

# CORNERSTONE

## Monthly Newsletter



**Thank you to the congregation. Everyone has been so generous with donations.**

**For the month of September the focus will be Clothing and Accessories.**

### **Suggestions:**

- ♦ **Shirts and Pants**
- ♦ **Loose-fitting Dresses**
- ♦ **Underwear**
- ♦ **Shoes and Socks**
- ♦ **Flip Flops**
- ♦ **Hats/Scarfs/Mittens**
- ♦ **Thread/bead Bracelets**
- ♦ **Wrist Watches**
- ♦ **Tote Bags/Purses**

**Any donation is greatly appreciated.**

**Donations boxes are outside the gym and the Sanctuary.**

## ***Welcome, New Members, Nancy Purcell & Valerie Schwab***



**Nancy Purcell:** I was born and raised in upstate New York. I graduated from nursing school and went to work at the Albany Medical Center. I met my husband on a blind date to the Marine Corp Ball. We have been married for 44 years. I followed him throughout his 27-year career that took us all over the country. We have 5 children and 6 grandchildren. We moved to Lakeland in 2000 when my husband retired from the Marines and took a job with the Navy. I'm looking forward to his second retirement. We spend our time with my daughter Valerie, granddaughter Allison, and our Giant Schnauzer, Pearl.



**Valerie Schwab:** I grew up here in Memphis. After high school I joined the Marine Corps and served four years as a legal admin at Cherry Point, NC. I did one deployment to Camp Bastion Afghanistan. After deploying I wanted to get out and start a family. I got a job as a Correctional Officer in a medium / maximum security prison for four years. I was blessed to have my daughter Allison come into my life so I quit my job and spent her first year as a stay-at-home mom. Divorce brought me back home to Memphis back in 2017. I joined the Memphis Police Department shortly after moving back where I'm still currently serving as a Detective.

While looking for a preschool for Allison, my mother and I came across the HHPC PDO program. We set up a meeting and were instantly impressed! Allison absolutely adored being in Ms. Rene's class. I had a bad night at work and about a week later I sat down with my mom and told her I was ready to go to church. Allison was so welcomed at PDO, so I sat in on the later service and instantly loved how welcoming everyone was. The following week Allison and my mother joined me, and we have felt at home since!

*Nancy Purcell & Valerie Schwab joined HHPC on April 24.*

## **PRAY for HHPC Children and Youth Families**

Members of HHPC are invited to join in praying for the children and youth who attend HHPC. Prayer is one of the finest gifts we have to offer our children. We will be covering these families in prayer throughout the 2022-2023 school year. All are invited to be part of this unique Ministry of Blessing. To learn more on how to become an HHPC Prayer Partner contact Barb James ([barbjames51@gmail.com](mailto:barbjames51@gmail.com) or 901.356.5743).

The PRAY for HHPC Families Kickoff will be Wednesday, September 7 at 6:15 p.m. in the church gym between the church supper and classes.

## Church Leadership

### Staff

**Tim Foster** Senior Pastor/Head of Staff  
**Jason Gatlin** Youth Director, AV Technician  
**Lesa Hart** Children's Ministry Director  
**Mary Smith** Financial Administrator  
**Rosie Blatt** Administrative Assistant  
**Chiquita Paulson** Music Director  
**Lauren Fiveash** Ensemble Director & Pianist  
**Cindy Phillips** Organist  
**Russell Mann** Guitarist  
**Chrissy Thornton** Parents' Day Out Director

### Elders

Tim Foster - **Moderator**  
 Bob Donan - **Clerk**  
 Richard Armour - **Treasurer**  
**Class of 2022**  
 Lin Fryman  
 Traci Gatlin

### Class of 2023

Kendra Bowers  
 Lesa Hart  
 Perk Perkins

### Class of 2024

Steve Allen  
 Richard Armour  
 Charle Dunstan

### Deacons

#### Class of 2022

Janice Linder  
 Linda Melear - **Moderator**  
 Karen Huddleston

#### Class of 2023

Barbara Almond  
 Joe Dobson  
 Barb James

#### Class of 2024

Joey Clark  
 Sue Frost  
 Rob McCleary

**Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00**  
**Sunday School 9:45**

## Pastor's Remarks



One of my favorite passages of Scripture is John 10:27-30, because all Christians need to be reminded that **we belong to Jesus body and soul**. In these verses, Jesus said, *"My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of My Father's hand."* I particularly like Jesus's use of the verb "snatch." Once Jesus saves us, no one can take us away from Him.

