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Return service requested.

**Friendship Circle** will meet on Monday, Feb. 5th at 7 p.m. in the church kitchen.

**L.I.N.C.S.** (Ladies In New Christian Spirit) will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 6th at 6 p.m. at the home of Patty Sabo (632 Beaumont Ave.) for pot luck.

**Community Meal** is Monday, Feb. 19th with the doors opening at 4:45 p.m. Serving time is from 5 to 6 p.m. If you are interested in helping please contact Leslie Hardman.

**CWF** (Christian Women Fellowship) will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 13th at 6 p.m. in the church kitchen for a pot luck.

Church Women United meeting will be Friday, March 2nd hosted by HCC and Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Breakfast will be served at 9:30 a.m. and program will start at 10 a.m.

KY Disciples Women's Ministries Spring Conference will be April 28th at 9:30 a.m. at First Christian Church, Frankfort, KY. This is for all ladies of the church. Registration forms are available in the church office.

**Executive Board** will meet Sunday, Feb. 18th at 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

**Thomas Graves Men's Group** met on Jan. 6th for its first meeting of the year and we had good attendance. We had prayer to start the meeting. Sickness, Mission First, Danny's trip to India and Mercer Transformation move was discussed.

We have two big projects coming up. The first one is the Valentine Day Lasagna Dinner on Feb. 7th at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Dinner will be lasagna, salad, garlic bread, drink and light dessert. We will have entertainment by David Best, Best of Sound, his Family and friends. Good singing and everyone seems to enjoy their music.

Our next project will be our big fun night and fund raiser. The spaghetti dinner and cake and pie auction. Ronnie Sims will be our Auctioneer and we have a lot of fun on this project. And the food is very good also. Come in, have a great dinner and bid on the cakes, pies, bread, and many other goodies you are sure to enjoy. Please put the date on your calendar April 17th at 6:30 p.m. You don't want to miss this one.

Our next meeting will be Saturday, Feb. 3rd at Cloud's County Cooking at 8:30 a.m. The March meeting will be March 3rd. All men of the church are invited and encouraged to attend.

Gene Lawson & Bill Brinkley



Disciples of Christ

# The Church Messenger

HARRODSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 305 SOUTH MAIN STREET, HARRODSBURG, KY, 40330  
To be Christ-Centered by living, sharing, proclaiming, and celebrating God's Word.

**SERVING IN FEBRUARY**

ELDERS

Mego Haralu  
Brent Moseley  
Dortha Lawson  
Gene Lawson

DEACONS

Smith Perkins  
Elana Perkins  
Troy Peavler  
Julie Peavler

*Church Office  
Will be closed  
Monday, Feb. 19th  
For  
President's Day*

**HOMEBOUND  
COMMUNION**

Will be served on Sunday, Feb. 4th



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## Pew Chatter

Dear Members and Friends of HCC,

How can it be the end of January with Ash Wednesday 2 weeks away... on Valentine's Day no less! I hope that your 2018 is off to a good start.

As I have been reading about the lives of a number of missionaries who dedicated their lives to the service of Jesus in a culture other than their own, I have been amazed at their resolve in the face of overwhelming circumstances and odds. I am amazed at the love which compelled them—a love which first overwhelmed them personally—and then the love which propelled them to go and to serve and to love.

I heard this one missionary speak when I was in college. I have never forgotten her. Dr. Helen Roseveare talked about the love of Jesus in such a real and tangible way. Jesus's love so filled her that she could not contain it. It called and compelled her to be useful in any way that God orchestrated.

By the time she returned to England from the Congo and began her speaking career she was older. Occasionally she would speak to groups of young aspiring missionaries filled with the latest knowledge and schemes and programs. Sometimes they seemed to judge her as outdated. Until she began to talk about Jesus and the fact that the love of Christ is the only thing which can really compel any of us to do anything worthy of God. And that had not changed since Paul wrote the words of 2 Corinthians 5:14-15, "For Christ's love compels us..."

As we live this year—may the love of Christ so fill us that daily we too are compelled to love others as Jesus did.

In Jesus' Unfailing Love,

Gaye

### LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Elders, deacons and ministry teams are invited to a Leadership Retreat on Saturday, Feb. 10th from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Please RSVP by Feb. 7th to gaye@harrodsburgchristian.org or by calling the church office at 859-734-3224 in order to make arrangements for lunch.

| Birthdays |                                   | Anniversaries |                         |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| 2         | Jane Williams                     | 9             | Tupper & Leslie Hardman |
| 4         | David Leo                         | 16            | Jack & Cala Coleman     |
| 5         | Patty Sabo, Stephen Toon          |               |                         |
| 6         | Tom Devine, Jon Clark             |               |                         |
| 7         | Darby Whalen                      |               |                         |
| 8         | Bob Hughes, Gail Reul             |               |                         |
| 10        | Ruth Freeman                      |               |                         |
| 20        | Sharon Clark                      |               |                         |
| 22        | Jessica Haralu, Everice Shewmaker |               |                         |
| 27        | Hazel Burgin                      |               |                         |



**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Dear Gaye,

I want to belatedly thank you and HCC for the beautiful “All Saints Day” service. It was very moving and surprising how many in the church community have gone to be with our Lord. I know one day we will be joined again.

