

the Messenger

of Hilton Presbyterian Church (USA)

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Robert E. Quinn is a professor of business administration at the University of Michigan, but his real passion is in the arena of leadership, vision, and change. In his book, *Deep Change*, Quinn relies on personal examples related to twenty-five years of working with executives on issues of organizational change.

Quinn has said:

One key to successful leadership is continuous personal change. Personal change is a reflection of our inner growth and empowerment...we are energized when we are learning and progressing, and we begin psychologically to die when we allow ourselves to stagnate. That is where we encounter the process of slow death.



Rev. Dr. Gary Bagley

While written from a secular perspective, his philosophy echoes the words of the Apostle Paul:

Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you. (Romans 12:2, The Message)

Worship

Lectionary Readings

April 19

*Barnabas — Son of
Encouragement*

Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 133

I John 1:1-2:2

John 20:19-31

April 26

Doing Is Believing

Acts 3:12-19

Psalm 4

I John 3:1-7

Luke 24:36b-48

At the close of Sunday's service, a Congregational Meeting has been called by Session for the purpose of electing "leaders for the church" at the level of elders. These nominees are presented on page 6 of this issue of *The Messenger*. This year's Nominating Committee is comprised of Amie Hellauer, Glen Schlickemeyer, Jay Taylor (Chair), Karen Velkey (Co-Chair), Hannah Weeks (Youth Representative), and Paige Williams. As an *ex officio* non-voting member of the committee, I attended most meetings. The initial meetings were concerned with leadership qualities desired in the nominees and HPC's specific leadership needs for the upcoming year.

The input of the congregation provided many excellent recommendations. After the meeting is officially called to order, Jay Taylor, Chair, will officially nominate this year's slate on behalf of the Nominating Committee. Jennifer Brown, Andy Connor, Michael Mulkey, Glen Schlickemeyer, and Sandy Sherrill are being nominated for the Class of 2012. Nancy Milton is being nominated to fill a two-year position in the class of 2011, left by John Philbrick and their move to New York. Jessica Watkins is being nominated for the one-year Youth Elder position.

As always, nominations on the floor are always appropriate, as long as the consent of the person being nominated has been offered. See you Sunday in the wake of our celebration of Easter.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gary".

upcoming events

Annual Church Yard Sale

Saturday, April 18
8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

The HPC Youth will join Hilton Village for the Annual Hilton Village yard sale. **We are accepting your donations beginning April 15. You can bring them to the Fellowship Hall from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.** All proceeds go to HPC youth projects. Please, no TV's, computers or anything we cannot dispose of easily (if it doesn't sell).

Common items we need:

- Clothes
- Shoes
- Jewelry
- Toys
- Furniture
- Bikes
- Small appliances
- Kitchen items
- Books
- Knick-knacks
- Paintings

The youth will be selling hot dogs and drinks so come by for lunch and browse through the goods. You never know, you might find something really useful!

Thank you! The HPC Youth

Please contact Lee Anne Sulzberger at (757) 591-9634 or lasulzberger@cox.net if you have any questions.

Inquirers/New Members Classes

April 26, May 3, 10, 9:15 a.m.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Hilton Presbyterian Church or are interested in learning more about the Christian faith, the Presbyterian Church, or programs and ministries of HPC, these classes are for you. Each class will meet during the Sunday School "hour" (9:15 a.m.) in Room 2 on the lower level.

Those desiring to become members will have the opportunity to do so on May 17. If you are interested in attending these classes, please contact Amie Hellauer, alhknh@aol.com or the church office (Sarah McGinnis) SMcGinnis@hiltonpres.org phone: (757) 595-1313.

You are invited to Zuni Presbyterian Homes

Day in the Country

Saturday, April 25
10 am - 3 pm

For over 40 years Zuni Presbyterian Homes & Family Services has provided a residential facility for mentally challenged adults and has gained a reputation as an outstanding place for them to live, grow and develop their potential, *regardless of their ability to pay*. Day in the Country is a great way to celebrate Zuni and visit our campus. Live music, arts & crafts, and food. For more information, call the church office or go to www.phfs.com

Upcoming Youth Activities

Tides Baseball Game
Saturday, April 25, 7:15 p.m.