Presbyterian pastor and seminary professor Ben Lacy Rose taught that **we hold either to the cat or the monkey doctrine of salvation**. A mother cat, wishing to move her kittens, grasps them firmly by the nape of the neck in her mouth and carries them to where she wants them. In stark contrast, baby monkeys must grab hold of their mother's fur and hold on for dear life as she swings through the trees. If little monkeys don't hold on tight, they fall to their death.

Those who subscribe to the monkey doctrine of salvation believe they have hold of God and it is up to them to hold on tight. **Those who subscribe to the cat doctrine of salvation believe God has hold of them and will never let go**. One of the many places the Bible clearly teaches the "cat doctrine" is John 10:27-30. *"Jesus said, 'No one can snatch My sheep out of My hand.'"*

**I hope and pray you believe in the cat doctrine of salvation**. When we love Jesus, no one, including ourselves, can snatch us out of His nail-pierced hands. He will never let go of us.

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

Your Pastor and Friend,

# SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Wonderful Wednesday Dinners</b> 9/7 - Lasagna, Salad & Birthday Cake 9/14 - Taco Salad, Nachos, Refried Beans, Nacho Cheese, & Dessert 9/21 - Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Veggie, Salad, & Dessert 9/28 - Chicken Parmesan w/Red & White Sauce, Pasta, Salad, & Dessert				1 Gerhard & Susan Schubert	2	3 Elizabeth Pritt Jeff Bowers
4 <b>8:30 &amp; 11:00</b> Worship <b>9:45</b> Sunday school <b>10:45</b> Community of Faith worship service	5 <b>Labor Day</b> <i>Office Closed</i> Bob & Barb James	6	7 <b>5:30</b> Supper <b>6:30</b> Children's activities Pastor Tim's Bible Survey Pastor Bob's Men's Bible Study, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Ensemble & Bell Choir practices <b>7:30</b> Choir practice Don Wade Lori Brown Jim Cook	8 <b>5:30</b> Forever Young - Women's Fellowship <b>6:30</b> Men's Supper Brenda Paoni	9 Judy McMillen	10
11 <b>8:30 &amp; 11:00</b> Worship <b>9:45</b> Sunday school <b>10:45</b> Community of Faith worship service <b>12:15</b> Deacons' mtg <b>3:30</b> Operation Christmas Child Project Leader Workshop	12 Tom Bright	13 <b>4:45</b> Volunteer at Memphis Union Mission	14 <b>5:30</b> Supper <b>6:30</b> Children's activities Pastor Tim's Bible Survey Pastor Bob's Men's Bible Study, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Ensemble & Bell Choir practices <b>7:30</b> Choir practice	15 <b>10:30</b> Hope Circle	16 Justin Bryant	17
18 <b>8:30 &amp; 11:00</b> Worship <b>9:45</b> Sunday School <b>10:45</b> Community of Faith worship service	19 Ralph Hyde	20 <b>10:00 TOPS</b>	21 <b>5:30</b> Supper <b>6:30</b> Children's activities Pastor Tim's Bible Survey Pastor Bob's Men's Bible Study, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Ensemble & Bell Choir practices <b>7:30</b> Choir practice	22 <b>10:30</b> Sarah Circle <b>6:30</b> Elders' Mtg Abbott & Amanda Moses	23 <b>2:00-8:30</b> Presbytery meeting at Restoration EPC, Munford, TN	24 <b>8:00-Noon</b> Presbytery meeting
25 <b>8:30 &amp; 11:00</b> Worship <b>9:45</b> Sunday school <b>10:45</b> Community of Faith worship service	26 Samantha Ilsley Price	27 <b>7:30</b> Couples' Bible Study	28 <b>5:30</b> Supper <b>6:30</b> Children's activities Pastor Tim's Bible Survey Pastor Bob's Men's Bible Study, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Ensemble & Bell Choir practices <b>7:30</b> Choir practice	29 Emily Bringhurst	30 Eli Womack Lettie Ellis	31

Blue names = Birthdays

Red Couples = Anniversaries

# Preschool News

## Highland Heights Presbyterian PDO/Pre-K



*These girls are in Ms Brittany's Young Fours' class. They get to go to the Book Nook as they finish their morning work.*

PDO has been in session for a couple of weeks, and the students and teachers are settling in happily!

