

Service of Divine Worship

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

November 13, 2022

Consecration Sunday

Assemble in God's Name

As You Focus for Worship

Reigning God, whose presence reassures us in times of uncertainty and terror, we pray for wisdom and courage to discern your purposes in every time and place. Help us to stand for the best we know, even if that evokes derision or betrayal. Keep us from being led astray by competing voices that compromise your intentions for us and all people. May we who seek to be the church of Jesus Christ never become weary of doing what is right. Amen.¹

Welcome and Proclamation of the Good News

Prelude:

Tim LeVan

*Call to Worship: Responsive Reading

The earth and all that is in it belongs to God,

**for God has made the sea its foundation and made it firm upon the rivers
of the deep.**

So let us rejoice in God and in all creation.

We shall rejoice in the God of Hosts, the God of Glory!

**Unison: Lift up your heads, O gates! Lift them high, O everlasting doors! For
the God of Glory shall enter and reign over us all!**²

Let us worship God.

*Hymn Insert: Almighty Father, Strong to Save

Recognition of Veterans

Prayer of Confession, Unison Reading

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.³

Silent, Personal Prayer

Assurance of Pardon: Responsive Reading

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.³

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

Song of Joy, Hymn #339, verse 1: *Be Thou My Vision*

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;

Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art—

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,

Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

* 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:

Your Word, O God, enlightens our path and shows us the way to go. Open the ears of our hearts and speak to us now that we may know your desire for our lives, and respond with joy. Amen.⁴

New Testament Lesson: 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

Children's Time:

Susie Faas

Ministry of Music: What You Gonna Preach

Heritage Choir Resurrected

Pepper Choplin

Sermon: About Giving

Reverend Mike Brewer

Respond to God's Word

*Hymn #558: *Come, Sing a Song of Harvest*

Joy and Concern Cards will be collected during this hymn.

*Affirmation of Faith: *The Nicene Creed*, Ecumenical

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Life Together

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts to God

Offertory: *Thanksgiving Offertory*

Christy Kim, violin & Ann LeVan, piano

Hymn # 592: Doxology

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn #391, verses 1, 4 & 6: *Take My Life*

* Commitment Time and Benediction

*Postlude:

Calahan

Tim LeVan

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Order of Worship



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Who biddest the mighty ocean deep
 Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
 For those in peril on the sea

O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain
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 By mountain pass or valley low;
Wherever, Lord, Thy brethren go,
Protect them by Thy guarding hand
 From every peril on the land.

O Spirit, whom the Father sent
To spread abroad the firmament;
O Wind of heaven, by Thy might
Save all who dare the eagle's flight,
And keep them by Thy watchful care
 From every peril in the air.

O Trinity of love and power,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
 Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.
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Consecration Luncheon

The "Consecration Luncheon", will be held in the gym *today after worship*. Come, relax, and have a delicious meal with your friends.



Journey to Bethlehem! December 4 from 5-8pm

We are returning to the tradition of "Journey to Bethlehem" with all the faith activities, education, and fellowship that we remember from past years! It takes many hands and many skills to prepare this community event. How can you help? We need helpers in advance of the day to organize and prepare supplies and to set up the facility. On December 4th we need many types of helpers: drama, food preparation, guide shepherds, greeters, musicians, dancers, crafters. If you would like to help with this year's Journey, please contact susie.faas@hpcmason.org.

Christmas Poinsettias 2022

Sales will begin in November for red poinsettias. They will decorate the pulpit area beginning December 18. Please complete the form on the envelope found in the box attached to the posterboard in the Atrium and place it and your enclosed check in the church office or offering plate. The last day for sales will be Sunday, December 3, 2022. This year the potted flower will be \$11.

This year, please plan to take it home following the Christmas Sunday Morning Service.

Thank you for helping to decorate our sanctuary for the joyous Christmas season.



Coat Drive Update

The Deacons delivered over 200 coats in addition to hats and scarves to the following ministries: IHN/Family Promise, Broken Bus Ministry, Dayton, Reach Out Lakota and Clutter to Care. Thanks to everyone who contributed and provided warmth to our neighbors.



Deacons' Holiday Food Drive

The Youth kicked off the Deacons' Holiday Food drive with their Progressive Dinner on October 30. The amount of items they collected was amazing! But the Food Drive isn't over. We will continue to collect canned goods, nonperishable food items and household items until *November 20th*. You can drop your donations into the grocery cart in the front hallway of the church. The Mason Food Pantry, Kings Local Food Pantry and Reach Out Lakota are looking forward to receiving your holiday donations. A list of suggested items will be in the grocery cart.

