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

**L.I.N.C.S.** (Ladies In New Christian Spirit) will meet on Tuesday, March 6th at 6 p.m. at the home of Ann-Margret Perkins (551 Chesapeake Dr.) for pot luck.

**Community Meal** is Monday, March 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) and Cumberland Presbyterian Church will host the Church Women United World Day of Prayer meeting on Friday, March 2nd. Breakfast will be served at 9:30 a.m. and program will start at 10 a.m. All women are invited.

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, March 18th at 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

**Thomas Graves Men's Group** Valentine Day lasagna dinner went well. We had approximately 50 people in attendance as the flu virus was still on the rampage. All went well, food preparation and serving went well thanks to a lot of help from a lot of folks. David Best and Best of Sound with his wife and family entertained us and was well accepted by everyone. Profit was \$231 and this went into the general fund.

The next project will be our spaghetti dinner and pie/cake auction with Ronnie Sims as our auctioneer. This has always been popular with those who have attended and Ronnie does a great job and has a lot of fun with the auction.

We hope you put the date, April 18th at 6:30 p.m. on your calendar and please bring those cakes, pies, breads, and any other food items that you have prepared before and Ronnie will try to get the best price for it and have fun doing it. Profits will go into the general fund. Hope to see you there for fellowship and fun.

The TGMG meeting will be Saturday, March 3rd at 8:30 a.m. at Cloud's Country Cooking for breakfast. All men of the church are invited.

Gene Lawson & Bill Brinkley



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# 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 MARCH**

ELDERS

Lee Gentry  
Dan Chilton  
Kenny Wade  
Mego Haralu

DEACONS

Troy Peavler  
Julie Peavler  
Glen Culbertson  
Barb Culbertson

*Work Day  
At Church  
Saturday,  
March 10th  
9 am to 12 noon  
ALL volunteers  
Welcome  
To help clean out  
closets, cubby  
holes, flower beds.*

**HOMEBOUND  
COMMUNION**

Will be served on  
Sunday,  
March 4th



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## Pew Chatter

Greetings to you all!

I was reading in Exodus 9 where God tells Moses what to say to Pharaoh: "This is what the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, says, 'Let my people go, so that they may worship me.'" It is so interesting that God uses these words. Living as God's people means living daily as those who rightly relate to and worship the living God.

I was also struck by the fact that God tells Moses to "Take handfuls of soot from a furnace" and throw it into the air in front of Pharaoh, to signify the dust and plague that will come upon the Egyptians as a result of Pharaoh defying God. God even tells Pharaoh through Moses that God could have stretched out His hand and wiped the Egyptians off the earth but God has allowed them to survive to proclaim the name and power of God to all the earth.

Perhaps God allowed Moses to participate in these ways so that Pharaoh had a messenger he could see, a visible representation of the Invisible One. I continue to wonder at how God uses and desires to use the people of God to represent God's name and glory to the peoples of the world.

In this season of Lent, I am so grateful for the visible Jesus: God who took on flesh to live among us, to die in our place and to rise again, giving us our eternal hope. This year we will celebrate a Good Friday worship together that will lead into a 24 hour Chain of Prayer and a Sunrise Easter Service. Many of you have suggested that these would be meaningful to us all! It is my prayer that these times of corporate worship, prayer and celebration will bless our gracious God and bring God's blessing to our lives.

As we look to Easter, may we daily worship, glorifying and enjoying our loving God.

Blessings to you all,

Gaye

## NEW STAFF MEMBER

Jessica Haralu will graduate in May 2018 with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Music. Throughout her time at Centre, she has participated in multiple choirs, taught voice lessons, and travelled abroad to teach music. She does not know what the next step is, but she is so blessed to be a part of Harrodsburg Christian Church, and she is excited to now be leading worship.



Birthdays		Anniversaries	
3	Roger Durr	21	Troy Peavler, Barb Yeast
4	Lisa Hughes	25	Phil Richardson
5	Michael Holly	27	Marlee Mirre
8	Daniel Mays, Ann-Margret Perkins		
13	Chip Combs		
15	Darrell Dickerson	5	Doug & Adele Greenburg
16	Roxann Leo	20	Daniel & Gail Reul
17	Matthew Britt, Elana Perkins	27	Ken & Margaret Clark

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Dear Church Family,

Thank you all so much for your thoughts, cards and prayers during my recent surgery. I am recovering and getting better each day. Jim and I appreciate your kindness with the wonderful dinner sent our way.

