Koinónia \koy-nohn-ee'-ah\ Translated from Greek, in essence the fellowship, partnership, community, and communion that exists with our Church.

## Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Lent: Walking with and Listening to Jesus

Lent is a time carved out of the Christian calendar where we remember the life and work of Jesus Christ. Historically the six weeks of Lent was meant to coincide with Jesus final journey from the Galilee region down the Jordan River, through Jericho, and into Jerusalem, where he would willingly give himself as a divine sacrifice for the sins of the world. For many, Lent is also a time of reflection of our own brokenness and imperfections, which in turn, remind us of our need for the Savior.

Some people use Lent as a time of sacrifice: giving up something in order to draw closer to God. For others they choose the opposite by add something for Lent: additional Bible reading, devotional reading, a Lenten Bible Study, or extra prayer time with God. No matter what your approach is to Lent, our focus during this period should be reflecting who Christ really is, and the power of what Christ did for us.

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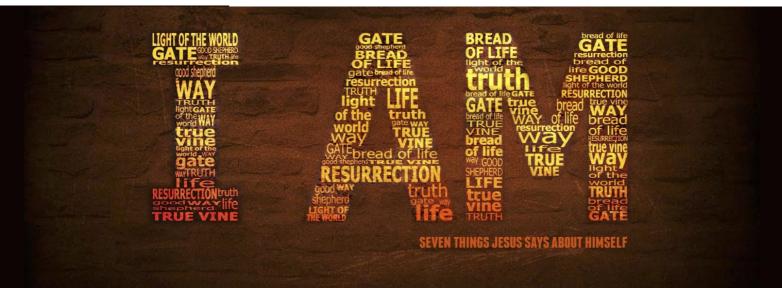
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If you really want to get to know someone, you not only need to spend time with them, but also listen intently as they describe themselves to you. For our sermon series this Lent, we are going to do just that, by taking time to study the "I AM" statements of Christ. So we will be looking at those personal proclamations that Jesus made about himself: I AM the Light of the World, I AM the Bread of Life, I AM the Good Shepherd, I AM the True Vine, I AM the Way, the Truth and the Life, and lastly, I AM the Resurrection and the Life.

It is impossible to fully embrace the Lenten journey, or even fully understand the magnitude of the events of Holy Week and Easter without fully knowing who Jesus really was and is. In studying each of Jesus "I AM" statements, we will develop a clearer picture of this amazing Savior and help to bring about a personal determination of the necessity of Jesus suffering, death and subsequent resurrection. My prayer is that through this Lenten series, you will come away with a clearer picture and deeper appreciation of the love the Savior has for you.





# Welcome Visitors and Newcomers!

Consider being a part of what God is doing here at Hillsboro Presbyterian Church!
Visitors and Newcomers are invited to everything in this newsletter.

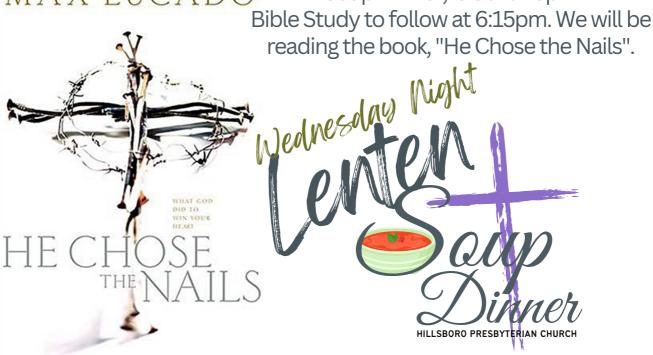
We welcome YOU in the Name of Jesus who welcomes us!

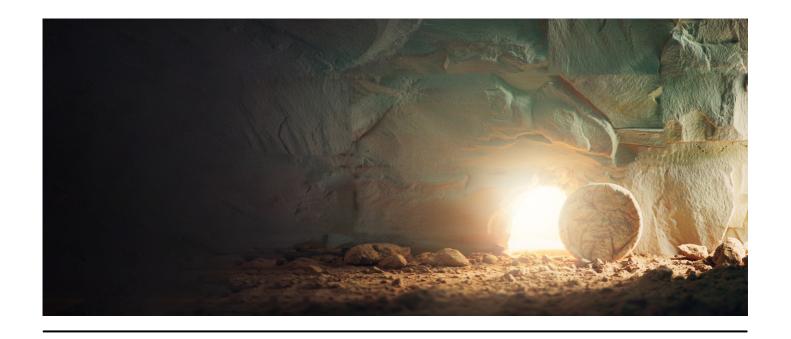
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Nancy Johnson 5
Pat Ehresmann 9
Dana Gale 23
Bruce McVean 31



