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Making a Difference

Harvey Browne Memorial Presbyterian Church Newsletter

January 2025

January always seems to catch me off guard. And with good reason – the month of December is so filled with activity and planning, all culminating in Christmas Eve and Day celebrations. It is no wonder that there is often a bit of surprising at turning the calendar. And if you are like me, you turn it and think, "Ugh...January."

In comparison to the twinkling lights of Christmas, January can feel bleak and weary. Where once special activities and gatherings seemed around every corner, in January it can feel like we have to look for an excuse at merriment and excitement. Like the fun is over and it is time to pack it all away.

For people of faith, though, our journey is only just beginning. I love a poem of Howard Thurman, called "The Work of Christmas." It says:

When the song of the angels is stilled, When the star in the sky is gone, When the kings and princes are home, When the shepherds are back with their flock, The work of Christmas begins: To find the lost, To heal the broken, To feed the hungry, To release the prisoner, To rebuild the nations, To bring peace among others, To make music in the heart.

Christmas is only a beginning, Thurman reminds us.

This month, we will begin our journey through texts that equip us for discipleship: stories from Jesus' life that help us know what it means to be a true follower. This month holds the celebration of Epiphany, which we will observe on January 12th with Star Words. The following week, we will explore Jesus' baptism according to Luke's gospel. After that, we will get story after story that can function like a kind of orientation for us – an orientation equipping us to be followers of Christ in this hurting world.

On our final Sunday of the month, we will hear Jesus' words, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor...to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free." As followers of Christ, we are called into this very same mission. May we begin our year with a faithful determination to follow Christ in word and in deed, in faith and in action.



January Birthdays!

Lois Allen
Richard Ballard
Curt Barrett
Jim Boswell
Rex Brandenburg
Betsy Brill
Alex Bumpas
Frances Bumpas
Sherri Cargal
Tim Cargal
Adam Casson
Carol Christell
Lance Christell
Lynn Cole
Charlotte Craxton

Kathy Doelling
Myra Earley
Hudson Frentz
Jim Frentz
William Frentz
Elisabeth Gilfert
Justin Gilfert
Karen Gordon
Sarah Grant
Ruth Green
Mary Grogg
Ruby Grogg
Keegan Henderson
Garrett Hoert
Jamie Holt

Jim Hughes
Jean Hughes
Tom Hughes
Alice Judy
William Judy
Marla Kay Kosnik
Everett Lewis
Jim Lewis
Marcia Lewis
Bruce Lindsey
Hudson Lockhart
Lois Louderback
Suzie McElroy
Tom Osborne
Bill Percival

Aaron Price
Nancy Rissler
Mike Rodgers
Goldie Rodriguez
Julie Rousseau
Linda Schoolcraft
Matthew Sedgwick
Jay Shearrow
Clay Simpson
Sara Sutphin
John Trinkle
Christopher Ward
Chris Welch
Matthew Whitehouse

Donna Whitlock

HB Prayer List

William Widmayer Margaret Wilson Ramona Woodcock Ellen Zuber Owen Zuber



Sunday Worship

<u>Ushers:</u> <u>Lay Readers:</u>

January 5 Kelly Burke* Joni Burke Sarah Bumpas Ann Burge

January 5 Sara Sutphin

Sarah Bumpas January 12
Ann Burge Tom Frentz

January 12
Bill Bliven*
Pam Bliven
Bob Brown
Meg Buckner

January 19
Jeanne Luhr

January 26 Adam Zuber

January 19

Peggy Campbell* Lynn Cole Marisue Coy Jane Doehnert

January 26

George Creznic* Sandy Creznic Mary Esch Becky Evans



PRAYER LIST:

Debbie Moore; Natilea Boyd, cousin of Ramona and Rhonda Woodcock; The Grover, Rousseau, & Henderson families on the death of Don Grover; Christine's friend, Stephanie Dube, on the death of her daughter; Charlotte Hunt; Rob