Our optional Soccer Shots program starts in a couple of weeks and we usually have a good turn out for that.

By the time we reach September our music program will be in full

swing too. We still have a couple of spots we could fill, and we are always looking for subs or a floater teacher so please partner with us in prayer for these things.

We are looking forward to a great year.

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## WHAT DOES THE FOOD PANTRY NEED?



Certain items turn over faster than others. Here is a list of them:

Canned Meat: chicken, tuna, ham, Spam, Vienna sausages, roast beef

Crackers: peanut butter crackers, cheese & crackers, saltines

Fruits: Fruit cups, applesauce, dried fruit

Canned Goods: chili, stew, spaghetti & meatballs, ravioli, soups, beans, peas, corn

*When possible, pull top cans are helpful.*

Other items: peanut butter, jelly, breakfast bars, granola bars and bottled water





# The Dorm Trivia Night is Building



Trivia Night was just a little over a month ago, but look at the progress! Just labor and simple tools.

If this was being done in the United States, we would still be getting all the permits together to begin a project like this. Lots of heavy equipment would be involved.

Notice that everyone is working.

Hopefully, we will see the finished product soon.



## SEPTEMBER CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Sunday	8:30 Nursery	Sunday School Nursery	11:00 Nursery	Children's Church	8:30 Acolyte	11:00 Acolyte	Wed. Night
<b>1st Sunday 4-September</b>	Lesa Hart	Dolgor Tsagaan	Carolyn Allen Haley Moody	Lesa Hart	Chloe Mann	Beth Ellis	7-Sept Lesa Hart
<b>2nd Sunday 11-September</b>	Pat Edwards	Kendra Bowers Melanie Hayes	Deborah Womack Keira Bowers	Rebecca England	Munhuush Amgalan	Jaxson Bailey	14-Sept Sue Frost
<b>3rd Sunday 18-September</b>	Nancy Purcell	Traci Gatlin Amanda Clark	Lydia Johnson Sue Frost	Ben & Gabbi Huffstetler	Munhuush Amgalan	Sam Clements	21- Sept Noelle Ellis
<b>4th Sunday 25-September</b>	Deborah Womack	Ginger Wood	Cortney Stone Noelle Ellis	Lesa Hart	Munhuush Amgalan	Levi Wood	28-Sept René Foster

# YOUTH

## September



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 You Say, God Says	5	6	Lesson and activity	8	9	10
11 You Say, God Says	12	13	14 Lesson and activity	15	16	17
18 You Say, God Says	19	20	21 <b>Field Trip</b>	22	23	24
25 You Say, God Says	26	27	28 Lesson and activity	29	30	31

### Youth News

As we are fast approaching Fall, it is time to start thinking about our Nathan Bedford Fall Retreat. The retreat will be October 7-9. We leave the church about 6 pm on Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> and return Sunday afternoon.

Nathan Bedford is a weekend of Bible lessons, games and kid-friendly food for youth 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up. It is a weekend where we spend as much time outside as we can to enjoy God's creation in the cool Fall weather. There is usually kickball, volleyball, the usual yuck fest, corn hole, 4 square in the air, competitions, and some free time here and there. If you are interested in Nathan Bedford, please see me and I can get you more info.

September will be pretty quiet as we prep for the Fall trip. I do have a field trip planned for the 21<sup>st</sup> that will be determined based on weather that week. The rest of the month will be the standard Wed / Sunday routine unless something impromptu comes up.

### Do you Love Jesus and Love Children?

*Operation Christmas Child 2022 Project Leader Workshop* is OPEN TO ALL!