Blessings,  
Pam Burton

**LIFE LINE SCREENING**

**Life Line Screening**, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in our community on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at Harrodsburg Christian Church. Ultrasound screenings to identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; **Carotid Artery** (plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), **Peripheral Arterial Disease** (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a **Heart Rhythm Screening** (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heartbeat) and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle) and receive your “Community Circle” discount and your Preferred Appointment!**

**WORK AS WORSHIP**

**Work as Worship** is a one day local church retreat at Southside Christian Church on Friday, Feb. 23rd from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 per person and lunch is included. Speakers include Patrick Lincioni, Matt Chandler, Norm Miller, Wendy Davidson, Joel Manby and others. To register go to [www.workasworshipretreat.org/Registration/?id=338906668](http://www.workasworshipretreat.org/Registration/?id=338906668).

**February 4th: Kenya**

The language is English and Swahili. Kenya has been described as having a little bit of all of Africa in one country. Fertile plateaus, mountains, deserts, rain forests, and beaches along the Indian Ocean form the varied landscape of Africa's eighth largest country. Over forty different ethnic groups, including Africa's three major socio-linguistic groups, the Bantu, Nilotic, and Cushitic, combine to give Kenya a diverse population and rich culture. Surrounded by Somalia, Ethiopia, Sudan, Uganda, and Tanzania, Kenya's national parks draw safari tourists from around the world.

Once a British colony, Kenya received its independence in 1963. Under moderate leadership, Kenya transitioned into a stable country with one of the best economies in East Africa. In more recent years, corruption and political changes have tested that stability. Almost eighty percent of Kenya's population lives in rural areas where their income is dependent on agriculture. Environmental problems, high birth rates, corruption, unemployment, and 1.5 million living with HIV/AIDS have resulted in half of the 41 million Kenyans living in poverty.

**February 11th: Bangladesh**

Bangladesh is one of the poorest countries in the world. There are so many rivers, so little land and so many people that it is also one of the most crowded countries on the earth.

The country we call Bangladesh was once a part of India. In 1947, it became the eastern part of the new Muslim nation of Pakistan. This new country was called East Pakistan and felt the government wasn't fair to them and civil war broke out in 1971. India fought on East Pakistan's side and helped it to become the new nation of Bangladesh. Most Bangladeshis are Muslims and some are Hindus.

**February 18th: Albania**

Albania is one of Europe's poorest countries. In 1944 Albania became a Communist country. For the next 41 years a man called Enver Hoxha ruled Albania. He didn't allow Albanians to travel abroad or have things like cars and fridges. He forced them to live with very little food and few supplies. People couldn't worship, say prayers, own books. Parents were not allowed to give their children Muslim or Christian names. In 1991 the Communist government was forced to resign. Immediately people from other countries were ready to take supplies into Albania and Christians were ready to share Jesus' love with the people of Albania.

The new government allowed Christians and Muslims to worship. Before the Communists came to power, Albania was the only Muslim country in Europe.

**February 25th: Bhutan**

Bhutan, the land of Thunder Dragon, is a small country between China and India in the Himalaya mountains. The southern part of Bhutan is warm and humid, while the northern part is very cold. Black bears, tigers, red pandas and snow leopards are just a few of the rare animals found in Bhutan.

Since Bhutan is a Buddhist kingdom, religion, culture and traditions play a big part in the people's lives. Buddhist religious ceremonies are held for every occasion.

In Bhutan some men have several wives and some women have several husbands. The king of Bhutan married four sisters on the same day.

