

## Service of Divine Worship

*6th Sunday of Easter*

*May 5, 2024*

### *Assemble in God's Name*

#### **As You Focus for Worship**

Creator of friendships, whose love lifts us from mindless servitude to caring community, we thank you for the guidance of your commandments and the promise of joy in Jesus Christ. We seek to love as we have been loved, to risk life itself for the sake of our sisters and brothers, and to bear fruit that will last. Grant us the strength and courage we need. Amen.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Welcome and Proclamation of the Good News**

#### **Prelude**

**\*Call to Worship:** *Responsive Reading*

*Let us worship God.*

**In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen.**

*Sing to the Lord a new song!*

**For He has done marvelous things!**

*The Lord has made known his salvation;*

**His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.**

*Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth;*

**Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises!**

*Sing to the Lord with the harp and the sound of a psalm,*

**Shout joyfully before the Lord, the King!**

*For He is coming to judge the earth,*

**With righteousness he shall judge the world, and the peoples with equity.**

**\*Hymn #423:** *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

**Prayer of Confession:** *Unison Reading*

**I confess to Almighty God before the whole company of heaven and to you**

**my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned by my own fault, in thought, word and deed. Wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins and bring me to everlasting life.**

*Silent, Personal Prayer*

**Assurance of Pardon:** *Responsive Reading*

*Christ Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, but alive to God! To all who repent and believe, we declare: God grants you the forgiveness of your sins. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

**Amen.**

**\*Song of Joy, Hymn #368,** verses 1 & 3: *I've Got Peace Like a River*

**\* The Peace:** *"The Peace of the Lord be with you." "And also with you."*

*As a sign of reconciliation please share the Peace of Christ  
with your brothers and sisters.*

### ***Proclaim God's Word***

**Prayer for Illumination:** *Unison Reading*

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out upon us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things that pertain to life and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.** <sup>2</sup>

**New Testament Lesson:** 1 Corinthians 15:1-20

**Children's Time:** Teacher Appreciation

Susie Faas

**Ministry of Music:** *Look Away to the Skies*  
Heritage Choir

Joel Raney

**Sermon:** *The Seven Year Switch*

Reverend Robert League

**\*Hymn #513:** *Let Us Break Bread Together*

*Joy & Concern Cards will be collected during this hymn*

*Respond to God's Word*

**Life Together**

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts to God**

Offertory

Hymn # 592: Doxology

\* Prayer of Dedication

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

\*Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*, Traditional

\*The Invitation to the Lord's Table

Joys & Concerns

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*....joining our voices in their unending praise,*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*....as Christ taught his disciples, we are bold to pray, saying;*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.....**

**The Bread—** *"This is my body broken for you."*

*Please partake of the bread individually as you are served*

**The Cup—** *"This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood."*

*Please hold the cup until all are served.*

**Prayer**

\* **Hymn #341:** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

*\* Those who are able may stand.*

# Heritage Presbyterian Church

May 5, 2024

## Order of Worship



Children's Ministry Director—*Susie Faas*

Youth Director/ Administrator—*Patty Schmetzer*

Director of Music Ministries—*Karen Mail*

Accompanists—*Tim & Ann LeVan*

Business Manager—*Susan Brose*

Custodian—*Rich Johnson*

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# Pastoral CARE

## *Transition Period Pastoral Care*

The Session has engaged the services of local pastors for emergency pastoral services such as hospital visitation and funerals. If you need pastoral care, please call Stephanie Martin in the church office: 513-398-7671, or email [office@hpcmason.org](mailto:office@hpcmason.org). She will contact a Pastor. After hours or on weekends, please call Deacon Sandy White: 513-284-4964.



## *Save the Date!!*

May 19 at 5:00pm - Heritage Got Talent

We are looking for talent acts. If you have a talent you would like to share, please contact Leah Jacob at [cellogoddess76@gmail.com](mailto:cellogoddess76@gmail.com).



## *Basketball at HPC*

Basketball in our church gym will start on Tuesday, April 2 through May 29, 7-8:30pm—open to all ages 16 and up. Please join us for some pick-up games or simply just shooting around. See Tom Ball with questions.



## *Church Workday on May 11th*

Come help to beautify the church property on May 11th! As the regrading work wraps up we will be re-landscaping the areas around the building and the prayer garden. The workday will run from 8am to 4pm, come as you are able. There will be projects available for all ages and skill levels. Food will be provided throughout the day.

Contact Ben Zumkehr ([zumkehrb@gmail.com](mailto:zumkehrb@gmail.com)) with any questions.

## *Apply Now For No-Interest Heritage Education Loans*

HPC can help cover the costs of college through interest-free loans of up to \$2,500 per year. The loans are available for Heritage Church and other Christian students. Contact Susan Brose at [sbrose.hpc@gmail.com](mailto:sbrose.hpc@gmail.com) for an application form. Submit applications by July 31<sup>st</sup> so the Endowment committee has time to review your application and finalize the loans before school starts.