Household Items	Food Items	
Toilet paper	Applesauce	Canned tomatoes
Paper towels	Baby food	Canned vegetables
Tissues/Kleenex	Biscuit mix or pancake mix	Corn bread mix
Laundry Soap	Dry cereal or oatmeal	
Dish Soap	Jelly	
Dryer sheets	Macaroni and cheese	
Bar soap	Pasta	
Toothpaste	Pasta sauce	
Toothbrushes	Peanut butter	
	Stuffing	
	Syrup	

Waiting Together: An Advent Event

Sunday, November 20 9:00 – 10:00 am

All ages are invited to this Heritage tradition. We will gather as a Heritage family for food, fun, and fellowship as we prepare for the Advent Season! Enjoy a tasty breakfast prepared by HPC Chefs, help with a mission project, and gather resources you can use to prepare for the Advent season. This year, instead of a craft, we will be preparing gift bags of hygiene and cold weather items for the guests at **Our Daily Bread Ministries**. All the supplies will be here on hand. We are asking for a suggested donation of \$10/Adult and \$5/Child to cover the cost of breakfast and the mission supplies. Please sign up with using the link <https://bit.ly/WaitingTogetherAdvent> or on the registration sheet in the atrium. Contact susie.faas@hpcmason.org if you would like to help as an HPC Chef.



Angel Tree

The Angel Tree is back this year but a little different. Every year our congregation donates hundreds of gifts to local families in the Mason and Kings School District. The organizations that we work through to distribute the Angel Tree gifts would like to give the families the ability and control to buy their children their own gifts. They will do this by giving each family a Visa Gift card along with other gift cards to cover their children's' gifts.



Due to this change the Deacons will be collecting cash donations and gift card donations for three stores: Walmart, Target and Meijer.

There are four ways to donate:

- 1) Donate on our hpcmason.org website and add Angel Tree in the memo portion.
- 2) Put a check in the offering made out to HPC and add Angel Tree in the memo line.
- 3) Drop off a check, cash or gift card to Stephanie in the office during the week.
- 4) After November 14, when the Christmas Tree is up in the Atrium, grab an envelope from the tree and add your cash, check or gift card. Then drop it in the Angel Tree Donation Box.

Donations are due by November 27.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Joys:

- Betty Stine—Jim Stine's mother—home from the hospital and getting ready to celebrate her 90th birthday with her family on 11/13.

Concerns:

- Gene Foster—hospitalized
- Deanna Taggart—recovery from successful knee surgery on 11/9
- Lori Welty—friend of the Balls—hospitalized with cancer

Continued Prayers for:

- Prayers for the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for peace.
- Prayers for the victims of Hurricane Ian in Cuba, Florida & the southeast
- Roxanne Allen—Chris Dauer's niece—recovery from 10/31 surgery on 2 collapsed lungs
- Marty Cool—Cathy Ewing's dad—heart surgery 11/14
- Reagan Day—granddaughter of the McCaulous' - pray for continued good kidney testing
- Patty Faas—recurrence of cancer
- Bonnie Falck—home recovering from successful 11/1 surgery
- Frank Gallina—recovery from knee revision 10/18 surgery
- Alicia Geiger—Roni Swihart's sister—thyroid cancer spread to lungs
- Greg Hecht—Leah Jacob's brother—colon cancer
- Nelson Kennedy—home recovering after hospitalization
- Connie Mock—friend of the Hoons—starting treatment for Stage 4 cancer
- Joe Pestro, Jr.—infant son of Joe Pestro—recovery from surgery 10/4/22
- Marlene Parrott—Doug Parrott's mother—wounds in both feet that will not heal, circulatory issues
- Carole Phillips—memory care at Optimized Senior Living
- Trudie Pringle—recovering after hospitalization
- Bonnie Reeves
- Steve Ritz
- Teresa Stanford—heart issues
- Jordan Svetlilk—stepson of friend of Leslie Dauer-Creek—lymph node biopsy
- Ed Walenski—friend of Anita Segreto—not doing well after heart surgery

