

Haslett Community Church



HCC Connections

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

June 2022



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"Summertime is always the best of what might be." - Charles Bowden

As summertime begins, I want to acknowledge that we have experienced a wonderful program year with one another, by God's grace! It hasn't been without its difficulties, but we are moving forward from some unbelievably difficult years and onward we go, together in community, with God at our center.

While June means the beginning of summer, and summer brings with it a change of pace, there is still plenty happening at church. For example, we are gearing up for the second summer of the HCC Summer Concert series, our HCC Youth are preparing for an amazing Mission Trip, Pentecost is the first Sunday in June (you're encouraged to wear red!) along with Directory Day and Inquirer's Class, Michigan Pride is hosting its first live events in three summers! You will find details for all of this and more in this edition of *HCC Connections*. And, of course we will keep worshipping together, every Sunday at 10 a.m., in person and live-streamed.

I don't think this letter needs to take up much space, because this edition of the newsletter is absolutely packed (which is wonderful!). But I want to encourage you to keep participating when you can, between vacations or trips to the ice cream store, or return to participation if you have fallen out of the habit for some reason. Haslett Community Church is at its best when you are there, and we are going to have a wonderful summer together!

In Joy,

Pastor Betsy

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.

Pastor Betsy will be on vacation and unavailable July 1-July 12, 2022. For Pastoral emergencies during that time, please be in touch with Pastor Erin.

Philanthropy Matters

Insights on faith & giving

Thank you for remembering Haslett Community Church during the summer months! Our mission and ministry continues, and bills come due 12 months a year. If you find yourself traveling, consider setting up a secure recurring gift at <https://app.easytithe.com/app/giving/haslettcc> (or scan the QR code to the right with your cell phone camera).

Thank you for your continuing support!





Michigan Pride Rally at the Capitol

June is National Pride month! Pride is celebrated annually to honor the 1969 uprising at the Stonewall Inn in NYC, which started a movement for gay rights. Pride works to achieve equal justice and equal opportunity for those who are Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer / Questioning+.

As an Open & Affirming Congregation that fully affirms and welcomes LGBTQ+ people, Haslett Community Church has participated in Michigan Pride events over the years. However, like many other things, Pride events have been on hold for two years. **This year, Michigan Pride is back with a Rally at the Capitol on Sunday, June 26, Noon - 2pm!**

Save the date and more information will be shared as it becomes available.

Mask News:

On May 10, your church Council voted unanimously to update masking guidelines for the time being. The new policy which went into effect immediately, is as follows:



We do want to encourage masking so we can be hospitable for all, including the most vulnerable among us. We also know that for some masking is difficult or not possible, and if that's true for you, you are welcome here, too.

Face masks are recommended and appreciated. Wearing a mask is a simple and effective way to keep ourselves and our neighbors healthy when we gather.

It's an awkward season of COVID. We are trying be safe for most and welcoming to all...which is a complicated message to get across in a policy statement.

You may be asking: Why is the current policy worded like this? (as the wording has been met with mixed reviews from "great" to "disappointing"):

Thank you for sharing your thoughts as we continue to navigate our way forward.



Sunday, June 5, after Church

Interested in learning more about Haslett Community Church or exploring church membership? Inquirer's Class is for you! We will begin the class after worship, giving people time to get coffee if they'd like, etc. Class lasts about an hour. Childcare is available if we know it's needed - email the office, hcc1@att.net, to let us know if that would be helpful for you.

Questions? Ask Betsy: 517.339.8383 x11 or aho.betsy@att.net



SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK DOWNSTAIRS!

On Easter our children moved back downstairs for Sunday school each week!

If you were here on Easter you saw how many kids we had attend! We are looking for TWO volunteers to teach Sunday school each week from through August.

Sign up for multiple weeks, or try it out for one Sunday.

