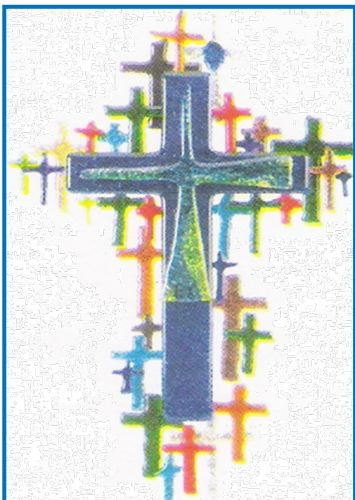


# Making a Difference

Harvey Browne Memorial Presbyterian Church Newsletter  
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One of my favorite lines in all of television came from the show, *Downton Abbey*. Set in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century on the fictional Downton Abbey estate in Yorkshire, England, the show follows the lives of the aristocratic Crawley family and their servants. Its plot often focuses on the disparities between the “upstairs” and “downstairs”, demonstrating pointedly how the social hierarchy of the time effectually created separate worlds. When a new Crawley enters the scene – one who has actually worked a paying job – he makes reference to traveling somewhere over the weekend. In horror, the eldest member of the family, the Dowager Countess played by Maggie Smith, widens her eyes while looking around the table before saying that famous line, “what is a weekend?!”



It is a funny, striking line because it demonstrates just how out-of-touch these aristocrats are from the daily requirements of most everyone’s everyday life. We work, we care for our families, we sleep. And as the famous song says, “everybody’s working for the weekend.” For a chance to rest. For a chance to take a breath. When life feels so chock-full of pressure and responsibility, the weekend becomes the goal every time.

An article I recently read in The Guardian magazine talked about the not-so-healthy connection between overwork and a sense of worth. Referencing the religion-based ethic praising hard work and self-denial (while promising punishment for any who are lazy), the Protestant work ethic is thought to have been the driving force behind capitalism. The article discusses how such an ethic still permeates our culture, leading even those who are not religious to feel ashamed for leisure. If a task is accomplished without an adequate amount of anxiety, the assumption is that one didn’t try hard enough.

The late Old Testament scholar, Walter Brueggeman, often wrote about how the Puritan legacy of the Protestant work ethic clashed with biblical calls to Sabbath and communal care. Where the former focuses on individual accumulation and self-sufficiency, Brueggeman highlighted how work for the latter was more a tool for supporting one’s community, and especially the most vulnerable. While work was important, far more important was Sabbath – an intentional setting down of that which distracts from God and one another.

Perhaps this summer you could find ways to live into a more balanced view of work and worth. Perhaps you could consider the values you place on busyness, worry, anxiety and production, and think about how they are distracting you from focusing on God and the people around you. In asking such questions, may we open ourselves to the gift of balance and Sabbath, so that we’re not simply “working for the weekend”, but embracing the gift of each day.

- Christine

## July Birthdays!

Frank Anderson  
 Dan Askins  
 John Ballard  
 Rebecca Barnes  
 Lindsey Bobbitt  
 Joyce Boblitt  
 Nathan Brandenburg  
 Linda Brantley  
 Suzanne Brent  
 Dorothy Buchanan  
 Jack Carter  
 Liam Casson  
 Mark Crowner  
 Renata Dewees  
 Ben Doelling  
 Al Earley  
 Turner Effinger  
 Julie Erwin  
 Lauren Erwin  
 Asa Ewing  
 Emily Ewing  
 Rob Fohr  
 Jim Garrett

Kate Garrett  
 Jennie George  
 Alecson Gilfert  
 Laurie Graybeal  
 Becca Harrison  
 Brooks Hatcher  
 Natalie Healy  
 Mike Hunter  
 Mike Jarvi  
 Scott Johnson  
 Carolyn Judy  
 Max Koenig  
 Mary Kolbrook  
 Laura Krausen  
 Burnam Kuper  
 Skip Light  
 Scott Luttmann  
 Matt McCallister  
 Kirby Norwood  
 JoAnna Overstreet  
 Nancy Pollock  
 Pippa Pollock  
 Susan Schneider

Steve Schulte  
 Martha Scott  
 Paul Scott  
 Scott Sedgwick  
 Daniel Seewer  
 Michael Shearrow  
 Laurel Stocks  
 Norma Stratford  
 Paul Sutphin  
 Anne Wade  
 Evan Ward  
 Gary Wardle  
 Carole Whitledge  
 Anna Claire Will  
 Ashley Will  
 Katie Williams  
 Nate Worley