The Middle School Youth will be attending a Tides baseball game. A carpool will leave church at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person. You will need to bring extra money for food. See DCE Daniel Burns for forms and more information.

Faith & Film Night
Friday, May 1, 7:00 p.m.

High Schoolers will be watching *The Ultimate Gift* on Friday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m. with a discussion about the movie afterwards.

announcements

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is scheduled for Sunday, April 19 at 11:20 a.m. for the purpose of electing Elders.

PW BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON Women young and old are invited to this annual gathering on April 26 following worship. A potluck salad lunch will be offered to celebrate birthdays.

YOUR OLD NEWSPAPERS ARE NEEDED at the SPCA. HPC will collect your old newspapers on Sunday April 26 and May 3. A designated area will be set up in the narthex. Dan Grimes will collect and deliver to the SPCA. As this is an ongoing need at the animal shelter, you may consider continuing to deliver your papers after these congregational collections.

AN UPDATED EMAIL ADDRESS for Nancy Milton is nmilton7@hotmail.com

ST. ANDREW'S GARDEN SHOP Mark your calendars for the St. Andrew's Episcopal School plant sale on Saturday, May 2 from 9-3 p.m. Select from a huge assortment of annuals, perennials, herbs, veggies, and hanging baskets. Please contact Elizabeth Clark (mother of preschool student Grey) at elizabethclark2@cox.net or (757) 643-5884 for more information.

Adult Study & Discussion



February 25-April 29

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:25 p.m.
Room 2, Lower Level
Led by Dr. Gary Bagley

Living the Questions 2.0 DVD Series

- April 15: Debunking the Rapture
- April 22: The Myth of Redemptive Violence
- April 29: Reclaiming the World

You are welcome to join us for dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. Coffee will be served during the class.

MISSIONS *update*



Darfur

The announcement of the issuance of an arrest warrant for President Bashir by the International Criminal Court (ICC) on March 4, 2009, has been extensively covered by the media. The Court upheld seven out of the 10 charges for crimes against humanity and war crimes, but rejected those of genocide.

Following the ICC's announcement, 13 international non-governmental organizations (INGOs) were informed that their licenses were revoked immediately; three local Sudanese organizations were also closed down. This has reduced the overall impact of the humanitarian program in Darfur. The effect of the expulsions is being felt in the following order: services in health and nutrition, food, water and sanitation and non-food items and shelter. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is still able to provide assistance to the people of Darfur through our membership and partnership in the Action by Churches Together (ACT) International global aid alliance.

Since 2004, ACT — in a unique alliance with Caritas Internationalis, a confederation of Catholic relief, development and social service organizations — has been working with partners on the ground to provide health care assistance, peace/conflict resolution training, seeds and supplies to farmers, and help reconstructing and rehabilitating schools, among other activities. Fortunately, at this time our ACT/Caritas partners have been allowed to remain in Darfur and continue to assist the millions of Darfuris in need.

remember in your prayers

Family, Friends and those Recovering will be kept on our pastoral care list for one month unless an extension of time is requested. Please notify the church office of any changes.

Bayside Convalescent Center: Mildred Mathis
The Chesapeake: Gertrude Kinney
Colonial Harbor: Lauren and Virginia Bursch
Fairmont Crossing: Alice Wertheimer
The Hidenwood: Pearl Hawk, Dorothy Hogue
Mennowood: Allene Kidd, Arno Pauley
Morningside: Ellie Argo
NN Nursing and Rehabilitation: Angie Hodge
Regency Heath Care Center: Edra Mayer
St. Mary's Children's Home: Katie Jones
St. Francis Nursing Center: Charles Meissner

At Home/Recovering/In Treatment: Libby Crutchfield, Riki Murphy, Barbara Smith, Kerry Edwards, Ruby Rankin, Claire Hubbard, Diane Davis, Ann Sharp