The Sunday School teacher sign up can be found [HERE!](#)



We are again 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!](#)

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING

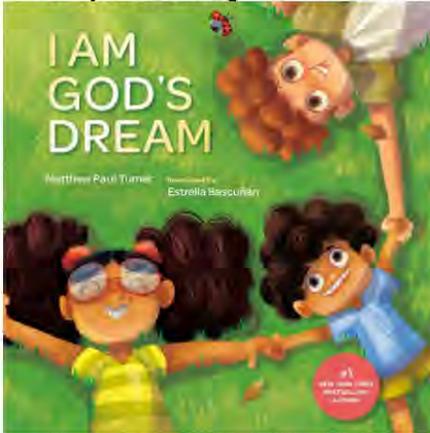
Just a reminder that all adults who volunteer with our children's ministry are asked to complete our online Safe Church Training. That training can be found [HERE!](#)



In May, it was announced that our summer Sunday school theme was going to be based on a book called *The Promises of God*. There has been a change to that plan. Instead we will spend summer Sunday school exploring theme's inspired by Matthew Paul Turner's book *I am God's Dream*. (The picture of the book below is linked to Amazon.)

New volunteers are always welcome to work with our kids! Sunday school activities include crafts, games, cooking, and sometimes videos.

Sign up to teach using the link in the left-most column on this page or by contacting Pastor Erin.



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

August 2nd – 4th from 5-7pm

This year's theme for VBS will be "Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness" and will pair well with our summer of exploring God's promises!



As always, we will be looking for volunteers to take this journey with us!

Helpers are needed for everything from decorating the church, shopping for supplies, to working with the kids. If you are interested in being a part of VBS in this way, please talk to Pastor Erin.

Watch weekly emails for info about how you can help to provide VBS supplies!

Families stay tuned for sign-ups to come later this summer! Feel free to start spreading the word to neighbors & friends!



NEW and Improved Confirmation

Over the last several years, it's gotten more and more difficult to find times when students are available to participate in a confirmation class.

This scheduling challenge inspired us to take a look at how we do things and led us to make some changes.

This summer we are kicking-off a new confirmation process. With any change, we expect there to be some bumps along the way, and we may find the need for mid-journey changes.

We welcome any feedback that our students and their families might offer as they go through the process.

The new program will be shared with youth families in greater detail, but here are some program highlights:

Family Component:

Students and their families will watch selected videos from re:form (by Sparkhouse) that wrestle with some of the basic questions of our faith. A discussion guide will be shared with families as well. Erin has DVDs available for anyone who is interested in seeing them.

Mentor:

Each student will be paired with a mentor. Together they will read through one of the gospels and will complete a Resurrection Project (fixing something that is broken, or repurposing something to give it "new life").

Getting to know HCC:

Students will be invited to explore all the ways that people are involved with Haslett Community Church. From serving on committees, helping on Sunday morning in various roles, etc.

Faith Statement:

Each student, will work with Erin to create some type of faith statement capturing where they are at the end of Confirmation.

Students are invited to embark on their journey whenever they feel ready. A family, for example, might find it easiest to have more than one student go through this at the same time (so they're all learning together). And there is no set timeline for how soon they must complete all the tasks. Some students may get through it in a few months, while others might take over a year. The hope is that students will find this new program accessible and easy to incorporate into their lives- which hopefully will then carryover into finding time and space for church, faith, etc to be a continued part of their life following confirmation.

To begin, families just need to talk to Erin. A two-week heads up is appreciated to get supplies prepped and a mentor secured.

Keep an eye out for parent emails and Remind messages sharing details about
**YOUTH GROUP
 SUMMER FUN!**
 We aren't meeting on Sunday evenings but will plan a few summer get-togethers!



We are counting down the days til we depart on HCC's 26th mission trip to Milwaukee!

At this point, all families should be paid in full, unless other arrangements were made with Pastor Erin.

Please mark your calendars for these important dates:

Plan on coming to one of two TRIP MEETINGS specifically for parents, guardians, adults who have students going on the trip on Tuesday, May 31st OR Monday, June 6th at HCC at 7pm. Chaperones and halferones are also asked to attend one of these meetings. Youth are also welcome to attend the meetings for information about the trip, but a parent/guardian/adult is required to attend to fill out trip forms, etc.