Koenig and the Koenig family on the death of Rob's mother, Kathleen Koenig; Greta Marcum; Marybelle Duff; Bill Bliven's sister Jane Bliven Rongey; Charlotte Hunt; Jake Oetzel, friend of Mary Esch; Jane Thomas' husband Gus Thomas; Bev Hampton; Bob Roberts; Elana Centuro, niece of Judy Laning; Barb and Tom Benkert, relatives of Lynn Cole; John Reeker, Sr.; Gary Luhr; Jim & Sharon Frazer, brother-in-law and sister of Laura Carter; LaToshia Woods, friend of Veda Pendleton; Lois Allen; Virginia Strahl; Kenton Smith, friend of Dan & Judy Askins; Lois & Peter Laning, Sister-in-law and brother of Judy Laning; Pat Lewis, mother of Kathy Williams; Cyndi Lee Johnson, daughter of Marilee Phillips; Max Schuester, friend of Eric Hilyerd; Diana, daughter of Skip & Edith Light

MISSION CO-WORKERS:

Betsey & Eric Moe, Tyler, Rochelle & Mphatso Holm, Jeff & Christie Boyd, Dr. Larry and Inge Sthreshley

PRESBYTERIAN CHAPLAINS:

Jenny Edlin, Marie Ellis, Annica Gage, Jennifer Gingerich, Amy Helwig, Robin Hogle, Jim Martin, Donna Melloan, Gina Meester, Cynthia Miske, Kate Pyle, Caroline Wood, Jessica Gibo, and Erin Veliquette



* Head Usher

Sunday School

Sunday Breakfast and Sunday school will not meet January 5. It will resume on January 12.

Children & Youth

HBUniversity

- 0-3 in Nurserv
- 4's- K & 1st in Room 212
- Grades 2-3 in Room 212
- Grades 4-5 in Room 206
- Youth Class (6th—12th grade) Meet in the Loft.
- *Please initial the clipboards and ensure we have your contact information when you drop your child off*

January 5 - No Sunday School

January 12 - John McClure will lead a discussion based class on his series from earlier in the fall on Models of Christian Ethics.

January 19, 26, February 2 - John McClure will teach on Reformed and Presbyterian Worship.

Save the Date!

Children and their families are invited to a time of fellowship and play on **Monday, January 20th** in the HBP gym from 9:00-11:00am. Although school is out that day in observance of the holiday, we'll have activities for moving and playing, learning and reading, and some yummy snacks! All are welcome.

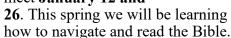
*Please note, the HBP office will be closed on January 20th in observance of the holiday.

Harvey Browne Parents' Day Out

4th-5th Lift

The PDO will begin registration for the 2025-2026 school year for members of Lift meets Sunday Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church on January 7th. Church members are guaranteed a place in the school during the priority registration period. The priority registration period ends January 23rd. If you would like to receive registration forms or schedule a tour, please contact Julie Rousseau in the PDO office at 896-1791 ext. 119 or by email at jrousseau@hbpres.net.

afternoons 4:00-5:30pm. We will meet January 12 and



Wednesday Night Dinners

Dinners will be catered by Kingsley Meats & Catering. Kingsley will provide an entree, two sides, and a vegetarian entree. Meals are served from 5:15-6:00 pm. Meals include a salad bar, assorted desserts, and beverages that include iced tea, lemonade, water, and coffee. There is also a "children's table" with milk, chocolate syrup, bread, and peanut butter. We are asking for a suggested donation of \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, with a family cap at \$25. Please do not let cost keep you from attending! We will also have the option of paying electronically.

Note: There will not be a Wednesday Night Dinner on January 1

January 8

Pasta bar: pasta, alfredo sauce, marinera, meatballs, grilled chicken strips, broccoli, garlic bread, green salad and toppings, assorted desserts and a vegetarian option.

January 15

BBQ Pork Chops, buttered parsley new potatoes, green beans, green salad and toppings, assorted desserts and a vegetarian option.

January 22

Meatloaf, macaroni and cheese, steamed broccoli, green salad and toppings, assorted desserts and a vegetarian option.

January 29

Citrus grilled chicken breasts, hash brown casserole, fruit salad, green salad and toppings, assorted desserts and a vegetarian option.

The Nursery is provided for children preschool and under from 6:00—7:00 on Wednesday nights.

Craft Group

The PW Craft Group meets after church on designated Sundays to create holiday favors for the residents of the Rose Anna Hughes Home in Buechel, a facility of Presbyterian Homes of Kentucky.

No special skills are needed—we often form a bit of an assembly line or copy a model. Some of our most recent projects are pictured here.









We meet in the Craft Room on the second floor, across from Eline Hall. Members bring a small dish to share and we enjoy a potluck lunch together right after church, then spend an hour or two crafting. Our 2025 dates are Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 2, April 6, and May 4.