### Sunday Worship

#### Ushers:

#### **July 6**

Bill Bliven\*  
 Pam Bliven  
 Peggy Campbell  
 Jeanne Luhr

#### **July 13**

Anne Hughes\*  
 Diane Osborne  
 Tom Osborne  
 Dee Pregliasco

#### **July 20**

Kelly Burke\*  
 Joni Burke  
 Angie Schulte  
 Steve Schulte

#### **July 27**

Lynn Overstreet\*  
 JoAnna Overstreet  
 Mike Rodgers  
 Jane Thomas

#### Lay Readers:

#### **July 6**

Veda Pendleton

#### **July 13**

Bill Percival

#### **July 20**

Judy Laning

#### **July 27**

Maggie Chilton

\* Head Usher

### HB Prayer List

**PRAYER LIST:** Jim & Kitty Boswell; Steve Schulte; Judy Stubbs; Natalie Healy; Fred Wunderlich; Donna Jones; Veda Pendleton; Kathleen Yager (former HB Employee) & Family on the death of her daughter Sarah; Bill Newman, father of Beth Brandenburg; Nancy Pollock; the mother of Kira Rogers, friend of the Stewart family; Carol Christell; Julie Hood, friend of Rhonda and Ramona Woodcock; Marsha Howard, Renata DeWees' mom; Mery, mother of Javier Rodriguez; Myra Earley; Rob Klouw, husband of former HB Staff Katherine Randall; Marybelle Duff; Suzanne Ellis; Judi Jones, wife of Bob Brown; Lucy Rapp; Martha Scott; Greta Marcum; Barb and Tom Benkert, relatives of Lynn Cole; John Reeker, Sr.; LaToshia Woods, friend of Veda Pendleton; Kenton Smith, friend of Dan & Judy Askins; Lois & Peter Laning, Sister-in-law & brother of Judy Laning; Cyndi Lee Johnson, daughter of Marilee Phillips; Max Schuester, friend of Eric

### Red Cross Blood Drive

the Red Cross will be having a blood drive on Wednesday, **July 9th** from 12:00-5:00pm in Emory Hall. Schedule your appointment at [www.redcrossblood.org/](http://www.redcrossblood.org/). Walk-ins are also welcome. Bring a friend with you! All blood types are needed.

## July Worship Series

This month in worship, we shift from discussing big, bold stories in scripture to big, bold stories told through film. We are continuing what has become a Harvey Browne summertime tradition of viewing films together and then unpacking in worship how these stories instruct our faith. We'll have pizza available for the movies shown at Harvey Browne. Please RSVP by the Tuesday before by calling the church office or using the links below.

The Lorax (July 2<sup>nd</sup>) - <https://forms.gle/WyCywom7sUVhptG6>

Remember the Titans (July 9<sup>th</sup>) - <https://forms.gle/GNZuScSZtSZMAdLJ6>

Conclave (July 15<sup>th</sup> at Masonic Home – no pizza)

Best Christmas Pageant Ever (July 23<sup>rd</sup>) - <https://forms.gle/HwyCEhQjWWe3vENu7>

# AT THE MOVIES



**THE LORAX**  
JULY 2 @ 6:00

**REMEMBER THE TITANS**  
JULY 9 @ 6:00

**CONCLAVE\*\***  
JULY 15 @ 1:00

**BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER**  
JULY 23 @ 6:00

**\*\*All movies in Eline Hall \*\*except\*\***  
Conclave, which will be shown at the theater on the Masonic Home campus. To RSVP for pizza at the evening movies, call the church office or use the link in Highlights by Tuesday at noon.

## Harvey Browne Hello

Are you new to Harvey Browne or interested in joining in membership? Join us for Harvey Browne Hello on Sunday, July 20 at 9:30am. This is a gathering designed to welcome new members and those curious about the church. In our time together, attendees will introduce themselves and fellowship with others, learn briefly about Presbyterian history, beliefs, and governance, dive deeper into HBPC's worship, mission, and history (who was Harvey Browne, anyway??). Harvey Browne seeks to be a compassionate community where everyone finds their place, so we hope you'll come say hello! We'll meet in room 208. For questions, reach out to Katherine ([katherine@hbpres.net](mailto:katherine@hbpres.net)).



# Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School June 23-27 was full of joy, energy, and God's love as 61 kids, 15 youth helpers, and 34 adult volunteers came together for *Road Trip: On the Go with God!*

Each day was packed with fun as kids rotated through crafts, music, Bible storytelling, science, and active games—with a much-loved snack break in the middle. Along the way, we explored how God was with people in the Bible like Abraham and Sarah, Zacchaeus, Elizabeth and Mary—and how God is with us, too, wherever we go.



Our youth helpers were absolute stars—leading, encouraging, and making this experience extra special for the kids. We're so proud of their leadership and thankful for their big hearts.

One of the most beautiful parts of the week was seeing connections form across all ages. That's something truly unique to the church—a space where generations come together to grow, laugh, and serve side by side.

From start to finish, the energy was high, the smiles were wide, and God's love was all around. A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this Road Trip one to remember!



## Notes from Session

The Session of Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church held a stated meeting on June 3. Marcia Lewis led the Session in prayer after which the following business was conducted:

- Heard reports from Christine & Katherine.
- As part of our summer worship, the program staff is planning a minister-affiliate preaching series in August. The Session approved the program staff selecting those ministers to preach.
- Approved the purchase and mount of a tv and sound bar for Eline Hall. We will use Jeremiah 29 Fund to cover this cost. The Jeremiah 29 Fund was established in 2021 with donations from some church members. The goal of this fund is to provide a reserve that will enable HB to pursue opportunities in congregational vitality, programing and benevolence that exceed the scope of the church's budget.
- Approved replacing the water fountain on the first floor, outside the church's office, with a bottle filler water fountain.
- Cedar Ridge Camp has completed the new Calvin Chapel. The camp needs \$100,000.00 to repay the loans to build the Chapel. The Session agreed to reach out to HB members asking for donations to help Cedar Ridge pay down the loans. Brian Pollock and Anne Hughes, Board members, will develop a strategy to bring this to the attention of the congregation. I invite you to visit Cedar Ridge Camp's website to see pictures of the building of the Chapel or to ride to the camp to see it in person.
- Mike Hunter, chair of Property Committee, reported one of the rooms under the sanctuary had a water pipe leak in the fan coil unit. The repair is extensive and expensive. The other rooms under the sanctuary have the same piping. It was recommended to the committee that the remaining fan coils piping be replaced now, at the same time, before more leaks occur. The Session approved replacing 11 fan coils piping in those rooms, installing isolation valves on each unit, re pipe and re insulate. The cost will be \$45,316; the funds will come from Facilities Reserves. The Preschool Board voted to give \$15,000 towards the cost.
- Heard reports from the committees.

Anne Hughes, Clerk of Session

## Bellewood-Brooklawn Update

On June 17, 2025 Bellewood-Brooklawn received all three renewed licenses from the State of Kentucky, after a very difficult and painful three-year process. The Board has decided to sell the Bellewood Property for an asking price of \$10 M. The hope is to use these funds to rehab current cottages at Brooklawn and increase the services they offer. Pastor Andreas Rio, has been hired part-time to enhance their faith services to resident. Reopening their psychiatric facility as well expanding services to special needs children are priorities. Currently Brooklawn has eight cottages with land to build one or two additional cottages. The Child Protective Services, CPS, which operates within the Department of Community-Based Services (DCBS) has now only 400 Kentucky children needing residential care. Bellewood-Brooklawn's current capacity is 100 children, with a current census of 45 children. Ten cottage "parents" are needed to staff each cottage. Hiring additional cottage parents is very challenging considering the pay and availability of appropriate employees to care for these children 24/7/365. Hence reopening each cottage will take time. Information provided by Bellewood-Brooklawn COO Andy Driscoll.

## Presbyterian Hygiene Kit Assembly

Time to mark your calendars! Presbytery's Hygiene Kit assembly day for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is September 20. As you travel this summer please continue to collect these items. They can be placed in a box marked "Hygiene Kits" in the drop closet. They are very specific about sizes because of postage.