Intercessory Prayer: West Cincinnati Presbyterian Church

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



Week at a Glance

Sunday, November 13, 23rd Sunday after Pentecost, Consecration Sunday

Pie & Butterbraid Fundraiser Begins

9:00 am: Lectionary Learnings Christian Conversations, K-12 Sunday School

10:15 am: In Person Worship & Livestream Worship on www.facebook.com/HPCMason

and https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=hpc+mason

11:30 am: Consecration Luncheon

5:00 pm: Kids of the Kingdom, 'Tweens & Legacies

Monday, November 14

7:00 pm: Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday, November 15

10:00 am: Crafting in Fireside Room

5:00 pm : Presbytery Zoom Meeting

6:30 pm: CESE Meeting

7:30 pm: Mary Haven

Wednesday, November 16

6:15 pm: Choir Practice

7:30 pm: Bells Practice

Thursday, November 17

11:00 am: Adult Bible Study

8:15 pm: Men's Fellowship

Friday, November 18

12:00 pm: December Good News Deadline

7:00 pm: Youth Lock In

Saturday, November 19

9:00 am: Youth Lock In ends

Sunday, November 20, Christ the King Sunday

9:00 am: Waiting Together: An Advent Event

10:15 am: In Person Worship & Livestream Worship on www.facebook.com/HPCMason

and https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=hpc+mason

5:00 pm: Kids of the Kingdom, 'Tweens & Legacies

The Worship Leader Today is Diane Sherrard

Sanctuary Flowers Today are given by the Sherrards in thanksgiving for 5 years of successful kidney donation for Diane & her brother Ryan

Birthdays: Frank Batsche, Elena Jacob, Irma Kaltenhauser, Cara Dempster

Sunday School & Bible Studies

Sunday Mornings at 9:00am:

- ◆ **Children & Youth Grades K-12:** All ages meet together in Room 20/21 for breakfast, then divide into age groups for a Bible lesson. We use the PC(USA) Curriculum, "Follow Me"
- ◆ **Lectionary Learnings:** Explores the weekly lectionary scripture. Led by Pastor Kevin Stainton. Meets in Room 14/15.
- ◆ **Christian Conversations:** Discusses contemporary faith-based literature. Led by Sue Monteith. Meets in the Adult Library

Wednesdays:

- ◆ **Hope Circle:** September through May, 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 9:30am. Led by Patty Schnetzer. Meets in the Fireside Room.

Thursdays:

- ◆ **Adult Bible Study:** 11am Thursdays Year Round by Zoom & In Person. Led by Susie Faas. Meets in the Fireside Room.
- ◆ **Grace Circle:** 2nd Thursday of the Month at 7pm by Zoom & In Person. Led by Karen Stine. Meets in the Fireside Room.



Volunteers Needed for Sanctuary Preparation Team

These volunteers straighten up the sanctuary for Sunday services. It is a "sit down" job and open to all ages. It involves moving along each pews tidying hymnals and Bibles, replacing broken pencils, removing litter and checking the Friendship pads. This can be done by one person in @45 minutes, or less if you bring a friend. You can come anytime during the week before your assigned Sunday.

We would like to have enough volunteers so that each one has to serve only 3 Sundays a year— usually 3 Sundays in a row. Contact Martha Bard at 513-641-9410, or [Stephanie](#) in the office if you are interested or have questions. Thank you!!

SIGN UP!

Meal/Transportation Sign up Link:

- ♦ Sunday Morning Transportation for Mollie Robinson, Dorothy Hall & Janice Loudon:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084dadaf2eabf94-hpctransportation>

Stewardship News!!



WHAT
PERCENTAGE
OF MY INCOME
IS GOD CALLING
ME TO GIVE?

You may have heard that a small group of HPC members is going to raise their pledges for 2023 by an amount proportional to the estimates-of-giving cards (or pledges) received in the first week of card collection. For example, last year we got \$273K in giving estimates in the first week. So, if we get 273K in estimates again in the week of 11/13/2022, this group will (together as a group) raise their pledges by a total of \$2730. **Bottom Line:** Please ask God what part of your income God wants you to give in Year 2023. Please submit your estimate (or pledge) in the week beginning Sunday, November 13th. Although it is helpful if you fill out one of the printed pledge cards, it is not necessary. You can submit your estimate on any piece of paper, or by texting Nelson at 513-470-1279, or email him at nekskier@aol.com.

Sandwich Mission Continues....

