

# Church on Wednesday Fellowship Meal

Wednesday, December 20 at 6 p.m.  
we will be gathering for our monthly  
dinner in the fellowship hall.

We will be putting together blessing  
bags for the homeless & our  
homebound members and singing  
Christmas carols until 6:30 p.m.

Please bring comfort items such as  
chapstick, tissues, socks, deodorant, hand  
sanitizer, toothbrushes & paste, lotion,  
snacks, water bottles, used books,  
puzzles, blankets, etc.

**Merry**  
*Christmas*



**Thanks to all who selected angels this year to support prison ministries!**

We will distribute gifts to families between 1-3 p.m. if anyone is interested in joining us. See Alixanna Benson, Sandra Bessent, or Anne Hantske with any questions.

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Its not too late to order a poinsettia today!

This Advent and Christmas season, we invite the purchase of poinsettias in memory of or in honor of friends and loved ones. The poinsettias are \$17. They are delivered in foil without a bow. The names of donors and those memorialized or honored will be displayed on the worship announcements for the Christmas Eve service.

Please use this form to purchase your poinsettias by Thursday, December 14. Make your check out to Harbor View Presbyterian Church with poinsettia in the memo line.

You will be able to pick up your poinsettia after the Christmas Eve service.

[Submit your Christmas poinsettia order form here today!](#)

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Christmas is a time for celebration!

Christmas is a special time that God gives us to reflect on all of the wonderful ways that our Lord has worked in our lives through the gift of life given to us in Jesus our Messiah!

This year, we welcome and invite everyone to bring friends, family members and all whom we have the blessing of sharing Christmas with to our very special Christmas Eve Presentation called, *DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS*.

The Service will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve (Sun. Dec 24<sup>th</sup>). There will be music, fellowship, and a very special presentation of the Christmas story for both children and adults alike. Please be sure to bring your children as they are always such a blessing and as there is a special part of the service just for them!

We are very blessed to be able to share this wonderful season together and pray that it has been and will continue to be a most wonderful Advent for you and that you and yours look forward to a most merry Christmas!

In Christ,

Rusty



### ***THE PERFECT GIFT***

When Jesus was born among us, he came as a helpless baby destined to bring joy, peace and salvation to his people. This child, God's Word made flesh -fully human and fully God- became one of us. One with us. One among us. In all of our vulnerabilities, struggles and triumphs, Jesus became one of us -leading us, knowing us, connecting us to himself and to each other, and offering us his gift of eternal life. The perfect gift. Through the Christmas Joy Offering, we reflect God's perfect gift to us, with generous

support of church leaders among us -past, present and future- who have pointed us to God. We honor and celebrate leaders like retired pastors, church workers and their families who have faithfully guided and led us but who now find themselves in critical financial need. We honor and celebrate emerging leaders like students in schools and colleges equipping communities of color, who develop leadership skills as they pursue their education and prepare to bring their gifts in service to the world God loves so much. Jesus' example as a child born to be among us and lead us to eternal life provides a pattern for us to follow as we celebrate those who have led us in the past and will lead us into the future. Through the Christmas Joy Offering, we come together to support past, present and future leaders, embodying God's perfect gift to us, Jesus Christ.

[Click here for the Christmas Joy website and find out more about how your gift helps.](#)

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This month, **Presbyterian Women Morning Circle** will meet on Wednesday, December 20 at 10 a.m. in the Beach Room. Please note this is not our usual Tuesday date. We will be discussing Lesson 4, "Mary and Martha Encounter Jesus," based on the scripture of Luke 10:38-42. Visitors are always welcome including all Marthas and Marys! Contact Nancy Andrews for more information and/or help with transportation.

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**The Greeters this Sunday are:**

Bob McKay, Gary Gist,  
Sandra Russ, Frances Bath



Mrs. B.T. Bouton 12/14  
Tommy Mathews 12/15  
Jimmy Rivers 12/17

Mickie Benton 12/20  
Bob McKay 12/22  
Chad Atwater 12/24



**Coffee Fellowship Helpers in December:**

December 17 - Brenda Gist  
December 24 - Sannie Cook  
December 31- Nancy Parnelle



**Nursery Volunteers in December:**

December 17 - Susan Brown  
December 24 - Susan Brown  
December 31 - Gail Truluck

*Pick up your 2024 giving envelopes in the narthex.  
ECEP will be closed December 25 - January 1.*



**Flowers for the Sanctuary**

We encourage everyone to bring your own fresh flowers or silk arrangement. The flower sign up is located on the door in the hallway across from the old kitchen. 2024 is out now.

**Please be in prayer for:**

Anthony Hisnanick (Kathy Chessman), David Horowitz, Heather Walker, Michelle Brown, Cornwell family (Mike & Pam Shuler), Amanda Yoder, Sherry Osborne (Mary Stoll), John Thomas, John & Betty DeVane, Jerome Sloane (Rieko Sloane), Elsie Clees, Mike & Wilma Deddish, John & Beverly O'Brien, Nelson Springer, Charles Truluck, Lois Amos, Marg Mills, Tommy & Sue Mathews, Rosemarie DeGroot, Virginia Thomas, The Woods Family.

**Special Events:**

December 17 - Angel Tree gifts delivery 1-3 p.m.  
December 20 - PW Morning Circle at 10 a.m.  
December 20 - Church on Wednesday at 6 p.m.  
December 21 - Men's Breakfast at 9 a.m.  
December 24 - Christmas Eve evening worship service at 6:30 p.m.  
January 4 & 5 - Back Pack Buddies  
February 1 & 2 - Back Pack Buddies  
February 11 - Scout Sunday & BBQ fundraiser  
February 24 - Oyster Roast at Truluck Island  
February 29 & March 1 - Back Pack Buddies  
March 23 - Water Missions Walk For Water  
March 28 & 29 - Back Pack Buddies  
May 2 & 3 - Back Pack Buddies  
May 30 & 31 - Back Pack Buddies

**Weekly:**

Coffee Fellowship  
Flowers for the Sanctuary  
James Island Outreach food delivery

**Monthly:**

Lunch Bunch (first Tuesday)  
Presbyterian Women Morning Circle (third Tuesday)  
COW - Church on Wednesday (third Wednesday)  
Backpack Buddies  
Men's Breakfast (first & third Thursday)  
Book Club (third Sunday)  
James Island Outreach Food Pantry Volunteer Team



You may give online [here](#).

Access the Church Directory [here](#).

See a list of the HVPC Session members and email addresses [here](#).



“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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