Loans are made for \$1,250 per semester, \$2,500 per school year, for a maximum of four years and \$10,000. Loans are interest-free with a 50-month repayment schedule beginning 12 months after the final year of education concludes.

## *Crafters!*

*Please join us!*

A group of Crafters meets in the Fireside Room each Tuesday from 10am-12pm to work on our own projects and on projects to be donated. We work and have a good time chatting and laughing. we would love to have you join us!

## *Recycling Update*

HPC is no longer collecting plastic bottle caps for recycling, as the ReUse Hub is no longer accepting them. Please continue to recycle your bottle tops at home. Thank you!



## Thank You for Teaching All God's Children

We are grateful to those in our congregation who share their faith through the gifts of teaching and mentoring.

**Sunday School:** Chris Dauer, Nita Evans, Debbie Hamann, Jen Hinerman

**Kids of the Kingdom and 'Tweens:** Debbie Hamann

**Legacies Youth Group Leaders:** Jamey & Sheri Focke, Leah & Craig Jacob, Sheri miller, Steve Ritz and Ben Zumkehr

**Adult Small Group Leaders:** Leslie Dauer-Creek, Sue Monteith, Karen Stine

**CESE Committee:** Diane Sherrard, Lucy Atkinson, Chris Dauer, Debbie Hamann, Cindy Parrott, Kelly Simmons, Katie Steverson, Dannie Tymitz

**Staff:** Ben Schnetzer, Patty Schnetzer, and Susie Faas

*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise." Deuteronomy 6:5-7*



## Mamas & Papas: May 19th 11:30am-1:30pm

Those with young children will be gathering for lunch together, while church friends care for your little ones, children age 5 and younger (and their siblings). If you would like to attend, or if you can provide loving arms to help with childcare, please contact

[susie.faas@hpcmason.org](mailto:susie.faas@hpcmason.org).

## Community Cupboard

Many thanks to HPC for their commitment to the project. The cupboard has distributed over 1,000 items monthly.

**Most needed items at this time:** fruit juice, canned fruit, canned meat, tuna, rice, boxed potatoes, jelly, crackers, toothpaste, shampoo & bar soap.



# PRAYER list

### Joys:

- Ralph Spaeth celebrated his 97th birthday on April 28th
- Troy & Michelle Pratt celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on April 30th.

### Concerns

- Randy Stanford—ulcer on bottom of foot
- Shawn Eldridge—son of Dianne & Jack Eldridge—hospitalized after 4/27 heart attack
- Jack Hayes—recovery & good results— 5/3 kidney donation to his best friend Zach Wade

### Continued Prayer:

- Prayers for the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for peace.
- Prayers for the people of Israel and Gaza and all victims of terrorism and war
- Transitional Leadership Team
- Shawn Allen—friend of Joyce Klein—Stage 4 Cancer
- Lori Ball—recovery from 4/25 surgery—2-3 week recovery expected
- Paul Brummett—Alan Knobbe's brother-in-law—Hospice Care
- Mike Buerger—friend of Rick Davis—bladder cancer treatments
- Glen Hamann—home recovering from successful 4/15 bypass surgery
- Mitchell Kent—teammate of Sam Le Cras—tractor trailer accident
- Cathy Kinzie—cousin of Pat O'Kray—congestive heart failure
- Laurie Knobbe—major health issues
- Twila Lane—wife of Tim LeVan's friend Gary—chemotherapy
- Debbie Perkin's mother—hospitalized after a fall
- Carole Phillips—memory care at Optimized Senior Living
- Bonnie Reeves—Hospice
- Steve Ritz
- Merideth Rought—healing after a car accident
- Roger Rude—health issues
- Ron Trapp – Pastor Emeritus – Hospice Care
- Tony Vivian—brother of Tim LeVan's friend Rod—cancer surgery

### In Memoriam:

- Jim & Karen Stine and family—Betty Stine, Jim's mother, passed away on April 25th

**Intercessory Prayer:** Bond Hill Presbyterian Church

Call the church office, 398-7671, to request the prayer chain be started



## Week at a Glance

**Sunday, May 5, 6th Sunday of Easter, Teacher Recognition**

9:00 am: Bible Breakfast & Teacher Appreciation

9:30 am: Choir Practice

10:15 am: In Person Worship & Livestream Worship on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