Mission trip participants (youth, chaperones and halferones) are asked to attend two pre-trip meetings on June 14th and 16th from 7-8:30pm. These meetings help us learn more about the community in which we will be serving as well as help us bond as a group.

All of HCC is invited to pray for the mission trippers while we serve in Milwaukee. We look forward to sharing our trip with you on Mission Trip Sunday, Sunday, June 26th!

Our Church Family



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

- To Ron Rowe for selling some of the unwanted furniture and other things from around the church.
- To Social Committee and the Breakfast in April teams.
- To Andrew Pomerville for lending his bagpipe skills in worship.
- To the anonymous donor of the plaque and sign for the Food Pantry dedication.
- To Kelly Hammerle for heading up Taco Sale again! And to Lai Schaubroeck, Steve Decker, Sally Heisler, Saundra Porter, Karen Amachree, Courtney Stolicker, and Keri Lardie (and lots of youth) who helped make the taco sale possible!
- To Stef Zin for helping in Sunday school.
- To Sally Heisler, Carolyn Solomon, and Katie Riley for helping cover the nursery.
- To the Loaves and Fishes team for June: Carol Cramer, Kelly Flagg, Carolyn Solomon, Sally Heisler, and Paula Fry.
- To Don Flagg & Sally Heisler for helping with the flower cross for Easter.



HCC Photo Directory Day!

We thought Pentecost would be a great day to help people submit their photos and updated or new contact information for our new HCC photo directory, if you haven't done so yet!

What will happen on Directory Day?

After church, you will be able to:

PROVIDE OR UPDATE INFO: Provide current contact information (if we don't have it) or update information so it is accurate. Most directory listings include name of person(s) in your household, mailing address, email address(es), and phone number(s). We will have printed versions of the current directory for you to use to check or update your information on file.

PHOTO TAKEN: You can have a photo of your household taken by Dave Ferguson, who has generously volunteered to be photographer that morning. Photos will be taken outside and submitted for the directory, OR if you want to just snap a selfie or ask a church friend to grab a picture of you, we just remind you to **Email it to:**

haslettccdirectory@gmail.com that morning!

We are providing Directory Day as encouragement and help to make the HCC Directory as complete as possible. But you still have time to submit info and photos via email. Send a photo of your household, name(s), and updated contact info to:

haslettccdirectory@gmail.com, and let's have maximum participation so that our church friends can know one another!



HCC SUMMER CONCERT SERIES RETURNS FOR A SECOND YEAR!

Thursdays @ 7PM, JUNE 16 – JULY 28

Bring along a blanket or lawn chair and your favorite picnic supplies and join us for a free evening of entertainment! All ages welcome!

June 16: Denning & Johnson - local favorites, featuring acoustic guitar, fiddle, and harp

June 23: Ellis & M.E. - Eclectic acoustic & vocals, all the way from Kalamazoo

June 30: Circle of Friends - from Celtic to Gospel

on a variety of instruments like hammered dulcimer, guitar, and accordion

July 7: TBA

July 14: Jonathan Townley– young composer who wowed us last year at open mic night!

July 21: Turquoise Trio - HCC's own Barbara Freeman on keyboard, Richard Illman on trumpet & flugelhorn, and Gretchen Morse on oboe & English horn

July 28: Andrew Pomerville - Scottish folk and classic Americana, guitar & vocals



A big thank you to the many volunteers who have made the blood drives so successful: Steve Decker, Mary

Trebilcock, Rich Baumgartner, Ann Pierce, Kelly and Don Flagg, the Men's group, Sally Heisler, and many others! And a great shout out to Lucretia Hildabridle for stepping up to be the leader of the blood drives for the coming months!



Choir is done after June 5 for the summer, and we were so glad we finally had the opportunity to meet together for a few months and sing for services. During the summer, we will have a variety of musical experiences to share with you. We will meet again during the last part of August when it is safe to sing together.

