

A Week at a Glance

Sunday, January 3, 2016

- 10:00 AM Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School (Church/Ed./Chapel/BHL)
- 11:30 AM Children's Church I (3-, 4-, & 5-year-olds; C-1)
- 7:00 PM Sr. High Youth Group (Y-401; TheLOFT)

Monday, January 4

- 6:00 AM Early Morning Prayer *Worx* (Conference Room)
- 1:30 PM Bone Strengthening (The Chapel)
- 7:00 PM *War Room*: Pray for Our Leadership Team (Conf. Room)

Tuesday, January 5

- 9:30 AM *Women of the Word* Bible Study (The Chapel)
- 7:00 PM *New Life* AD Anonymous (Alcohol/Drugs; Y-118)
- 7:00 PM *LifeGivers* (Bible House Lounge)

Wednesday, January 6

- 11:30 AM Staff Chapel (The Chapel)
- 6:45 PM Worship Community Rehearsals (Sanctuary)
- 6:45 PM Kid's Klub (lower Church; Pavilion; YMC)
- 7:00 PM PRAYER MEETING (The Chapel)**
- 7:00 PM Outreach Task Force (Y-306)
- 7:00 PM Jr. High Bible Study (TheLOFT)
- 8:00 PM Sr. High Bible Study (TheLOFT)
- 8:00 PM *COMMUNITY* Women (Warren home) & Men (Upper Room)

Thursday, January 7

- 7:00 AM Prayer Meeting (Pastor John's office)
- 6:30 PM *New Beginnings* (Departs from church parking lot)
- 7:00 PM Zumba Plus *A New Me in Christ* Exercise Class (New Gym)
- 7:00 PM Linked (Upper Room)
- 7:00 PM DivorceCare & DivorceCare4Kids (BHL; Y-135)
- 7:30 PM *GriefShare* (The Chapel)
- 7:45 PM *COMMUNITY* (Ages 18-27; TheLOFT)

Friday, January 8

- 9:15 AM Serving Hands (The Chapel)
- 7:00 PM Jr. High Youth Group (TheLOFT)

Saturday, January 9

- 8:45 AM Ladies' R&R Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 AM Ladies' R&R (The Chapel)

Sunday, January 3, 2016

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

Pastor John W. Minnema
**“CHRISTLIKENESS:
 IT’S ALL
 ABOUT JESUS”**
*Beginning a new series on
 “Becoming Like Christ”
 and New Year’s Communion*

At 5:00 PM

Pastor Mark Rolling
**“THE GOD OF
 ALL COMFORT”**
*Beginning a new series on
 “Living: Bigger Than Life”
 and New Year’s Communion*

*The floral arrangement today is in loving memory of
 Mrs. Beverly Vander Wiele,
 given by her family.*

Welcome

Welcome to Hawthorne Gospel Church!

We are glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new today or looking to connect, please fill out the yellow *Connector/Prayer Request* card located in the back of the pew in front of you and hand it to a *Connector* at the Discovery Center for a small gift and for some helpful information about our church.

Please join us between services in the Pavilion for a time of fellowship and coffee — you also will be able to obtain more information about our upcoming events there!

The **Congregation** is cordially invited to attend the monthly Chapel service for our office and maintenance staffs on Wednesday, January 6th, from 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM in The Chapel.

Celebration & Praise!

Come to the War Room!

Tomorrow evening at 7:00 the monthly prayer session, on behalf of our leadership team, will be held in the church office conference room. Everyone is invited and encouraged to come to the *War Room* to lift up the team before the Lord for His blessing!

Reminder: January Prayer Calendars are available in the church foyer. Be sure to pick up a copy . . . and pray!

Membership Class

Interested in becoming a member of HGC? The next two-session membership class is planned for Sunday, January 17th and 24th, at 11:30 AM in room C-10 [lower level of the church building]. Please sign up in the foyer today and let us know you are coming.

In need of spiritual encouragement or prayer? The Board member on call this week is Michael Jefferson.

Board Member on Call

Pastoral Leadership Team

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Pray for the Sick

Home: Ms. Louise Ballentine; Ms. Evalee Batistich; Bob Burns; Alan Cardillo; Mrs. Lois Claeys; Ray De Rouville; Mrs. Peggy Eng; Howie Forstrom; Mrs. Dale Froehner; Mrs. Paula Ibach; Matthew and Victoria Imburgia

[infants]; Michael Jefferson; Larry Klar; Mrs. Deb Kuehlke; Mrs. Susan La Plante; Mrs. Henrietta Lawless; Ms. Lisa Lovell; Mrs. Kris Miller; Lance Miyamoto; Dave Muller; Chris Nash; Ed Natale; Phil Paolucci; Mrs. Mary Pascual; Ron Poore; Mrs. Alice Rascio; Norman Trass; Albert Urbanovich; Pablo Valentin; Dave Woods; Mrs. Barbara Zanna; William R. Zimmerle. **Hospitals & Rehabs:** Mrs. Emily Batluck-Auld; Mrs. Ana Bateman; Ed Bawarski; Mrs. Beverlee del Aguila; Mrs. Joann Menicola; Mrs. Elsie Murley; Mrs. Jacinta Ruiz; Bud Stranburg; Don Zbieg.

