

June at...



For period June 1 -30, 2015
Mailing Date June 28, 2015

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The Hand of God

My brother sent me a birthday card that shows God sitting in a large chair at a card table holding playing cards. Sitting across the table from God is a small angel also with cards. The caption reads, "The Hand of God." You look and realize God is holding all four aces.

Many years ago I watched as our little Montpelier Presbyterian Church in Wagram, N.C. rallied around my mother when my dad died. When my sister, brother and I left we had no doubt Mom was in good hands. She was in good hands because she was in the hands of a community that freely shared love with one another and especially with those in their time of need. They could do that because the hand of God supported them. It is a strong hand indeed.

Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-2

I have been thinking about this a great deal since the death of our church business manager, Beverly Quick. It happened just after Adam announced his departure to become the pastor of a church in New York City. For the life of our church and for my life it felt as if fires were springing up everywhere. But just as with my mom's church, you, the members of HBPres, have rallied to help fill the gaps created by these devastating losses. Dozens of you have volunteered and everyone we have called on for help has said yes. It has been very comforting the way our members and staff have stepped up and I want to give a special shout out to Cheryl, Tina, our youth leaders, some very gracious accountants and the Personnel Committee for their commitment to the church.

God's grace is being showered upon us all the time. It is especially gratifying to see that grace poured out by Christ's disciples. It makes quite a difference to be a community built on God's love. And oh yes, it makes a difference when we have the backing of the one who holds all the aces.

Grace and peace,

John

Summer Schedule

- No Wednesday night dinners.
- No Sunday school classes
- 8:30 Worship Service in the Chapel
- 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary

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We've updated our Website!

Sunday Worship

*Chapel 8:30 a.m.
Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.*

June 7

II Corinthians 4:16 & 5:1
I Samuel 8:4-22a
“Looking for a Kindly King”
Bill Williamson

June 14

Psalm 20;
Mark 4:26-34
“Small Beginnings”
John Roper

June 21

1 Samuel 17;
Mark 4:35-41
“Fear and Faith”
John Roper

June 28

II Samuel 1:1, 17-27
Mark 5: 21-43
“Intruding on Jesus”
Bill Williamson



Coffee Cove



Coffee Cove is self serve.

Ushers—8:30 a.m.

June 7 & 14
Bill & Sandi Percival
Dick & Sharon Blayney

June 21 & 28
Rebecca & Mike Braden
Peggy & Bill Campbell



Usher— 11:00 a.m.

June 7 & 14
Head Usher: Tim McAllister
George Bales
Fred Bennett
Betsy & Jeff Barrick
Bill & Pam Bliven
Linda Brantley
Nancy Williamson (June 7 only)
Missy Turner (June 7 only)
Louise Pumpelly (June 14 only)

June 21 & 28

Head Usher: Lynn Overstreet
Emily Brown
Sherri Cargal
John & Rebecca Carnes
Kim Canavan
Jackie Cornell
Larissa Gargal
Heather Drake
Hal & Barbara Cole

Lay Readers

June 7
8:30: TBA
10:00: TBA

June 14
8:30: TBA
10:00: TBA

June 21
8:30: TBA
10:00: TBA

June 28
8:30: TBA
10:00: TBA

Ushers & Greeters



Greeters—11:00 a.m.

June 7
Barbara & Hal Cole

June 14
The Barrick Family

June 21
George & Peggy Bales

June 28
John & Rebecca Carnes

Caring for our Church Family

Prayer Requests:

Allan Eaton, Mary Smith, Charles Williams, Jane Bumpas, Harrison Bailey, Sally Craxton, Nanci Chasteen, Juergen Tossman, The Frentz Family.

Mission Co-Workers:

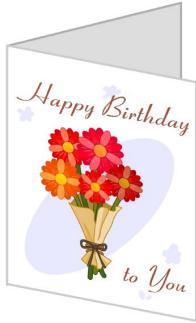
Rochelle & Tyler Holm, Gwenda & John Fletcher, Jeff & Christie Boyd, Rev. Dr. Dustin & Sherry Ellington, Dr. Larry and Inge Sthreshley.

A Hallmark Moment for Sure

I would like to thank my **HBPres** family, friends and staff for the 200 cards I received for my 100th birthday.

I was in quarantine for my birthday due to the flu that was going around and I felt so alone until I received your cards. I can't thank you all enough for the joy, love and happiness I felt through my cards.