Our Sister Church in the Democratic Republic of Congo: Brikin Church, Kinshasa

Our Missionaries: Tom & Nancy Rach in Mexico

Military: Robbie Casper* (Chris Cann), Joey Doherty* (Jessica Perry Doherty), Mike Roane* (Lynne Peterson), Ron Wagner, Jr.* (Kate Perry Wagner), Jason Wood*
*Deployed

Everyone is encouraged to write to our deployed troops. Their addresses are below:

Francis (Joey) Doherty IV 451 AEG/ LRF VM APO AE 09355	A1c Ronald Wagner 407 AEG/ ELRS LGRVO APO AE 09331	Cpt. Jason Wood 89th Transportation Co. 553rd CSSB APO, AE 09344
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SPECIAL thanks

Dear Friends,
On behalf of my family I want to say thank you for the beautiful flowers and cards regarding my grandmother's passing. It really means a lot to me, and even more to my folks who are humbled that people who don't even know them would be so kind. I'm very blessed to be a part of Hilton Presbyterian Church.

Thank you,
Daniel Burns

Stewardship Statistics

2009 Annual Budget	\$380,527
YTD Requirements	\$109,767
YTD Receipts	\$109,293
YTD Expenses	\$110,535
Net Income	(\$1,242)
April 12, 2009 Receipts	\$5,895
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,004

Blood Drive Update

The Hilton Area Blood Drive held at Hilton Christian Church on Tuesday, March 24 was successful in securing 30 viable units of blood. Thank you so much to blood donors Bill Blowe, Patti Caccavale, Eleanor Day, Sam Heatwole, Gary Leser, Chuck Paul and Doris Slagle. Thanks also to Julie Richter, Debby Heatwole, Ruth Lanning and David Fletcher for supplying refreshments for the blood donors. Mark your calendars — the next Hilton Area Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, May 26 at First United Methodist Church.



American
Red Cross

Together, we can save a life

Choirs Leading in Worship

4/19	Adult Choir/Youth Jam
4/26	Ensemble/Junior Jam
5/03	Adult Choir/Ensemble/Chimes
5/10	Adult Choir
5/17	Adult Choir/Ensemble/ Youth Jam/Hilton Ringers

MUSICnotes

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the amazing presentation of the Faure *Requiem*. First: to the choir, for their many hours of rehearsal; on Wednesday evenings and on their own at home. Thanks to the family members who listened to us sing in Latin for three months. The choir's willingness to take on any challenge that I send their way is astounding. To our soloists, Bob, Patti and Doug, we are so privileged to have these great voices in our choir. Next we thank Doris for giving life to the score with her fabulous registrations; and to the musicians who helped fill out the choir and our orchestra for their support and talent that they bring to Hilton. Thanks to Congregational Care, for organizing a great luncheon for us. It is a relief to not have to cook after a performance and be able to relax and chat with our friends and family after worship. To the staff and congregation at Hilton, for your words of encouragement along our journey to glorify God's name through song.



Lois Reese,
Music Director



2009 Annual Preschool Easter Parade

April 9 & 10



Elder Nominees



JENNIFER BROWN (Class of 2012) has been a member of Hilton Presbyterian since 1998. Jennifer has served on the Congregational Care Committee and Adult Choir, and has assisted with PORT and Advent Workshop. When asked what she likes most about Hilton, Jennifer said, "it feels like home." She has lived in Hampton most of her life and works in her family's business, Business Forms Specialty, Inc., with her husband, Martin, as Director of Sales. Jennifer is the Vice Chair of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) in Hampton, does advocacy work with families who have special needs children on the Peninsula, and volunteers in the schools. She also loves to cook. The Browns have two daughters, Cassie - 15 and Brittany - 13.



