Service of Divine Worship

4th Sunday after Epiphany, Ordination/Installation of Officers
January 28, 2024

Assemble in God's Name

As You Focus for Worship

All-powerful God, whose revelation in Jesus Christ communicated authority and wisdom and strength among people who lived long ago, let your word to-day address the unclean spirits in our midst, that your church may more fully represent Christ in today's world, reaching out in love to all who need food, inspiration, direction, care, and healing. Amen.¹

Welcome and Proclamation of the Good News

Prelude

*Call to Worship: Responsive Reading

Let us give thanks to the Lord with willing hearts, offering praise in the midst of the congregation.

Great are God's works; the ways of the Lord are studied by all who delight in them.

The deeds of the Lord are full of majesty and splendor; God performs acts of justice and mercy across the whole earth.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; thanks and praise endure among God's people forever! ²

Let us worship God.

*Hymn #482: Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Prayer of Confession: Unison Reading

Gracious God, you have given us a sure Word—sealed by your Spirit in the free gift of your Son. In him you have set us free from bondage, bound up and healed our wounds, and led us into paths of peace. But still we listen to other voices, as though your word were just one among others.

In mercy, forgive us, O Lord. Enable us by your Spirit, to demonstrate our gratitude for all your blessings, by following Jesus with undivided hearts, and by bearing his liberating good news wherever there is brokenness and bondage to the glory of your holy name.²

Silent, Personal Prayer

*Assurance of Pardon: Responsive Reading

All who love God are known by God, whose intention is that we live in loving relationship with one another.

We count on God to free us from our bondage to sin, and to transform our lives.

Praise God forever and ever!1

Thanks be to God, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Song of Joy, Hymn #462, verse 1: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light, Sun of Righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night; Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart appear.

* The Peace: "The Peace of the Lord be with you." "And also with you."

As a sign of reconciliation please share the Peace of Christ

with your brothers and sisters.

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination:

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out upon us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things that pertain to life and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. ⁴

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:21-28

Children's Time Susie Faas

Ministry of Music: *Come, Children of Zion* Heritage Choir

Lloyd Larson

Sermon: Astounding and Amazing

Reverend Kevin Stainton

Respond to God's Word

*Glory to God Hymnal #181: Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit

Joy & Concern Cards will be collected during this hymn

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Life Together

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts to God

Offertory

* Hymn # 592: Doxology

* Prayer of Dedication

Ordination and Installation of Officers

*Hymn #522: Lord, When I Came Into This Life

*Benediction

*Postlude

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^{*} Those who are able may stand.

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Community Cupboard

Please leave your donations in the grocery cart in the front hall-way, not in the shed or elsewhere. We are providing only non-perishable food items and hygiene products. Do not donate anything else. Also, no glass containers.



At the present time we could use especially: peanut butter, crackers (any kind), cereal, pasta, hearty stews and canned fruit.

We appreciate your help and support in this new mission project.

2024 Offering Envelopes & Legacy Campaign Giving Envelopes



Boxes of 2024 Offering Envelopes, and Legacy Campaign Giving Envelopes are available for pick up outside the Church Office. If you need a box mailed to your home, please email office@hpcmason.org.

Sign Up to Be a Greeter!

If you are interested in greeting on a Sunday or two, sign up on the signup sheet on the Sign Ups bulletin board n the Atrium, or contact JoAnne McCaulou. Families are welcome and encouraged to serve together. All you have to do is to be at the church by 9:55 am, put on your name tag, stand in the Atrium entrances and greet people as they arrive. If you have questions, call JoAnne McCaulou at 513-900-4406.



Per Capita

Members may assist the Church by paying their Per Capita fee of \$35.00. If you choose to do this, please mark your check or online donation as "Per Capita".

Children in Worship Workshop February 14th, 5-6pm



We will offer a workshop to help children in grades K – 6 learn how we worship in the Ash Wednesday Service. Children and parents are invited to join us, followed by congregational Potluck Supper at 6 pm, and Worship at 7 pm.

Lenten Resources and Practices



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. This is a 6-week period when Christians prepare for Easter through reflection, study, and service. We have prepared several resources and experiences that are appropriate for all ages as we experience Lent. Take-Home resources will be available in the atrium.

Prayer Partners

During Lent, consider strengthening your prayer life by becoming a Prayer Partner with someone in our congregation. We will pair each interested adult (18 and older) with a youth (17 & younger, including babies). Throughout Lent, you will commit to praying for each other daily. Interested? Contact susie.faas@hpcmason.org to be connected with a partner and a receive a packet.

Spirituality Centers

Beginning February 14th, Spirituality Prayer Centers will be set up for all ages, in our Adult Library and Fireside rooms and will be open for your use when the building is open. They provide wonderful space to pray individually, with a family member, or a partner. Plan a time to be renewed through the power of prayer.