Celeste Froehlich



Pastoral Care at HBPres



Help, Hope, Healing

Stephen Ministers receive special training to provide one-to-one Christian care to people in our congregation and community who are experiencing life challenges--grief, loneliness, divorce, hospitalization, disability, job loss, and many others. To learn how to become a Stephen Minister or to receive care from one, please contact a pastor or Doug Earley, 599-7295.

Grocery Cart

Choices, Inc. (Norma, Martie and Mary Jane Toney Houses) will receive grocery cart items for the month of June. These are places for homeless women and families to call home. Items most needed are:

cleaning supplies
toilet paper
paper towels
tissues
feminine hygiene items
toothbrushes & paste

As always, other items will be accepted. For questions/concerns, contact Wilma Bennett, 459-7705.



Deacons Corner

To the deacons rotating off in May, thank you for a job well done!

Welcome, new deacons and those remaining on their job in 2015-2016. Remember to contact your flock this spring or early summer. All deacons should send a new magnet to each flock family/member with the year 2015/16 on it.

If you have any questions, please call one of the Board of Deacons members; we'll be glad to help.

Blessings to all,

Marla Kay Kosnik



Bennetts Honored for a Lifetime of Service

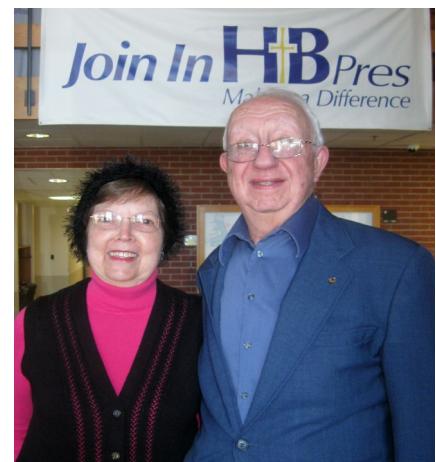
Every other year the Education Unit of Mid-KY Presbytery recognizes mature members of congregations for their work in their church, the Presbytery, and the community. This year the Session of **HBPres** recommended Fred and Wilma Bennett for this honor. They were honored at a luncheon with the Presbytery on May 11. Below are some examples of Fred and Wilma's work and the reasons the Session chose them for this honor:

Fred and Wilma have held numerous positions at **HBPres** during their many years as members. Both have served as ruling elders and Fred as Clerk of Session for eight years. Wilma has held various leadership roles with Presbyterian Women and was awarded the Harvey Browne Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Membership Award. She has been recorder, moderator and co-moderator of the Presbyterian Women of Mid-Kentucky Presbytery. When on the Presbyterian Women's national Churchwide Coordinating Team, Wilma was Moderator of the Search Committee and Coordinator of the first official Presbyterian Women Racial Ethnic Dialogue. In addition, she was the volunteer coordinator and chair of the PW Churchwide Gathering, a national conference held every three years. Wilma served on the Pastor Nominating Committee that called John Roper to **HBPres**. She was the treasurer of Church Women United Treasurer and held various PTA leadership roles.

Fred has been secretary and treasurer of the **HBPres** Men Group and is our church's "unofficial" photographer. He is a member of the Recycling Team and deliverer for the **HBPres** Clothing Drive and Grocery Cart. For assisting Wilma in her various roles Fred has been awarded an honorary Mid-Kentucky Presbytery PW life membership. He is Director Emeritus of Masonic Homes of Kentucky, where he served on the board for 30 years including 10 years as secretary. He was secretary of Masonic Home Lodge #940 for 10 years.

Together Fred and Wilma co-chaired TWIGS #6. Wilma was TWIGS' Board Nominating Committee chair and Fred was general treasurer of the TWIGS Board. Their proudest achievement, however, is being parents to two outstanding citizens and Nana and Grandpa to two outstanding grandchildren.

Congratulations to this outstanding couple!



Notes from Session

HBPres Vision Statement

Harvey Browne Church is a community of believers that glorifies God and honors tradition as it seeks new ways of growing in faith, sharing our beliefs and putting our faith into practice.

HBPres Purpose Statement

HBPres is called to make a difference by making disciples who faithfully follow Jesus, study the Bible, and love one another by serving our neighbors.

