

CORNERSTONE

Monthly Newsletter

Palm Sunday

"Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" Luke 19:38

They were waving palm fronds as they welcomed their King. Palm Sunday is the beginning of Passion Week. We begin with palms.

Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday is observed as the Last Supper Jesus had with his Apostles. They were celebrating the Passover.

The Worship service begins at 6:00 and will include the Lord's Supper.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt will be the Saturday before Easter this year. The date is March 31st and the time is 1:00. Watch for details in the HHPC Sprouts Newsletter. POC: Marie Schroeder.

Decoding the Color Scheme

Within the life of the church, color has long been used to give a visual indicator of what is happening. Whether is it a marking of the rhythm and movement of the liturgical season, or the noting of a special celebration within the life of the church, the colors of the paraments that we use in worship have deep meaning.

Please note these descriptions are based on Presbyterian tradition.

Purple = Preparation

Purple is the color that is used during seasons of preparation: Advent & Lent. During (the four Sundays before Christmas and the 40 Days before Easter, respectively), to dedicate ourselves to preparing our hearts and minds for welcoming Christ.

Red = Spirit

The color red is used for Pentecost Sunday, where the church celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit to the early church as tongues of fire. Red has so closely come to be associated with the Holy Spirit, that red paraments are also appropriate for the celebration of the sacrament of baptism.

White = Holiness

We use white any time we are celebrating days that emphasize the divinity of Christ: Christmas, Easter, Baptism of the Lord, Christ the King, and so on. For the most part, if you find white paraments in the sanctuary, you are worshiping on a day that has great significance to our understanding of Jesus as God.

Also, since white has come to symbolize holiness, it is also often used for the celebration of sacraments (baptism and communion).

Green = Presence

During the majority of the church year, which is commonly called "ordinary time", the color is green. Green is often associated with life, the use of green reminds us that our triune God is present among us, breathing life into us and into our church.



Church Leadership

Staff

Tim Foster Senior Pastor
Jerry Brundle Assistant Pastor
Jason Gatlin Youth Director
Patrick Holmes Young Adult
Director & Contemporary Music
Leader

Marie Schroeder

Children's Ministry Director Mary Smith

Financial Administrator Rosie Blatt

Administrative Assistant Chiquita Paulson Music Director Lauren Fiveash

Ensemble Director & Pianist Cindy Phillips Organist Bikram Ranapheli Guitarist Jason Gatlin Sound Technician Chrissy Thornton

Parents' Day Out Director

Elders

Bob Donan - Clerk

Class of 2018

Tom Bright Lin Fryman Steve Deaux

Class of 2019

Josh Bond Clint Bowden Kendra Bowers Jason Gatlin Janis McCarty

Class of 2020

Richard Armour - **Treasurer** Lesa Hart Rob McCleary

Deacons

Class of 2018

Steve Allen Kim Batson Joy Bowden Linda Melear

Class of 2019

Nikki Bond - **Moderator** Lori Brown Traci Gatlin Deborah Johnston

Class of 2020

Barb James Don Rush Linda Rush



Pastor's Remarks

Billy Graham died this morning (February 21st). He was known as America's Pastor and the Pastor to the Presidents. An episode of "The Crown" on Netflix is about how the Queen has turned to Dr. Graham for spiritual guidance throughout her reign.

Though Rene and I never heard him preach in person, we watched his crusades on television many times. In my mind's eye, I picture him as he looked in the 1970's and 80's - full of life, holding his Bible in one hand and gesturing with the other. I loved to hear his strong, Southern voice as he preached about the love of Jesus. Those crusades are rebroadcast on various TV channels, and, of course, you can watch them on YouTube. I read his daily column in the newspaper every morning and continue to turn to books he wrote. I encourage you to download the Decision Magazine app; it will keep you upto-date on world events from an evangelical Christian perspective, and it always includes an archived article written by Dr. Graham.

My Grandparents, Rev. L. K. and Mary Frances Foster, had the privilege of meeting Ruth and Billy Graham at their mountain home in Montreat, NC, where Dr. Graham died peacefully today. I remember my Dad talking about how he was inspired when he attended one of his crusades in the late 1950's.

Billy Graham shared Paul's view of life and death: "For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain." Let's thank God for this influential, yet humble, preacher, who the Lord worked through to draw millions to Himself.