Missionaries of the Week



PRAY FOR
OUR MISSIONARIES
SERVING IN AFRICA!

What is Perspectives?



Perspectives on the World Christian Movement is an exciting, in-depth discipleship course about God's desire to be known and worshiped by all peoples and teaches how you can participate with Him in expanding His kingdom. This 15-week course is being offered at HGC on **Saturdays** from **January 16th to May 21st, 2016, 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM**. Register **on or before January 5th**, for the *early bird* discount at www.perspectives.org/HawthorneNJ or you may attend the January 16th and 23rd meetings *free of charge* to help you make a decision as to registration. Questions? Visit the special display in the Pavilion today or email HGCPerspectives@gmail.com.

Bible House Bookstore Hours

Sunday: 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM ♦ Wednesday: 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Saturday: 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Located across the parking lot on the lower level of The Chapel

Call: 973-427-6961

Also, shop anytime, from anywhere at www.hawthornebiblehouse.com

Life Givers



The primary objective of this bimonthly group (1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Bible House Lounge) is to move people from the place of a devastating diagnosis, or struggle with a life-threatening or life-altering illness, to extraordinary living as defined by John 10:10.

We pray that participants will receive a fresh vision for life, a game-changing perspective on serious illness, and an understanding that your *valley of trouble can be turned into a door of hope* as spoken of in Hosea 2:14-15.

For more information, contact Howie Forstrom

Great Classes for Adults!

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Today at 10:00 AM, the winter quarter of our **Adult Bible Classes** begins. Detailed brochures on all classes are available in your bulletin and at the Discovery Center in the church foyer.

Equipping Track II

“Spiritual Disciplines”
begins
Today at 10:00 AM

In this class, we will review the spiritual disciplines needed to grow as a follower of Jesus. Just as good physical development is dependent on eating the right food and getting the right amount of sleep and exercise, so a person’s spiritual growth is dependent on certain disciplines. The spiritual disciplines are those personal and corporate habits that help us develop and grow in our faith. This class will be taught by Pastor David Schuit.

ENCORE

(formally Senior Adult Ministry)

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Our **Senior Adults** will meet on Tuesday, January 12th, at 10:30 AM in The Chapel. Don Torino, President of Bergen County Audubon Society, will introduce you to the *Birds in Your Backyard*. Invite your friends and bring a bag lunch; dessert and beverage will be provided by the committee.

Ladies’ R&R

Saturday, January 9th, 2016
9:00 AM in The Chapel

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Vicki Calabrese

Leader of our *Moms in Prayer* Ministry

“The Privilege of Prayer”

Do you realize what an amazing privilege it is for a Christian to pray—to have direct access to God’s throne? Come, join us as we explore the spiritual blessings of drawing near to God in prayer.



Join a Bible Study or Fellowship!

Monday, January 4th, at 1:30 PM

Bone Strengthening with Joyce Muller in The Chapel

Thursday, January 7th, at 7:00 PM

Zumba Plus: A New Me in Christ Class, Instructor Elsie Diaz in the New Gym

Monday, January 11th, at 10:00 AM

Loving Yourself and Others Well taught by Jan Lucas in The Chapel

Thursday, January 14th, at 9:30 AM

Daughters of the King taught by Cara Greene in the Bible House Lounge

Thursday, January 14th, at 9:45 AM

Deep Roots taught by Jan Rowland & Peggy Goitz in The Chapel
(Thursday morning studies provide infant/toddler care)

Thursday, January 14th, at 7:30 PM

Mom’s Night Out encouragement group led by Amanda Bushoven in The Chapel

Tuesday, January 19th, at 9:30 AM

Women of the Word will hold an introductory brunch to its next series taught by Dianne Lekometros in The Chapel

Tuesday, January 19th, at 7:00 PM

In-Touch taught by Rosette Almoyan in The Chapel

Wednesday, January 20th, at 9:15 AM in The Chapel and

Thursday, January 21st, at 7:00 PM in Room Y-301

The Amazing Collection taught by Jeannine Galenkamp

Detailed 2016 Winter/Spring Women’s Ministry Activities Brochures are available in the church foyer!

Sign Up Today!



Our 13th Annual Ladies' *Getting to Know You* Tea will be held on Saturday, January 30th, 2016, from 2:30 to 5:00 PM in the Pavilion (Snow date: February 6th). Tammy Butler, Director of Advancement at Hawthorne Christian Academy, will share a message on *The Key to Contentment*. Register today in the Pavilion or call 973-427-6960, extension 129. Don't miss it!