ANDY CONNOR (Class of 2012) and his wife, Jackie, began visiting HPC in May 1957 and were officially approved by the Session the following year. It was during this time that HPC was between pastors. Andy was ordained an Elder in 1964 and has served six terms. Andy has served on the Finance, Christian Education, Property, and Personnel committees. In addition, Andy has been a Sunday School teacher for many years and sings in the choir. When asked what he likes most about Hilton, Andy said it "has been warm and welcoming and accepting; and, it teaches challenging thinking." Andy and his wife Jackie have a son, Chris, who lives in Charlotte and a daughter, Kathy (who is a member of HPC), and two granddaughters.



NANCY MILTON (Class of 2011) has been attending Hilton Presbyterian her whole life. Her parents were members and she grew up in the church active in Sunday School and youth group (Jackie and Andy Connor were her youth advisors!) Following college, Nancy joined the choir and has been a member ever since. Nancy is currently one of the Bible Study leaders for Circle 3. She has been on the Worship Committee and served on the Session for one term. Recently retired from Colonial Williamsburg after 40 years, she does volunteer work for the foundation.



MICHAEL MULKEY (Class of 2012) became a member of Hilton Presbyterian Church in 1994. His children, Allison and Watson, paved the way by attending the Wednesday Night *Live!* youth program. They enjoyed the church so much that Michael and Karan joined HPC. Michael has served one term as an Elder, served on the Christian Education Committee, and is a Hilton Presbyterian Church trustee. He has enjoyed teaching Sunday School for the past fifteen years. Originally from Rockingham, NC, Michael, an attorney, has been a resident of Newport News since 1978. In his spare time, he enjoys any outdoor activities including hunting, sailing, and fishing.



GLEN SCHLICKENMEYER (Class of 2012) has been a member of Hilton Presbyterian Church for nine years. Prior to joining HPC, Glen was a member of Second Presbyterian Church in Newport News where he served one term as an Elder and served on the Christian Education, Fellowship, and Buildings & Grounds committees. Glen and his family have been very active in several mission trips to Mexico. Other activities include PORT and Sunday School classes. "Sense of family, dedication to mission, and the quality of worship" are all things that attracted Glen to Hilton Presbyterian Church. In his free time, Glen enjoys swimming, travel, hiking, sports and spending time with his family. Glen and his wife, Lisa, have three children - Emily, Max and Audrey.



SANDY SHERRILL (Class of 2012) has been a member of Hilton Presbyterian Church since 2006. She became a member shortly after she married her husband, Mark, in 2005. Sandy is the mother of six children (Linton - 27, Andrew - 25, Laura - 22, Hannah - 17, Jack - 16, and Annalee - 14). She is employed by Ferguson Enterprises as Manager of Centralized Credit and Card Services. Sandy joined HPC in large part due to the friendly nature of the members as well as the focus on outreach in the community. She enjoys working with the Youth because she sees these young people as the future of the church. In addition to volunteering with the middle school kids for Wednesday Night *Live!*, Sandy has also served on a cook team and has been a member of the choir. In her spare time, Sandy enjoys working in her yard and garden. She also loves to bake, sew and scrapbook as well as play games and cards with her children.



JESSICA WATKINS, (Youth Elder) a Junior at Menchville High School, is member of the Menchville Scholars Society, the Varsity Volleyball team, the Keyettes organization and is the manager of the Junior Varsity Baseball Team. Outside of school hours, she can be found working at Rita's Italian Ice. Jessica lives with her parents, Joanne and Jerry, and her brother Robbie.

SPRING ACTIVITIES AT HILTON PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Morning

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

New Member/Inquirer's Class for Adults:
April 26, May 3 & 10
Room 2, lower level
RSVP to the church office

Children/Youth

Our children's classes are using the
Faith Weaver materials this year.

Crib - 4 Years Old
Room 104

5 Years Old - 2nd Grade
Room 203

3rd - 5th Grade
Room 204

6th - 8th Grade
Room 202

9th - 12th Grade
Youth Room, lower level

Adults

Berean Bible Class
Room 102

This Biblically oriented class is studying the parables of Jesus, earthly stories with heavenly meaning. Each class stands alone. New members are welcome. Led by Chuck Webb.

