



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

Photo by Gary Gale

Rev. Kelly Dickson

Hillsboro Presbyterian Church, this weekend we will kick off our summer sermon series through the Psalms. HPC has been in a season of transition and because the Psalms articulate the prayers of God's people in every transitional season, this focus felt appropriate for us this summer. We will look at the Psalms through the lens of the seasons of life we are in and allow the words of the Psalms to inform the way we pray individually and collectively.

Old Testament scholar and theologian, Walter Bruggeman is known for pointing out that the Psalms give voice to the human experience and each psalm reflects one of the various seasons of life we find ourselves in. He argues that almost every Psalm can be placed in one of three categories: a Psalm of orientation, disorientation, or new orientation.

In Psalms of ORIENTATION God is experienced as good and is praised for being the one who establishes structure and order. In these psalms life makes sense, is predictable and, everything is as it should be. Psalm 1 and 23 are classic examples of Psalms of orientation... "The Lord is my shepherd, I have everything I need..." Or "Blessed is the person who delights in the law of the Lord," In other words, I am at peace with God, I belong to God and am in awe of God.

On the other hand, Psalms of DISORIENTATION are the prayers of those who are broken. These are psalms of lament where confusion and anger ooze out. They reveal an existence in which nothing makes sense, and the injustices of life are just overwhelming. A great example of a psalm of disorientation is Psalm 13: "How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?" These are raw, honest and are usually spoken by those experiencing deep grief or disillusionment.

And Psalms of NEW ORIENTATION reveal a shift, a moving forward...away from the disorientation that was...toward new possibilities. There is hope, gratitude, a change in perspective. While these Psalms make mention of the unavoidable pain and chaos in life, more prominently, there is a determined focus on the good gifts of God and a commitment to name the faithfulness of God.

The Psalms are the songs of the soul—gifts from the great cloud of witnesses who have gone before us. We are going to allow them to invite us into reflective conversations with God as we journey through this new calendar season (summer) and continue in our own seasons of the soul.

Additionally, we hope to offer a book club opportunity through a book on prayer/spiritual formation to further the application of this journey through the Psalms in the context of community. We invite you to journey with us this summer as we pray the Psalms!

With you on the journey, Pastor Kelly

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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!

Birthdays

John Stroeve	2	Elaine Baker	19
Linda Rittenhouse	4	Brian Johnson	22
Tracie Dahl	15	Jason Appel	23
		Judy Sullivan	28

Anniversary

Tammy & John McVean	6
Kelly & Dustin Dickson	6
Lisa & Bob Stebe	9
Candice & John Stroeve	25
Christine & Dave Wesley	29

Would you like to be a part of HPC's wonderful committees?

Operations meets every month on the **2nd Wednesday** at noon.
The next meeting is **Wednesday, June 12th** at noon.

Events & Fellowship next meeting is **Sunday, June 23rd** after service.

PSALMS

prayers

FOR EVERY SEASON

Worship Schedule

Sunday, June 2nd
Communion
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Rev. Kelly Dickson

Sunday, June 9th
Psalm 86
Rev. Kelly Dickson

Sunday, June 16th
Father's Day
Psalm 65
Rev. Kelly Dickson

Sunday, June 23rd
Psalm
Leslie Hanscom

Sunday, June 30th
Service Sunday
Hygiene Kit Assembly

Pastor Search Committee

by Rick Harrison



Many are asking about the progress of the Pastor Search Team. We have interviewed three candidates in on-line Zoom interviews. Of the three, we did bring one candidate to interview in person and preach at another nearby Presbyterian Church. After prayerful consideration, the Pastor Search Team decided that the Holy Spirit was not leading us to offer this Pastor a position.

The Team has interviewed two other on line, one did not consider the Stated Supply terms suitable and the other, we did not pursue any further.

We have a Zoom interview scheduled with a candidate on June 3rd and we are attempting to get schedules aligned for another Zoom interview as well.

Please, everyone, keep praying and seeking for the one that God would have for us. The Team have worked so well together and we honor and love each other deeply.

Please know that if you access the HPC website, there is a link in the upper left corner of the page to more about the Pastor Search Team and search information.

Deacons Beacon

by Keith Upton

The Bible often uses agricultural to illustrate spiritual growth, and June's seasonal changes are no exception. The June Harvests, for instance, are symbolic of the blessings God presented to His faithful followers. Think of the wheat and barley crops that ripen during this month. They're not just sources of physical survival, but also represent the spiritual nourishment provided by the Word of God. As a matter of fact the transition from spring to summer in June can symbolize spiritual growth and maturity. Just as crops grow and mature under the sun's warmth, believers under God's love and guidance also grow and mature. So, the seasonal changes in June aren't about shifts in weather or agricultural activities; they're fixed firmly and deeply in the Biblical teachings. June serves as a great reminder of God's promises and our potential for spiritual growth.



Education

by Rick Harrison

I want to take a brief moment to look at what we have been doing in the Lectio Divina classes on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM.