Calling All Men to the ...



Annual Men's Retreat!

Thursday evening to Friday
January 14th-15th, 2016

at Spruce Lake

Guest speaker:

Dr. Charles H. Zimmerman

Professor of Practical Theology at Biblical Theological Seminary

Retreat package: \$112 per person double occupancy

Register at www.sprucelake.org/events/calendar/mensretreat

HGC Library Hours This Week!

Sunday: 9:30 to 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Monday through Saturday: 12:00 to 3:30 PM

Located upper level of The Chapel 973-427-6960, extension 130

"War Room" DVD (or a Bible House Gift Certificate)
drawing will be held **TODAY at 11:00 AM** in the Library!

Serving Hands



Serving Hands, a ministry serving missionaries through prayer and projects, will meet this Friday, January 8th, at 9:15 AM in The Chapel. Paul Troper, one of our missionaries with Christar, will give a report on his ministry to Hindus and Muslims. Invite your friends!

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, January 6th, 2016 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel
Pastor David Schuit

January 10th, 2016
AM Services
Pastor Jim Bushoven
"The Bible: It's Living and Active"
Continuing in the series on
"Becoming Like Christ"

January 10th, 2016
At 5:00 PM
Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr.
"Forgiveness"
Continuing in the series on
"Living: Bigger Than Life"

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, January 13th, 2016 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel
Pastor Mark Rolling

January 17th, 2016
AM Services
Pastor David Schuit
"Service: Ambassadors for Christ"
Continuing in the series on
"Becoming Like Christ"

Missions Focus
Sunday
January 17th, 2016
At 5:00 PM
Pastor David Schuit
"Ministers"
Continuing in the series on
"Living: Bigger Than Life"

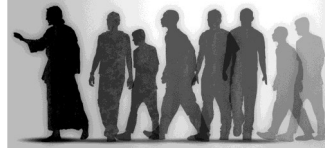
Wednesday Prayer Meeting, January 20th, 2016 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel
Pastor John W. Minnema

January 24th, 2016
AM Services
Pastor Howard Van Dyk, Jr.
"Church: We Are a Family"
Continuing in the series on
"Becoming Like Christ"

January 24th, 2016
At 5:00 PM
Pastor John W. Minnema
"Transformation"
Continuing in the series on
"Living: Bigger Than Life"

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, January 27th, 2016 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel
Pastor Dave Andersen

New Sunday AM Sermon Series



by the Pastoral Staff begins today, January 3rd!



“Becoming Like Christ: Essentials for Christlikeness”

Fully devoted followers of Christ have a goal. What is it? Christlikeness! Becoming more like Christ involves growing and maturing as a believer. How does it happen? *(So glad you asked!)* God’s Word has all the answers. Come, and let’s explore together the biblical essentials for Christlikeness. We encourage you to purchase *Growing as a Christian 101* by Bickel and Jantz (*available in the Pavilion or Bookstore this morning*). We’ll read it together to maximize our study.

Message Titles:

- January 3rd: “Christlikeness: It’s All about Jesus”
- January 10th: “The Bible: It’s Living and Active”
- January 17th: “Service: Ambassadors for Christ”
- January 24th: “Church: We Are a Family”
- January 31st: “Prayer: The Throne of Grace”
- February 7th: “Love: God’s and Ours”
- February 14th: “Stewardship: Time, Talents, and Treasure”
- February 21st: “Discipleship: The Lordship of Christ”
- February 28th: “The Holy Spirit: Our Source of Life”



In his 2nd letter to the Corinthians, Paul writes about the **BIGGER** life. He invites disciples to embrace their treasure in *jars of clay* that they may enjoy the all-surpassing power of God [2 Corinthians 4:7]. *But thanks be to God, who always leads us in*

triumphal procession in Christ [2 Corinthians 1:14a].

During *Sundays @ 5*, we will walk through the first half of 2 Corinthians to begin getting a taste of a much bigger and better life, one that is lived with Christ at the center and eternity on the mind. Yes, you are saved for tomorrow, but you are worth **SO** much today.

Come, discover this life through our new series led by the pastoral team of HGC, **LIVING: Bigger Than Life!**

Thank You!

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New Beginnings Ministry thanks the congregation for their abundant generosity that filled 75 Christmas bags! The bags were tied with scarves from our *Made with Love* ministry. Additionally, Women’s Ministry Bible students donated fleece blankets and many of the door prizes. The overflow of your donations were given to *Desire4Hope* and *Star of Hope Ministries* in Paterson to benefit the homeless. This is truly ministries working together to bring glory to God. We thank God for each one of you who participated and want you to know that many people were blessed because of your contributions. *When you did it for the least of these, you did it for JESUS!*