11:30 am: Finance Committee Meeting

**Monday, May 6**

11:30 am: Lunch Bunch at Perkins

7:00 pm: Session Meeting

**Tuesday, May 7**

8:00 am: Men's Bible Study

10:00 am: Crafting Group

7:00 pm: Basketball Open Gym

**Wednesday, May 8**

9:30 am: Hope Circle

5:30 pm: VBS Decoration Prep

6:15 pm: Choir Practice

7:30 pm: Bells Practice

**Thursday, May 9**

11:00 am: Adult Bible Study

7:00 pm: Grace Circle

8:15 pm: Men's Fellowship

**Friday, May 10**

7:00 pm: Legacies' Lock-In begins

**Saturday, May 11**

9:00 am: Legacies' Lock-In ends; Church Workday

**Sunday, May 12, 7th Sunday of Easter, Graduate Recognition,**

**Mission Trip Commissioning**

9:30 am: Choir Practice

10:15 am: In Person Worship & Livestream Worship on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

**Sanctuary Flowers Today Are Given by Katie & Al Steverson: "Happy Birthday to Bella and all May Birthdays!"**

**Worship Leader Today:** Sarah Falck

**Greeters Today:** Katie, Bella & Lilly Steverson

**Birthdays:** Doris Heffron, Aaron Hoxie, Troy Pratt, Henry Schumm, Chris Stemmler, Michael Fehrenbach, Stacy Dykes, Evelyn Huang, Joe Pestro, Danni Tymitz

**Heritage Presbyterian Church VBS: June 24-28, 6– 8:30 pm**



One of the highlights of the summer is Vacation Bible School. Come, and be a part of faith and fun, as we are called together to serve.

Throughout the week we will follow Psalm 56:3, "Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in you."

Through Bible activities, crafts, games, science, snacks, and mission, we will be part of an amazing community learning to TRUST GOD to Go With Us, Lead the way, Share Wisdom, Give us Peace, & Spark Joy!

There are many ways to be part of VBS!

**Attend...** Children age 4 – upcoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome.

Register on-line at [www.hpcmason.org](http://www.hpcmason.org)

or <https://bit.ly/HeritageVBS2024>

**Donate...** There is a wish list of supplies posted in the Atrium.

**Volunteer...** We need lots of helpers! Adults & Teens  
(upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders and older)

If you love God, and love to have fun, you will love VBS!

How do you want to be a part of VBS?

Sign up in the Atrium or contact [susie.faas@hpcmason.org](mailto:susie.faas@hpcmason.org)

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**VBS Decorating - Wednesdays in May 5:30–7:30pm**

We need help creating the decorations to transform our building into *Camp Firelight* for Vacation Bible School. If you can trace, cut, or glue, we would love to have you join us! Some take home projects are also available. Contact [susie.faas@hpcmason.org](mailto:susie.faas@hpcmason.org)



## ***FPWC Guests Have Moved Into the New Campus!***

As of Sunday, 4/21, the FPWC Guests (Family Promise Warren County Guests, i.e., the homeless) have moved into the new FPWC Campus! And things are going very well. Guests, Staff and Hosts are loving it!

HPC will have our first Hosting Week using the new Family Promise Model, starting Sunday, 5-26-2024. We will be DELIVERING meals each of the seven days at about 515pm, to the new Campus. It also means that we will be providing Meal Hosts, Fellowship Hosts, and Overnight Hosts that week. At this time (4-24-2024), it looks like our Partner Churches will providing Meal Hosts and Fellowship Hosts for most of the evenings that they provide the food. But none of our Partner Churches, at this time, want to provide Overnight Hosts.

What does this mean? We are asking you (as one of our 28 HPC trained hosts) to sign up to be one of two Overnight Hosts, for at least one of the nights of that week (week of 5-26-2024). Overnight Hosts are needed from 830pm to 700am.

You might want to be a Meal Host instead of an Overnight Host. We are asking you (as one of our 28 HPC trained hosts) to sign up to be one of two Meal Hosts (5pm to 7pm), and/or one of two Fellowship Hosts (7pm to 845pm) for at least one of the nights of that week. We will probably only need Meal Hosts and Fellowship Hosts on Sunday, May 26, and Tuesday, May 28. For the other evenings that week, we expect that Meal Hosts and Fellowship Hosts will be provided by our Partner Churches.

Can you volunteer to be one of the 14 Overnight Hosts, or one of the 4 Meal Hosts, or one of the 4 Fellowship Hosts that we will need in the week of 5/26? Please see the FPWC article in the May Good News for more information.

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## ***Sandwich Mission Continues***

Kathy Schickel is the Director of Operations at Our Daily Bread. She sent Nelson an email about the fact that HPC recently signed up to extend our Sandwich Mission out thru the end of September of 2024. In that email she wrote, "Please share our appreciation for all of your support with your whole team!"

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## ***2024 Pledges & Gifts***

Use this link to give online: <http://bit.ly/2Wjfb2m>

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## *Announcements*

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9:00 am—Sunday School

10:15 am—Worship



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