Remember that I love you, and please continue to be faithful in worship and in giving.

Your Pastor and Friend,

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MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
				1 6:30 Men's Bible Study Ken Morrison Allyson Krug	2	3 Shirley McLaurine		
4 The Lord's Supper 9:45 Confirmation Class	5	6	7 5:30 Supper - Hot Dogs, Meatloaf, Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad Desserts 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir Conner McKeller	8 6:30 Men's Supper 6:30 Forever Young @ Huey's Haley Moody	9 Anthony & Jenny Pollina	Pam Lewis		
11 Daylight Saving Time Begins 9:45 Confirmation Class 12:30 Deacons' Meeting Janice Dalrymple	12	Bo Ware Nathan Sussey	14 5:30 Supper - Hot Dogs, Chicken Parmesan, Noodles, Salad, Desserts 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir	15 10:30 Hope Circle 6:30 Men's Bible Study Clint & Gisele Buchanan	16 Lesa Hart	17		
Nick Batson		SPRING BREAK						
9:45 Confirmation Class 12:45 Service Sunday Jeff & Pam Lewis	19	20 1st Day of Spring 7:00 Marine Corps League Bob & Dot Fleming George & Glenda Krug	5:30 Supper - Hot Dogs, Corned Beef, Vegetables, Desserts 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir Elvin Glaze Bob Donan	10:30 Sarah Circle 6:30 Men's Bible Study 6:30 Elders' Meeting	23 Becky Deaux Connie Thornton	24 Linda Melear		
25 Palm Sunday 9:45 Confirmation Class	26 Larry Maxwell	Jeff Allen Tiffany Street	5:30 Supper - Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Mac & Cheese, Desserts 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir	6:00 Maundy Thursday Service with The Lord's Supper	30 Good Friday Office Closed	31 1:00 Easter Egg Hunt Morgan Ilsley Drew Perkins		

Marin 18 Service Sunday



Plan to bring cookie dough and stay after church on March 18th for the bake-athon! We know you could just bake cookies at home and bring them, but you'll have more fun with your sisters and maybe some brothers if we get in the kitchen together and bake 'em up.

Then we will need folks to deliver. The cookies will be going to police & fire stations to thank them for their service.



Save the Date!!! April 21st at the Memphis Zoo

Life Choices Life Walk is the perfect family friendly event!
More information coming soon on how to sign up, join a team or start a team.



Building Up the Church of Jesus

Over the past few months, HHPC has experienced a painfully high number of deaths of church members and their family members. The sorrow and loss has been an emotional burden on all of us. It is difficult to find a reason to be joyful in these circumstances. But I have found one. In the midst of the

substantial effort that is required to perform each funeral service and the reception that often follows it, I have seen our church family mobilize over and over to do what has to be done, for the grieving family and friends, and to glorify God in the midst of all of the effort required. Whether it is participating in the funeral service itself, or reaching out to the grieving, or preparing the luncheon, or cleaning up afterward, or preparing the bulletin, or doing all of the many tasks associated with the funeral that go unnoticed by most of us, our church family was there, willingly, unselfishly and lovingly.

And this has been true for not only for funerals, but for the many special events and meals that have been served over that same period of time. And for all of those who volunteer for all of the countless jobs that must be done on a daily basis as a part or the normal business and ministries of our church. That's what it means to be a member of a church. That's what Jesus wants for and from each of us. As we are told in Ephesians 4: 11-13, So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." Works of service. Not just certain kinds of works of service, not just those that seem to us to be "holier" than others, but all kinds of works of service, especially those that get little attention or praise, but which are so necessary for making everything come together beautifully in all of our church activities and ministries. To all of those who have gone above and beyond the call of duty during these recent months, your church thanks you. More importantly, according to Ephesians, you have been fulfilling Christ's call upon your life as a member of his church.

What about you? Do you have a ministry or ministries at HHPC? If not, you need to find one! We need every member participating so that, as was said earlier, "the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." It really is a labor of love—our love for Him, and His love for us.

With much love,

Jerry Brundle, Assistant Pastor

This appeared in the Fayette Falcon newspaper Feb. 7, 2018



Donation to West Tennesse Veterans Home

Holly Swagger (2nd from right), President of West Tennessee Veterans Home, recently accepted a \$6,000 check for the West Tennessee Veterans Home building project from the Marine Corps League at Highland Heights Presbyterian Church. This brings their total donations to over \$11,000, thanks to Sgt. Singleton Marine Corps League Detachment 476.



