## Haslett Community Church



## **HCC Connections**

"We strive joyfully and prayerfully to warmly welcome all, freely share our blessings, and humbly explore God's love."

April 2022



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"Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb." - John 20:1

Dear Ones,

This month will be our THIRD Holy Week and Easter together. And our FIRST Holy Week and Easter in the church with one another. We will journey together through the week: from

the triumph of Palm Sunday, to the blessing and meal of Maundy Thursday, to the heartache and hope of Good Friday. We will then gather on Easter Sunday to rejoice in the music of the choir, to sing songs of praise together, and above all else, we will worship God in community as we celebrate the Holy and miraculous news of Christ's resurrection!

Whether you journey with us in person or remotely, I hope and pray that you will choose to participate in worship when you can, because this is going to be a Holy Week and Easter like never before. For reasons bigger than our ability to be together.

Lately, there has been this shift; things that once seemed ordinary become extraordinary now. Traveling to a favorite little vacation spot that you have been to a dozen times before seems like a brand new adventure, brimming with possibility if you haven't traveled in a long while. Spending time with family or friends in ways you haven't in a while seems like a great privilege. Enjoying the choir back to worship again, and lifting our voices as one for hymns, which used to be taken for granted, are now these remarkable events that we treasure and cherish.

Embracing this time in which the ordinary seems extraordinary, how over-the-top remarkable will the already extraordinary, history-transforming news of the resurrection be to us as we gather and worship with one another?!

You know the Easter story. You have heard it before. Many of you know the whole journey of Holy Week, the last week of Lent, which begins with Palm Sunday (April 10 this year) and ends with Easter Sunday (April 17). You will find a schedule of all Holy Week services inside on page 2. Maybe you usually just come on Easter Sunday, and of course you're welcome to. But maybe this year...this remarkable year... this remarkable, take-nothing-for-granted, extraordinary year... you will consider experiencing the journey, the story, and the miracle anew with a world and a church that has been transformed!

Dear ones, at this extraordinary time we are thirsting for triumph and hope, we are thirsting for acknowledgement of grief and sadness, we are thirsting for miraculous love, and life beyond our comprehension. All of this and more is part of the journey of Lent, of Holy Week, and ultimately Easter Sunday. Come and see!

Yours in the Journey,

Betsylho

Pastor Betsy generally works at home on Saturdays, so is taking Mondays off as regularly as possible. She will respond to emergency pastoral care calls, but will let other communication wait until Tuesday.

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**Betsy** 



### **LENT continues in April through Holy Week!**

The six-and-a-half-week season that helps us prepare for the highest holy day on the Christian calendar, began in March and continues through Holy Week until Easter Sunday, April 17.

This year, during the season of Lent, we have been partnering with Edgewood United Church, UCC in East Lansing around the theme: THIRSTING: A Journey of Wisdom and

Water in the Wilderness. In April, we will continue exploring scriptural narratives around water, recognize the holy nature of water as it is connected to life and baptism, and do some learning about the

challenges of water as a valuable resource today.

Our resource guide for the remaining Lenten schedule and for Holy Week for THIRSTING: A Journey of Wisdom and Water in the Wilderness can be found on our website **HERE**.





# Holy Week 2022





April 10 10 a.m. Palm Sunday Hosanna! Palms for everyone!



April 14 6 p.m. Maundy Thursday A service of Communion, Word, and Blessing



April 15 6 p.m. Good Friday



April 17 7 a.m. Sunrise Service

10 a.m.

Easter Sunday

Traditional service with Choir (In person, or remotely via livestream or car radio)

all services in person · haslettcommunitychurch.org for livestream and more info

## Three Ways to Worship

Sundays at 10:00 am







- In person (with mask)
- Parking lot (car radio on 88.7 FM) 2.
- 3. Remotely (via YouTube)

#### **Have You Heard?**

All 3 worship options are back in action!

Congregational hymn singing has returned to worship!

Choir and Chime Choir have resumed rehearsals!



Our Children's Ministry is moving back DOWNSTAIRS in April!

On Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> our children's Easter celebration will take place downstairs (and outside on the east side playground).

Then, beginning on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday school will resume in our downstairs spaces on a weekly basis!

Sunday school aged children (age 3 & potty-trained through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) will begin each week in worship and will head down to Sunday school following a Children's Moment OR the Passing of the Peace.

Children will remain downstairs until a parent or other designated adult comes down to get them after worship.

If you are interested in teaching Sunday school, please talk to Pastor Erin.

## SAFE CHURCH TRAINING

Just a reminder that all adults who volunteer with our children's ministry are asked to complete our online Safe Church Training. That training can be found HERE!



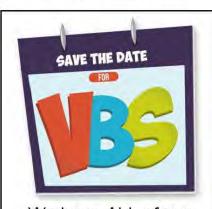
Starting on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>
we will again be offering
NURSERY CARE
for children from birth through
age 3 (and potty trained).

Typically, nursery volunteers work on rotating teams who serve two weeks in a row every 6-8 weeks. Our nursery teams will begin again in September.

For now, we are looking for folks who would be interested in serving in the nursery for a week at a time this spring.

The sign up is available HERE!

Like all children's ministry volunteers, nursery workers need to complete the Safe Church training (linked in the first column on this page) prior to serving.



We hope ALL of our HCC Children (ages 3 & potty trained through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) will join us for Vacation Bible School this summer!

August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm



Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> Is EASTER SUNDAY!

All children will begin in worship that morning and following a special Children's Moment, will head downstairs for some fun Easter crafts and activities!

They will end their time together out on the playground for an Easter egg hunt, so please bring a bag or basket from home that morning!



Can't make it to HCC on Easter morning?

All FAMILIES are invited to join us Saturday, April 16, from 11am-1pm for some pre-Easter festivities like egg dying, sidewalk chalk decorating, and other Easter crafts and fun.

Please RSVP to Pastor Erin so we can have supplies prepped and ready! Adult & Youth helpers welcome!





#### YOUTH GROUP IN APRIL:

Our groups will meet at their regular times (middle school 5-6:30pm, high school 7-9pm) on the following Sundays:

April 3<sup>rd</sup> April 10<sup>th</sup> April 24<sup>th</sup>

# Youth group will NOT meet on Easter Sunday, April 17th.

Groups have resumed meeting in the youth room and masks are now optional!



There's NO SCHOOL ON Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>
So all youth are invited to Breakfast at Blondies
10am
Please bring money to cover your breakfast.



12<sup>th</sup> grade gathering
Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>
7pm
At this gathering we will begin
to plan SENIOR SUNDAY
(which is scheduled for
Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>).



Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>
7-8:30pm
Okemos Culvers
Please bring money for your order. You can find us in one of the corner booths!



You've been asking all year, the time has come for a HIGH SCHOOL OVERNIGHT Friday, April 29th Details to come later, so stay tuned. Typically we need parent volunteers to: help drive to/from various activities AND to be second adults in the building overnight. Watch parent emails for signup opportunities. Youth are welcome to join in the fun, even if they don't stay overnight at church. We just ask for safety reasons that parents communicate with Erin if their student is arriving late/leaving early. That way everyone is on the same page.

#### **MISSION TRIP UPDATES:**

It would be helpful if all mission trip participants were paid in full by the end of April. Reminder that cost is: \$400/person (reduced rate of \$300/person for additional family members).

Talk to Erin if a confidential scholarship would be beneficial to your family).



Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>
We could use youth help
during our 10am worship.
Children begin in worship
then go downstairs for an
Easter celebration
(including an egg hunt)!
Youth help is needed
starting at 9:30am.



We've reached the time of year where it feels like everything happens at warp speed and summer will be here before we know it!

Mark your calendar for these important dates:

Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>: Senior Sunday and our annual Taco Sale after worship.

Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>: LAST YOUTH GROUPS Middle school 5-6:30pm High school 7-9pm 5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to attend middle school youth group for the first time!

Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Senior Farewell 7pm

Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>: MISSION TRIP MEETING for students and their parents/guardians 7pm

## Our Church Family



Thanks to these individuals who have recently served the church in special ways:

- To the Loaves and Fishes team for April: Sally Heisler, Kelly Flagg, Carol Cramer, Ann McGrath, and Paula Fry.
- To Jewell Muller-Gornick for helping organize the youth strawberry sale for the Mission Trip.
- To the Ruonavaara family for hosting the winter fun event for families in February.
- To Stefanie Zin and Denali Pomerville for helping with Sunday School in February and March.
- To Stefanie Zin, Abby Ruonavaara.and Barb Decker for helping with children's Lent Club in March.
- To Karen Amachree for providing security during youth group in February.
- To Malinda Barr for donating new candles for the communion table.
- To Laura Roumpz and Property Committee for all their efforts.
- To Dave Vietti and Men's Group for resetting the sanctuary and to Dave for helping with Blood Drive.

#### **SAVE THE DATE AND PLAN TO ATTEND!!**

Join the Haslett Community Church and Food Pantry communities for a celebration of honor as the Haslett Food Pantry is named in commemoration and memory of its founder, Mary L. Nelson (1936-2020). This celebration will take place on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

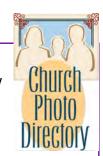
#### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

Information for the May 2022 Newsletter is due to Michele on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of this month -April 19, 2022

Please send to: <a href="https://hec1.org/nct/hec1">hcc1 @att.net</a>

### **New HCC Photo Directory**

We are working to provide a new HCC photo directory soon. The first step toward this is to collect updated contact info and photos from you.



<u>Updating your contact info</u>: To ensure we begin the new directory with the most updated info for you and your family, please look over the most recent non-photo directory attached to your newsletter email and identify any info that needs to be updated. **Please send an email with the needed changes to:** <a href="mailto:haslettccdirectory@gmail.com">haslettccdirectory@gmail.com</a>. If you do not send updates to the info, the current info will move forward into the new directory.

Adding a photo: If you'd like a photo of your family or yourself included in the directory, please email an updated photo (<10 MB in size) to <a href="mailto:haslettccdirectory@gmail.com">haslettccdirectory@gmail.com</a> identifying who's included in the picture. The photo should only include members of your family listed in the directory and should avoid pictures with sunglasses and hats when possible.

If you don't have a recent photo you'd like to use, don't have a way to take one on a cell phone or digital camera, or just aren't feeling tech savvy, our own Dave Ferguson has offered to take a quick one outdoors for you if needed, and he'll send it to us for use in the directory. Dave can best be reached on his cell phone (text preferred): 517.230.5042, or by email: wdferguson52@gmail.com.

As a reminder, please send updated contact info and/or photos for the new directory to: <a href="mailto:haslettccdirectory@gmail.com">haslettccdirectory@gmail.com</a>

Stay tuned to weekly emails this month for more information on how to access this new photo directory!



## ALLELUIAHS RETURN THIS MONTH!!!!

For the season of Lent the banner and the word alleluia have not been spoken or sung,

but on Easter Day, April 17, they will return again in all their glory. The choir has a wonderful anthem planned - "Now The Green Blade Riseth", accompanied by our fantastic piano duo of Barbara Freeman and David Zin.

March brought the choir back singing live in our services. It felt wonderful to share our music with you, and thanks to you for sharing in the anthems

"Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" and "Here I Am Lord" along with our soloists Joyce Bischoff, Bill Copland, and Nancy White. During the rest of March also heard two more



anthems and the chime choir. In April, there will be a change in choir and chime rehearsals: CHOIR will rehearse on April 6 and April 13, while the CHIME CHOIR will rehearse on April 20 & 27.

Wishing you all a Joyful Easter.

~Judy

judy58connelly@earthlink.net

#### **Meet Your Committees!**

Much of the important work of the church is done through our active Committees, which are open to anyone who would like to participate. Being part of a committee is a wonderful way to connect to the people, community, ministry, and mission of Haslett Community Church!

