



MONTHLY HAPPENINGS

August 2022

SUNDAYS

SERVICE TIMES
9 & 10:30 AM

9 AM service is in the back parking lot under the tent.

SUNDAY CONNECT GROUPS

For a full list of groups and details, see back page.

CORE STUDENT MINISTRIES

There is no Sunday CORE for the summer. Students are invited to sit together in the CORE section in the sanctuary.

KIDSTEP CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

KidStep meets Sundays at 9 & 10:30 AM in the KidStep Tower.

August 2021

SUN
7, 14, 21, & 28

August Electives

This August, Hershey Free will offer three electives designed to help people grow in different aspects of their faith.

9 AM Electives:

- *Worship 101* taught by Bob Karwowski in room 302/304. This elective will explore what worship looks in everyday life and in the corporate gathering.
- *From Good Advice to Good News: Evangelism Reimagined* taught by Dave Hyatt in room 404. This elective will equip you to better understand and explain that the message of Jesus is truly the best news ever!

10:30 AM Electives

- *Worship 101* taught by Bob Karwowski in room 301. This elective will explore what worship looks in everyday life and in the corporate gathering.
- *The Journey of Faith* taught by Deb Hinkel in room 401. This elective will explain the different stages of the faith journey and help guide you through the times of wrestling that lead to growth and maturity.

FRI
12 **Branching Out Together**

6:30 PM | Under the Tent

The Branch is our Connect Group for young adults (23-35). They had a vision to hang out with other young adults in our area and pull several churches together for a time of encouragement, fun, worship, food, and games. If you are a young adult and you haven't gotten connected with friends at Hershey Free yet, then check out this event called Branching Out Together. Everyone needs connections and support and this is a great chance to find that. Please sign up at hfcinfo.com so we know to expect you.

SUN
21 **Welcome Party**

4 PM | Under the Tent

If you are new, we're so glad you joined us! We want to celebrate that you're attending Hershey Free, either online or in-person, at our Welcome Party. Come out and join us for food, fun, and community. Please RSVP at hfcinfo.com to let us know you're coming!

THUR
25 **Downey Back to School**

4 PM | Downey Elementary School,
1313 Monroe St, Harrisburg PA

As we seek to be involved regionally as a church, Harrisburg is one place

we can make a difference. Working with Downey School gives us the opportunity to help in a location that is culturally different from Hershey but is still nearby. We can build relationships with the teachers, students, and families during community events. Giving support to the staff helps them feel encouraged in an area where there often isn't much of that. Encourage Downey staff by helping at their "Welcome Back" Open House. We need volunteers to welcome and direct families through the school and hand out treats to the kids. Please sign up at hfcinfo.com.

SUN
28 **Live/Love/Lead Starter Group Event**

6 PM | Under the Tent

At Hershey Free Church, we believe a disciple is someone who lives with Jesus, loves like Jesus, and leads others to do the same. Because we value doing life together, we encourage you to participate in a Live/Love/Lead Group. As you learn about each other and do life together, you begin to see God at work in your lives. Twice a year, we have a Starter Live/Love/Lead Event where you have the opportunity to meet new people and try the small group experience. If you'd like to get connected but can't make the event please let us know at hfcinfo.com.

CONNECT WITH US



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Scan to check out our Sunday Bulletin:



◀ NEXT STEPS ▶ Fall Connect Groups



ADULT

Senior Adult Bible Fellowship & Luncheon

1st Wednesday of each month starting Sept. 7 | 10:45 AM to 12:45 PM | Auditorium

This is an opportunity to fellowship around God's Word and through worship of familiar hymns, followed by lunch together. There is a \$2 suggested donation for the lunch. Please register by the Monday prior to the lunch by calling (717) 712-8936.

Precepts

Tuesdays starting Sept. 27 | 9:30 to 11:30 AM | Room 10

This is an inductive bible study. We are studying *Kings and Prophets Series* and *Passing the Mantle*. | The cost for the books is \$22.50 | Register by Sept. 6 at hfcinfo.com.

WOMEN

Women's Morning & Evening Connect

Tuesday Mornings starting Sept. 13 9:15 to 11:30 AM | Auditorium

Tuesday Evenings starting Sept. 13 7 to 8:30 PM | Core Cafe

Spiritual disciplines are essential to a more vibrant spiritual life and knowing God more intimately. Join Kelly Minter in this 7-session Bible study as she unpacks the biblical foundation for these sacred habits along with approachable ways to practice disciplines like prayer, study, worship, rest, simplicity, generosity, celebration, and many more. Instead of being just one more thing on your to-do list, you'll find that these habits of faith can actually create more margin in your life—providing peace and rest as you walk closer with Jesus. We are studying *Encountering God* by Kelly Minter | The cost for the book is \$17 No childcare available | Register by Sept. 2 at hfcinfo.com

Moms Connect

2nd and 4th Wednesdays starting Sept. 14 | 9:30 to 11:30 AM | Auditorium

Moms Connect is for moms of pre-schoolers to connect with other moms, share mothering ideas and suggestions, and be guided by mentor mothers' wisdom and experience | The cost is \$5 There is limited child care available for an additional fee | Register at hfcinfo.com

MEN

Men's Connect Kickoff Event

Friday-Saturday, Sept. 9-10 7 PM | Auditorium

Did you know Hershey Free has a men's ministry? Have you been interested in meeting other men on a similar journey of faith? We will be celebrating and kicking-off our fall groups with speakers, food, and time to just be together. We want every man to be spurred on in their faith and aware of the men's ministry opportunities offered. Senior Pastor, George Davis will be one of our speakers as well as one of our elders, John Hollenbach. Join us Friday from 7 to 8:30 PM and Saturday from 9 to 12. Come for both days or only one as your schedule permits. *The Intentional Father* by Jon Tyson will be available for purchase for \$10 | The cost for the event is \$5. | Register by August 29 at hfcinfo.com

Men's Breakfast

2nd Saturday of each month starting Oct. 8 | 8 to 9:30 AM | Core Cafe

Are you looking for a no pressure environment that includes breakfast? Every second Saturday (starting in October) all men are invited to enjoy a meal together, spend time in prayer, and simply be together. | A \$5 donation is requested | No registration is required.

