Harbor View Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter





CELEBRATION SUNDAY

Let's **ALL** come to worship in the sanctuary on **Sunday**, **December 5th** and celebrate with thanksgiving to God that we can all be together again! As you recall, we were unable to worship together during Advent and Christmas because of the pandemic (before vaccines were available). Now we can be together as a community of faith preparing for the celebration and birth of Christ. We also invite you to join us for coffee fellowship afterwards so you may write the name of a loved one down for an ornament in

their memory, which will be placed on our outdoor Christmas tree. (You may also contact the church office with the name of the loved one and it will be added.) There is much to look forward to as we enter the season of Advent..... thanks be to God that we can be together again!

Click here for the complete list of holiday season services and events.



HVPC's Early Childcare & Education Program (ECEP) is hiring

two full time teachers! If you know anyone who may be interested, please have him/her contact Ms. Janice at hvpccblum@comcast.net. No calls, please. The salary is competitive, the environment warm and collaborative and the work is rewarding.



This Thanksgiving, please consider helping James Island Outreach.
There are many ways to get involved.
Click here for details on the
Thanksgiving Community Service on
11/21 (Pastor Rusty will be part of the service). \$20 and \$40 donations
provide partial and full holiday meals to local families in need.

Presbyterian Women Morning Circle invites all women who would like to join us either in person in the Beach Room or virtually on Google Meet on Tuesday, November 16th at 10:00 a.m. We are very grateful to Deborah Bobo and Tracy Conner for helping us have our first really good hybrid meeting in October. This year's PW Bible study is What My Grandmothers Taught Me. The author is Merryl Blair, an enthusiastic Old Testament scholar, who lives in Australia. The study is based on the five women named in Matthew's genealogy of Jesus: Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Uriah's wife (Bathsheba), and Mary.

In September and October we enjoyed sharing pictures and stories of our grandmothers. This month all are invited to bring wedding pictures, and we will be looking at the story of Tamar. The scripture is Genesis 38. Please contact Nancy Andrews (843-743-6684) if you have any questions, would like a studybook, need help with transportation, and/or would like a virtual invitation.



Thank you to everyone who helped with the gym clean up and Men's Winter Clothing Drive distribution last week!

Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."



Where do we find God? HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE!

The third week focusing on 2022 Stewardship!

We are fast approaching the end of the 2022 "Seussian" stewardship campaign and YOU have stepped up to the challenge placed to the congregation. Those who pledged to worship, pray and give so far have shown a deep commitment to building your personal relationship with God. No, it is never simple or straight forward. There will always be paths that take each of us away from the 'perfect' relationship with God. But if we choose to serve in terms of pray, participation and financial gifts **CHEERFULLY**, with honestly, with compassion, with patience, empathy and love, we will see that link between faith, God and each of us - grow! How can we not be **CHEERFUL** with that result!

So far; we have talked about "HERE!", taking care of and making our facility safer, updated, and efficient so that HVPC is a place where we live "Sharing God's Love with ALL!". Thing 1 and Thing 2 tried to identify that the chaos in our daily lives can be focused and channeled into great things through God. This week is all about "THERE!". How do we as individuals and as a congregation, value the life-long learning journey of faith and our relationship to God; passing on our traditions of LOVE and vision of sharing, to those young in age or new to the church? There is only one Seussian character that I can think of that focuses on how the efforts of today impact the folks who will learn to love and lead HVPC. If you have one - make sure to plant that Truffula Seed - make your commitment to HVPC so we can **GROW** into our vision of "Sharing God's Love with All!".

For those who like the hard numbers; we've talked with Anne Hanstke and Mary Stoll (they serve as our current and incoming treasurer) this week. There are some people who faithful give electronically - using automatic/regularly scheduled offerings. To those families and individuals- thank you. We would ask that you provide a pledge card or fill out the pledge survey so that our estimates of 2022 financial resources can better link to the budget requests Session is beginning to review. Folks are pledging and turning in the commitment cards (online and in person), but we are not there yet! We sent ~90 letters to families and roughly 15 have returned pledges as of this newsletter. That's GREAT and THANK YOU! Those 15 obligations have averaged an increase over 2021 giving by about 15% (THAT IS AWESOME!). Click here to pledge online or use the QR code below.

Peace and Grace;

Ed and Anne Wirth

"Sharing God's Love with All!"







For the first time ever, we will be livestreaming! We will be streaming both of our Saturday performances. Follow the link below to reserve your spot now! https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/57868



ANGEL TREE

This year, HVPC is sponsoring <u>31</u> children (<u>7</u> more kids than last year)!

Official Angel Tree Sign Ups start next **Sunday**, **11/21**. But, if you'd like to commit to a child early, please email or call Natalie at office@harborviewpc.org or 843-795-4072. Each child receives a minimum of

one gift valued at approximately \$25. Wrapped gifts will need to be brought to the church by **12/12** and the distribution will take place on **12/19**.

Ryan Gamble (11/11) Shawn Conner (11/13) Virginia Thomas (11/14)



Caroline Hays (11/22) Fisher Lingenfelter (11/22) Jason Bondarenka (11/25) Randy Greenhill (11/25)



Please be in prayer for:

The Royall Family, Sarah Kindsvater and family (Alixanna Benson's sister), John DeVane, Pam Pickenpaugh, Rodney Dantzler family, Jim and Pat Hodnett, Anita Sloane, Marg Mills, Kitty and Cam DeVane, Wilma Deddish, Paul Rumple, Tommy & Sue Mathews, Dennis Mottin Sr., Ronnie Hill, Lois Amos, Bob & Audrey Geiger, Peggy George, Tom & Beth Gibbs, Gabbie Pasela, Betty and Dan Mizzell, Franklin Foster, Charles Truluck, Brittany Baker, Tom Ellenberger,

Roy Evans, Jane Murphy, Tammy Powles and Richard, Tyler Thompson, Mariah Buttler, The Chavis', Timothy Ellenberger, Suzanne Deddish Taylor, Rosemarie DeGroot, John & Page Thomas, Jim Hampton, Virginia Thomas, The Woods Family, Paul Bauersfeld, Dwanda & Bob Millege, Rich Lane, Alyssa Marie Brown, Laura Deddish Burton, Liz Lasicki.



"Sharing God's Love with All"
- Mark 12:31

Mission Statement: Harbor View Presbyterian is a neighborhood church that fosters relationships through worship and fellowship, spreads love through outreach, and seeks to create a spiritual environment for lifelong learning.

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