



*Connected in Christ:  
Unity in a Time of Division*

October 27, 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 the 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.
- Hearing devices and large-print hymnals are available on the tables in the narthex as you enter the sanctuary. An usher would be glad to help you find these.



SPEAKING



SCRIPTURE



MUSIC



PRAY



BAPTISM



COMMUNION



OFFERING



LISTEN

# Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church


Reformation Sunday


October 27, 2024

## THE GATHERING


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


 OPENING VOLUNTARY *Amazing Grace* Les Chefs  
Carolyn Cook, piper


 \*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 146) Christine Coy Fohr  
God is our refuge and strength:  
**We will not fear.**  
Though the earth shakes,  
**We will not fear.**  
Though the waters swirl around us,  
**We will not fear.**  
Though the nations rise and fight,  
**We will not fear.**  
God is our refuge and strength:  
**We will not fear.**

 \*HYMN 275 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG  
Stanza 3, Chancel Choir

 CALL TO CONFESSION Kristy Hubert

 PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
**God of the ages,  
you have been faithful to us.  
You have established  
covenants with us,  
but we have not upheld our part.  
We have distorted your word for our own gain.  
We have claimed you as only ours.  
We have focused on power  
more than discipleship.  
We ask your forgiveness.  
Reform us again and  
make us into the image  
of your true church.**  
*Silence is kept for personal prayer.*

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

 WORDS OF ASSURANCE  
Family of faith...join me in these words of forgiveness:  
**We are known. We are loved. We are forgiven. We begin again.  
Thanks be to God. Amen!**

*Reformation Sunday is often recognized on the final Sunday of October. This Sunday is a way of remembering our connection to the Protestant Reformation movement, which for Presbyterians, can be traced from John Calvin in Geneva to John Knox in Scotland. As a result, many Presbyterians include bagpipes and Scottish heritage as ways of remembering the denomination's historical roots.*

*Over the next several weeks, we will explore how our Reformed heritage invites us to live in a divided world as followers of Christ. In a period in our country that feels increasingly divided and divisive, we will explore the concept of unity that holds and grounds us together as Christians.*



**\*SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 300)**

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

*We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;  
We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*



**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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



**\*SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 300)**

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

*We will work with each other; we will work side by side;  
We will work with each other; we will work side by side;  
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*



**TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Katherine Kupar

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Jim Rissler



**THE FIRST READING**

Psalm 46



God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.  
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;  
though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.  
God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;  
God will help it when the morning dawns.  
The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;  
God's voice resounds, and it melts the earth.  
The Lord of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord;  
God makes the earth bounteous!  
God has put an end to war,  
from one end of the earth to the other;  
breaking bows, splintering spears,  
and setting chariots on fire.  
'Be still, and know that I am God!  
I am exalted among the nations,  
I am exalted in the earth.'

*Psalm 46 is sometimes known as "a song of holy confidence." Others have called it "Luther's Psalm" because its first line was the basis for his hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God."*

The Lord of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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

👂) THE SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to Godself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to Godself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making God's appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake God made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

👂) SERMON Christine Coy Fohr

🗣️) \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*) Jim Hubert

**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!"**

*We respond to God's word both by declaring our faith and by sharing our offerings.*

☀️) PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD'S PRAYER John McClure

**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.**

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

👂) MINUTE FOR MISSION Doug Mann

👉) INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP Jim Hubert  
*The special offering today is for Cabbage Patch.*

🎵) ANTHEM arr. Tim Waugh  
*For All the Saints*  
Chancel Bells

🎵) \*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 300) THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS  
*All praise the Creator, from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*





**\*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 649

*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

AMAZING GRACE



\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Christine Coy Fohr



\*\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Hyfrydol*

Les Chefs

Carolyn Cook, piper

*\*\*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-Coordinator for Pastoral Care  
Rev. Jim Hubert, Co-Coordinator for Pastoral Care  
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  
James Logan, Assistant Building Manager  
Carl Enoch, Sign Language Interpreter

## THE SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Christine Coy Fohr  
Clerk of Session: Anne Hughes

Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Jim Boswell, Congregational Life	Laura Krausen, Christian Education	Ben Blake, Welcome
Joni Burke, Congregational Life	Marcia Lewis, Finance	Mary Esch, Welcome
Kim Harrod, Worship & Music	Mike Hunter, Property	Tom Frentz, Personnel
Kevin Gilman, Outreach Ministry	Becky Evans, Preschool	Linda Garrett, Outreach
Alex Bumpas, Personnel	Doug Grogg, Christian Education	Lynn Overstreet, Property

## TRUSTEES

Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
George Creznic	Lance Christell	Brian Pollock, Chair
Sara Sutphin, Vice-Chair	Dee Pregliasco	Leslie Whitehouse

## BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Sara Sutphin, Chair	Nancy Pollock	Angie Schulte
	Bob Smith	Ellen Zuber
	Bill Bliven	

# A Season of Thanksgiving

## Our Chance to Live Generously

### **We have so many reasons to give thanks here at Harvey Browne:**

- A loving community that comes alongside one another amid the ups and downs of life;
  - A congregation committed to sharing God's love in word and in deed;
  - Roots that connect us to our past and give us the support for the future;
    - Meaningful opportunities to worship, learn and serve together.

### **We hope that you will support all that God is doing here at Harvey Browne by:**

- Finding new ways to serve and participate in the life of our church;
- Using your God-given gifts in support of God's mission here and beyond;
- Completing a Time and Talents Sheet, which can be found on the tables in the narthex
  - Pledging financially in support of this congregation.

### **Turning in your pledge card each year helps the Session plan financially.**

#### **You can turn in your pledge by:**

- Filling out a paper pledge card (available in your pew), or
- Completing your pledge electronically using the QR code below.



*With rising costs in building maintenance, insurance and utility rates,  
our needs are projected to be 8-10% higher than last year's budget.  
Please consider increasing your pledge to help with these increased costs for 2025.*

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