Throughout 2022, this space in HCC Connections will be dedicated to highlighting a different committee each month so that everyone can learn or get a refresher on the work of the committees and meet the leadership of each committee, so you feel comfortable reaching out to learn more. You are always welcome to try out various committee activities and see if they are a good fit for you without commitment. (See info on many committee meeting on pages 8, 9, & 11).

HCC Member Caring Committee is a long-standing HCC committee whose members coordinate receptions for funeral services, memorial services, and remembrance services, along with Ecclesiastical Council receptions and

Ordination Receptions. We also have been called on to provide meals and occasional help for members in need at the church.

Our team is highly organized and would welcome anyone who would like to help make memorial receptions special. We talk with the families and learn about their loved one's preferences and try to incorporate favorite colors, flowers, or food items. This helps the family as they are saying goodbye to a loved one.

If you would love to join or help our team in any way, please contact chair, **Kelly Flagg:** 

517.256.8392 (text or call) or kj.flagg@icloud.com



Committee chair, Kelly Flagg, and her husband, Don chose HCC as their church family over 30 years ago because it is

community-based. Their children TJ and Katie were both baptized



and confirmed here. Kelly has taught Sunday School, fundraised for Mission Trips, and been known to clean and paint many parts of the church building. She also enjoys making it inviting by weeding, planting, and cleaning up outside. Kelly joined the Member Caring Committee when someone special she cared about passed away - it allowed her to help make their goodbye special, and provided her a sense of comfort. She has developed wonderful friendships by being involved with this group and has chaired the committee for 5 years. Please contact Kelly if you'd like to join.



### **Masking Policy & Survey Results**

As of the Church Council vote on March 8, 2022, the masking policy at HCC is as follows for the time being:



Masks are required for:

- Worship services (and when entering/exiting the building for worship)
- Choir Rehearsal
- Main Office Visits

Currently, masks are optional for:

- All other activities in the church

On March 16, a brief survey went out in the weekly email to allow the congregation to share how they are currently participating in worship. Here is a summary of the results:

Q1: How do you usually join HCC's Worship Service?

In Person 67%
Via Livestream 23%
Car Radio 2%
I don't usually join 8%

Q2: How often do you usually join HCC's Worship Services (regardless of how)?

Most every week 60%
Once or twice/month 29%
Rarely 5%
Almost never 7%

Q3: Which of the following statements is true for you (check all that apply):

I am glad masks are required in worship	43%
I am disappointed masks are required in worship	17%
I am most likely to attend church IN PERSON whether masks are required or not	55%
I am most likely to attend church REMOTELY whether masks are required or not	8%
I would not attend worship if masks were not required	15%
I am waiting to attend worship in person until masks are no longer required	11%
Even with masks, I do not feel safe attending worship right now	4%
I am not attending church in person or remotely, but masks have nothing to do with it	4%

**Q4**: Aside from worship, choir rehearsal and main office visits where masks are still required, masks are now optional in the church. How do you feel about this policy?

This seems like a reasonable mask policy for now	69%
I think masks should always be required in the church	10%
I thinks masks should always be optional in the church	21%
I don't have an opinion on the mask policy	0%

**Q5**: Please check all that apply in regards to being in a population that is vulnerable to COVID19: I am/someone in my household ...

is immune compromised or immune-suppressed	13%
is unable to be vaccinated for COVID due to age	9%
has a chronic illness that makes them vulnerable	17%
None of the above	63%

Thank you to those who participated. The church council will see the full results at their meeting in April as we continue to move forward!



**Social Committee** is here to guide and encourage us to stay connected. The members of the Social Committee keep our minds a-brewing with ideas for creative ways to bring us together. Many of these events are weather and restriction dependent. Please keep a lookout for fun events we are trying to bring your way. We are looking forward to spending time with you! **Call or text Kim Carnes at (517) 331-3586** if

you'd like to be involved, or have ideas. We usually meet at 7:30pm on the 1st Monday of each

month. NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 4 @ 7:30pm in HCC's Friendship Hall



## Breakfast in April!

We are bringing it back ...

