

Big, Bold Stories

June 15, 2025

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


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THE GATHERING


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

 OPENING VOLUNTARY *Rock of Ages* Baker


 *CALL TO WORSHIP Christine Coy Fohr
Come, children of God!
See what it is to serve our God.
See what it is to follow. See what it is to trust.
See what it is to live a life of faith.
Come, children of God!
**See what it is to serve with
energy, intelligence, imagination and love.**

 *HYMN 735 *I Need Thee Every Hour* NEED


 CALL TO CONFESSION Katherine Kupar


 PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Gracious God, across the generations you have offered people hope in the face of their fears. In covenant love, you call us to faithfulness over the powers around us. And yet, in our fear, we have faltered. We have been haphazard in our loyalty. We have laid our hopes in people and visions that fail to give you glory. Forgive us, O God. Help us to know the power of placing our trust in you. Empower our faithfulness as resistance against all that might lead us astray, that with you, we might work for your coming day of justice and peace.

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 623) PEACE LIKE A RIVER
*I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river, in my soul.
I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river, in my soul.*

 *PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**

Every person ordained in the Presbyterian Church (USA) is asked the question: "will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination and love?" This month, we are looking at some of scripture's big stories and thinking about how they demonstrate ways to serve God with energy, intelligence, imagination and love. Consider how these stories instruct you as you embark on the big story of your life.



*SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 623)

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

*I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean;
 I've got love like an ocean, in my soul.
 I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean;
 I've got love like an ocean, in my soul.*



TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Katherine Kubar

THE WORD



PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Sally Yu



THE FIRST READING

Psalm 16: 1-8

O God, keep me safe -
 you are my refuge!
 I said to the Lord, "You are my God;
 there is nothing good for me apart from you."

The holy people of my land are wonderful!
 My greatest pleasure is to be with them.
 But those who rush after other gods
 will bring many troubles upon themselves.
 I will not take part in their sacrifices;
 I won't even speak the names of their gods.

You, Lord, are all that I have,
 you are my food and my drink.
 My life is safe in your hands.
 Within the boundaries you set for me
 there are nothing but pleasant places!
 What a delightful inheritance I have!

I praise the Lord, who guides me;
 even at night my heart teaches me.
 I'm always aware of your presence;
 you are right by my side,
 and nothing can shake me.



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



THE SECOND READING

Daniel 6: 10-23

Although Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he continued to go to his house, which had windows in its upper room open toward Jerusalem, and to get down on his knees three times a day to pray to his God and offer praise, just as he had done previously. Then those men watched and found Daniel praying and seeking mercy before his God. Then they approached the king and said concerning the interdict, "O king! Did you not sign an interdict, that anyone who prays to any god or human, within thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be thrown into the den of lions?" The king answered, "The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked." Then they responded to the king,

The big, bold story of Daniel has two distinct parts: a collection of stories in chapters 1-6 and four visions described in chapters 7-12. The stories tell of a Jew named Daniel and his companions, who are among the prisoners from Jerusalem taken into exile in Babylon. The visions in the second part are those received by Daniel. (Harper Collins Study Bible)

“Daniel, one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O king, or to the interdict you have signed, but he is saying his prayers three times a day.”

When the king heard the charge, he was very much distressed. He was determined to save Daniel, and until the sun went down he made every effort to rescue him. Then the conspirators came to the king and said to him, “Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians that no interdict or ordinance that the king establishes can be changed.”

Then the king gave the command, and Daniel was brought and thrown into the den of lions. The king said to Daniel, “May your God, whom you faithfully serve, deliver you!” A stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signet ring of his lords, so that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel. Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no entertainment was brought to him, and sleep fled from him.

Then at dawn, the king got up and at first light hurried to the den of lions. When he came near the den where Daniel was, he cried out anxiously to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God whom you faithfully serve been able to deliver you from the lions?” Daniel then said to the king, “O king, live forever! My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths so that they would not hurt me, because I was found blameless before him; also before you, O king, I have done no wrong.” Then the king was exceedingly glad and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him because he had trusted in his God.

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

 SERMON

Christine Coy Fohr

 *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith) Katherine Kubar

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

Katherine Kubar

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Hear our prayers of adoration and praise...

...faithful living God, **hear our prayers.**

Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Hear our prayers for your coming reign of peace...

...faithful living God, **hear our prayers.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

Hear our prayers for the needs of our community...

...faithful living God, **hear our prayers.**

Today’s Prayers of the People uses a more modern translation of the Lord’s Prayer from the 1988 English Language Liturgical Consultation.

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



***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.*

Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Hear our prayers for reconciliation with you and with others...

...faithful living God, **hear our prayers.**

And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one.

Hear our prayers for the world and for our personal struggles
with temptation or evil...

...faithful living God, **hear our prayers.**

For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours forever. Amen.



INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Christine Coy Fohr



OFFERTORY

Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel
Summer Choir

arr. Roger Emerson



*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 837)

SHOWALTER

*What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.*



*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 741

Guide My Feet

GUIDE MY FEET



*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Christine Coy Fohr



**CLOSING VOLUNTARY

A Mighty Fortress

Leavitt

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 of Pastoral Care
Rev. Jim Hubert, Co-Coordinator of Pastoral Care
Larry Brandenburg, Minister of Music
Tim Baker, Organist/Assistant Director of Music
Beth Brandenburg, Director of Children's Choir
Tessy Farrell, Nursery Coordinator
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
Treasurer: Tom Hughes

Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
Laura Krausen, Christian Education	Ben Blake, Welcome	Alex Bumpas, Personnel
Marcia Lewis, Finance	Mary Esch, Welcome	Ben Durham, Welcome
Mike Hunter, Property	Tom Frentz, Personnel	Kim Harrod, Worship & Music
Becky Evans, Preschool	Linda Garrett, Congregational Life	Tom Hughes, Finance
Doug Grogg, Christian Education	Lynn Overstreet, Property	Jean Wolph, Outreach

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Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
Lance Christell	Brian Pollock, Chair	George Creznic
Dee Pregliasco	Leslie Whitehouse	Sara Sutphin, Vice-Chair

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Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
Nancy Pollock	Angie Schulte	Nancy Rissler
Bob Smith	Ellen Zuber	
Bill Bliven		

*big***BOLD**STORIES

SERVING GOD WITH ENERGY.
INTELLIGENCE, IMAGINATION, & LOVE

JUNE 1

JOSEPH

Genesis 45: 1-15, 25-28

JUNE 8

TOWER OF BABEL

Genesis 11: 1-9

JUNE 15

DANIEL

Daniel 6: 10-23

JUNE 22

ESTHER

Esther 4: 14

JUNE 29

ISRAELITES' EXODUS

Exodus 13:17-22



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