Join us! For more information, contact Pam Glaze or Jean Wolph.

SPRING 2025 SCHEDULE

Harvey Browne Youth Group

JAN.

1/5 Youth Group 1/12 Youth Group 1/19 NO MEETING 1/26 Youth Group

FEB.

2/1 Bowling Party 2/2 Youth Group 2/8 Rehearsal 2/9 Youth Sunday--no afternoon meeting) 2/16 Youth Group 2/23 Trivia Fundraiser

MAR.

3/2 Youth Group 3/7-9 Pyoca Retreat 3/16 Youth Group 3/23 Youth Group 3/30 NO MEETING

APR.

4/6 Youth Group 4/13 Youth Group 4/18 Climb Nulu Lock-in (tentative) 4/20 NO MEETING 4/27 Youth Group

MAY

5/4 Youth Group 5/11 Confirmation Sunday--no afternoon meeting 5/18 Youth Group 5/25 Park Meetup

Important summer dates: June 8-14 High School Montreat; June 23-27 VBS Week; July 16-20 Middle School Conference; July 28-31 High School Youth Triennium

Youth 2024 Highlights



Harvey Browne Book Clubs

BookTalk

Pastor's Book Group

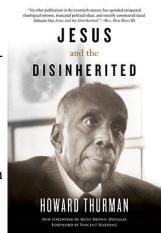
Booktalk on Tuesday, January 28th at 11:30 will meet in the Living Room and on Zoom and discuss Lady Tan's Circle of Women by Lisa See. This historical novel about the author's ancestor takes place in China beginning in 1461 during the Ming dynasty. Lady Tan fol-

lows in her parents' footsteps and becomes a doctor - almost unheard of for a woman at that time. She then writes a book about medical care for women that is still available. Grab a sandwich and a drink and join us for fellowship and an interesting discussion. All are welcome whether you have read the book or not. If you get your book from Carmichael's, mention Booktalk at Harvey Browne and receive a 20% discount.



2025 Schedule

- February 2 *Jesus and the* Disinherited, Howard Thur-
- March 2 *Searching for* Sunday, Rachel Held Ev-
- April 6 *A Human-Shaped* God: Theology of an Embodied God. Charles Halton
- May 4 On Critical Race Theory, Victor Ray
- Summer Read All My Knotted-Up Life, Beth Moore



Harvey Browne Church Directory

Harvey Browne utilizes Instant Church Directory to offer an online directory to our members. Our online church directory is a great resource tool that allows you to get to know our church family better and an easy way to make sure the church has the most up to date contact information for you. You can create an account online or on your mobile phone. You will use your email address listed in the directory to create a login the first time you use the directory. To create an account online, visit https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/ and click on the "First time signing in? Create Login." You will need to use the email address the church has in the directory for you. If you are uncertain, call the church office and ask them which email is being used. You will then create a password, enter it in twice and then click "Submit." Once you have done that, you want to check for an email asking you to confirm your account. Once your account has been confirmed, you will be able to view the directory online. You can also create and view the directory using the Instant Church Directory App. Simply go to the App Store, search for Instant Church Directory, and download the free app to begin. You will create an account on the app using the same instructions as above.

Anytime updates are made to the directory, they will update on your device too. In the app you will be able to search for families and members and call, email, and

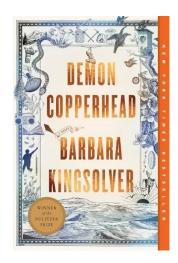
text right from the app. Don't have a photo in the directory or don't like the one that's there? You can submit your own photo as well as change your contact information if you wish or you can contact the church office, and we can update the information. If you have already set up an account but cannot get into the directory, you can choose "Forgot my password" and you will receive an email asking you to reset the password. Contact the church office if you have any questions or problems getting into the directory.



Bookanalia

Bookanalia will meet after Wednesday night supper on Jan. 15, 2025 in the Session Room and on Zoom to discuss Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver. Alex Bumpas will lead our conversation.

Also, we've learned that February's selection <u>All About Love</u> by bell hooks is a book best appreciated by taking it slowly, rather than reading all in one gulp. So you may want to pick up both now! Happy Reading!