Breakfast in April at HCC! Social Committee and many others are joining together to prepare breakfast for all of you - two Sundays in April - April 10 & 24!

Come gather in Fellowship Hall, fill your plates with our favorite breakfast foods prepared just for you. A variety of items will be served to satisfy your morning hunger as you share a meal with others before worship in this warm and friendly tradition.

**What:** Breakfast prepared and served for you...a different menu for each of the two weeks

Where: HCC Fellowship Hall

When: 2 Sundays in April -

April 10 & 24

Time: 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Who: All are welcome!

Please invite your family and friends -no need to sign up...just show up and fill up!

**Cost:** There will be a basket for a free will offering to help defray the cost of the food.

Anyone wanting to help with this event (preparing food ahead of time, setting up, cleaning up, serving and cooking food) please contact:

#### For April 10:

Barb Szkotnicki barb.szkotnicki@gmail.com

### For April 24

Kim Carnes 517.331.3586 kimmyann63@aol.com

We welcome all who want to assist in making this comeback, a grand event. We thank you!

Please mark April 10 & 24 on your calendar - you don't

want to miss out!

#### **HCC Camping**

You are invited to the HCC Camping Weekend in 2022!

Social Committee

has made reservations at Pioneer County Park in Muskegon, August 18 - 21. We have 16 sites back to-back and sideto-side, near the bathrooms and just a short walk to the Lake Michigan beach.

Members of our church have been camping together for over 30 years. Be a part of this fun tradition, which may include but is not limited to: lots of beach time, campfires, potluck breakfast, swimming in Lake Michigan, sandy snacks, ham-mock reading, the famous garbage can dinner, relaxing, visiting with friends, s'mores, and so much more! One of the benefits of group camping is there's al-ways someone there who has remem-bered the one thing you forgot! :)

The price for camping is \$98 for three nights. You can sign up online HERE, or on the wall outside the church office. Then you can pay online HERE (Fund="Social Committee"; SubFund= "Camping"), or by making out a check to Haslett Community Church and getting it to Kim Carnes or the church ofice as soon as you have decided to come. After you have reserved (with payment), we will send out letters with more details by the end of July.

If you are not sure right now but are interested or need more info, please contact Kim Carnes so we know of your interest and can hold a place for you until you pay or know for sure. Please know that you can change your mind and cancel up to 7 days before and get back all but \$10. Any questions you may have, please text or call Kim at 517.331.3586. Mark August 18th-21st on your calendar and reserve your site today! See you in the sun!



**Women's Group** - Our group meets on the first Tuesday, most months at 10am.

**NEXT MEETING:** 

Meeting ID: 872 9362 4318
Passcode: usual HCC code

Tues., April 5 via Zoom.

We hope you can join us. To get involved, please email

hcc1@att.net.



Breakfast in April

Apr. 10 & 24

• Sundae Sunday

Jun. 2022 Aug. 18-21

CampingThanksgiving Dinner

Nov. 13



The various groups sponsored by the Spiritual Life Committee help us reflect on, and grow in, our spiritual life, as well as foster closer ties between us. The committee currently consists of Don Flagg, Carolyn Lucas, Katie Riley, and Jenn Tafel.

As a continuation and outgrowth of explorations at the Church Council Retreat, we are entertaining a first draft of a mission statement for the committee. We will, for now, continue our current function in supporting worship needs, such as setting up communion, changing sanctuary vestments, and supporting and aiding in special worship services. If you are interested in participating in any of these areas, please contact us. Look for some new invitations to celebrate, explore, participate in conversations and more.

We meet on the third Tuesday each month. Please feel free to contact any of us with questions you might have. NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, April 19, @ 7:15pm in Friendship Hall.



Coffee With Jesus (Exploring our Questions about Faith, Life, and Spirituality)

The Coffee with Jesus group **meets the third Sunday most months** downstairs, right after Worship.

We are NOT meeting in April. Our Next Meeting will be: Sunday, May 15, after church.

We will continue our exploration and discussion around Richard Rohr's books. Come to engage and experience the supportive spiritual community our small group shares.

