FRONT DOOR GREETERS

**JAN 3:** Kyle and Stephanie Hoffmaster

**JAN 10:** Jim and Sarah Poll

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

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### TODAY AT HCC

9:30 AM	Worship Service
11:00 AM	Bible Study (People of The Book)
5:30 PM	Middle School youth group

### MONDAY

9:00 AM	Bible Study
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### WEDNESDAY

3:30 PM	GEMS
6:00 PM	GEMS
6:00 PM	Cadets

### THURSDAY

5:30 PM	Praise Team practice
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### FRIDAY—SATURDAY

God Dreams Retreat (Consistory and Search Team)

## GIVING SUMMARY

WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

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General Fund receipts for week 12/27 - 12/31/2020

ACH giving 12/31	\$ 2,665.00
Tithe.ly deposits:	\$ 204.35
<u>Sunday offering 12/27:</u>	<u>\$ 8,395.00</u>
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED:</b>	<b>\$ 11,264.35</b>