

## *Harbor View Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter*

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If you've never attended S.T.E.P.S. (Studying, Teaching, Equipping, Praying, Serving) before, I highly recommend going next year. It is a chance to learn and experience something new in the 24 different classes offered.

One of the courses that I took this year was "Being Presbyterian in the Bible Belt," titled after a book with the same title. Described on the cover as "A theological survival guide for youth, parents, and other confused Presbyterians."

I took the class because of one question that I hear often is... "What is different about being Presbyterian than other churches?" Great question. I didn't even know myself when I married a Presbyterian twenty years ago and switched from having been raised a Methodist.

First, we are Protestants. Protestants were a group of Christians that broke away at the time of the Reformation to make some changes in the church. We examine our lives and practices to see that we are in obedience to Jesus Christ. We believe that salvation is by grace through faith. We are not saved by our own good works, but by God's unearned love.

Secondly, Presbyterians are in the Reformed branch of the Protestant family. "Reformed" is the official theology of many denominations that sought to eliminate or change in the life of the church which the Bible condemned.

Thirdly, is the Presbyterian form of government. The name "Presbyterian" refers to the government by presbyters, which is Greek for elders. This is in contrast to the Episcopal government which is governed by Bishops and have a congregational form of government. We, as Presbyterians, are a representative democracy. The congregation elects people to serve as elders on the Session which is the administrative board. Interestingly, this is how the U.S. government was patterned after.

We are connected with other Presbyterian congregations through our representatives, and we share ministry with other churches.

Our mission is to share with others the life and power of Jesus Christ whom we've come to know and embrace as Lord of all.

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), in its constitution, expresses its belief in many ways. One is the formulation of a document known as the "Great Ends of the Church." It states:

1. The proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind
2. The shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God
3. The maintenance of divine worship
4. The preservation of the truth
5. The promotion of social righteousness
6. The exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world

Hopefully this will shed some light on the question if you are ever asked, "Are you saved, or are you Presbyterian?"

Peace and Blessings,

Pastor Scott

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Labor Day is Monday, September 2. *Happy Labor Day!*

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### **Dave Ramsey Solutions**

*A budget tells your money where to go, instead of wondering where it went.*

-John Maxwell

It's estimated that the average family allows \$400,000 to slip through their fingers every five to ten years. Financial planning and budgeting can help prevent that.

We will offer Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University from September 29 - November 24. Classes will begin at 2 p.m. every Sunday for nine weeks.

Students will view videos, followed by class discussion at these approximately one-and-a-half-hour meetings. \$79

For more information contact: Carol Rees, 843-879-3088, [ables@peoplepc.com](mailto:ables@peoplepc.com).

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**Bible Study** with Pastor Scott begins again this week on Wednesday, September 4 in the Activity Room at 6 p.m.

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### **LUNCH BUNCH**

Tuesday, September 3 at 12:00 p.m.  
My Father's Moustache on Maybank Hwy.  
Please let Sandra Russ know at [smruss@bellsouth.net](mailto:smruss@bellsouth.net) if you plan to attend.

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## Piano Lessons are here at Harbor View Presbyterian Church!



*Private Lessons*

*Music for Little Mozarts Classes*

*Group Theory Classes*

*Piano Camps*

*Who? Children Ages 4-Adult with Mary Kay Hopkins, Instructor*

*Why? Because private music education has been proven to boost math and life skills*

*When? Openings available Wednesday and Thursday, 10:00-5:00.*

*What? 42 piano lessons/year with a flexible summer schedule.*

*Contact Mary Kay Hopkins to schedule at (229)733-1540 or pianoteach63@gmail.com.*



### **Coffee Fellowship Helpers in September:**

September 1 - Tracy Conner  
September 8 - Sandra Bessent  
September 15 - Worship in the Park  
September 22 - Nancy Parnelle  
September 29 - Sandra McNay



Mary Stoll 9/1  
Gail Truluck 9/2  
Wilma Deddish 9/3  
Amelia Flynn 9/3



**Nursery Volunteers in September:**

September 1- Rossie Webber  
September 8- Beth Hyams  
September 22-Sandra Bessent  
September 29- Lucille Royall

**The Greeters this  
Sunday morning are:**

Chad Atwater, Hugh Donnan,  
Denny Woods



**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 and we will also email the sign up spreadsheet to everyone soon so that you can sign up online. You can also use this link to sign up online [here](#).

There are 3 spots left for the year. Sign up now!

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*We would like to start a new and updated prayer list. If you would like to add someone or to have someone remain on the list, please contact Margie in the church office at [office@harborviewpc.org](mailto:office@harborviewpc.org) or call 843-795-4072.*

**Please be in prayer for:**

Kara Barnard (Pam Hays), Sue Matthews, Sue Murner (Karen Lassiter), Kaya S., Missy Atwater and family, John Thomas, Cindy Dahl & Lynn Rivera (Nelson Springer), Bob Ross (Betty DeVane), Monica Stevens, Alexia Brown, George Lavezzi, The Wilkerson Family, John & Betty DeVane, Mike & Wilma Deddish, John & Beverly O'Brien, Charles Truluck, Lois Amos, Tommy & Sue Mathews, Rosemarie DeGroot, The Woods Family.

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*Margie will not be in the office September 16 - 23.  
ECEP & the Church Office will be closed on Labor Day Monday, September 2.*

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**Special Events:**

September 2 - Labor Day  
September 3 - Lunch Bunch at My Father's Mustache at Noon  
September 4 - Bible Study with Pastor Scott in the Activity Room at 6 p.m.  
September 5 - Men's Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 9 a.m.  
September 7 - Art Journaling in the Fellowship Hall at 10 a.m.  
September 10 - James Island Outreach Food Pantry Volunteer Team at 9-11:30 a.m.  
September 15 - Worship in the Park  
September 15 - Book Club in the Beach Room at 3:30 p.m.  
September 17 - PW Morning Circle  
September 18 - Church on Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (Bible Trivia)  
September 19 - Men's Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 9 a.m.  
September 29 - 5th Sunday Potluck after the worship service  
September 29 - Financial Peace University begins for 9 weeks through November 24  
October 5 - Women's Retreat at Truluck Island  
October 16 - Church on Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (Bingo)  
October 26 - Church Clean Up Day  
October 26 - Fall Festival  
November 20 - Church on Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (Giving Back)  
November - Consecration Sunday  
December 8 - Outdoor Christmas Tree Lighting  
December 18 - Church on Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (Carols & Cookies)  
December 29 - 5th Sunday Potluck after the worship service

**Weekly:**

Bible study *\*skip June, July, August*  
Coffee Fellowship  
Flowers for the Sanctuary  
James Island Outreach food delivery

**Monthly:**

Lunch Bunch at noon (first Tuesday) *\*skip June, July, August*  
Art Journaling in the FH at 10 a.m. (first Saturday)  
PW Morning Circle in the Beach Room at 10 a.m. (third Tuesday) *\*skip June, July, August*  
COW - Church on Wednesday in FH at 6 p.m. (third Wednesday) *\*skip June, July, August*  
Backpack Buddies *\*skip June, July, August*  
Men's Breakfast in the FH at 9 a.m. (first & third Thursday)  
Book Club in the Beach Room at 3:30 p.m. (third Sunday)  
James Island Outreach Food Pantry Volunteer Team at 9-11:30 a.m. (second Tuesday)

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*You may give online [here](#).  
View our 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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