

THE BEACON

Harrisburg Christian Church
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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

April, 2026

Greetings HCC,

One of the perks of being a pastor is that I often get a “front row seat” in seeing how God is working in someone’s life. I get to hear a lot of stories of God-Incidences, answered prayer, and changed lives. The accumulation of these stories continues to strengthen my faith and I wish everyone could see and hear what I get to hear, I think it would help their faith too.

God is changing lives! Sometimes it is dramatic and instantaneous, but usually it happens in a slower, less flashy way. One person starts thinking about God more. Another is prompted to be more generous with their time, talent, or treasure. Someone guards their tongue more and another develops a deeper grasp of grace. God just keeps molding and shaping his followers bit by bit, year by year, and it is a beautiful process to watch. Thank you to everyone who has shared their stories with me. I love hearing them!

Our Easter theme this year is “Not Perfect, But Changing”. On Easter Sunday, we will look at some people in the Bible who were changed by the risen Jesus. Their story in Acts 3 and 4 is pretty dramatic as are many stories in the Bible.

I can understand why Luke (the author of Acts) would want to tell us this story....it’s a good one. There are also some good stories happening in the Harrisburg community and I am looking forward to sharing them with you.

Easter is this Sunday, April 5th. Once again we will be at Harrisburg High School. I hope you will join us and invite your friends and family. Men start cooking at 6:30 AM. Breakfast is served at 8:30 AM. Music begins at 9:30 AM and our worship service starts at 10 AM. There will be a spot for family pictures, a youth choir, and children’s message in addition to our typical worship activities. I hope to see you there. He is risen!

May it be well with your soul,
John Gillman

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JOHN'S TIDBITS

1. Congraduations to Kurt Otto on your baptism!
2. Welcome new members Jeremiah and Hilary Babcock and their children: Spencer, Elli, and Silas!
3. See you this Sunday for our Community Easter Service on April 5th. 8:30 AM Breakfast and 10 AM worship service at the High School Gym.



Not Perfect, But Changing

Community Easter Service | Harrisburg High School

April 5
Free Breakfast 8:30am
Worship Service 10:00am

Special Children's Activity
Sponsored by Harrisburg Christian Church

Find our Prayer Chain in our App to find ways to connect and pray for one another.



JOIN US ON SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9AM OR 10:30AM



UPCOMING EVENTS

You can be a part of it!

Find an event and get connected!

01

American Pioneer Meeting

4/8 Meeting 6-8 for boys ages 10-18.

02

Operation Christmas Child

See next page for items we are collecting in April.

03

Senior Luncheon 4/14

11-12pm in the Fellowship Hall

04

Elders & Deacon Meeting

4/28 from 6:30-7:30

05

VBS Help

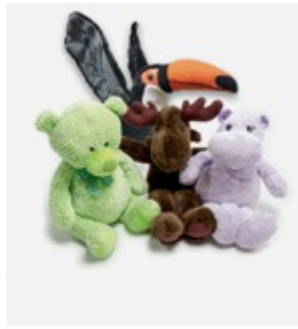
We will be seeking lots of youth and adult help for our summer VBS program. Stay tuned for more info.

Year-round shopping for Harrisburg Christian Church – Operation Christmas Child

FEBRUARY



"Wow" Items



Stuffed Animals

MARCH



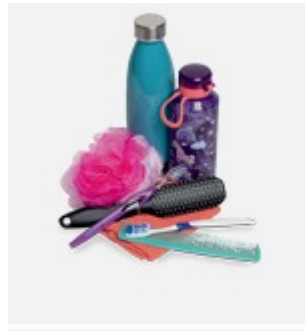
Fashion Accessories

APRIL



Hats, Gloves, and Scarves

MAY



Personal Care Items

JUNE

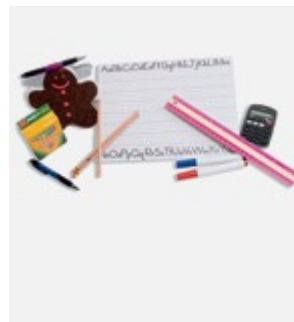


Toys

JULY

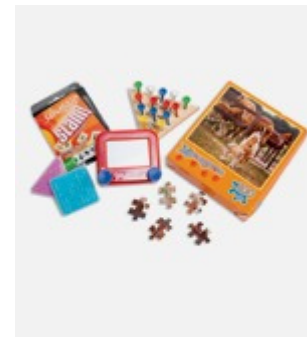
*Christmas in July!
Special Event*

AUGUST



School Supplies

SEPTEMBER



Games

October/November – prepare for packing your personal shoebox gift(s).

Year-round – PRAY for the shoebox and the recipient, that God would use this gift to spread the Good News of the gospel throughout the world!

