



HE IS RISEN  
*alleluia*

*The Risen Christ Commissions Us*

April 14, 2024

# Welcome

## to Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church

*We seek to offer an inclusive and welcoming community to all those hoping to grow an intentional life of faith. We strive to share the Good News of God's love through ministries of care and compassion, working for justice and peace both in our community and around the world. As a congregation affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), we affirm the dignity and belovedness of all people and welcome the gifts of every person into the life and ministry of the Church.*

### Notes About Our Worship Service:

- An asterisk denotes standing— in body or spirit.
- Bold text means the congregation is invited to speak aloud together.
- Notes in the margins are included to provide background and increase understanding of our service.
- Children are fully welcome in worship. Please do not worry if your child makes noise or gets the wiggles! They are an important part of our church community. Wiggle bags and books are available just outside the entrance to the sanctuary. The nursery is open for children ages 3 and under during worship. After the Time with Young Disciples kindergarten and under may leave for activities. The room to the left of the pulpit is a cry/wiggle room for when children or caregivers need to move around or have a good cry.
- Our congregation is committed to using expansive and inclusive language for God and God's people. While an element of worship may use language that assigns a particular gender to God, we strive to maintain a balance so that God's fullness might be honored.
- For our early and non-readers, icons are provided throughout the bulletin to include their participation. We suggest you encourage children to follow along using these icons throughout the service.



SPEAKING



SCRIPTURE



MUSIC



PRAY



BAPTISM



COMMUNION




OFFERING





LISTEN


Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church  
Third Sunday of Easter  
April 14, 2024

THE GATHERING


 WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS  
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

 OPENING VOLUNTARY *Pastorale* Shephard


 \*CALL TO WORSHIP Katherine Kupar  
We may not know the time or the place,  
**but we know that God is restoring the world.**  
We may not see the risen Christ before us,  
**but his spirit rests on us.**  
We are commissioned to go out,  
**knowing Christ is with us always, to the end of the age!**

 \*HYMN 298 *Lord, You Give the Great Commission* ABBOT'S LEIGH


 CALL TO CONFESSION Jim Hubert

 PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
**Majestic God, You have called us to live in community, but we turn to conflict and division. You yearn for us to work together, but we keep finding reasons to dismiss each other. You have commissioned us to share your good news of grace, but too often we keep it to ourselves. Forgive us. Show us a better way to be your people, your body, your church.**

*Silence is kept for personal prayer.*

 POURING OF THE WATERS REMINISCENT OF BAPTISM  
Remember your baptism and be thankful!

 WORDS OF ASSURANCE

 \*SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 447) WE ARE FORGIVEN  
*We are forgiven. We are forgiven.*  
*Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. (Repeat)*

*The season of Easter is celebrated from Easter Day through Pentecost. "Easter" comes from an old English word related to dawn and shining. At Easter we stand in the light of the resurrection to see a new creation, transformed by the grace and glory of God. We celebrate the presence and power of the risen Christ in his church, proclaiming his good news through Word and Sacrament.*

*When we confess our sin, it is confession of one aspect of our truth, but it's not the only thing. Confession can be a genuine opening to grace — not an opportunity to wallow in shame or despair. Because God has already offered to forgive us, therefore we are free to confess our sins.*

*(Rev. Dr. Martha Moore-Keish, Columbia Theological Seminary)*

*After confession, we remember how, in baptism, God claims us and names us beloved, commissioning us for lives of service in Christ's name.*



## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**



## \*SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 447)

WE ARE FORGIVEN

*We are forgiven. We are forgiven.*

*Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. (Repeat)*



## TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Sue Garrett

## THE WORD



## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tom Frenz



## THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 8

*Both the Psalm and the Gospel reading for today remind us of God's sovereignty and authority over all of creation. God has granted dominion over creation to human beings to take care of creation, not exploit it.*

O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory above the heavens.  
Out of the mouths of babes and infants  
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.  
When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have established;  
what are humans that you are mindful of them,  
mortals that you care for them?  
Yet you have made them a little lower than God  
and crowned them with glory and honor.  
You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet,  
all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,  
the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.  
O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

*Jesus has been granted authority over all heaven and earth and similarly commissions his disciples to go out into the world, not to dominate the world with military power, as was a driving force of the Roman Empire, but to employ compassionate power, healing mercy, an inclusive community, and life-giving words to proclaim and enact God's empire.*



The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



## THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28: 16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."



The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

👂) SERMON

Katherine Kubar

👤) \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*) Christine Coy Fohr

**In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”**

🕯️) PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD’S PRAYER Meg Buckner

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

🙏) MINUTE FOR MISSION

Rev. Jan Dus

👂) INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Christine Coy Fohr

🎵) OFFERTORY

*Alleluia, Sing Praise to God*  
Chancel Choir

J.S. Bach  
Arr. Charles Hirt

*The Special Offering today will benefit Camino.*

🎵) \*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 609)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures



high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise



God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it



one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*The weekly invitation to discipleship offers the opportunity to intentionally reflect on how we will respond to the Scripture as it has been read and proclaimed. How is God calling us as individuals and together as a community of faith into co-creation of a more compassionate, equitable, peaceful world?*

*Camino is a humanitarian organization that provides humanitarian aid in Ukraine. Support offered today will directly support Camino’s partners in Ukraine. Stay following worship for a more in-depth presentation by Rev. Dus.*

*To give your offering online, simply scan the QR Code below.*





### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We dedicate these gifts to you, O God:

**to your realm of compassion and peace.**

May these offerings be used to your glory,

**offering hope and empowering love in word and deed.**

**Amen.**

### THE SENDING



\*HYMN 761

*Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

BEECHER



\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Katherine Kuper



\*\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Toccata*

Vann

*\*\*Just as the Opening Voluntary prepares us for worship, the Closing Voluntary sends us forth with God's blessing. You are welcome to remain seated or to leave during the Closing Voluntary. If you choose to leave, please do so quietly, waiting until you are in the Foyer to enjoy fellowship with one another.*

# Harvey Browne Memorial Presbyterian Church

## CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Christine Coy Fohr, Pastor  
Rev. Katherine Kubar, Associate Pastor for Discipleship  
Renata DeWees, Director of Youth Ministries (6th — 12th)  
Kristy Hubert, Co-Parish Associate for Pastoral Care  
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Larry Brandenburg, Minister of Music  
Tim Baker, Organist/Assistant Director of Music  
Beth Brandenburg, Director of Children's Choir  
Julie Rousseau, Nursery & Parents' Day Out Director  
Amy Squires, Harvey Browne Preschool Director  
Cheryl Granger, Church Administrator  
Grace Graves, Administrative Assistant  
Tim Miller, Building Manager  
Carl Enoch, Sign Language Interpreter  
Meg Buckner, Seminary Intern

## THE SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Christine Coy Fohr  
Clerk of Session: Anne Hughes  
Youth Elder: Hayden Krausen

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Sarah Zuber, Christian Education	Jim Boswell, Congregational Life	Laura Krausen, Christian Education
Dan Askins, Outreach Ministry	Joni Burke, Congregational Life	Marcia Lewis, Finance
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	Alex Bumpas, Personnel	Doug Grogg, Christian Education

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