MAX LUCADO Soup Dinner, 5:30-6:15pm





# Worship Schedule

Sunday, March 5 (Lent 2)
"I AM the Bread of Life"
Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday, March 12 (Lent 3)
"I AM the Good Shephard"
Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday, March 19 (Lent 4)
"I AM the Light of the World"
Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday March 26 (Lent 5)
"I AM the True Vine"
Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

#### **Deacons Beacon**

by Keith Upton



# Shine Brightly. You never know whose path you will illuminate. BE THE LIGHT

March already? Spring is in the air and looking forward to warmer and sunnier days. We are excited to enter spring with a growing congregation. We are looking forward to seeing more of you to share this excitement as you are comfortable and would love to have you be part of it.

The Deacons of HPC are here to serve Christ and the Lord's people. It is our desire to show love, kindness and compassion to

each member of the congregation, therefore, whatever support you require please contact us and provide us the opportunity to serve you. Please don't hesitate to check in with us also with any concerns, questions, prayer requests or just to say hi. We will be checking in on you on a regular basis making sure everyone is doing well. We as Deacons are the "support team" of the church to regularly attend to and support each and every one of you.

# A Hymn for Everyone

The Dentist's Hymn......Crown Hi with Many Crowns The Weatherman's Hymn.....There Shall Be Showers of Blessings The Contractor's Hymn......How Firm a Foundation The Tailor's Hymn......Holy, Holy, The Politician's Hymn.....Standing on the Promise The IRS Agent's Hymn..... Surrender All The Electrician's Hymn...... Send The Light The Shopper's Hymn...... In the Sweet By and By The Realtor's Hymn.......'ve Got a Mansion Just Over the Hilltop The Massade Therapist's Hymn.....He Touched Me The Pilot's Hymn.....I'll Fly Away The Paramedic's Hymn.....Revive Us Again The Waiter's Hymn.....Fill My Cup, Lord The Baker's Hymn......When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder The Shoe Repairer's Hymn......It is Well With My Soul The Geologist's Hymn.....Rock of Ages The Librarian's Hymn......Whispering Hope The Mail Carrier's Hymn......Delivereance Will Come The Nurs's Hymn.....Rescue the Perishing The Telephone Operator's Hymn......Jesus on the Mainline The Fisherman's Hymn.....Shall We Gather at the River

# **Events & Fellowship**

by Joanie Loepp

We are now in the season of Lent and our HPC Lenten Soup Potluck Dinners are underway. We will enjoy a meal together at 5:30 every Wednesday through March, followed by a short Bible Study led by Phil Grawburg. Break out your favorite soup recipe and join us on Wednesdays.

Also becoming available this month are tickets to our annual HPC Hops game on Friday, June 23rd. We have 32 seats reserved in Section 4. The cost is \$18/ticket. I will let you know via email when they will be available on Sundays.

And finally, as you know Events & Fellowship organizes our coffee hour time each Sunday. We are grateful to have the Deacon Team and the Johnson Family each take responsibility for one Sunday each month. We would love to have one more group or family volunteer to help with a Sunday. The responsibilities are setting up and taking down the tables and chairs (though there is almost always plenty of help with these!), setting out the tea and coffee and supplying some sort of goodies. If you would like to help but aren't able to supply and set up, we would

welcome contributions of cookies, quick breads or muffins that we can put in the freezer and use as needed. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

For more information about Fellowship and Events, email Joanie Loepp at FellowshipElder@hillsboropres.org

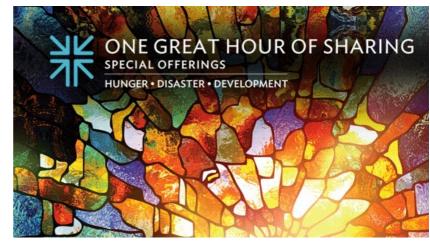


Soup Dinner, 5:30-6:15pm Bible Study to follow at 6:15pm. We will be reading the book, "He Chose the Nails".

