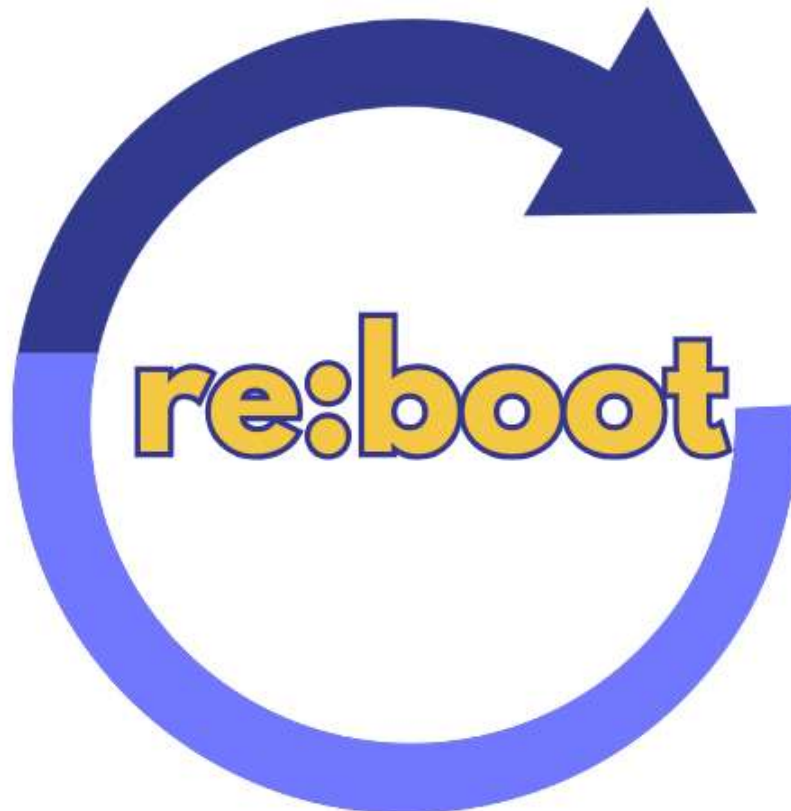




REFRESHING A PRACTICE OF DISCIPLESHIP

September 27, 2026

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

18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2026

THE GATHERING



PRELUDE

Improvisation on "Bunessan"

by David Lasky



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Katherine Kubar

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**



*CALL TO WORSHIP

Katherine Kubar

We gather as those who believe:

that this world still has hope;

that this time still has meaning;

that God's work is not yet finished.

We gather as witnesses to what God can do:

restoring what was wounded;

rebuilding what seemed in ruins.

God is not finished.

God is still working.

So, come; celebrate the Good News!

Let us gather as those ready to be made new.



*HYMN 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

AUSTRIAN HYMN



CALL TO CONFESSION

Jim Hubert



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God,

we confess that we have failed

to live in harmony with our siblings in Christ.

We act in selfish ambition

and do not regard others as better than ourselves.

We have not looked to the interests of others instead of ourselves.

We do not embrace the humility of Jesus Christ.

Forgive us. Continue to be at work in us,

that we might serve each other as you served us,

and reflect your love in this world.

Silence is kept for personal prayer.

*This month in worship
we are giving our
faith a Re:Boot,
exploring how ancient
practices can lead us
into deeper forms of
discipleship.*

*A call to confession
reminds us of God's
initiative in the work
of reconciliation,
inviting us to know
peace both with God
and one another.*



POURING OF THE WATERS REMINISCENT OF BAPTISM

Katherine Kubar

Remember your baptism and be thankful!



WORDS OF ASSURANCE



*SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 582)

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*



*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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



*SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 582)

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

*World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

THE WORD



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Kathy Williams



THE FIRST READING

Psalms 25: 4-9

Show me your ways, Holy One!
Teach me your paths!
Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation.
I wait all the day long for you.
Remember your mercies, Holy One, your love –
your ancient and unwavering love!
Pardon the sins of my youth
and my rebellious ways;
remember me because of your love,
because of your goodness, Lord!
How good and upright you are, Holy One!
You instruct sinners in the way,
you guide the humble in what is right,
you teach them your way.



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



ANTHEM

Thy Kingdom Come

Karen Marroli



TIME WITH CHILDREN

Katherine Kubar



THE SECOND READING

Philippians 2:1-11

If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

It is largely regarded that in verses 6-11 Paul is quoting from a hymn that would have been familiar to the Philippian community. This is a trend often seen in Paul's writings – his eagerness to take something from the life of the congregation and repurpose it to convey his message.



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



SERMON

Christine Coy Fohr



*AFFIRMATION 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!"**

The Affirmation of Faith is from A Brief Statement of Faith, written to commemorate the reunion of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America and the Presbyterian Church in the United States in 1983.



*HYMN 707

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

HALL

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



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hunter Farrell

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.



MINUTE FOR MISSION

Gary Cook



INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Jim Hubert



OFFERTORY

Pastorale

J.K. Kuchař



*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 607)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all peoples here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*



*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 702

Christ Be Beside Me

BUNESSAN



*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Christine Coy Fohr

Harvey Browne Memorial Presbyterian Church

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