Set your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, March 10th. Oh, and this is also a good time to check or change the batteries in your smoke detectors.



Easter Sign Ups



Traditionally, we offer the congregation the opportunity to purchase a lily to be placed in the

sanctuary either in honor of someone or in memory of a loved one. The lilies are still \$8.00 and come with a gold pot cover. There will be envelopes in the pews racks to place your order. They are yours to take home.

Another tradition for Easter is breakfast. After the Sunrise Service breakfast will served beginning at 7:30 and continue until 9:30. There are also envelopes for RSVPing for your family.

Ladies, don't forget to wear your *Joan Bingham* hat to Easter services. Her neighbor is planning to come to HHPC to see all those hats being worn at one time.

"A man after God's own heart."

The Youth will focus on David.





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March

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4 The Lord's Supper Lesson: The Old Testament	5	6	7 5:30 Supper - Hot Dogs, Meatloaf, Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad Desserts 6:30 Activities	8	9	10
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Youth News

We will be opening in March continuing our path through the Old Testament. First up is the life of David and the many things we can learn from his success and failure in being "a man after God's own heart".

Wed nights we will have discussions covering several areas of current events and hot topics. For our March field trip, we will head to Urban Air and see if I can continue my path of joint destruction.

Lastly, we have a date of July 23rd through the 28th for Summer camp. We will again be doing Camp MVP also known as Camp of the Rising Son in French Camp Ms. I am in the planning group for this camp and I am really looking forward to a huge participation from HHPC. I mean, who does not like a week of zip lining, water slides, rock climbing and learning about Christ.

TOPS March 13, 2018 Olive Garden, 11 am Salvation Army Adult Rehab Center Family Store, 12:30

We know the sight of the red kettles and the bell ringers (including Pastor Tim and other HHPC members) who accompany them at Christmas. We know the Salvation Army trucks that pick up our gently used items.

But do you know that Pastor Jerry's grandparents worked with the Salvation Army? Do you know the Salvation Army has a substance abuse rehabilitation center for 50 men and 50 women who pay no money, but help run the rehab facility, the warehouse, and the Family Store, all on Kirby Whitten? While learning about the saving grace of Jesus Christ? What else you do not know about this Christian organization, founded in 1865, will surprise you.

Join the TOPS members at Olive Garden for lunch at 8405 Hwy 64 at 11 am. Then scoot on over to 2649 Kirby Whitten Rd for an

informative presentation about the Salvation Army. We'll also tour the Bartlett Rehabilitation Center (day room, library, a resident room), the warehouse, and the Family Store.

This is an amazing ministry, and I can't wait to hear the presentation again.

The van will be available and RSVP's will be distributed. Watch your bulletin for details.

Thirty-three from HHPC enjoyed a delicious meal in an elegant private room at "lunch menu" prices in February at The Butcher Shop. The fellowship was especially warm and fun.

Age 55 or up? Our co-ed group is inclusive, not exclusive. Please join us; we think you'll be glad you did.







Pictures from The Butcher Shop outing.

Elders' Notes - 1.25.17

- Patrick Holmes was hired as the Young Adult Ministry Director/Contemporary Worship Leader. Let's welcome him to HHPC!
- 2) Approval was given to the request of Matthew Wade and Ashley Thomas for Dr. Foster to perform their wedding in the Sanctuary on August 11th.
- 3) Stay tuned for "Exploring Highland Heights" a class for those interested in learning about what it means to be a Presbyterian Christian and more about HHPC specifically. POC: Pastor Tim and Pastor Jerry.
- 4) The order for the new Church sign and electronic message board has been

- placed, so stand by! The mock-up is in the lobby.
- 5) \$16,504 is in the fund designated for the installation of two projectors and screens on each side of the Good Shepherd window in the Sanctuary. The goal is \$30,000.
- 6) Debt Reduction Campaign receipts through January 25th were \$168,557, which is 67% of the goal of \$250,000.
- 7) General Fund receipts through December 31st were \$437,161 and expenses were \$433,877 for a surplus of \$3,284. The reserve checking account balance is currently \$57,135.