The Session of **HBPres** met on May 9, 2015 for a stated meeting as part of our spring retreat. The following business was handled at that meeting:

The baptisms of the following children were approved:

Benjamin Ralph Gilfert on May 24, 2015. Parents: Allen & Michelle Gilfert
Mattingly Pollock on May 31, 2015. Parents: Brian & Molly Pollock
Jackson Howard Carter on June 14, 2015. Parents: Ben & Kristin Carter,
Grandparents: Dave & Jane Doehnert

- Approved Jackie Dolin as **HBPres** Treasurer
- Approved Anne Hughes as Clerk of Session
- Approved Marianne Humphries as elder commissioner to Presbytery
- Authorized the Support Committee to hire a contractor to update plans for remodeling first floor hallway walls and lights while staying with the approved \$35,000 budget. This money is part of the Vivian Barber bequest.
- Approved the following recommendation brought by the Worship & Music Committee:

To have two services on Sunday mornings. The Chapel service will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the Sanctuary service at 11:15 am. Sunday school will meet at 10:00 am. The Chapel service will be a less formal worship opportunity for all ages featuring a participatory liturgy and contemporary music. The Sanctuary service will have diverse music and liturgy that engages the worshipping community in a setting reflecting the beauty and mystery of our faith. The first Sunday for the new schedule will be September 13, 2015.

Anne Hughes
Clerk of Session

Meet Our Mission Workers – Larry and Inge Sthreshley

Last in a series...

HBPres helps support several Presbyterian Church (USA) mission workers. One such couple is Dr. Larry and Inge Sthreshley, mission co-workers in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The Sthreshleys serve at the invitation of Presbyterian Community of Congo and the Presbyterian Community of Kinshasa. Larry works with IMA (Interchurch Medical Assistance) World Health and Inge with the Methodist Presbyterian Hostel.

As a health liaison Larry Sthreshley assists with the development of the health ministries of churches and their role in the health system of Congo. His work involves designing and managing comprehensive health programs that work from the community level up through the ministry of health. The programs have a special emphasis on equitable health care financing, high impact interventions to reduce maternal and child mortality, and programs to address gender-based violence.

Inge oversees the Methodist Presbyterian Hostel, a mission guest house and small conference center. MPH provides a much needed service to Presbyterian and Methodist mission workers, national and international church groups, work teams and individuals working in partnership in Congo.

The Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) is a country roughly one-quarter the size of the United States. It is a land that has been ravaged by conflict. The havoc wrought by 40 years of dictatorship followed by multiple wars and continued pockets of militia fighting have kept this resource-rich country from developing its potential. The majority of Congo's people struggle daily for survival. Despite these circumstances, the church in the DRC continues to witness to the Good News of God's Word through their multifold ministries.

The Sthreshley's have been engaged in mission service for more than two decades. Both Larry and Inge grew up as children of missionaries in the Congo. Larry holds a doctorate in international health systems management from Tulane University, a master's degree in public health from UCLA, and an undergraduate degree in public health from the University of North Carolina. Inge studied tropical agriculture at the University of Hawaii, where she received a bachelor's degree.

The Sthreshleys are the parents of two children, Lisa and Michael. Lisa was born at the Presbyterian-supported Good Shepherd Hospital in Congo.

You can learn more about the Ellingtons at <http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/missionconnections/streshley-larry-and-ing/>.

Sign up to receive their newsletters at <http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/feeds/rss/missionconnections/streshley-larry-and-ing/>.

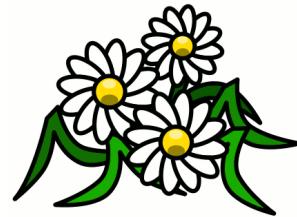
Mission at HBPres

Habitat for Humanity - 2015 Presbyterian House

The dates for the 2015 Presbyterian Habitat House have been set. This year we are helping Patricia Scriviner build a home for herself and her adult disabled son. The house will be 1919 Hazelwood Court. The “Raise the Roof” is set for June 11-13. This year we are working as cohorts of various Presbytery churches including Beulah, Shawnee, Bardstown First, Buechel, Eminence, Greensburg, Meadowview, Okolona, and Springfield. **HBPres** will take the lead for our cohort, so I will need your help to make sure we have enough volunteers.

Our day for the RTR is Friday, June 12. The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. Our team leader is Chuck Sgro. This is our first year working with Chuck and I know he will be impressed by the caliber of volunteers from **HBPres**. The remaining dates for the year are Saturdays June 20, August 1, and September 12. Let me know if you will be able to help on June 12 or any of the other dates.

Thank you for your generous support of Habitat through March's special offering. This year is off to a great start. If you are not able to make it to the site, please keep the crew in your prayers throughout the build. Also, if you would like to help by providing a lunch for the crew, we still need volunteers for June 12, June 20 and September 12.



Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Many thanks to the awesome members who participated in the Vivian Barber **HBPres** Beautification Day on May 16. Thanks also to the four who donated food to feed the volunteers. This group showed their care and concern for our church home with their gifts of time and labor. A group picture has been posted on the Outreach Mission Board in the main hall next to the framed Habitat Houses pictures. Please make the effort to give all these folks a well-deserved pat on the back.

Micro-Missions at HBPres

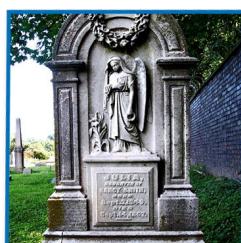
Our June micro-mission will be to assist with the clean-up and maintenance of Eastern Cemetery, 941 Baxter Ave., on Saturday, June 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Eastern Cemetery is one of the oldest cemeteries in Louisville with a first documented use in the 1840's. It is beside of, but not part of, Cave Hill Cemetery. It was originally owned by Fourth Street Methodist Church and then at some point run by the Louisville Crematories and Cemetery Corporation. It was abandoned in the late 1980's after it was found that cemetery officials were mishandling graves and cremations. All existing burial records are now with a U of L forensic anthropologist. There is no on-sight office and, for years, Dismas Charities had been the sole caretakers, mowing grass several times per year. Vandals, illegal dumpers, weather and unrestrained growth of bushes have hidden, tipped over or otherwise damaged tombstones.

In March 2013, a group of volunteers staged an "Eastern Cemetery Clean Up Day." The group organized, set up a website, www.friendsofeasterncemetery.com, and a Facebook page and met every other Sunday for most of the rest of 2013. It was amazing how different the cemetery looked in July 2013, when Gary and I took relatives there to find family graves, and September when we went back to help the Friends of Eastern Cemetery. This 100 percent volunteer group is now the largest caretaker for Eastern Cemetery.

Two representatives of Friends of Eastern Cemetery are planning to meet us on Saturday, June 13 to show us what we can do that day to help care for this abandoned cemetery that holds much of Louisville's history. Come and join us. If you can, please bring gloves, lawn mowers, weed whackers (non-electric), brooms and a gas tank with extra gas for your mower. Wear your **HBPres** t-shirt.

For more information, contact Jeanne Luhr, 425-1931 or jeanneluhr@netscape.net.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 22 - 26



At Cokesbury's G-Force VBS, kids explore how to put their faith into action. In this mission-focused VBS, kids experience God's unstoppable love and discover how to fuel up and move in and through life with God. Watch your church come alive with movement and images of all sorts of kid-friendly transportation, such as skateboards, running shoes, roller blades, and more! Watch the G-Force meter climb illustrating how God is at work around the world and how God's people are on the move.



Coming Soon!!

Join us this August for: **HBPres Centennial Pub Trivia Night**

Watch for Information!

Literary Corner

Presbyterian Mens' Group

The Thursday group will meet on May 28 at Kayrouz Cafe. Neither men's groups will meet during June, July, or August but will resume in September. For more information, contact Bill Williamson at 896-1791 x112.

The Men's Book Forum

The HBPres Men's Book Forum will meet Monday, June 22 at Buca Di Beppo restaurant on Hurstbourne Pkwy. at noon. We will be discussing *The Rise Of Islamic State: ISIS and the new Sunni Revolution* by Pat Cockburn recommended by Joe Fachinger.

Please invite your wives to enjoy the luncheon and join in the discussion.

For more information contact Gary Faltin at 326-5069 or gjfaltin@yahoo.com.

Ladies Book Talk



Book Talk will meet on Tuesday, June 30, at 11:30 a.m. in the Barrett Room at HBPres. We will discuss *The Signature of All Things* by Elizabeth Gilbert. You will need to get this book on your own. Don't forget to bring your lunch.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Faltin at 326-5069 or maryfaltin@yahoo.com

Mary Faltin



Mrs. Wiggs Latest Addition to the Library

We have a book donated to our HBPres library, *Mrs. Wiggs of The Cabbage Patch* by Alice Hegan Rice. The book was inspired by Rice's philanthropic work in the Cabbage Patch section of Louisville, where she met a woman who served as the model for the book's main character.

100 Years of Memories in 12 Months

As part of the upcoming HBPres 100th anniversary celebration plans are being made to create a centennial calendar. It will include pictures of our distant and our not-so-distant past. If you have images you would like to share, ideas for the calendar's design, or if you would like to assist in producing this project, please contact

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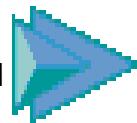
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