Lectio Divina is a contemplative way of reading the Bible. It dates back to the early centuries of the Christian Church and was established as a monastic practice that can be traced back to at least the 6th century. It is a way of praying the scriptures that leads us deeper into God's word. We slow down. We read a short passage more than once. We chew it over slowly and carefully. We savour it. Scripture begins to speak to us in a refreshing way. It speaks to us personally, and aids that union we have with God through Christ who is himself the Living Word. Thus, Lectio (Reading) Divina (God) – in short – divine reading.

I would encourage you, if you have not joined us on Sunday mornings to consider this acrostic:

P – Pray that God will reveal His Word to you in a personal way.

R – Read to understand. Read a passage again and again. Look up words you may not readily understand the meaning. Read it in another translation. Enjoy the Word – It is exciting when understood. Write in a journal or note book.

A – Ask – Again pray to ask God to bring the reading to life for you. How is the Holy Spirit speaking to you personally about what you have read.

Y – Yield – This may be the hardest part. Yield to what God is teaching you. Don't discard anything the Holy Spirit may be teaching you.

Stop by in our class at 9:00 AM on Sundays. Right now we are pre-reading and praying over the passages given in Pastor Kelly's sermons. Please feel free to ask me anything about Lectio Divina.

Rick Harrison – Education and Discipleship Elder



Fellowship Hour Donations

We are looking for donations of baked goods (store bought or homemade), coffee creamer, and cold drinks. If you would like to help set up and clean up coffee hour, contact Joanie.



Missions

by Jill Appel

Sunday, June 30th is Service Sunday. We will be making hygiene kits

for Northwest Children's Outreach. NCO stands in the gap between poverty and caring agencies with resources to help children. Below is a list of products needed. On Sunday, June 30th we will assemble the kits for NCO. Thank you for helping Missions and the children NCO supports.

Shampoo
Conditioner
Toothpaste
Toothbrush
Razor



Deodorant
Soap
Wash Cloths
Baby Wipes
Feminine Products

Youth

HPC partners with 3 other churches to bring youth group experiences to 6-8 graders. Our next event is a Summer Celebration Movie Night on Saturday, June 15th. If you have a youth that would like to attend, contact Jill Appel for the details.

July 14th

Youth Pool Party

Talk to Jill Appel
for the details.

YOUTH EVENTS

**Summer Movie Night
June 15th**

**Pool Party
July 14th**

**Corn Maze
October 5th**

**Rise Against Hunger
September 21st**

Clerk's Corner

by Gary Gale

Here is the current update from the last session meeting:



- Live streaming and in-person Worship services continue.
- Communion observed in the sanctuary on May 5th.
- Rev. Danny Peters will be the guest preacher on June 23rd. Leslie Hanscom from Valley Community Presbyterian will preach on June 30th.
- Pastoral Transition:
 - Still looking for the right candidate, have one interview pending and one new applicant to review.
- Roofing consultant contracted for Stage 2 Re-Roofing Specification and Bid Document Process.
- Rick will meet with Rev. Kelly regarding what comes after Lectio-Divina for next Bible study.
- Sabbath video part II was well received, reminder that if you missed the opportunity to watch at HPC, these videos are available for viewing on YouTube. August 18th HPC will hold a BBQ and outdoor service, HPC to provide Hot Dogs.
- Stay safe and healthy.

Session minutes are available in the church office

Events & Fellowship

by Joanie Loepf

Hello, HPC Family!

This month is our annual HPC Night at the Hops. Tickets are for Friday, June 14th at 7pm against the Tri-City Dust Devils. Fireworks follow the game. There are still plenty of tickets left so please consider joining us. Tickets are \$18 per person and will be available after Sunday services.

Happy Father's Day to all our dads!



Friday, June 14th

Join our HPC family for a night at the Hillsboro Hops. Tickets are \$18 each and the game starts at 7pm. It's Fireworks Friday! Talk to Joanie about tickets.



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.



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

The next blood drives is

Monday, July 22nd

from 1:30-6:30pm.

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 - 2024

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1 8am-12pm Potter's House 6-10pm Potter's House
2 10am Worship Communion 1-5pm IJC 6-10pm Potter's House	3 6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	4 4:30 Praise Team 6-10pm Potter's House	5	6 6-10pm Potter's House 8pm AA	7 4-8pm IJC	8 6-10pm Potter's House
9 10am Worship 1-2pm IJC 6-10pm Potter's House	10 6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	11 4:30 Praise Team 6-10pm Potter's House	12 12pm Operations	13 6-10pm Potter's House 8pm AA	14 6-8pm IJC	15 6-8pm Youth Movie Night 6-10pm Potter's House
16 10am Worship Father's Day 11:30 Deacons' 1-2pm IJC 6-10pm Potter's House	17 6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	18 1pm Ladies Bunko 4:30 Praise Team 7pm Session 6-10pm Potter's House	19	20 6-10pm Potter's House 8pm AA	21 6-8pm IJC	22 6-10pm Potter's House
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Worship: Sunday, 10am In-person and Live Streamed

Session:

Jill Appel	Missions
Dana Gale	Stewardship
Rick Harrison	Education/Discipleship
Nona Scott	Worship
John McVean	Property
Joanie Loepp	Fellowship/Events
Sandy McFerran	Operations

*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

Deacons:

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

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Worship Music Leader	Laura Cunard
Custodian	Donald Scott
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