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
~Sunday Schedule 9:00 - Breakfast 9:30 - Choir Rehearsal 9:30 - Sunday School ALL Ages+ 10:30 - Worship+ 1:00 - Pickle Ball (Emory) 3:30 - HBYouth Group (Loft) 4:00 - Yoga at HB (Session) Every Wednesday Night 5:15 - Dinner 6:00 - Children & Youth Activities 6:00 - Handbells in Sanctuar 6:15 - Adult Bible Study 7:00 - Chancel Choir Rehear		ner dren & Youth s dbells in Sanctuary lt Bible Study	1 Harvey Browne Church Building Closed for New Years Day	2	3	4 10:00– 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall)
5 Sunday Schedule No Breakfast or Sunday School 11:30- Epiphany Choir Party(Living Rm) 11:45- PW Craft Group (210) 1:00- Don Grover Visitation (Foyer) 3:00- Don Grover Funeral (Sanctuary)	6 9:00-Harvey's Helpers 10:00-Tai Chi (Eline) 2:00- Finance Meeting (Living Rm.)	7 9:45-Staff Mtg (Session) 7:00- Session Meeting (Session)	8 10:00–5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 1:00- Prayers Mtg* \$\delta Wednesday Night\$	9	10:30- Mid- KY PW Co- ordinating Meeting	11 9:00– Men's Break- fast (Session) 10:00– 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall)
12 Sunday Schedule 4:00-LIFT(Emory Hall)	9:00-Harvey's Helpers 11:00-Tai Chi (Eline) 11:00-WritingYour Story (Eline Hall) 11:00-Property Committee Meeting (Session) 8:15- Men's Group (209)	14 9:45-Staff Mtg (Session) 10:30- Grace Circle (208), Ruth Circle (Living Rm.) 11:30- Miriam Circle (Eline Hall) 3:00- Hope Circle (Living Rm.) 6:30- Personnel Committee Meeting (Living Rm*)	15 10:00-5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 1:00- Prayers Mtg* ◊ Wednesday Night 6:00- Bookanalia (Session+)	16 9:00- HBQuilters (209)	17	18 10:00– 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall)
19 Sunday Schedule	20 Harvey Browne Church Building Closed for MLK, Jr. Day. 9:00-11:00 HBP gym open with activities for children and families	21 1:30- Congregational Life Meeting (Living Rm) 6:30- Trustee Meeting (Session) 7:00- Outreach Committee Meeting (Zoom)	22 10:00-5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 1:00- Prayers Mtg* 4:00- PW Coordinating Team Meeting (Session) \$\delta Wednesday Night\$	23	24	25 10:00 – 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall)
26 Sunday Schedule 4:00-LIFT(Emory Hall)	27 9:00-Harvey's Helpers 10:00-Tai Chi (Eline) 6:00- Louisville Philharmonia Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 8:15- Men's Group (209)	28 9:45-Staff Mtg (Session) 11:30-Booktalk (Living Rm+) 7:00- Welcome Committee Meeting (Session)	29 10:00– 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 1:00- Prayers Mtg* ◊Wednesday Night	30 9:00- HBQuilters (209)		church office for s to Zoom.

January Grocery Cart

The Grocery Cart for January is for Portland Avenue Presbyterian Church. Items will be delivered to Portland Avenue Community Trust and distributed by them. Portland Avenue Presbyterian Church serves the homeless in their area again this year. Their biggest needs are Adult Wool Socks, Toilet Paper, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Small containers of Hand Sanitizer, Pocket Size Combs, Ready to Eat Foods i.e.Chips, Pretzels, etc., Peanut Butter Crackers, Vienna Sausage, Pull-Top Canned Goods (NOT Green Beans).

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday, January 20th is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Stay tuned for events and resources to observe this important holiday.

One event you can mark on your calendar is an MLK, Jr. Celebration Brunch hosted by Peace Presbyterian Church on January 11th. See the image to the right for details.

Peace Presbyterian Church invites you to the

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION BRUNCH

GUEST SPEAKER:
PASTOR CORRIE SHULL OF BURNETT AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 11, 2025 @ 11:00am Newburg Middle School 4901 Exeter Avenue Louisville, KY 40213

Advance Ticket Sales \$20.00 Zelle: peacechurch4210@gmail.com Call 502-805-7745 for more information



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Kristy Hubert, Co-coordinator of Pastoral Care

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Larry D. Brandenburg, Minister of Music

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Beth Brandenburg, Director Children's Choir

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