KOINONIA

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

Acts 2:42

Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Pastoral Transition Update

First off, we want to take the HPC Family for your continued prayers and support during our pastoral transition. We are just over 9 months into this transition time, and 6 months since bringing Pastor Brian in as our interim pastor.

As previously reported, our Vision Team (Mike Appel, Dennis Baker, Sue Dever, Sandy McFerran, Shannon Perez & Dave Wesley) completed their work and submitted their report to the Session last fall. Then in January, the Vision Team gave a presentation to the Session during the Winter Retreat, which helped serve as the critical starting point for Session conversation about next steps for our church.

Those discussions included creating lists of what the Session sees as items for excitement for our church, items of concern, and lastly items of utmost importance. From these lists and the results from the Vision Report, the Session created an initial list of priorities for the next 5-10 years as well as identifying critical next steps during this pastoral transition time.

Our Session has forwarded our findings to the Presbytery and we are awaiting input and advice on our next steps. This includes seeking advice on timing and type of pastoral search for our next pastor. As soon as those become clear, we will share them with the HPC Family.

In the meantime, we are excited to see so many of our HPC Family returning to in-person worship, as well as seeing a number of new faces. We are also thankful that as a hybrid congregation, that those in our church family who are homebound still feel connected with HPC through our online worship and regular contact with their deacons. Lastly, we are thankful for HPC's spirit of generosity in the giving of your time, talent and treasure for the ministries of HPC and in supporting our mission partners. God is good, all the time!

What's inside our latest issue:

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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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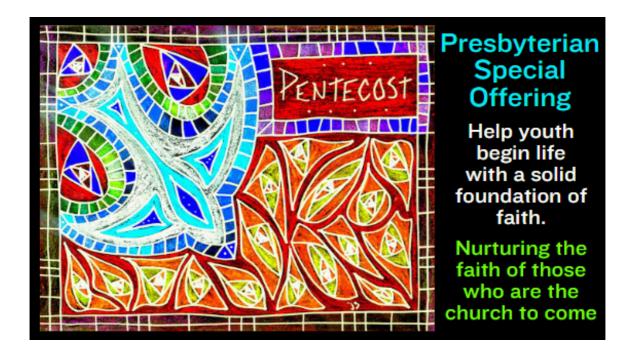
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Bert Schroder

Joanie Loepp

Bob Stebe





Worship Schedule

Sunday, April 2 Palm Sunday "I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life" Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

> Thursday, April 6 Maundy Thursday, 6:30pm Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday, April 9 Easter "I AM the resurrection and the Life" Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

> Sunday, April 16 "Illusions" Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday April 23 "Sometimes It's Different" Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

> Sunday April 30 Service Sunday

Deacons Beacon by Keith Upton



Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path

I would like two let everyone know that the directories are done and ready. Nancy has a few hard copies in the office. If you would like to have it sent to you so you can download it to your computer get in touch with Nancy and she will send you an email with the attachment. For security reasons we do not have the directories on our web site. If there are any questions please get in touch with Nancy.

We would like to encourage those of you that have reservation about in person church to think about checking it out again and enjoying the fellowship and fun with us. Our congregation has been growing

every week and we would love to have you a part of that. Invite a friend or neighbor and show them what our church is all about.

The deacons are praying for each and every one of you that God is in your corner keeping you safe, healthy and spiritually in tune.

Property by John McVean



You may not know that we now have three congregations using our church building. The Church of Jesus Christ (IDJC) has been using our facilities for a while now on Sunday afternoons and Monday and Friday evenings with a monthly potluck in our fellowship hall. The new congregation is The Potters Church (IPLC) and they use our building on Sundays, Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 6 to 10 PM. So, if you happen to drive by and see lots of cars in our parking lot, it is probably one of the other congregations. These folks are paying us for using out building and this gives us some breathing room with our already tight budget. God sent these people to help us in more ways that just money. Maybe someday we should have a joint Sunday worship? Any thoughts or questions can be brought to any of our elders on session.

Missions by Jill Appel



PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERINGS CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world.

April 30th is our next Service Sunday

We have invited Reedville Presbyterian Church will be joining us in April for Service Sunday. We will be making sack lunches for Blanchet House. There will be a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

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



Events & Fellowship

by Joanie Loepp



A blessed Easter to you from your Events & Fellowship team. Please join us for an Easter Sunday pastry breakfast on Sunday, April 9th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. If you are able, please bring muffins, bread or fruit to share, but please join us either way! Coffee, tea and juice will be provided.

Looking ahead: Hops tickets for our annual HPC Evening at the Hops' will be available after the service beginning April 2nd. The game is on Friday, June 23rd at 7:00pm and tickets are \$18 apiece.



