NOVEMBER 2022 I HILLSBORO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# 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





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We invite our HPC Family to bring their pledges on Sunday, November 6th, as we dedicate them before the Lord during communion. If you are unable to join us in-person, we encourage you to mail in your pledge to the church office as soon as possible. We GIVE THANKS to all of our amazing church family who help support the mission & vision of HPC.





# 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**

# Linda Redmond 7 David Wisdom 12 Liz Williams 15 Dennis Baker 16 Elroy Schindler 21 Kyler Fritz 24 Margaret Flaherty 30

#### **Anniversaries**

Dennis & Elaine Baker 11 Kevin & Liz Williams 21



Advent Special Offering

Hillsboro Presbyterian Church - November 27-December 24

100% of donations go directly to these respected charities along with a gift for HPC.



# Worship Schedule

Sunday, November 6th Communion Sunday Titus 2:1-15 Living Out the Gospel Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday, November 13th Titus 3:1-8 Life in the Spirit Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday, November 20th Titus 3:8-15 Christian Witness Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday, November 27
1st Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 40-1-5
Preparing out Hearts for Christmas
Rev. Dr. Brian Craker

Sunday, December 4th
2nd Sunday of Advent
Luke 1:5-25; 57-66
hEARt- When Angels Speak (Zechariah)

#### Deacons Beacon

by Keith Upton

Hey everybody

It is that time again where we are getting excited about the coming holiday seasons and look forward to Thanksgiving. There is so much to be thankful for during this time. As Deacons we are thankful for all of you and we pray and look forward to seeing and talking with you regularly. You know it is not always the Deacons that are here for you. All of us can be a light to someone that is in need or just wants an ear to listen. I know that Lois Martz and Cindy Thomas are a dynamic duo working together and reaching out to those that can't come to church or just stopping by and saying hi. They are our behind



the scenes honorary Deacons and we appreciate all they are doing. I would like to encourage those of you that have reservation about in person church to think about checking it out again and enjoying the friendship and fun with us and our new interim

pastor Brian. He is so full of energy and preaches a great sermon as well as an all around great guy. If for any reason you don't have a ride and would like to come please let me or your Deacon know and we can surly arrange a ride for you. Our congregation has been growing these past few weeks and we would love to have you a part of that.

I know it is a bit early to think about Christmas but the bulletin board in the narthex will be changing to a winter theme after Thanksgiving. That being said we again are going to have all your Christmas cards displayed on the bulletin board. There will be plenty of room for all cards and are looking forward to seeing them. Bring them anytime after Thanksgiving or the first part of December and pin them to the board.

Again, We will be checking in on you on a regular basis making sure everyone is doing well. Please don't hesitate to check in with us in between with any concerns, questions, prayer requests or just to say hi. We as Deacons are the "support team" of the church to regularly attend to and support each and every one of you.

Cheerfully in Christ Keith

# **Directory Update**

If you would like
an updated picture
for the directory
please see Gary
Gale after worship. Also
if you have a new
address, phone number or
e-mail address please call
or e-mail Nancy.

OfficeAssistant@hillsboropres.org



# FALL BACK

SET YOUR CLOCK BACK ONE HOUR ON THE EVENING OF SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

#### Sacred Stewards

by Dana Gale

In keeping with our theme of giving thanks, enjoy this recipe for a thankful holiday.

Recipe for a Splendid Thanksgiving (from an early American cookbook)

Take the crisp cold of a November morning.

Add two equal parts of sunshine and autumn colors in air so clear, it tinkles.

Into a thankful heart, mix the excitement of some children,

the love of their parents, uncles, aunts, and cousins, and the pride of their grandparents.

Add the lightest whiff of cooking aromas from the kitchen.

Stir, then place gently near a glowing hearth.

Set the mixture to rise in the warmth of a dream of charity toward all men.

It will be nearly ready to serve when it bubbles with warmth and good feeling.

Garnish with a sincere blessing and serve in the middle of the family table to the tune of an ancient doxology.

This recipe is sufficient to serve amply all the men, women and children of the whole, wide world.

Here is an update on where we stand financially through the end of September.

Income includes pledges, offerings, building use income, interest income, and designated income.

Total Income \$ 125,314.62 Total Expenses \$ 151,054.47

Net Income (Loss) (\$ 25,739.85)

We had to move money from savings to cover all the expenses.

## 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.

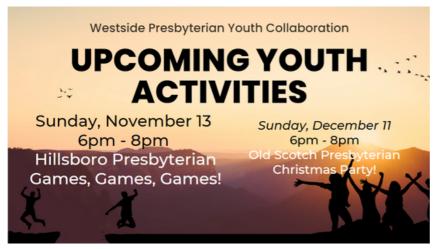


- 1. We don't "pass the plate" any longer, but we have a box inside the doors as you enter the sanctuary and you may place your donation there on Sunday.
- 2. You may set up a regular "bill-pay" through your bank that will automatically send a check to the church.
- 3. You can use our online giving "Vanco" 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.