HPC is providing at least 100 meat sandwiches to Our Daily Bread every week. Sandwiches are placed in the HPC refrigerator each Wednesday, then taken down to 1730 Race Street early each Thursday AM by one of our HPC volunteer drivers. Would you help by **providing some meat sandwiches on a Wednesday or two?** Please let Nelson Kennedy know, and he will schedule you.



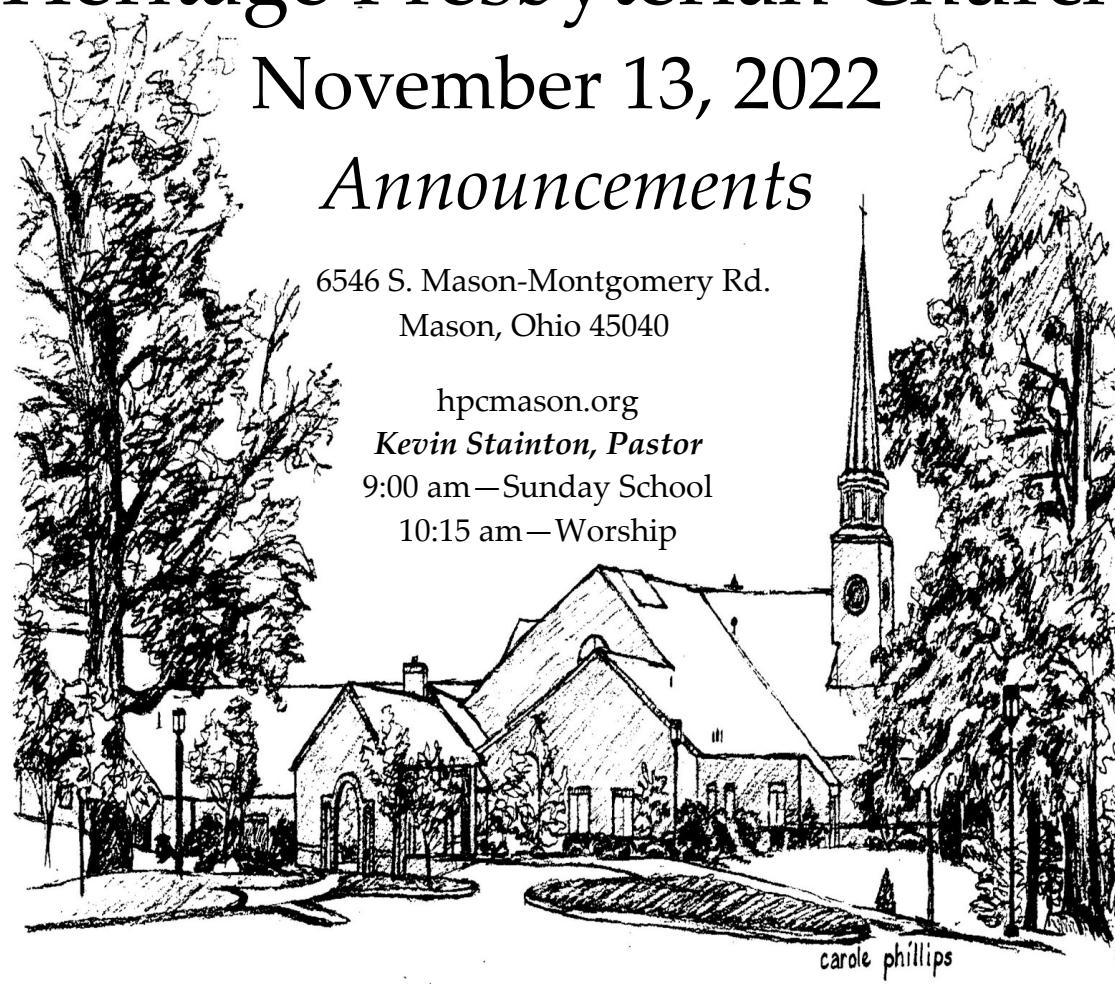
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Pledges & Gifts may be given at <http://bit.ly/2WjfB2m>

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Announcements



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Open House Event—come when you like,
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A simple meal will be served throughout the evening.

Live nativity and animals .

Explore the culture of Bethlehem in Jesus' day through
story, music, food, craft, and drama.

Listen to the music of prophecy sung by the
Little Miami Select Choirs.

Talk to Shepherds, Angels, and Wise Men

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