Chimes is also on break, but stay tuned for when we may get together next.

Enjoy Summer!

~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 7, 8, 11, & 12](#)).

HCC Growth Committee works on ways to engage, encourage, and entice the community to be a part of the amazing HCC Family! The Committee is operating in more of an overall umbrella status now as the current committee chair, Malinda Barr, moves forward into her position as the New Council Moderator in August. As the chair, she is meeting with each standing committee, team, and work group to identify/clarify their purpose/goals and to introduce the 3-step concept of GROWTH:



- Growth through Spiritual Connections
- Growth through Community Engagement
- Growth in our belief of God's Love!

In addition, the Growth committee has implemented the WELCOME CUP, which visitors to HCC are encouraged to take for their family. It includes the latest newsletter, an invitation to return to HCC in whatever way fits them best, and, of course, DOVE chocolates!! Please contact chair, **Malinda Barr**, to get involved: **517-749-5278** or malibarr339@gmail.com

Committee Chair, Malinda (Larson) Barr, has been a member nearly 50 years, as her



family joined HCC in the early 70's. Her mom, Marilyn Doty Larson, was one of the founders of the Haslett Nursery School that was housed in the lower level of HCC for many years. Malinda and her husband, Dave, have owned and operated a Beeswax Candle factory (Ralya House Beeswax Essentials) and store right here in Haslett, for over 13 years. She is a Haslett alum and attended MSU- GO GREEN!

Malinda has been in the hospitality and event industry for the most recent 10 years and has hung her hat on providing **extreme customer service** as her trademark and mantra. She is very excited about being able to practice all of her favorite skills daily in her business, out in our community, and mostly as a participating member in the leadership of HCC!



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, June 6 @ 7:30pm** in HCC's Friendship Hall

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 side-to-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, hammock 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 always someone there who has remembered the one thing you forgot! :)

The price for camping is **\$98 for three nights**.

You can sign up and pay online [HERE](#) or by signing up on the clipboard on the wall outside the church office, making out a check to Haslett Community Church, and getting it to Kim Carnes 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 18 - 21 on your calendar and reserve your site today! See you in the sun!



Sundae Sunday

Don't miss out on our special day having Ice Cream Sundaes after church. On June 26, right after worship, we will be celebrating with the youth on their return from their Mission Trip from Milwaukee. It will be **Mission Trip Sunday** when they share their stories of the week and we will offer up Ice cream with all the sundae toppings! Mmm....



Women's Group - Our group meets on the first Tuesday, most months at 10am. **We are taking a break for Summer**, and plan to be back in Fall, with possibly a retreat of some sort. We hope you can join us. To get involved, please email hcc1@att.net.



- Sundae Sunday Jun. 26
- Camping Aug. 18-21
- Thanksgiving 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.

The new, promised mission statement for our committee has entered a new stage of development! Out of our discussion, comes an invitation from committee member, Jenn Tafel to **"Look for Something New!"**

Throughout the time that church has been meeting back in person (along with the ability to join the livestream or parking lot options) the Spiritual Life Committee has held regular monthly meetings. As a new member of the congregation I have learned a great deal from these meetings. The other members of the committee have also been learning about worship life, spiritual life, and what that means on a personal level and in the community. One of our newly defined roles is to provide education to the congregation about spiritual life and what that looks like in worship experiences and beyond. You will periodically notice in the Sunday bulletin a new section called, "Did You Notice," which is an invitation to look around the worship space and see what is different. This opportunity may more often than not be about the paraments on the altar and pulpit, but maybe there are other changes. Church language can be confusing, and the Spiritual Life Committee is hoping to engage the congregation in learning opportunities about this. For instance, a parament is "an ornamental ecclesiastical hanging or vestment." The next opportunity you'll see the paraments change is for Pentecost Sunday, June 5. Pentecost celebrates the birth of the Christian Church and is based on the passage from the Book of Acts 2: 1-13. What happens next? Stay tuned for more articles in this series!"

