

theMessenger

of Hilton Presbyterian Church (USA)

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Sunday

10:00 am
Online Worship

Every Other Sunday

Children's Time

Tuesday - NEW

7:30 pm
Zoom Bible Study

Thursday

9:30 am
Online Morning Prayer

Church Office

8:30 am - 3:30 pm M-F
(757) 595-1313
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Summer is usually a slow time for the music program. This being a unique time in our lives brings unique opportunities. In June, we made up for not having a spring cantata by presenting a virtual hymn sing. While the choir wasn't able to sing together in one room, it was great to hear their voices together once again.



In July, I had the honor of presenting classes at the Handbell Musicians of America National Seminar. Not only that, the Youth Jam got to go with me. Presenting world percussion and handbell classes in our locality and throughout Area 3 (DE, MD, VA and NC) for the HMA has been a pleasure to do. But being invited to go to Orlando and present to handbell musicians from around the world was the icing on the cake.

I got the idea this time, to not only present rhythms from other countries, but actually have people play handbell compositions that go with the rhythms in the class. Cool. Well, you know what happened next... Change gears, rethink. How will the people in class get to hear the ensemble played together at a virtual event? Does everyone have a gongogui at home to play along? Nope. But we do have the best group of youth that a church could ask for to play the ensemble, video recorded, and added to the presentation. The attendees were so impressed and grateful for the Youth Jam's participation in my class, as was I.

During one of our choir zoom meetings, a choir member mentioned how great it felt to be singing again, and asked if we could record some more hymns. Well, of course. I took the opportunity to use one of the hymns from the hymn sing that was new and also talked about the parables to finish Clark's sermon series. Then on to a great hymn of the faith, "Holy, Holy, Holy".

On August 23, we will hear the choir present a new hymn by Deanna Witkowski, a jazz pianist and composer. Her hymn, "We Walk in Love," won the Hymn Societies' contest for best new hymn in 2018. Hymns focused on social justice are so important in this time. We look forward to the day when we lift our voices in the same room to cry out for peace and justice in our world.

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Join us for Online Worship!

Sundays, 10:00 am
Sunday Worship*

Thursdays, 9:30 am
Morning Prayer*

*Both services above will be available at Facebook Live and on our website.

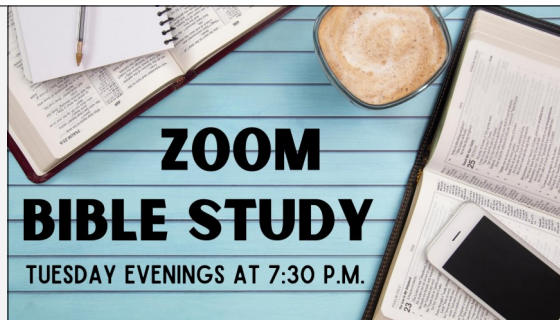
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This video will be on a slight delay from the live broadcast, so please be patient. If you don't hear any sound, make sure that the sound is on for your computer and on the lower right corner of the video. Try a different Internet browser if you are having difficulty. (Previous Sunday services are also archived here!)



NEW - Beginning August 25th - Zoom Bible Study

Beginning Tuesday, August 25th, Pastor Clark will begin leading a
Tuesday evening Bible Study at 7:30 p.m.

We are excited for this opportunity to dig deeper into our study of the Gospel of Mark. Watch your email for a link to the Tuesday evening Zoom!
Morning Prayer will continue on Thursday mornings **ONLY**.

mark your calendar..

AUGUST birthdays

3. Jackie Connor, Nelson Farley
6. Debbie Barber
7. Claire Hubbard
8. Bo Bohon
9. Steve Gray
11. Beth Rivenbark
14. Carol Preston
17. Glen Schlickemeyer
19. Derek Baker
20. Kathryn Dabbs,
Audrey Schlickemeyer
23. Susie Banning
24. Scott Banning
30. Laura Lilley

SEPTEMBER birthdays

2. Kemper Kellogg
4. Jacob Buszard
7. Lucille Massenberg,
Abby Witt
16. Scott Barber, Betty
Blackburn, Kinsey Shefelton
17. Margaret Hurt
18. Christine Maculley
20. Susan Murphy
21. Kaitlin (Clear) German
Lisa McKean
24. Mary Anne Kellogg
27. Scott Hines, Katherine
Krikorian
28. Barbara Blowe

announcements

Elder of the Week: 8/23 - Amy Burgener, 8/30 - Dave Kluttz, 9/6 - Kathryn Dabbs, 9/13 - Francie Pearce, 9/20 - Dawn Ramirez

Do you have an **EMAIL ADDRESS**? Please share it with Patti in the Church Office (595-1313, office@hiltonpres.org). We are relying on email and electronic forms of communication more than ever, and we want to stay in touch!

We want to encourage everyone to keep up with your **PLEDGES**. You can tithe online at hiltonpres.org/giving or mail them to 34 Main Street, Newport News, VA 23601. We offer God our grateful thanks through all our gifts we have to share.

Summer News

Thank You!

We truly appreciate everyone who has agreed to be part of our worship service by recording and uploading a video. If you are willing to offer our Call to Worship or Opening Prayer one week, please let us know. We love to see you! Patti is happy to Zoom with you, record your contribution, and can assist with any technical difficulties. It really means so much, and we are thankful!



Thanks to my HPC family for all the cards, calls, prayers, emails, and support through my recent heart attack. I'm back in Newport News doing six weeks of heart rehab three times a week and loving it! ~ Shelby Dodd



As always, please bear with us in the event of technical difficulties, and let us know if we can help you access worship. We are constantly looking for ways to improve, but sometimes that means a glitch with a new tool we are introducing! Contact Patti in the Church Office (office@hiltonpres.org, 595-1313).



HPC Youth make their debut at the
Handbell Musicians of America National Seminar



New Sermon Series!

Pastor Clark's new sermon series, Old Testament Adventures, resumes on August 30th with the story of Moses and the Red Sea.
See This Week at HPC for more information!

Black Lives Matter

PC(USA) Week of Action
Day of Service: August 30th, 2020



“To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.”
- Proverbs 21:3

“God sends the Church to work for justice in the world: exercising its power for the common good; dealing honestly in personal and public spheres; seeking dignity and freedom for all people...” - Book of Order, W-5.0304

The Presbyterian Week of Action, August 24-30, 2020, is structured to provide a public witness of education, visibility, and action that embodies PC(USA) statements and policy of eradicating racism and acknowledging that God loves all Black lives. Here are ways we can participate in the Day of Service during the Presbyterian Week of Action: <https://www.pcusa.org/weekofaction/>

The Racial Dialogue team of PEVA's peacemaking ministry invites all to take our 16 day Racial Equity Challenge.

RACIAL DIALOGUE TEAM
OF THE PRESBYTERY'S
PEACEMAKING MINISTRY TEAM

Click here for a link to the challenge: <http://www.pcusa-peva.org/rdtpeva>. We encourage you to sign up on the webpage and be a part of the virtual discussion (planned for Sept. 1), but you don't have to sign up to take the challenge, which may be done individually or with a partner or small group. The Racial Dialogue team's mission is to... “educate, equip, and mobilize congregations and members to work for racial justice and healing.” We are encouraged that in the past few weeks, more people in the PEVA community have been listening, learning, and participating in marches, walks, protests, and other endeavors dedicated to restorative justice.

We declare, along with the GA and millions of others, that Black lives matter.



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SEPTEMBER 12
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