#### Education

by Jenny Sabo

Four Presbyterian Churches (Hillsboro, Bethany, Orenco, and Old Scotch) are joining forces to provide a monthly youth event for their kids grades 6th–12th.



- Sunday, November 13, 6pm-8pm at Hillsboro Presbyterian Church.
   Games, Games, Games! Dinner included with a variety of games; foosball, ping pong, sardines, and so much more.
- Sunday, December 11, 6pm-8pm at Old Scotch Presbyterian Church. Christmas Party! Dinner included and lots of cookies.

Contact Jenny Sabo with questions and to get involved!

EducationElder@hillsboropres.org

### **Missions**

by Jill Appel

As the Christmas season approaches, many giving opportunities are presented to us. We are trying something new at HPC. We will be combining the Alternative Gift Market, Three Tables of Joy, and the Christmas Joy Offering into one event, Advent Special Offering. We have four great giving opportunities, our church, our community, our country, and our world. Any monetary donations will be equally divided among these four groups. We are also excepting food donations for the Food Bank.

#### **Advent Special Offering**

**Our Church.** HPC would greatly benefit from interior painting. Your donations would go towards painting some of the interior spaces in our church.

**Our Community.** No one should ever go hungry, therefore we continue to partner with the Oregon Food Bank.

**Our Country.** Presbytery's Christmas Joy Offering is an offering that provides assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color.

**Our World.** Firm Foundation in Christ Ministries, Carly Powne. Continuing support for Carly through her work in Africa as she helps new believers build a strong relationship with Christ.







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



TEAMWORK Makes the DREAMWORK!! God is Blessing HPC and Village of Hope-Uganda!

On Saturday, October 22, 18 Craft (4 HPC and 14 Community) Vendors joined together to 'sell their wares' to the Washington County Community.

We enjoyed a Squadron of Helpers!!

Debbi Like organized the Newspaper Advertising! GREAT WORK, Debbi! As a result, HPC had vendors from other counties as well as Washington State.

Jill Appel & Steve Dever provided Facebook and HPC Web site Information, as well as vendors being able to sign up online. Using social media makes HPC more effective in the community. Jill Cessna organized the HPC Bake Sale: GREAT, TASTY RESULTS!!!

Bakers & Sellers: Jill Appel, Sonya Baker, Jill Cessna, Sue Dever, Sandy Fulk, Dana Gale, Nancy Johnson, Debbie Like, Tammy McVean, Greta Schindler, Nona Scott, Ćindy Thomas, Becky Wilson Set-up/Clean-up: Keith Upton, Jill Appel, Steve Dever, Dana & Gary Gale, John & Tammy McVean, Nancy Johnson, Dave & Chris Wesley

Income/Expenses

Vendors 'rented space and tables' \$540

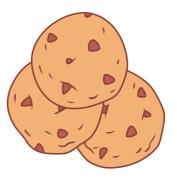
Bake Sale \$769.51 \$1,234.51 Subtotal

(\$75)Advertising

\$1,234.51 Check to go to Village of Hope-Uganda TOTAL

THANK YOU, HPC!

Sue Dever, HPC Craft Fair Chairperson



HPC Chili CookOff

## **Events & Fellowship**

by Joanie Loepp

Greetings from your Events & Fellowship team. It's hard to believe we'll soon be getting ready for Thanksgiving. If you sometimes find yourself looking for ways to use that leftover turkey, we have the solution ... turkey chili! We'll be holding our second annual CHILI COOKOFF on November 27th after the service and we hope you'll join us. It's also our day for readying the sanctuary for Advent and we look forward to sharing this meal afterward (note: if you have turkey-fatigue, a pot of your own famous chili may be in order; it's also a great time to try out a new recipe). Details will follow during announcements and in emails.

In the meantime, we'll offer an after-service movie event on November 13th. We'll post the Sunday, November

movie offering on tabletop notices on the Sundays prior.

Blessings, Joanie Loepp Events & Fellowship Elder

> Would you like to volunteer? Contact Joanie Loepp at FellowshipElder@hillsboropres.org



Choir has started again. The choir is looking at two anthems in November, one or two anthems in Advent and a carol or two for the Christmas Eve service. Always looking for new members. Let Nona Scott know if you are interested.

Pastor Brian will continue his sermon series on Titus into the Advent season. During the Passing of the Peace he will also bless any children who are attending the Worship Service.

Christmas trees will be set up in the Sanctuary and FSH on 11/27/22 to be decorated after the Worship Service. It is suggested that members purchase individual poinsettias and bring them to church to decorate the Sanctuary starting on 11/27/22.

Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols will begin at 5pm this year so families will have time afterwards to do family or friend get togethers. We are looking for a variety of voices, young, old, male, female to read the Lessons. Let Pastor Brian or John Stroeve know if you are interested in reading.