We meet on the third Tuesday each month. Please feel free to contact any of us with questions you might have. **NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, June 21, @ 7:00pm in Fellowship Hall.**



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

The Coffee with Jesus group meets **the third Sunday most months downstairs, in Mary & Martha's room** (next to Youth room), right after Worship.

Our **Next Meeting will be: Sunday, June 19, at 11:15** (after worship). Come to engage and experience the supportive spiritual community our small group shares.

Outdoor Worship

is scheduled for **Sunday, Aug. 28,** at 10am at Lake Lansing Park North.

Mark the date - more details to come.



Men's Group

MEN'S GROUP

continues to meet regularly in different ways, including **online Zoom meetings on most Saturday mornings at 9:00am** (see info below).

**** On Saturday, June 18, we will be meeting in-person on Larry Leefers' deck, at 9am.**

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

517-339-5731 vietti@msu.edu

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

Sermon Preview Bible Study

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.

Zoom Meeting ID: 879 0122 4109
Passcode: *usual HCC code*

Juneteenth

The Spiritual Life Committee will be introducing a new project as part of the HCC Juneteenth recognition. This program will be associated with

our use of African-American hymns during our services.

An explanation of this new project will be made at the June 5th service.

Ageing On Our Own Terms

- Nancy and Paul White

Earlier this year, Pastor Betsy asked us to help put together an opportunity for members of our church family who, like us, are either nearing or are in our retirement years, or who may have parents or family members who are reaching their “golden years.”

The plan for this series is to provide an opportunity for interested members of our church family to:

- (1) learn about the physical and mental changes related to ageing,
- (2) how to maintain desired activities and interests, including *Independence*, *Privacy*, and *Empowerment* in decision making, including medical and end of life situations, and
- (3) to possibly develop an ongoing common interest/mutual support group within our church family.

The series will address three topics over the course of four months, with three newsletter articles, one per month, on one of the topics. The fourth month will offer a facilitated discussion group, probably on two different dates and times.

Part One - Physical and mental changes (June newsletter)

This includes an overview of normal changes that affect just about everyone, such as deteriorating vision or hearing, cognitive health changes, etc., as well as common individually specific conditions such as Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s, osteoporosis, diabetes, mental health/depression, malnutrition, physical disabilities, etc.

Part Two - Legal challenges of ageing (July newsletter)

This includes an overview of difficulties seniors face in managing their own health care, and options to help manage these challenges, such as a durable medical power of attorney, an advance care directive, and controlling end of life decisions.

Part Three - Residential challenges and choices (August newsletter)

This includes an overview of the difficulties of staying in one’s home as we age. It will look at “ageing in place” and ways to facilitate staying in one’s home, including home modifications and in-home assistance. It will review options when “ageing in place” is not reasonable, such as, independent and assisted living facilities, group homes, nursing homes, etc.

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Part Four - Facilitated group discussion including personal experiences and questions (September)

This will include at least two opportunities for anyone interested in discussing these topics to get together for an hour or so as a group. We expect to have at least one discussion following a September worship service, and one discussion on a weekday evening.



This is the first of three topics which will be part of the **Ageing Our Own Terms** series. The hope is that the information serves as food for thought and that those thoughts will be shared during the facilitated discussion that will take place in September.

Part One: Physical and Mental Changes

We are born, we grow to physical and mental maturity, and then we begin to age. Our body begins to age at 30, or even earlier. For example, the brain begins to age at 24. The lungs begin at 35, kidneys at 35, muscle mass and bone density loss at 40. Age 65 is when the soft tissues of the voice box weaken causing our voices to change. Women's voices may get lower, and men's voices may get higher. The liver is the only organ that seems to defy the ageing process. It typically does not start to deteriorate until the age of 70.

Typically, many of us start to lose our hearing when we are in our 40s. Almost half the people in the United States over the age of 65 have some degree of hearing loss.

Our vision begins changing around 40 because the lens inside the eye begins to lose its ability to change shape.