Discussion Class
Fellowship Hall

A lively group who enjoy reading and discussing books on today's Christianity and related subjects. Now studying Celebration of Discipline by Richard J. Foster. Led by Fred Caccavale, Jay Taylor, Margaret Lassiter.

Faithlink Class
Room 208

This class provides a Christian perspective on contemporary issues using Scripture, Christian tradition and open thinking to guide the discussion. Led by Jennifer Bagley, Michael Mulkey, Drew Velkey.

Men's Bible Class
Library Classroom

This class uses the Standard Bible Series for study, questions and discussion. Led by Charlie Slagle.

Wednesday Night *Live!*

Please join us each Wednesday night for dinner at 6 p.m., with music and Christian education classes following. All WNL participants will be given the opportunity to be good stewards of their time and talents by being leaders in worship through song, movement, reading, drama, instruments or whatever creative ideas they come up with.

Children (Grades 1-5)
6:30-7 p.m./Junior Jam
7-7:30 p.m./Class

Youth (Grades 6-12)
5:30-6 p.m./Youth Jam
6:30-7:30 p.m./Class

Adults
Please see page 3

Choirs

Youth Jam

Wednesdays 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Grades 6-12

Teamwork is what it is all about here. We learn to sing music in three and four parts and play drums with as many as seven parts at a time. This takes great focus and discipline.

Junior Jam

Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Grades 1-5

In Junior Jam, young people learn about worship and prepare to lead in the Sunday morning service of worship. We will explore new ways to share our talents in addition to singing, by using instruments and movements.

Adult Choir

Wednesdays 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

The Adult Choir is responsible for leading our congregational song as well as singing responses and anthems. We sing everything from Bach to Bernstein and Mendelssohn to Ray. We do two major musical works a year, at Christmas and in the spring.

Ensemble

Alternate Thursdays, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

These are the leaders of our contemporary music. We have 4-5 singers and a group of instrumentalists including congas, guitars and bass.

Hilton Ringers

Thursdays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
6th grade and up

This is an intergenerational handbell choir for youth and adults. A basic knowledge of reading music notation is helpful to join this group. This choir adds to the worship experience through playing anthems, accompanying other choirs and hymns, and doing processions. We are celebrating our 10th anniversary this year!

Chime Choir

Sundays, 11:45-12:15
4th grade and up

This is the group if you want to learn basic music reading and ringing. No prior knowledge or experience is necessary. All that is needed is the daring to try something new and the willingness to have a little fun along the way.



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Laity Assistant Schedule

	Week of April 19	Week of April 26
Building Security	Chuck Webb	Chuck Webb
Greeters	Renee DiPasquale, Sara Bowman	Mike & Patti Moonis
Ushers	Priscilla Bele, Kathryn Dabbs, Joe Hogue, Gary Leser, Carol Preston, Charlie Slagle	Priscilla Bele, Kathryn Dabbs, Joe Hogue, Gary Leser, Carol Preston, Charlie Slagle
Counters	Blythe & Greg Raines, Renee DiPasquale	Joe & Sue Hogue, Jane Day
Nursery	Judy Knight, Alice Minium	Patty Gibbs, Barbara Savage
Moments for Children	Jennifer Bagley	Lisa Schlickemeyer
Multimedia prep/op	Carolyn McGinnis/Francie Pearce, Jack Doerner, Katie Grayson	Carolyn McGinnis/Francie Pearce, Jack Doerner, Katie Grayson
Lay Reader	Amie Hellauer	Sarah Leser
Flower Delivery	Doug Chapman, Karen Velkey, Hannah Weeks	Doug Chapman, Karen Velkey, Hannah Weeks
Giving Flowers	Joe & Sue Hogue	The Bruce & Gray Families
WNL Cook Team	Fred & Patti Caccavale (subs)	Debbie Barber
WNL Desserts	C. Bruce, R. DiPasquale, A. Hellauer	L. Chapman, A. Hellauer

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