Family Promise Fellowship, Meal and Overnight Hosts Needed

HPC's second hosting week for FPWC will begin on March 24. *Beginning with this March hosting week and going forward, we are being asked to provide Fellowship Hosts, Meal Hosts and Overnight Hosts* as we did prior to 2020. We will not need to provide any type of host for our January 28 Hosting Week.



The goal is to have 2 Fellowship Hosts and 2 Overnight hosts for the 7 consecutive nights of our hosting weeks starting in March and going forward. We also need 2 people each night to help set the table and set our the food for the evening meals.

Hosts need to be trained. HPC has a 2 trainings scheduled for our volunteers on 2/17 and 2/24, each from 9am-12pm at 600 Cincinnati Avenue in Lebanon. If you wish to serve as a host in the future and cannot attend either of these trainings, you will need to attend with other church crews. Please sign up on the Mission Bulletin Board.

Listening/Vision Sessions

A Session appointed team will be leading Listening/ Visioning gatherings during January to hear from as many of you as possible. This will be one ingredient in discerning the leading of the Holy Spirit for Heritage.



The last meeting will be right after worship today, January

28th. A light lunch will be served. The meeting after lunch will last no more than 2 hours. Please try to be part of these very important meetings for Heritage's future.

Signups are in the atrium or on this link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4EA4AD2FA5FD0-46941822-heritage#/

Family Fun Night: Tonight! January 28, 5—7pm



All families with children Birth—12th are invited to a Pot Luck Supper and Game Night during the regular youth group time. We will start with a potluck supper: HPC will provide the main entrée of pulled pork and beverages. Sign up with the link https://bit.ly/FamilyFunPotluckJanuary28 to bring the sides. The rest of the evening will be games: a few multigenerational fun games, and then some board games. Feel free to invite friends

Tuesdays Together in Lent

Each Tuesday evening, during the Lenten season, we will gather together to study and learn as a church community. Adults and teens are invited to meet at Heritage for Potluck dinner, fellowship, and study. Childcare for our younger children is available. Contact susie.faas@hpcmason.org

Tuesdays Together In



Tuesdays February 20, 26, March 5, 12, 19, and 26 from 6-8pm

Food: 6-7pm will be a weekly potluck supper. The church will provide a main entree and we ask congregation members to provide a side dish or dessert.

Study: From 7-8pm Pastor Kevin will lead us in study and conversation using the PCUSA curriculum "Follow Me—Make Disciples".

Sign up on the "LENT" bulletin board in the Atrium or use this link: https://bit.ly/TuesdaysTogether2024

Prayer Requests

Concerns::

- ▶ Leah Cowan—95 year old aunt of Sheri Miller & Connie Ison—surgery
- Betty Stine—Karen Stine's mother-in-law—hospitalized for congestive heart failure *Continued Prayer:*
- Prayers for the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for peace.
- Prayers for the people of Israel and Gaza and all victims of terrorism and war
- Norm Atkinson—Chris Atkinson's dad—hospitalized after a fall
- Sara Gerity—friend of Ty & Joyce Klein—lung cancer for the 3rd time
- Nicole Green—co-worker of Chris Atkinson's—upcoming surgery for pancreatic cancer
- Gary Hoffman—Megan Fisher's grandfather—Hospice
- Twilla & Gary Lane—friends of the LeVans—Twilla will have chemo for breast cancer.
- Lyn Liming—Jamey Focke's sister—heart failure and blood disease
- Carole Phillips—memory care at Optimized Senior Living
- Bonnie Reeves
- Steve Ritz
- Merideth Rought—healing after a car accident
- Randy Stanford—at Otterbein Maineville
- Elaine Taggart—Jamey Focke's sister—recovery from craniotomy
- Ron Trapp Pastor Emeritus Hospice Care

In Memoriam:

• Kellie Bogen and family—Mark Bogen claimed the victory of the resurrection on Thursday, January 18, 2024.

Intercessory Prayer: Venice Presbyterian Church

Call the church office, 398-7671, to request the prayer chain be started



Sunday, January 28, 4th Sunday after Epiphany

1/28-2/3 Family Promise Week

9:00 am: Sunday School for all ages

9:30 am: Choir Practice

10:15 am: In Person Worship & Livestream Worship on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>

12:00 pm: Listening Group

5pm: Kids of the Kingdom; 'Tweens & Legacies

Monday, January 29

Tuesday, January 30

10:00 am: Crafting Group

Wednesday, January 31

6:15 pm: Choir Practice 7:30 pm: Bells Practice

Thursday, February 1

11:00 am: Adult Bible Study

8:15 pm: Men's Fellowship Meeting

Friday, February 2

1:00 pm: Endowment Committee Meeting

5:30 pm: Youth meet at HPC to drive to PYC Winter Retreat

Saturday, February 3

9:00 am: Church Workday

6:00 pm: Youth Return from PYC Winter Retreat

Sunday, February 4, Communion, 5th Sunday after Epiphany, Scout Sunday

9:00 am: Sunday School for all ages

9:30 am: Choir Practice

10:15 am: In Person Worship & Livestream Worship on Facebook and YouTube

11:30 am: Annual Meeting Part II

@12:30 pm: Scout Lunch

Worship Leader Today: Sue Monteith

Sanctuary Flowers Today are given by Jamey & Sheri Focke, "Praise God for the heal-

ing trend of both Jamey's sisters! Lyn is home and Elaine is in rehab."