#### Men's Group

continues to meet regularly in different



ways, including **online Zoom meetings on Saturday mornings at 9:00am.** 

Zoom Meeting ID: 416 360 920 Passcode: usual HCC code Call In\*\* 301.715.8592

Please **contact Dave Vietti** if you're interested in connecting with this group:

517-339-5731 vietti@msu.edu

### Sermon Preview Group Thursdays, 9-9:45 a.m., via Zoom

Join Pastor Betsy for a weekly Bible Study based on the Scripture passages for the upcoming Sunday sermon.

No preparation is needed, but the group will be given scripture passages in advance if participants would like to read ahead. This discussion is appropriate for those who are new to Bible study, and those who have been at

it for years, and you can come any weeks that are convenient for you.

Sermon Preview Bible Study Thursdays 9-9:45 a.m. Via Zoom

Weekly Bible Study based on the Scripture for the upcoming Sermon · Lead by Betsy

Meeting ID: 879 0122 4109
Passcode: usual HCC code (message if needed)

No prep necessary · Come when you can

haslettcommunitychurch.org

Zoom Meeting ID: 879 0122 4109 Passcode: 48840



#### We welcome you to Worship with us!

In the spirit of inclusivity and welcoming, we offer three ways for you to worship with us:

- 1. In person in the Sanctuary
  - Currently, masks are required in the building during worship (and on the way in and out of worship), in the church office, and at choir rehearsal. This is for the protection of our young worshippers & others who cannot be vaccinated or are in higher risk categories.
- 2. <u>In the Parking Lot via radio</u> Want to be present at church, but you aren't quite ready to come inside? Join us in the parking lot!
  - Park near the sanctuary (south side is best), turn your radio to 88.7 FM, and turn up the volume.
     You will hear everything that our sound system picks up, and we can wave to you from the sanctuary!
     You can find the bulletin online HERE.
- 3. <u>Remote via Livestream</u> Continue to find the service each Sunday morning at <u>haslettcommunitychurch.org</u> or on our <u>YouTube channel</u>. You can find the bulletin online **HERE**.

Please join us for Coffee fellowship after worship in Friendship Hall April 3.

Welcome the Stranger: An Interfaith Service of Song & Story Monday, May 16, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at The Peoples Church 200 W. Grand River Ave., E Lansing



The Interfaith Clergy Association of Greater Lansing revives the annual interfaith service, and all are welcome and encouraged to attend!

With the theme, "Welcome the Stranger," this service will share scripture and songs from many faiths that emphasize hospitality to newcomers. Members of the recently arrived Afghan community will share stories, and Judi Harris, director of Refugee Services for St. Vincent Catholic Charities will share updates and ways to support locally arriving refugees. We gather as people of many faiths, but one community of friendship and mutual respect. This service is in person; livestream link also available at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/ThePeoplesChurchofEastLansing">https://www.youtube.com/c/ThePeoplesChurchofEastLansing</a>.

Pastor Betsy is a longtime member of the Interfaith Clergy Association.



### **NEW MICHIGAN CONFERENCE MINISTER!**

As a member of the Michigan Conference Minister Search Committee, it is my joy and honor to announce the Rev. Dr. Lillian Daniel as our next Michigan Conference Minister of the United Church of Christ!

After being presented by the Committee and affirmed by the Board of Directors, Rev. Daniel was officially confirmed by vote at a Special Meeting of the Michigan Conference on March 19, 2022!

Lillian Daniel is a preacher, teacher, author, and

nationally recognized speaker who currently resides in Iowa. You can read more about Rev. Daniel at <u>lilliandaniel.com</u>, or ask me all the reasons I am thrilled to have her as our next Conference Minister, and I would be happy to share.

We expect Rev. Daniel to begin on July 1, 2022. And, while there are no promises, the rumor is that once she is settled, Rev. Daniel will begin visiting churches throughout the great state of Michigan and will begin with the churches of Search Committee Members! Let us hold Lillian in prayer as she says goodbye to her congregation and begins the process of transition. In addition, let us lift prayers for the Michigan Conference and the wider church as we move forward by God's grace.