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

Clerk's Corner by Gary Gale

Here is the current update from the last session meeting:

• Live streaming and in-person Worship services continuing.

• Communion observed in the sanctuary on February 5th and March 5th.

 Read thank you letters from Medical Teams International, ARMS, Firm Foundation in Christ Ministries, Village of Hope, Quiet Waters, and Presbytery of the Cascades (for per capita).
Lenten suppers starting. Bible study after

supper. • One Great Hour of Sharing ongoing through Lent.



• Pastor Brian met with Reedville Pastor Leonard. Reedville would like to work on something with HPC. Proposed alternating Service Sundays starting in April. Jill will talk to Pastor Leonard.

• Still need to schedule election of 2023 Nominating Committee.

• Proposed HPC Corporate bylaws revision:

10a. There shall be three (3) Trustees, all being current or previous elders, elected for one (1) year at a congregational meeting in the month of January, the date set by the Session.

Will need to be voted on at a Congregational meeting.

• The following members will be moved to inactive status: Cydney Bledsoe, Max Geppert, Gabby Geppert, Gary Jones, Crystal Jones, Mike Kilgore, Teresa Morse, Dave Perez, Shannon Perez, Michelle Whittington, Liz Williams, Kevin Williams.

• Accept the following member transfers to HPC: Rick and Jacquie Harrison from Immanuel Community Reformed Church in Lansing, Michigan and Evelyn Unkefer from Hillsboro United Methodist Church in Hillsboro, Oregon.

• New membership class to be scheduled. Need to determine who would like to attend.

- \cdot Roof leaks still being worked on.
- · Old copier has been recycled.
- Hispanic church barbeque moved from the back patio. Working with the church to remove it.
- · Spring cleaning work day (inside and out) scheduled for April 1st.
- · Stay safe and healthy.

Session minutes are available in the church office.





Sign up to bring in flowers or make a donation in lieu of flowers. The sign up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall

Sacred Stewards

by Dana Gale

.At the end of February, this is where we are financially. Income includes pledges, offerings, building use income, interest income, and designated income.

	Actual	Budget	Difference
Total Income	\$48,719	\$34,595	\$14,124
Total Expense	\$40,120	\$41,655	(\$ 1,535)
Net Income	\$ 8,599	(\$7,060)	\$15,659

The income that we've received so far includes a large, one-time donation. We don't expect to have that happen again this year.

Remember, we passed a deficit budget so that at the end of the year, we expected to spend about \$13,500 more than we had income to cover.We have recently started renting to a second Hispanic church. The rent we receive from that will make up for the deficit, and we now have more income than budgeted expenses for the year. -hank

Amazing God! Amazing people. Thank you.

Education by 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 "<u>donate now</u>" 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.



1. We don't "pass the plate" any longer, but we have a box inside the doors as you enter the sanctuary and you may place your donation there on Sunday.

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 May 24th 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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						1 Spring Church Clean Up 10am 6-10pm
						Potter's House
2 10am Worship (Live Stream) Communion 1-5pm IJC	3 6-8pm IJC	4 4:30 Praise Team	5 Lenten Soup Dinner 5:30pm Bible Studay 6:15pm	6 Maundy Thursday Service 6:30pm	7 Good Friday	8
6-10pm Potter's House	8pm AA	6-10pm Potter's House	6:45-8pm Choir	8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	6-10pm Potter's House
9am Breakfast 9 Easter 10am Worship (Live Stream) 1-2pm IJC	10	11 4:30 Praise Team	12 12pm Operations	13 6-10pm	14	15
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10am Worship 16 (Live Stream) 11:30-12:30 Deacons' 1-2pm IJC 6-10pm Potter's House	17 6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	18 Ladies Bunco 1pm 4:30 Praise Team Session 7pm 6-10pm Potter's House	19 6:45-8pm Choir	20 6-10pm Potter's House 8pm AA	21 6-8pm IJC	22 Youth Event Earth Day Old Scotch 6-10pm Potter's House
23 10am Worship (Live Stream) 1-2pm IJC 6-10pm Potter's House 30 Service Sunday 10am Fellowship Hall 1-2pm IJC	24 6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	25 4:30 Praise Team 6-10pm Potter's House	26 6:45-8pm Choir	27 6-10pm Potter's House 8pm AA	28 6-8pm IJC	29 Laura McMillan baby shower 2-5pm 6-10pm Potter's House
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Choir Director Worship Music Leader Custodian Office Assistant Nona Scott Laura Cunard Donald Scott Nancy Johnson

Worship: Sunday, 10am

Session:

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

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

Deacons:

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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