Event Date: Sunday, September 11 Event Time: 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM CDT

Location: Highland Heights Presbyterian Church

Join those who want to learn about or who are already passionate shoebox packers and project leaders for an afternoon of learning more about the ministry of sharing Jesus' love and tips for packing quality shoeboxes. This Greater Memphis Area local workshop will be packed with information on how you can join with the Billy Graham Evangelical Association in spreading the Gospel to the ends of the Earth.

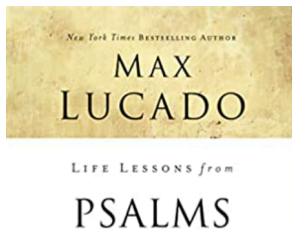
## TOPS, (Co-ed, 55+)

### Dixon Gallery & Gardens (4339 Park), Las Delicias (4002 Park)

Join us Tuesday, September 20 at 10 a.m. to see Memphis' Dixon Gallery & Gardens amazing current exhibition – "Sporting Fashion: Outdoor Girls, 1800-1960." All fashions are worn by mannequins, and cover everything from mountain climbing in long skirts, piloting regalia, elaborate hunting-wear, fencing, swimsuits, and in-line skating(!). Admission is FREE!

Following the exhibition, we will travel 2 minutes to 4002 Park to Las Delicias, for traditionally Mexican fare with in-house made tortillas, guacamole, and chips. Google to see the menu and their unbelievably low prices.

Van departs HHPC at 9:30. RSVP by Sunday, September 18 to Linda Rush ([lrush@aol.com](mailto:lrush@aol.com), 901-734-1100) for van and restaurant.



### Psalms Bible Study – Sarah Circle

Psalms, one of the best known and loved books of the Bible, has held an important place in the lives of many from its authors to each of us today. The Psalms express emotions, hopes, and faith in our Heavenly Father as they reveal the history of God's people and God's promises.

Women of HHPC, come join Sarah Circle in the study of Psalms this year. We will be using Max Lucado's book Life Lessons from Psalms for our study. If you want to order a book contact Barb James ([barbjames51@gmail.com](mailto:barbjames51@gmail.com) or 901.356.5743) by September 13. Cost approximately \$11.

### September 2022 SECURITY SCHEDULE

	Early Service 8:30 – 9:45	Sunday School 9:45 – 11:00	Late Service 11:00 – 12:15	Wednesday 6:45 – 9:00
9/4/22	BLATT	SPENCER	FOSTER	
9/7/22				ARMOUR
9/11/22	ALLEN (S)	FORTE	RUSH	
9/14/22				CLARK (M)
9/18/22	DALRYMPLE	DOBSON	JOHNSON	
9/21/22				CLARK (J)
9/25/22	SCHWAB	GOODWIN	PERKINS	
9/28/22				ELLIS

## Elders' Notes from August 25, 2022

- 1) On August 21, **Allison Schwab**, daughter of Valerie Schwab, was baptized.
- 2) Gratitude was expressed to **all who helped the Church reach our goal of raising \$10,000 to build a boys' dormitory at our adopted orphanage in Kenya.** *\$10,380 was given, which was matched, and construction has begun!*
- 3) Gratitude was expressed to **Dennis & Barbara Glaze and Lavon Hayes for their hard work on stabilizing the gazebo on the playground.**
- 4) The elders approved the collection of **an offering for the rebuilding of College Hill Presbyterian Church**, the oldest church in North Mississippi, on August 21 and 28. A fire destroyed much of the historic Sanctuary on August 14. \$825 has been given so far. In addition, the elders pledged \$1,000 from HHPC's General Ministry Fund. Please give generously.
- 5) There are openings for one or two children in many of the rooms in HHPC's **Parents' Day Out**. Classes are on M/W and T/Th for children 12 months - Pre-K. Tuition is \$220/month for one child and \$170/month for each additional child. There is a need for one new PDO teacher. Contact Director Chrissy Thornton @ 351-3534.
- 6) **From Memphis to Kenya** - \$30/month per HHPC family helps to feed the 100+ children in our adopted orphanage in Kenya. Are you giving to this important ministry?
- 7) **General Ministry Fund** income through July 31 was \$251,613 and expenses were \$251,034 for a surplus of \$579. **The General Ministry Fund balance** on July 31 was \$78,070.



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