Thank you for any assistance for these:

1. Travel-size stick deodorant (3.4 oz. or less, non-aerosol)
2. Travel-size lotion (3.4 oz. or less, fragrance-free, NEW only)
3. Travel-size shampoo (3.4 oz. or less, NEW only)
4. Travel-size toothpaste (3.4 oz. or less, expiration date of at least 1 year)



## Youth at Montreat



## Harvey Browne Summer Run/Walk Club

We had such fun meeting up at last year's Iroquois Hill Runner's Ice Cream 5k and walking/running in our matching shirts that we will do it again! This year's Ice Cream Run will be July 22 at 6:30 at Iroquois Park, but we hope some HB runners/walkers may meet up for moving together before then as well. If you'd like to stay in the loop, please join the Running/Walking Club group on Facebook or ask Renata to add you to her email list.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1		1 9:45-Staff Mtg (Session) 7:00- Welcome Committee Meeting (Session Rm)	2 10:00- 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 1:00- Prayers Mtg* 6:00- At the Movies Sermon Series (Eline Hall)	3	4 Harvey Browne Church Building Closed	5 10:00- 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall)
6 Sunday Schedule	7 9:00-Harvey's Helpers 11:00-Tai Chi (Foyer) 6:30- Personnel Committee Meeting (Living Rm)	8 9:45-Staff Mtg (Session)	9 10:00- 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 12:00- Blood Drive (Emory Hall) 1:00- Prayers Mtg* 6:00- At the Movies Sermon Series (Eline Hall)	10 10:00- Prime Time (Session Rm)	11 Harvey Browne Church Building Closed	12 10:00- 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall)
13 Sunday Schedule 7:00- Mid-KY Presbyterian Triennium Youth Ice Cream (Youth Center)	14 8:15-Men's Group (Offsite)	15 9:45-Staff Mtg (Session) 6:30- Trustee Meeting (Zoom) 7:00- Outreach Committee Meeting (Zoom) 1:00- At the Movies Sermon Series (Masonic Homes)	16 1:00- Prayers Mtg*	17	18 Harvey Browne Church Building Closed	19 10:00- 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 3:00- Singing Hand in Hand Concert (Sanctuary)
Harvey Browne Church Building and Office Closed for Pipe Work						
			Middle School Youth Conference			
20 Sunday Schedule 9:30 - Harvey Browne Hello (208)	21 9:00-Harvey's Helpers 11:00-Property Committee Meeting (Session) 11:00-Writing Your Story (208) 11:00-Tai Chi (Eline)	22 9:45-Staff Mtg (Session) 6:30-HB Run Club 5k (Iroquois Park) 7:00- Welcome Committee (Session)	23 10:00- 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 1:00- Prayers Mtg* 6:00- At the Movies Sermon Series (Eline Hall)	24 10:00- Prime Time (Session)	25 Harvey Browne Church Building Closed	26 10:00- 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall)
27 Sunday Schedule 1:00 - Shawnee Sunday Dinner at Shawnee Pres.	28 9:00-Harvey's Helpers 11:00-Tai Chi (Eline) 8:15-Men's Group (209)	29 9:45-Staff Mtg (Session) 11:30-Booktalk+ (Living Rm) 2:00- Finance Committee (Living Rm)	30 10:00- 5,000 Steps (Emory Hall) 1:00- Prayers Mtg*	31	^Every Sunday Morning 9:30 - Summer Choir Rehearsal 10:30 - Worship+ (Sanctuary) 1:00 - Pickle Ball (Emory) 4:00 - Yoga at HB (Session) * Zoom	
			Contact the church office for links to Zoom.			
Youth Triennium						

## July Grocery Cart

The Grocery Cart for July is for St MAM and La Escuelita at Beechmont Presbyterian.

St. MAM is in need of school supplies including backpacks, poly/vinal 2 pocket folders, #2 pencils, soft pencil pouches, and composition notebooks. They request items be dropped off by July 23 to St. MAM at 319 Browns Lane or bring items to Harvey Browne and place them in the grocery cart outside the foyer doors before July 23 and we will deliver them.

La Escuelita is also in need of school supplies, the supplies they are requesting are pencils, mechanical pencils, pens (blue or black) scientific calculators, manila folders with two pockets, notebooks, notebook paper, coloring pencils, crayons, pencil pouches, markers, backpacks, highlighters, whiteout, glue sticks and sharpies. Thank you for your donations!

## Singing Hand in Hand

Join us for an afternoon of music--and perhaps some audience participation! We will receive a free-will offering for Family and Children's Place, a Louisville non-profit that provides resources, support and solutions to help families prevent and stop child abuse and neglect, and to heal those impacted, by empowering parents and the community to create safe, nurturing environments for children



A benefit recital for  
**Family & Children's Place**  
Featuring works by Rossini,  
Brahms, Berlin, and more!

Gillian Hollis,  
soprano

Megan Durham,  
mezzo soprano

Chris Harbeson-  
Borgelt,  
pianist

**19**  
JULY

Harvey Browne  
Presbyterian  
Church

**3:00**  
P.M.

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