~ Pastor Betsy



#### **Green Team Tidbits:**

Congratulations to HCC Green Team for their successful application to Meridian Township for a Green Infrastructure Program Grant! The \$3,000 award will

allow the transformation of the ground (currently some low juniper bushes) on the north side of the parking lot into a restful, eye-pleasing pollinator garden, complete with bench and explanatory sign. Another reason to stop by HCC!

Grant writing and communications: Doug Holem; garden design: Sally Garrod and Larry Leefers, with input from the rest of the Green Team.

#### **HCC Green Team** meets next on:

Monday, April 18, at 7:00 pm via Zoom: https://msu.zoom.us/

Meeting ID: 968 5850 1334 Passcode: usual HCC code

# The Holle Speaker Series presents Rev. Dr. Jim Antal

Saturday, April 23, 2022 Faith Lutheran Church 9:30 am - 3:00 pm 4515 Dobie Rd., Okemos, MI

Rev. Jim Antal, the author of the book *Climate Church, Climate World,* is a public theologian, award-winning activist, and national spokesperson on climate change for the United Church of Christ.

This event is free to the public. **Register here**: https://bit.ly/HolleSpeakerSeries

For info, call Pastor Ellen Schoepf: 517.974.5570

Due to Covid-19, lunch will NOT be served. There will be a 1 hour break.

## Safety Team meets next on: Tuesday, April 26 @ 7pm

The group meets in Friendship Hall and also offers a Zoom option:



Meeting ID: 826 2826 2157 Passcode: usual HCC passcode

Please contact Sally Heisler for details about this group: 517-230-4043 or

sally.m.heisler@gmail.com



Knitters, Crocheters, & Wannabees
Our Next Meeting will be
Sunday, April 10, 2022,
right after Worship (~11 am), in the HCC Library.



**Mission Outreach** meets next:

Monday, Apr. 4, @ 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.



Church Council meets on the second Tuesday of most months.

Council meets next on: Tuesday, Apr. 12, at 7:15 pm.

If you would like to join us, please be in touch with Michele, Office Manager, for details: <a href="https://hcc1@att.net">hcc1@att.net</a> or 517-339-8383.



Member Caring meets next:

Sunday, April 3, after worship in the HCC Library.



Children's Ministry Team meets next:

Monday, April 25, @ 7:00 pm, via Zoom

Meeting ID: 815 5638 3154 usual passcode



#### JOIN THE WORLD'S LARGEST 6K FOR WATER!

Now more than ever, clean water is essential to protect vulnerable children and families. The Global 6k is great because you can do it anywhere! Walk or run the distance, by yourself or with your family, and be a part of this global movement to change lives. Whether you join from the treadmill or your favorite trail, the neighborhood or the track... when you and thousands of others around the world walk, jog, or strollerrun your way to 6k on May 21, 2022, you'll bring life changing water to those who need it most.

When you register for the Global 6k for Water, you'll provide clean water to one person through your \$50 registration fee (\$25 for kids).

#### LET'S DO IT!

Join the team or donate- Haslett Water Warriors at:

https://global6k.worldvision.org/team/haslettwaterwarriors2022

Any questions, call or email Cathy Rowe: <a href="mailto:cathymrowe@gmail.com">cathymrowe@gmail.com</a> Cell: 517.242.3895



## Coffee Fellowship is back April 3!

Coffee Fellowship starts back up in person after worship on Sunday, Apr 3!

We hope you can join us in Friendship Hall.

#### **HCC Generosity**

Thank you for continuing to support Haslett Community Church as you are able. We are still The Church with a mission and a staff, and we receive your gifts with gratitude.



There are several options to make giving more convenient:



- 1. You can mail checks, which are accounted for weekly.
- 2. You can also PayPal us at: HCCgenerosity@gmail.com.
- Online Giving, Text Giving, and Giving via Mobile App are all available to help make your support of HCC even easier! Visit <a href="https://www.haslettcommunitychurch.org/giving">www.haslettcommunitychurch.org/giving</a> for more information, or use the QR code above to access our Giving page.

