

Harbor View Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter

Dear Harbor View Friends,

We are beginning our stewardship season, a time to celebrate all that God has given us, and to gratefully plan our gifts to God's work. I think it's best to start with gratitude, not for material things but for things that are most important in life. My gratitude list includes being thankful for my connection to God, planted in me from a very young age. I also appreciate the special people in my life, my family and friends, who encourage and care for me and help me throughout my life. I give thanks for my cats, who are sources of love and joy. I'm so happy I have the freedom to live without fear, in safety and security, and I have the opportunity to pursue my passions and interests in art, theology, and whatever else stirs my soul. What are you grateful for today? When you make a list, even a short one, you begin to see that you've been given so much, and we naturally want to give back!

Now comes the part when we plan what to give back. The church often uses the categories of time, talents, and treasure to remind us of the multiple ways we can give.

Time includes our commitment to coming to worship, to praising God together with our hearts and voices. We can also give time by serving on committees, volunteering to help with church events, visiting church friends who are sick or in the hospital or nursing home, teaching Sunday school, sharing our musical talents with the church, or working with children's programs. How are you giving your time to God? What time can you commit for God's plan?

Talents include taking an honest look at what we are really good at doing, and then considering how we can use that ability for the cause of Christ. I'm an artist, so I look for ways to use my art to glorify God or help the church. What are your best abilities? What are your strengths? Take some time to list them and consider how each one could be given in service to God. You might be surprised when you start thinking of how your abilities can be used for God's glory!

Treasure includes financial gifts and donations to ministries that are spreading God's love, helping people who are struggling, standing up for justice, or otherwise doing the work of God. We typically think of this as church donations, but you may wish to contribute in other ways, too! Maybe you give to people you know who need help, doing so in God's name, and expect nothing in return. Maybe you make a legacy plan for what happens to your goods after you die, and you give a percentage to God's work. I hope you will also make a 2026 pledge to the church!

All these ways of giving are valid and important, but they take thought and intention. My encouragement for you this stewardship season is to make a real plan for giving. If it's been a while since you thought about it, block out some time to truly consider how you will choose to give back to God. I know that God will bless you as you prioritize your grateful response to God's goodness!

In Christ,



Rev. Tricia
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Let's Add to our Meditation Garden

Great news! We have enough money to purchase one more bench and are on the way to the second one. It takes 2 to make a table and we would love to have these in time for our Fall Festival. If you would like to donate, please drop the money by the church or [donate online](#) with Buildings and Grounds as your designation.



Women's Retreat

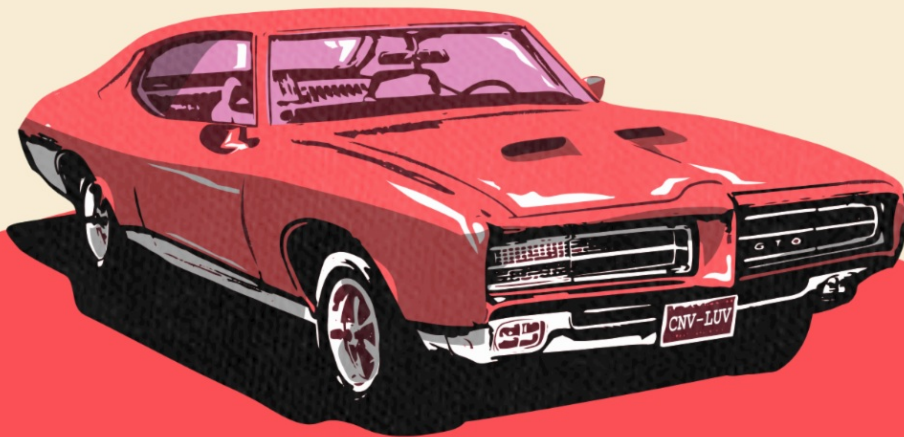
The **1 Day Women's Retreat** is Saturday October 4th at beautiful Truluck Island. It will be from 9am to 3pm. We will be studying the Apostle's Creed. Breakfast and lunch are included. The cost is \$20. Please let Tracy Conner know if you can attend no later than this Sunday, September 28th.

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ALL TYPES OF VEHICLES WELCOME
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:00 AM - NOON



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Bible Study with Pastor Scott is on Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Beach Room.



Greg Hays 9/30
Brian Dantzler 10/2
Nancy Parnelle 10/3
Eric Stewart 10/3
Maggie Wirth 10/3



The Greeters this Sunday morning are:



Coffee Fellowship Helpers in September & October:

September 28 - Sandra McNay
October 5 - Gail Truluck
October 12 - Nancy Parnelle
October 19 - Anne Dantzler
October 26 - Frances Bath



Nursery Volunteers in September, & October:

September 28 - Anne Dantzler
October 5 - Beth Hyams
October 12 - Susan Brown
October 19 - Gail Truluck
October 26 - Nancy Parnelle



Flowers for the Sanctuary

We encourage everyone to bring your own fresh flowers or silk arrangement. We now have the paper copy on the door in the hallway again.

Please use this link to sign up online [here](#) or use the sign up sheet in the hallway.

Prayer List

John & Beverly O'Brien, Martha Blackwelder's sister (Gail Truluck), Jeff Switzer (Gail Truluck), Michael Floyd (Rhodine's son), John (Eric Phillip's father-in-law), Joan Loy, Lois Amos, The Stewart family, The family of Alyssa Brown (John & Betty DeVane's daughter's niece), Becky Linnville, Tom Brown & family (Ms. Brown, ECEP teacher), Shawn Ensley (Devon Gamble), Mitch Tyler (Monica Stevens), Rosemarie DeGroot, Steve Murray, Linda Burrell, Sue & Sarah Matthews, Sandra Russ, Bill & Bob Ross (Betty DeVane), Kara Barnard (Pam Hays), Sue Murner (Karen Lassiter), John Thomas, Cindy Dahl & Lynn Rivera (Nelson Springer), George Lavezzi, John & Betty DeVane, Mike & Wilma Deddish, Charles Truluck, The Woods Family.

Special Events:

October 1 - Bible study in the Beach Room at 6 p.m.
October 1 - Bells Rehearsal at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary
October 2 - Men's Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 9 a.m.
October 2 - Singers Rehearsal at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary
October 4 - 1-day Women's Retreat
October 5 - World Communion Sunday
October 6 - Serving dinner at The Citadel for The Journey
October 7 - Lunch Bunch at noon
October 14 - James Island Outreach Food Pantry Volunteer Team at 9-11:30 a.m.
October 16 - Men's Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 9 a.m.
October 19 - Book Club in the Beach Room at 3:30 p.m.
October 21 - Presbyterian Women Morning Circle in the Beach Room at 10 a.m.
October 23-24 - Backpack Buddies
October 25 - Cars & Coffee at 9 a.m.
November 1 - Art Journaling
November 1 - Fall Festival
November 2 - Daylight Saving Time Ends
November 27 - Thanksgiving Day
November 30 - Consecration Sunday Lunch
December 4-5 - Backpack Buddies
December 14 - Outdoor tree lighting

Weekly:

Bible study on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Beach Room **skip June, July, August*
Bells Rehearsal on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. **skip May, June, July, Aug*
Singers Rehearsal on Thursdays at 6 p.m. **skip May, June, July, Aug*
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) **skip June, July, August*
PW Morning Circle in the Beach Room at 10 a.m. (third Tuesday) **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)



You may give online [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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