Many thanks and God bless,  
Lisa & Jim Graham

Dear Harrodsburg Christian Church,

We truly have been overwhelmed with the many kindnesses you have extended to us during Brennan's illness and funeral.

The bereavement meal was wonderful and gave family and friends one more time to visit before heading home. We appreciate all the planning and hard work it took to make it happen.

Gaye, Bry, Jessica and Roxann have gone out of their way to accommodate our needs and provide guidance to us during this emotional time. We are truly blessed to be part of this caring congregation.

With sincere gratitude,  
Carolyn, Charlie, Leah, Chandler, Dan, Morgan,  
Brennan, Haven & Jonah Royalty

**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, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, Peripheral Arterial Disease, a Heart Rhythm Screening** and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment**. 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). **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!**

The next community dinner at our church will be on Monday, March 19. The serving time is 5:00pm to 6:00pm. Doors will open at 4:45pm and close up at 6:30pm. Please sign up with Leslie Hardman or Glen Culbertson if you can help with the community dinner. We are looking for volunteers to help Leslie organize the community meal each month.

The January community dinner was on Monday, January 15. 150 meals were served. Leslie Hardman made an announcement Sunday morning, February 18, asking for more volunteers to help this month. A sign-up board was available at the end of the service.

The school Family Resource Center budget is being reduced. The backpack food program is being cut. Lee Gentry said their Sunday School class has made a donation to the Family Resource Center.

The Spring Hill Day Camp in June will be located at the Mercer County school. The United Methodist Church will help with funding. Bringing more children with better participation will make it more successful. Spring Hill Day Camp is Monday, June 11 through Friday, June 15.

The Mercer Transformation tutoring is now at the Campbellsville University campus in Harrodsburg.

The annual donation was made to the Christian Care Communities.

**The mission trip to India presentation is planned for Sunday, March 11 during Sunday School in the fellowship hall. Please join us for a chili lunch and silent auction fundraiser on March 11 following the church service. All proceeds will go towards the Mission Trip to Nagaland, India.**

Dan Chilton, Leader

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday, March 24	Setup for Palm Sunday Brunch at 10 a.m.
Sunday, March 25	Palm Sunday Brunch at 9:30 a.m. <b>NO</b> Sunday School
Monday, March 26 thru Friday, March 30	Holy Week Services at 12 noon at St. Andrews Catholic Church with lunch being served at 12:30 p.m.
Friday, March 30	Good Friday Service at 6 p.m. at HCC
Friday, March 30	24 Hour Chain of Prayer from 7 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 31 at HCC
Saturday, March 31	Easter Egg Hunt at 2 p.m. at The Academy
Sunday, April 1	Lawn next door to the United Presbyterian Church
Sunday, April 1	Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. at The Springs (behind the old Harrodsburg High School)
Sunday, April 1	Easter Sunday Family Worship at 10:30 a.m.



**FAMILY MINISTRY TEAM**

This year for Palm Sunday we are doing a brunch instead of a luncheon. The brunch will be at 9:30 a.m. in place of Sunday School. We will setup the fellowship hall on Saturday, March 24th at 10 a.m. Volunteers are always welcome to help with setup.

We are asking people to bring breakfast casseroles, mixed fruit, muffins/breads for the brunch and then we also need volunteers to help serve during the brunch and help clean up afterwards. Please have the food to the church by 9:15 a.m. If you plan to help or bring food please call the church office.