#### **Missions**

by Jill Appel

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.



Want to get involved with missions? Email Jill Appel at MissionsElder@hillsboropres.org

#### Sacred Stewards

by Dana Gale

Thank you to those who have contributed to the per capita assessment! If you haven't, please consider donating.

Every year, we receive the Per Capita assessment from Presbytery. Presbytery has not raised this rate for several years; they felt it was necessary to raise it this year.

The money we send to Presbytery is distributed to General Assembly, the Synod of the Pacific, and the Presbytery of the Cascades. The portion that goes to the Presbytery of the Cascades pays the salary of the Stated Clerk.

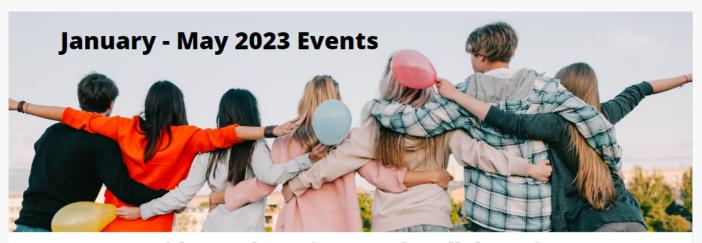
The new per capita rate is \$45.60 per member. Per capita is calculated on our church's membership total from 2021. We had 95 members at the end of 2021. Our total assessment this year is \$4,332. We pay this to Presbytery in January. -hank you

For our Christmas offerings, you all donated a total of \$2,602.24!! This will be split equally between Firm Foundation (Carly Powne), Christmas Joy, Oregon Food Bank, and HPC (church paint). That's \$650.56 to each.

God is good!

#### Education

by Jenny Sabo



#### **Westside Presbyterian Youth Collaboration**

January 28, 2023

**Bethany Pres - Service Day** 

February 17-18, 2023 **HPC - Lock in** 

March 5, 2023

**Orenco Presbyterian** 

**April 22, 2023 Old Scotch Pres Earth Day Service Project**  May 28, 2023

Orenco - Outdoor Fun

For more information contact Jill Appel or **Jenny Sabo** 

### **HPC Online Giving Available**

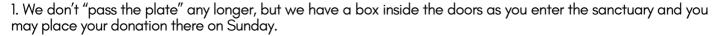
Online giving is available and ready to use for your convenience!

There are several ways you can donate online:

- 1. Download the free "Vanco Mobile" app on your iPhone or Android
- 2. Scan the QR code to the right.
- 3. Go to our website; www.hillsboropres.org and click on the "donate now" button.

You can set up a profile so it is easier each time you log in to give, or you can donate as a guest user each time. Donations can be from a checking/savings account, or a bank card.

We hope the option of donating online helps many of us who don't carry checks or cash every day, but still want to financially support HPC.



- 2. You may set up a regular "bill-pay" through your bank that will automatically send a check to the church.
- 3. You can use our online giving "Vanco" and set up a regular payment with your credit card or with your bank account.
- 4. You may set up an automatic RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) or other automatic payment from your retirement account.

## **American Red Cross**



Next blood drive is March 27th 1:30-6pm

See Sandy McFerran if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.

For an appointment please visit:

Redcrossblood.org

Use Sponsor Code: **HPC97123** 

or

Call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)





# HPC Calendar - 2023

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Choir Director Nona Scott

Worship Music Leader Laura Cunard

Custodian Donald Scott

Office Assistant Nancy Johnson

Worship: Sunday, 10am

#### Deacons:

A-E Tammy McVean F-K Sue Dever L-Q Nancy Johnson R-S Lori Wisdom T-Z Keith Upton

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Jill Appel Missions

Dana Gale Stewardship

John Stroeve Worship

Jenny Sabo Education

John McVean Property

Joanie Loepp Fellowship/Events

Brian Johnson Operations

Office hours: Mon-Thurs; 9:30-1pm

The Vision of HPC is for all to EXPERIENCE that GOD is able to do MORE by His Spirit at work within us.

Therefore:
Our Mission is to continue to build

A CARING, CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY

that is excited to 
KNOW Jesus

GROW Spiritually ♂

SHOW God's love

...all for His glory and purpose.

Ministers: The Members
"God is able"
Ephesians 3:20



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