As the brain ages it shrinks. At age 30 it weighs 3 pounds and barely fits inside the skull. By age 70 there is about one inch of space between the brain and the skull. The earliest portions to shrink are generally the frontal lobes, which govern judgment and planning, and the hippocampus where memory is organized.

The natural curvature of the spine changes with ageing. This causes the head to tip forward, so when you are looking straight ahead you are actually looking upward. This can contribute to increased difficulty breathing and swallowing and increases the risk of choking.

Another significant risk of aging is the risk of falling. Three factors for falling are: (1) poor balance, (2) taking more than four prescription medications and (3) muscle weakness. Elderly people who do not have these risk factors still have a 12% chance of falling in a year. *Those with all three have almost a 100% chance.* Falls often result in fractures, primarily to the hip. About 350,000 Americans incur a fractured hip each year. Forty percent of these patients end up in a nursing home and 20 percent are never able to walk again. Along with fractures, a major risk of falling is cerebral bleeding after a blow to the head.

We have experienced some of these changes ourselves. We have witnessed them in our parents, siblings, and friends. These changes often contribute to conditions such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and other dementia, as well as osteoporosis, diabetes, depression, malnutrition, etc.

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(Ageing On Our Own Terms cont...)

While ageing does have its challenges, education helps so we know what to expect for ourselves and our loved ones. Part of what we learn is that no matter what age we are or what physiological changes we experience, we are not alone. There are resources and people that can help. As we progress through this series as a church family, we will continue to share resources and find support in community to help on our life journeys.

Source material

MayoClinic.org

[Being Mortal: medicine and what matters in the end, Atul Gawande, MD](#)

[1 800 health.com](http://1.800.health.com)

allaboutvision.com

www.hear-it.org

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Information for the July 2022 Newsletter is due to Michele on the 3rd Tuesday of this month - June 21, 2022

Please send to: hcc1@att.net

Three Ways to Worship

Sundays at 10:00 am



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



Church Council meets on the second Tuesday of most months.

**Council meets next on:
Tues., June 14, at 7:15 pm**

If you would like to join us, please be in touch with Michele, Office Manager, for details: hcc1@att.net or 517-339-8383.



Knitters, Crocheters, & Wannabees

Our Next Meeting will be **Sunday, June 12, 2022**, right after Worship (~11 am), in the HCC Library.



Mission Outreach meets next:

Monday, June 6, @ 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Safety Team is going to take a break for Summer in June and July. We will restart in August. Have a great Summer!



Please contact Sally Heisler for details about this group: 517-230-4043 or sally.m.heisler@gmail.com



Member Caring meets next on **Sunday, June 12, @ 11:15 am** in the Mary & Martha Room downstairs (next to Youth Rm).



Green Team Tidbits:

June - Isn't it nice to see green grass and colorful flowers around us? God's green earth is so amazing, and we love to enjoy it during the summer

months! Being mindful of how to enjoy it and take care of it while we're planning gatherings, vacationing, and traveling are equally important.

A few tips that apply to summer fun:

- ◇ Cut down on disposable plastic water bottles by bringing a water bottle for each of your family members.
- ◇ Travel with reusable tableware and silverware. Washing them won't be a problem, carry a travel-size bottle of dish soap and a dishpan and give them a quick wash at the next rest stop. Don't want to bring them home after your travels? Donate them to a local charity wherever you vacation.
- ◇ Planning a party? Ask your guests to bring their own place settings to cut down on disposable plates and silverware or invest in multiple sets of dishes, cups, and silverware (there is never a shortage at the local thrift store!) and keep them stored for all your entertaining. The cost of a storage bin and the place settings will benefit the earth in multiple ways.
- ◇ Remember, aluminum foil products, metal, and steel are 100% recyclable and even better can be recycled an infinite number of times without losing their stability. Just give it a quick clean (it doesn't have to be spotless) and throw it in with the recyclables.
- ◇ Save our ozone and don't burn anything made with chemicals. I know it's easy to throw disposables in the fire, they disappear easily, and you don't have to think about them anymore but burning disposables not only affects our climate but also the air you and your guests are breathing.
- ◇ How about a staycation? Discover the beauty of God's earth right here in the Lansing area. With fuel prices as high as they are why not enjoy the beautiful parks and waterways available to us right here in our hometown.