**Online Giving** - is available through our relationship with easyTithe<sup>TM</sup> and is accessible through our website.

**Mobile Giving** - utilizes the easyTithe TM Giving App which you can download from The App Store or Google Play.

**Text Giving** - Just text GIVE to our secure giving number: 517-200-3995

Thank you for your generosity & support!



## Church Open for On-site Office Hours!

Have some church business you'd like to take care of in person? Have a question that's

easier face-to-face? Just want to say hello? Grab a mask and stop by for office hours!

The church office is open for On-site Office Hours Tuesday & Thursday 10:30am - 1:00pm.

Pastor Betsy will also continue office hours on Wednesdays, 11:30am - 1:00pm, and by appointment.

We love to see you, so please stop by!

Your staff continues to be available to serve you by email and phone outside these on-site hours as well.

#### What's Happening at HCC

Because of the increased level of activity in the building, this What's Happening no longer shows individual committee meetings. Instead, you can find specific committee meeting information on pages 8, 9, & 11 of this newsletter and HERE.

#### **WEEKLY ONCE THIS MONTH** YOUTH: Breakfast at Blondie's (p4) Worship Service (p2 & 10) Monday, April 4, 10:00 - 11:30am Sundays, 10:00am: Holy Week & Easter Sanctuary\*, parking lot via 88.7 FM, YouTube Women's Group (p8)\*Please wear a mask for the care of all Tuesday, April 5, 10:00am Sunday School (p3)Sundays during worship Brown Bags & Beliefs - Lent Series Friendship Hall or downstairs (beginning Apr. 24) Wednesday, April 6, 6pm - final in the series Zoom ID: 860 2060 4279 Passcode: thirst Coffee Fellowship (p12)Sunday after worship Palm Sunday (April 3 is the only one in April) Sunday, April 10, 10:00am service Friendship Hall Knitters, Crocheters, Wannabees Breakfast in April (8g) Sunday, April 10, 11:15am (after worship) Sundays, April 10 & 24, 8:30-9:30am Library Youth Group (p4) **Church Council** (p11)Sundays - April 3, 10 & 24 Tuesday, April 12, 7:15pm MS: 5:00-6:30pm; HS: 7:00-9:00pm Sanctuary & Zoom Youth Room **Maundy Thursday Service** (p2)**Onsite Office Hours** (p12)Thursday, April 14, 6:00pm Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:30am-1:00pm Sanctuary, parking lot via 88.7FM, YouTube **HCC Office** Good Friday Service Office Hours - Betsy (p12)Friday, April 15, 6:00pm Wednesdays, 11:30am-1:00pm, & by appt. Sanctuary, parking lot via 88.7FM, YouTube **HCC Office** Families: Pre-Easter Activities **Choir & Chime Rehearsal** (p6) Saturday, April 16, 11:00am - 1:00pm Wednesdays, 7:00pm (April. 6, & 13 - Choir; Indoors & Outdoors @ HCC April. 20 & 27 - Chimes) **Easter Sunday Activities** (p2, 3 & 4) Begins in HCC Sanctuary; CR Sunday, April 17, 7am & 10:00am **Sermon Preview Group** (p9) HCC Thursdays, 9:00 - 9:45am **Newsletter Items Due** (p5)Zoom Tuesday, April 19 Men's Group (Pa) Email items to hcc1@att.net Saturdays, 9:00am YOUTH: 12<sup>th</sup> Grade GATHER (p4) Zoom Wednesday, April 20, 7:00 - 8:30pm Youth Room YOUTH: High School Overnight (p4) **YOUTH: Culver's Night** (p4)Friday, April. 29 Monday, April 25, 7:00 - 8:30pm Start and End at HCC Okemos Culver's

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HCC Connections April 2022

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3 Ways to Worship Sundays at 10:00 am: In the sanctuary <> Via 88.7 FM <> YouTube

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