Men's Evening Connect

Wednesdays starting Sept. 14 | 6:45 to 8:45 PM | Room 10

There are many things pulling for our attention. It's hard to find time and make space for God and for Christian friendships. This is one of the reasons why Men's Evening Connect was formed. Men of all ages can spend time together, hearing from each other, and learning what it means to be a man of God. This fall we will be using two books: *Experiencing God* by Claude V. King and *Unquestioned Answers* by Dr. Jeff Myers. Books can be purchased at the first meeting.



SUPPORT GROUPS

Abuse Support Group

**Tuesdays starting Sept. 13
7 to 8:30 PM | Room 20**

This group is for any woman who has experienced some form of domestic abuse, which could be sexual, emotional, or physical, in their home. We want to provide a safe place for women to share their stories and experience freedom and healing. The women leading the group have experienced healing from their domestic abuse and want to walk alongside others on that same journey. To register, contact Patty Shenk: patty.shenk@gmail.com.



Surrendering the Secret

**Saturdays starting Sept. 26
6 to 8:30 PM | Zoom**

The recent Roe vs. Wade decision has put a spotlight on the conversation about abortion. We know this could be triggering for some and no matter what your past experience has been we want to care for you. Abortion can be one of the most traumatic experiences in a woman's life. Surrendering the Secret is a group designed to walk alongside hurting women and find healing through honest, interactive Bible study. Register by emailing this confidential email: sts@hersheyfree.com

DivorceCare

**Tuesdays starting Sept. 13
7 to 8:30 PM | Room 10**

DivorceCare follows a 13-week series of videos containing valuable information about working through separation and recovering from divorce. After viewing the video together, there is time to discuss and share experiences with others in similar situations. The cost of the workbook is \$21 and can be purchased at the first session. Registration is not required.

GriefShare

**Thursdays starting Sept. 15
7 to 8:30 PM | Room 601**

GriefShare is for men or women who have lost a loved one and would like to share issues and emotions with others experiencing grief. Each session includes a video providing valuable teaching on topics related to death and grief and small group discussion. The cost is \$21 for the workbook. Registration is not required.



STUDENT MINISTRIES

CORE is a place for high school and middle school students to connect with one another, with older mentors, and with Jesus. Our vision is to be an encouraging community of disciples sent to build the Kingdom of God.



CORE Summer Night | Wednesday, August 17 | 6:45 – 8:45 PM

This summer night is an opportunity for families to come and hear about our fall programming for CORE including the new 6th graders! We'll have 9 Square, drift trikes, and some friendly competitions between parents and students as well as lots of food!

CORE Sundays | September 11 | 10:30 AM | Core Cafe

Our purpose for this time is to be a learning environment that equips and challenges students with the essentials to be a committed disciple-maker beyond high school. Join us on Sundays for a time of fellowship, games, food, large group teaching, and small group discussion. Promotion Sunday will be September 11. We are excited to welcome our sixth and ninth graders into middle and high school!

Passage Ceremony | September 11 | 12 PM | Core Cafe

Families of incoming 6th and 9th graders are invited to take part in our special Passage Ceremony, which will take place Sunday, September 11 from 12 to 1:30 PM with lunch included. This is a special time to help your family transition into CORE student ministries as well as have a time of celebration and intentional commissioning. Please RSVP by **August 28**.

CORE Wednesdays | September 14 | 6:45 to 8:45 PM

Our purpose is to create a fun environment that develops deep relationships, engages students on their faith journey, and seeks to pursue God's way of living. Students are invited to participate in games, hear biblical teaching that is applicable to their lives, and grow in discipleship through small groups. We will kick-off the year on September 14 with outdoor games and snacks. Our small groups will have a chance to be together again and catch up.

Sunday Connect Groups

9 AM GROUPS

Caring Servants

(Ages 55 and up)

Leaders: Jeff and Sue Taylor
jetsakt@aol.com | 717-418-8542

This group will be attending the August Electives for the month.

Barnabas (Ages 65 and up)

Leaders: Ronald and Lorraine Royer
ronlorroy@verizon.net | 717-867-1021



10:30 AM GROUPS

Beyond (Ages 18 to 22)

Leaders: Mark and Cynthia Wakefield
mark_wake_field@yahoo.com
717-319-6785

The Branch (Ages 23 to mid-30s)

Leader: Caitlin Wilkinson
cjwilkinson1225@gmail.com
814-207-5606

KidStep Parent Connect

(Parents of children birth through grade 5)

Leaders: John and Brenda Hollenbach
nonnybren@gmail.com | 717-215-5808

Student Parent Connect

(Parents of students grades 6 through 12)

Leaders: Steve and Sheri Hoke
sljhoke22@yahoo.com | 717-507-2156
This group is on a summer break and will resume in September.

LOFT

(Ages 45 and up)

Leader: Michael Murray
mail4michael@verizon.net
717-304-3168

King's Corps

(Developmentally disabled adults)

Leader: Michelle Furjanic
msfurjanic@aol.com | 717-561-1848

Monthly socials for King's Corps occur on the first Friday of the month from September to June.

Leader: Vickie Miller
ag1-director@msn.com | 717-507-3659