# February 2018

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue  | Wed   | Thu   | Fri                         | Sat                                   |
|---|--|--|---|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|   |  |  |   | <b>1</b><br>5 pm TOPS<br>6:30 pm Girl Scouts  | <b>2</b><br>8:30 am TicToc  | <b>3</b><br>8:30 am TGMG              |
| <b>4</b><br>Homebound Communion   | <b>5</b><br>8:30 am TicToc<br>3 pm K-5th Grade Funday Monday<br>7 pm Friendship Circle   | <b>6</b><br>6 pm LINCS                                       | <b>7</b><br>8:30 am TicToc<br>12 pm Rotary<br>6 pm Youth<br>6:30 pm TGMG Valentine's Day Lasagna Dinner | <b>8</b><br>5 pm TOPS                         | <b>9</b><br>8:30 am TicToc  | <b>10</b><br>10 am Leadership Retreat |
| <b>11</b>   | <b>12</b><br>8:30 am TicToc<br>3 pm K-5th Grade Funday Monday                            | <b>13</b><br>5 pm AMT Mtg.<br>6 pm CWF<br>6:30 pm Girl Scout | <b>14</b><br>8:30 am TicToc<br>12 pm Rotary<br>6 pm Youth<br>6 pm Choir<br>7 pm Ash Wednesday Service   | <b>15</b><br>5 pm TOPS<br>6:30 pm Girl Scouts | <b>16</b><br>8:30 am TicToc | <b>17</b>                             |
| <b>18</b><br>6 pm Worship<br>Min. Team Mtg.<br>6 pm Care Min. Team Meeting<br>6 pm Outreach Min Team Mtg.<br>7 pm Executive Board meeting | <b>19</b><br><b>Office Closed</b><br>5 pm Community Meal                                 | <b>20</b><br>6 pm Girl Scout Leaders Mtg.                    | <b>21</b><br>8:30 am TicToc<br>12 pm Rotary<br>6 pm Choir<br>6 pm Youth                                 | <b>22</b><br>5 pm TOPS                        | <b>23</b><br>8:30 am TicToc | <b>24</b>                             |
| <b>25</b>   | <b>26</b><br>8:30 am TicToc<br>3 pm K-5th Grade Funday Monday<br>5:30 pm Habitat Meeting | <b>27</b><br>6:30 pm Girl Scouts                             | <b>28</b><br>8:30 am TicToc<br>12 pm Rotary<br>6 pm Choir<br>6 pm Youth                                 |   |                             |                                       |

**Sunday Worship Schedule**  
**9:30 am Sunday School**  
**10:15 am Fellowship Time**  
**10:30 am Family Worship**

**Small Group is meeting on Thursdays at 6 p.m. at the home of Gaye Haralu.**

The Administrative Ministry Team met on Jan. 18, 2018. Present were the following: Doug Greenburg, Jim Ingram, Phil Richardson, Kenny Wade, Roxann Leo, Patsy King, Kourtney Shewmaker, Gaye Haralu, Bry Carkin, and Tupper Hardman.

- Property report: Kenny Wade reported he has been replacing the batteries in the emergency lighting throughout the church.
- Financial report: Jim Ingram reported that the general giving for the year 2017 was approximately \$33,000 greater than the general giving for the year 2016. The Christmas sharing total was \$13,465 for the year 2017. For the year 2017 the church's net income was \$16,543.83 above the budget. Great year for the church's budget.
- Comp care building update: no activity.
- The AMT Committee for 2018 shall meet on the second Tuesday of each month except for the months of May and October in which it will meet on the third Tuesday of the month. The meetings will begin at 5 PM and meet in the church library.
- Discussed forming a 501(C)3 for the orphanage project in India. This matter was tabled until a later date.
- The committee discussed having a security committee to review the security needs of the church. This committee will make recommendations and cost estimates to the executive board. The members of the security team are Phil Richardson, Kenny Wade, Jim Baxter, and Doug Greenburg. Phil Richardson will decide when they will have their first meeting.
- Bry Cardin discussed the contract with Springhill Youth Camp and proposed funding for the camp. Bry indicated she is attempting to find a location to have the Camp, at another church or at the Mercer County School. In order for the camp to take place there needs to be at least 60 to 70 children K-5 to attend. The cost to attend is \$189 per student. There will be some scholarship money available. It is for the children between K through Fifth grade.
- Vacation Bible school and staffing was discussed and may be conducted this year in conjunction with Harrodsburg United Methodist Church.
- Need to find two volunteers to work with the Mercer County Resource Ministry. For more information contact Phil Richardson.
- Discussed the need to have someone responsible for the publicity for the upcoming church events in addition to the church bulletin and monthly newsletter.  
  
This would include information disseminated to the WHBN radio station, Harrodsburg and Danville newspapers, Facebook, a free section for church news in the Harrodsburg Herald, keeping the church website up to date on news, events and opportunities, and other sources of publicity. All church members are encouraged to invite folks to all events, also. Kourtney Shewmaker is willing to do this for our church.
- Committee decided to proceed with the church directory this year. Roxann is in charge of that committee.
- The committee discussed allowing the former YMCA, now known as MAFEW, Mercer Area Family Education and Wellness, be allowed to have Breakfast with Santa again in December 2018. The committee decided that it should be able to use the fellowship hall for free but must post a deposit of \$100 which will be returned if there are no damages to the church property.
- Sharon Perkins, from Burgin Independent School, requested permission to have a community baby shower in the fellowship hall in April of this year. It was agreed to allow her to do it for free, but she must, also, post a deposit of \$100 which will be returned if there are no damages to the church property.
- Next AMT meeting is set for Feb. 13, 2018 at 5 PM.

Doug Greenburg, Leader