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.
 3. Online Giving, Text Giving, and Giving via Mobile App are all available to help make your support of HCC even easier! Visit www.haslettcommunitychurch.org/giving for more information, or use the QR code above to access our Giving page.
- **Online Giving** - is available through our relationship with easyTithe™ and is accessible through our website.
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 - **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 is in the office Tuesday - Friday. You can make an appointment or swing by during her drop-in office hours Wednesdays, 11:30am - 1:00pm.

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.

HCC Green Team meets next on:

**Monday,
June 13, at
7pm via Zoom:**

<https://msu.zoom.us/>
Meeting ID: 969 2424 2887
Passcode: usual HCC code

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 7, 8, 11, & 12](#) of this newsletter and [HERE](#).

Please remember to check with Michele in the office to coordinate building and grounds space use for your group (hcc1@att.net or 517.339.8383). She's also happy to continue to setup virtual meetings where desired. Here's a list of events scheduled, online and other, so you can stay connected.

WEEKLY

Worship Service (p11)

Sundays, 10:00am: *Pentecost & Mission Trip Sundays*
Sanctuary*, parking lot via 88.7 FM, [YouTube](#)
**Mask wearing is encouraged*

Sunday School (p3)

Sundays during worship
Downstairs

Coffee Fellowship

Sundays after worship
Friendship Hall

Onsite Office Hours (p12)

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:30am-1:00pm
HCC Office

Pastor Betsy's Drop-In Office Hours (p12)

Wednesdays, 11:30am-1:00pm
(She is also available by apptmnt. Tue-Fri)
HCC Office

Sermon Preview Group (p8)

Thursdays, 9:00 - 9:45am
Zoom

Summer Concert Series (p5)

Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:00pm, June 16-July 28
HCC Greenspace outdoors
(*Sanctuary in inclement weather*)

Men's Group (p8)

Saturdays, 9:00am
Zoom (except June 18 - in-person @ Leefers')

MI Pride Rally (p2)

Sunday, June 26,
MI Capitol

ONCE THIS MONTH

Choir Rehearsal (p6)

Last Rehearsal before Summer break
Wednesday, June 1, 7:00 pm
Sanctuary

Photo Directory Day! (p5)

Sunday, June 5, 11:15am
Outside Door 1

Inquirer's Class (p2)

Sunday, June 5, 11:30am
Library or Fellowship Hall

YOUTH: Mission Trip Adult Mtng 2 (p4)

Monday, June 6, & 7:00 pm
Youth Room

Knitters, Crocheters, Wannabees (p11)

Sunday, June 12, 11:15am (after worship)
Library

YOUTH: Mission Trippers Meetings (p4)

Tues., June 14 & Thurs. June 16, 7:00pm
Youth Room

Church Council (p11)

Tuesday, June 14, 7:15pm
Fellowship Hall & Zoom

Men's Group In-person gathering (p8)

Saturday, June 18, 9:00am
Larry Leefers' deck

YOUTH: Mission Trip (p4)

Saturday, June 18 - Saturday, June 25
Milwaukee, WI

Coffee With Jesus (p8)

Sunday, June 19, 11:15am (after worship)
Mary & Martha's room (downstairs)

Newsletter Items Due (p11)

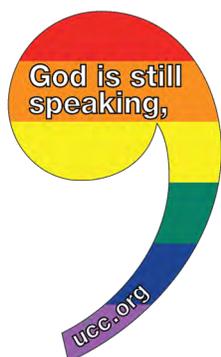
Tuesday, June 21;
Email items to hcc1@att.net

YOUTH: Mission Trip Sunday (p4)

Sunday, June 26, Youth lead Worship
(celebration of Mission Trip)

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