Lee Gentry, Leader

# March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> 5 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Girl Scouts	<b>2</b> 8:30 am TicToc 9:30 Church Women United	<b>3</b> 8:30 am TGMG
<b>4</b> Homebound Communion	<b>5</b> 8:30 am TicToc 3 pm K-5th Grade Funday Monday 7 pm Friendship Circle	<b>6</b> 6 pm LINGS	<b>7</b> 8:30 am TicToc 12 pm Rotary 6 pm Youth 6 pm Choir	<b>8</b> 5 pm TOPS	<b>9</b> 8:30 am TicToc	<b>10</b> 9 am Work Day
<b>11</b> 11:45 am Chili lunch & Silent Auction for Mission Trip to India	<b>12</b> 8:30 am TicToc 3 pm K-5th Grade Funday Monday	<b>13</b> 5 pm AMT Mtg. 6:30 pm Girl Scout	<b>14</b> 8:30 am TicToc 12 pm Rotary 6 pm Youth 6 pm Choir	<b>15</b> 5 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Girl Scouts	<b>16</b> 8:30 am TicToc	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 6 pm Worship Min. Team Mtg. 6 pm Care Min. Team Meeting 6 pm Outreach Min Team Mtg. 7 pm Executive Board meeting	<b>19</b> 8:30 am TicToc 3 pm K-5th Grade Funday Monday 5 pm Community Meal	<b>20</b> 6 pm Girl Scout Leaders Mtg.	<b>21</b> 8:30 am TicToc 12 pm Rotary 6 pm Youth	<b>22</b> 8:30 am Life Line Screening 5 pm TOPS	<b>23</b> 8:30 am TicToc ONE Weekend 3/23 thru 3/24	<b>24</b> 10 am Setup For Brunch 10 am Choir Practice
<b>25</b> Palm Sunday 9:30 am Palm Sunday Brunch	<b>26</b> 8:30 am TicToc 12 noon Holy Week Service 3 pm K-5th Grade Funday Monday 5:30 pm Habitat Meeting	<b>27</b> 12 noon Holy Week Service 6:30 pm Girl Scouts	<b>28</b> 8:30 am TicToc 12 noon Holy Week Service 12 pm Rotary 6 pm Choir 6 pm Youth	<b>29</b> Maundy Thursday 12 noon Holy Week Services 5 pm TOPS	<b>30</b> Good Friday 12 noon Holy Week Services 6 pm Good Friday Service 7 pm 24 hour Prayer Chain	<b>31</b> Chain of Prayer continues to 7 pm 2 pm Easter Egg Hunt

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

**Everyone is invited to a Small Group that meets on Thursdays at 6 p.m. in various homes. Please check with Gaye Haralu.**

The Administrative Ministry Team met on Feb. 13, 2018. Present at the meeting where the following: Doug Greenburg, Jim Ingram, Bo Baxter, Phil Richardson, Kenny Wade, Roxann Leo, Gaye Haralu, Kourtney Shewmaker and Tupper Hardman.

- Property report: Kenny Wade reported there were no issues involving the church property at this time.
- Financial report: Jim Ingram reported church income is approximately \$4500 under budget for the first month of the year. He also reported we are approximately \$4000 under expenses for the first month of the year.
- Comp care building update: There has been no activity concerning leasing the building at this time. There were further discussions as to what should be done with the property. The utilities for the building are approximately \$1200 per year plus the cost of insurance.
- Spring Hill Youth Camp report: the Methodist Church has agreed to join us in sponsoring this camp. They've agreed to put up \$2000 towards the cost of the camp. Mercer school is to decide Thursday if the camp can be held at one of the schools at Mercer.
- Addressing how to make the church more secure: was addressed under new business.
- Publicity for events occurring at church: Kourtney Shewmaker reported she is working on Facebook pages for the church, a church calendar, publishing future events in the Harrodsburg Herald newspaper and also on WHBN radio station by using [radio@hometownlive.net](mailto:radio@hometownlive.net).
- Church directory: Roxann reported she is going to be contacting companies within the next month to begin this process of having a church directory.
- New business:
  - A: Improving the audiovisual equipment in the fellowship hall.
  - B: Discussed changing the current fluorescent lights in the fellowship hall. There are 39 banks of lights in fellowship hall and with LED lights would be more efficient.
  - C: Parking lot behind the church needs additional lighting.
  - D: Purchase a portable sound system to be used at other events.
  - E: It was discussed trying to get bids for a security system for the outside doors of the church.
  - F: Discussed having cushions placed in the pews on the sides of the sanctuary. There's is \$858 donated for this.
  - G: The security committee made up of Bo Baxter, Phil Richardson, Kenny Wade, and Doug Greenburg will meet to discuss how to improve church security and its cost to make these improvements for the church and report their findings at a future AMT meeting.
- Next AMT meeting is set for March 13 at 5 PM in the church library.

Doug Greenburg, Leader

## BOOK CLUB - For the Love

The Book Club is now reading *For the Love* by Jen Hatmaker. The majority of our joys, struggles, thrills, and heartbreaks relate to people, beginning first with ourselves and then the people we came from, married, birthed, live by, live for, go to church with, don't like, don't understand, fear, struggle with, compare ourselves to, and judge. People are the best and worst thing about the human life.

Jen Hatmaker knows this all too well, and so she reveals how to practice kindness, grace, truthfulness, vision, and love to ourselves and those around us. By doing this, For the Love leads our generation to reimagine Jesus' grace as a way of life, and it does it in a funny yet profound manner that Christian readers will love. Along the way, Hatmaker shows readers how to reclaim their prophetic voices and become Good News again to a hurting, polarized world.

Discussion will be on Thursday, April 19th at 6 p.m. at the home of Gaye Haralu. Books are \$3.