Greeters Today: Ted & Lisa Niehaus

Birthdays: DawnMarie Hayes, Michelle Romans, Alan Snyder, Joanne Foster, Janet

McGoron, Fred Stemmler, Kevin Zumkehr



Souper Bowl of Caring, February 11

It is time for our annual SOUPER BOWL of CARING! Each year, we collect canned goods and donations to support a local pantry. NEW THIS YEAR!! Our donations this year will go to the Community Cupboard which is housed in our own parking lot. This year we are not limited to soup. Feel free to donate canned or boxed pantry supplies that are nutritious and hearty for hungry people. We will again have a competition to collect the most items possible. Last year we collected 1,400 cans and \$2200 in monetary donations. Souper Bowl pantry foods are currently being collected in the Atrium bins/ Please donate items that are beneficial to the pantry.

YES Foods: Hearty soups and stews, Canned Fruit, Canned meats/chicken/tuna, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Boxed breakfast foods, potatoes, pasta

Foods NOT Currently Needed: Canned veggies, Foods in glass containers. (Glass is dangerous in an outside pantry), "Unique" food (would <u>your</u> family eat multiple cans of sardines or Vienna sausages?), Multiple boxes of Jello Let's feed the hungry in healthy ways!

It Is Time to Order 'Tween Chili!

To raise donations for the SouperBowl of Caring, our 'Tweens will be making their famous homemade chili that you can enjoy during the big game. Your "Tween Chili package" includes 2 containers of 'Tween Chili, a loaf of homemade cornbread, and home delivery on Saturday, February 10th. Click on the link https://bit.ly/TweenChili2024 to place your order. A freewill donation



of \$20 is suggested. If you prefer to pick your chili up at church, it will be available on Saturday, February 10 between Noon and 2 pm, and on Sunday, February $11^{\rm th}$ after worship.



Annual Meeting Part II & Scout Lunch: Sunday, February 4th

Session has called the Annual Meeting Part II to be held on Sunday, February 4th after the morning worship service at 11:30am. We will review the 2023 Annual Report, the 2024 Budget and any other matters properly pertaining to the Annual Meeting of the Congregation. For those who cannot attend in person, a Zoom link will be available upon request.

After the Annual Meeting, the Scouts will provide a lunch. Please plan to stay for food and fellowship after the meeting.

Attention Sandwich Makers: More Sandwiches!

The Sandwich Mission Signup Page at the Our Daily Bread Website has now been extended out through June 30, 2024! There will be an extended schedule soon that will show which additional Wednesdays you are being asked to provide sandwiches. It will be put on the Mission Bulletin Board soon. **Just add five weeks** to your last date, to get your next date. For example if you delivered sandwiches to HPC on Wednesday, 02-28-2024,



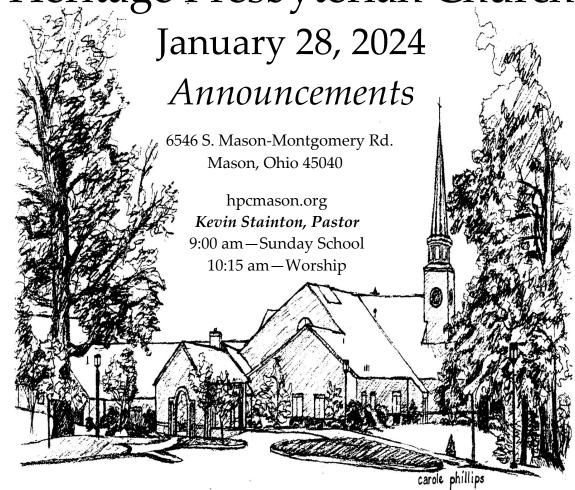
you are now being asked to deliver more sandwiches to HPC on Wednesday, 04-03-2024, and then again on Wednesday, 05-08-2024, and so on.

We at HPC have been conducting this mission for more than 3.75 years. This does not mean your kindness is taken for granted. Your generosity has been over-whelming. If you need to step away from this mission for a while, it is completely understandable, and you would be doing that with my heartfelt appreciation for all you have already done. As of 01-08-2024, we have delivered 27,364 sandwiches or enough so that if stacked, they would be as high as a 209 story building.

2024 Pledges & Gifts

Use this link to give online: http://bit.ly/2WjfB2m

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