Looking at doing a prerecorded micro service for Christmas Day and New Years Day so members and families can spend time with families and friends.

Any suggestions regarding Worship please let Pastor Brian or John Stroeve know.

#### American Red Cross



September Drive
Results
Goal: 41
Units Collected: 29!!
87 Lives Potentially
Saved!

Our upcoming blood drive is:

Monday November 7th and 28th 1:30-6pm

For an appointment please visit: Redcrossblood.org or

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

#### 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 October 2nd.
- ·Christmas Eve service will be lessons and carols at 5pm. Christmas morning and New Year's morning will be prerecorded micro services. Two Christmas trees (one for the sanctuary and one for the fellowship hall) will be decorated on November 27th following a potluck. January communion will be January 8th, Epiphany Sunday.



\*Combining Alternate Gift Market, Three Tables of Joy, and Christmas Joy offering into one Advent Special Offering. The Advent Special Offering will be divided equally among several mission outreaches (1. Special gift for the church (building paint?). 2. Food for the Oregon Food Bank. 3. Presbytery Christmas Joy. 4. Firm Foundation in Christ Ministries.).

- ·Trunk-or-Treat event cancelled for this year.
- ·Second annual Chili Cookoff after the service on December 4th.
- ·Westside Presbyterian Youth Collaboration (Hillsboro, Bethany, Orenco, Old Scotch): Meeting November 13th, 6-8pm at HPC for games and pizza.
- ·Will continue to gather information on commercial kitchen requirements in regard to allowing Laura of Dog-O-Licious to use the HPC kitchen.
- Discussions regarding overall finances, stewardship, and budget. Where are we at? What steps may/need to be taken?
- One deacon nominee accepted. Will be short one deacon nominee. Congregational meeting November 20th to elect elders and deacons. Will install elders and deacons December 11th.
- Pastor Search update: Session will be reviewing the Vision Study Report after the first of the year. At that point, a mission study for HPC will need to be completed (possibly using portions of the Vision Study) to be presented to Presbytery. Then the Pastor Nominating Committee can be formed. Please be patient and allow the process to work. In the meantime, enjoy the gift of our Interim Pastor.
- ·Stay safe and healthy.

Session minutes are available in the church office.

Prayerfully, Gary Gale Clerk of Session



# HPC Calendar - 2022

S	M	T	W	Т	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
		4:30 Praise Team	6:45 Choir	8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10am Worship (Live Stream)	Blood Drive 1:30-6pm		12pm Operations			
1-2pm IJC	6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	4:30 Praise Team	6:45 Choir	8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10am Worship (Live Stream)						
Youth Game Night at HPC 6-8pm	6-8pm IJC	4.20 Draica				
1-2pm IJC	8pm AA	4:30 Praise Team	6:45 Choir	8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
10am Worship (Live Stream)						
11:30-12:30 Deacons'				Thanksgiving		
1-2pm IJC	6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	4:30 Praise Team	6:45 Choir	8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	
10am Worship (Live Stream) 1st Sunday of Advent Chili Cook Off Tree Decorating	Blood Drive 1:30-6pm	29	30			
1-2pm IJC	6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	4:30 Praise Team	6:45 Choir			



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				8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	
4 10am Worship (Live Stream) 2nd Sunday of Advent	5	6	7	8	9	10
1-2pm IJC	6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	4:30 Praise Team	6:45 Choir	8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	
10am Worship (Live Stream) 3rd Sunday of Advent Installation of Elders	12	13	14	15	16	17
Youth Event at Old Scotch 6-8pm 1-2pm IJC	6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	4:30 Praise Team	6:45 Choir	8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	
18 10am Worship (Live Stream) 4th Sunday of Advent	19	20	21	22	23	24
11:30-12:30 Deacons' 1-2pm IJC	6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	4:30 Praise Team	6:45 Choir	8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	Christmas Eve Service 5pm
25 Pre recorded service, watch online with your family.	26	Blood Drive 1:30-6pm	28	29	30	31
CHRISTMAS 1-2pm IJC	6-8pm IJC 8pm AA	4:30 Praise Team		8pm AA	6-8pm IJC	

Office Assistant
Choir Director

Nancy Johnson Nona Scott Deacons:

Choir Director
Worship Music Leader

Laura Cunard Donald Scott A-E Tammy McVean F-G Nancy Johnson H-L Jeanie Morgan M-R Jill Cessna

Worship: Sunday, 10am

S Lori Wisdom T-Z Keith Upton

#### Session:

Custodian

Jill Appel Missions

Dana Gale Stewardship

John Stroeve Worship

Jenny Sabo Education

John McVean Property

Joanie Loepp Fellowship/Events

Brian Johnson Operations

Office hours: Monday- Thursdays 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

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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