December 15-21, 2024

SUNDAY
Sunday School
Worship Service
Pickleball Gym 5:00-8:00 pm
High School Youth Group Open Door 6:00-8:00 pm
MONDAY
Karate Gym 6:30-8:00 pm
TUESDAY
Ladies Bible Study Open Door 6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study & Prayer Auditorium 6:30 pm
Kids' Connection 6:30-8:00 pm
Connect 6 (6 th Grade) Upper Room 6:30-8:00 pm
7 th & 8 th Grade Youth Group Open Door 6:30-8:00 pm
THURSDAY
Worship Team Rehearsal Auditorium 7:00 pm
FRIDAY
SATURDAY
Men's Breakfast Room 1 8:00 am

- **DECEMBER EVENTS**22 Jonathan DeCou Family Christmas Concert | 6pm
- 23 Community Christmas Dinner | Family Center
- 24-27 Church Office will be Closed
- 29 End of the Year Celebration: Testimonies & Baptismal Service

Order of Worship

Welcome, Announcements and Prayer
Congregational Song
Congregational Song Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You
Solo, Felicity Volosky "Mary Did You Know?
Children's Church (K-4 th Grade) Dismissal to Room 1
Message: "The Inexpressible Gift" 2 Corinthians 9:15
Congregational Song It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

Contact Us

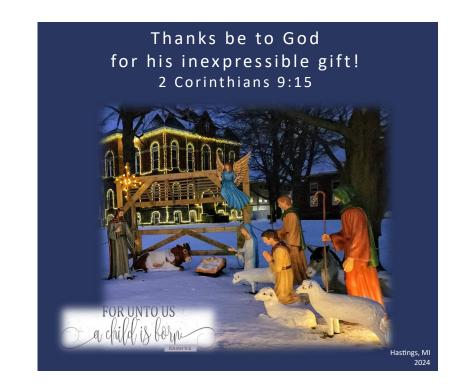
Church Website: hastingsbaptist.com **Church Directory:** hbc.breezechms.com Online Giving: https://hbc.breezechms.com/give/online Church Office Email: office@hastingsbaptist.com Pastor Matt Moser's Email: pastormoser@outlook.com

Church WiFi Connection

Go to HBC Guest Pull up web browser to enter password: HBChurch



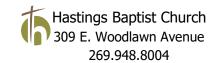
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BIRTHDAY for JESUS

Honor the Savior by sharing His story Bibles will be distributed by members of The Gideons International to help transform lives through the Word of God. There is a paper ornament on the tall table in the foyer by a display with Bible donation envelopes to be used. Help spread the Word.

These will be available through December 29.



If you're visiting with us today, we're glad you're here! We would love to get to know you better and help you connect with our church family.



How to connect...

- 1. Fill out a **communication card** in the seatback in the auditorium and drop the completed card in a black box next to the table in the fover or hand it to Pastor after the service.
- 2. Attend at least three Sunday Morning Worship services. Attending more than one Sunday gives you a much better feel for the church.
- 3. Get involved in the Adult Bible Fellowship/Sunday School hour or ask about joining a **Growth Group**. These are great opportunities to interact, grow spiritually, and make new friends who care about you and your relationship with God.
- 4. Build relationships and get to know others. As you open up and share your interests and needs with others, you will probably find someone who can readily identify with you.
- 5. Stop by the Welcome Center located in the foyer. It would be our pleasure to give you a book with additional information about the church and answer any questions you have.

We are so glad you're here!

Thank you for visiting with us today here at Hastings Baptist Church. It is our desire to make you feel at home and be welcomed as a part of our family. If you are seeking a church home where the Bible is preached and God is loved, please consider getting to know more about Hastings Baptist Church. If there is any way we can pray for you or in some other way touch your life, please let us know. May the Lord bless you greatly.

Hastings Baptist Leadership

Update from Pastor Matt:

We've had a very productive time of training so far. We had 33 men in the first group. All but four of them are currently pastors, and the other four are training to be pastors. The men in the first group ranged in ages from 19 to 62. Even though the days were long and much of the material was new, the students did a great job of focusing. They really dug in and worked hard to learn as much as they could. The training covered three main areas: theology proper, sermon and lesson prep, and leadership topics. The second group has 37 men in it. They too are a real blessing. They are all extremely eager to participate in the sessions and grow in their knowledge and skills. The weather has been great with highs being just above or just below 70°. The coldest night got down to 40°. The food is fabulous! I always love trying new things. Please continue to pray for myself, David Phelan, and all of the students. Pray for health, strength to press on, and safety as everyone travels.

Members Meeting December 29, 2024

For the members meeting following the morning service we will be voting on:

- Church Officer and Administrative Positions
- The Institute of Biblical Leadership as new Missionaries
- Proposed 2025 Budget

A new semester for Connect Groups begins in January!

It is time to sign-up for the next session of Connect Groups! The upcoming session for Groups is from January through March 2025. There is a table in the fover during the month of December, with the sign-up sheets for the available groups. We invite you to check out the different topics and pick one of interest. We encourage you to sign up for a different group that you have not joined previously. This is a great way to connect with other members of the body of Christ. Connect Groups are 8 to 16 adults gathering to grow and serve together and study God's Word. What a blessing to gather together as brothers and sisters in Christ!

Facilitators and Connect Group Hosts. If you are interested in facilitating or hosting a new Connect Group, please see or contact Brenda Putman (989-450-2285) for more information.

It's that time to sign-up for the 2025 Ministry Team/Committees

There are descriptions for each of the ministries with sign-up sheets on the table in the foyer. Where would you like to serve the Lord this year in our church?



Missionary Spotlight

For the month of December we will be featuring CENTER pregnancy options & Alpha Care Center at two locations in Lake Odessa

and Lowell. They provide Medical Services: Pregnancy Tests, Ultrasounds and more. **Educational Services**: Attending classes on pregnancy, parenting, life skills, Bible studies and more will earn you points to spend at their Care 'Store'. Material Assistance at the Alpha Care 'Store': Maternity & baby clothes, formula and diapers along with other baby gear is available through their EWYL program. Alpha Care Center (Lowell) 519 E. Main Street, Lowell, MI 49331 or Alpha Care Center (Lake Odessa) 1040 Fourth Avenue, Lake Odessa, MI 48849



High School Youth Sunday 6:00-8:00 pm 7th & 8th Grade Youth Group Wednesday 6:30-8:00 pm Connect 6 Youth Group Wednesday 6:30-8:00 pm

Morning Children's Ministry December 22, 2024

Nursery Church Service Nursery Sunday School Marese Bechler Julie Frith Carol Christy Jeanne Newton Amber Carter

We have Sunday School and Jr. Church classes for your 2 year old -**Pre-K children.** Stop by the Check-In station for more information.

We are in need of more teachers and helpers for our Sunday morning children's ministries. If you would like to join in this important work, we would appreciate your help and enjoy serving with you! Teri Randall would be delighted to answer any questions and get you plugged in. Contact her by calling / texting (269) 804-1353 or email at g.randall@att.net.

Church Offering Envelopes

We will NOT be doing the offering envelopes system beginning 2025. After 2024, if you have any envelopes left, please bring them to the church office so that we can use them in the pews.

Ways to Give Your Tithes & Offerings

- ✓ Put it in the boxes in the fover
- ✓ Mail them to the church
- ✓ Online at: https: hbc.breezechms.com/give/online

GIVING SUMMARY

Last Week's Offering: \$6,055.00 (-\$2,257.00) Weekly budget \$8,312

Offering YTD: \$355,346.40

Expenses YTD: \$387,337.65 **YTD Under Budget** \$46,882.63