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Mr. William H. Webster

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Ms. Suzanne Geyer

Lay Reader:

Joe Banks

Ministers:

All Members of Hunting Ridge Church

November 22, 2009

GATHERING

WELCOME

Dr. Trammell-Savin

PROCESSIONAL

“Inner Court”

Gospel Choir

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE

Joe Banks

As the candle is lighted, please pray for peace in your heart and peace in God’s world.

°CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

from Psalm 116

Leader Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

People *The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, God saved me.*

Leader What shall I return to the Lord for all God’s bounty to me?

People *I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God’s people.*

Leader Let us pray:

All *You have been good to us, gracious God! You have dealt wondrously with us so that we have more than we need. Dwell with us now that we may not only be inspired to share but also prompted to work for a more just world in which all of your children have enough to eat and reasons for joy. Amen.*

°HYMN 551

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

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°INVITATION TO CONFESSION

°PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

You know the truth about us, O God, better than we know ourselves. We have gathered the bounty of your earth with greed; we have not paused to gaze with wonder at the beauty of your creation. Too often we have not paused to listen to one another or to walk with Christ among those in need. Turn us around, we pray, that we might receive forgiveness, respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and enter into a time of true thanksgiving. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

ooo Latecomers will be seated by ushers

o Congregation is invited to stand

°ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive)

Leader God does not put us to shame but desires our salvation, our healing, our embracing of truth. Therefore, we do not worry, but we believe in the good news:

People *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

°THE PEACE

Leader May the peace of Christ be with you.

People *And also with you.*

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP & SHARING COMMUNITY LIFE

Please sign the friendship pads as they are passed. Prayer requests are received at this time.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

°HYMN 559

“We Gather Together”

Young children may be escorted to the Nursery following this song. They are welcome to stay in the sanctuary for the remainder of the service with their parent(s) or another responsible adult.

LISTENING FOR THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:25-33

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

° Congregation is invited to stand

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

“He Is Able”

Gospel Choir

PASTORAL REFLECTION

RESPONDING TO GOD’S LOVE

EXPRESSIONS OF THANKSGIVING

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

Offertory “If It Had Not Been for the Lord on my Side”

Gospel Choir

°Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymn 593

°Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

“We Give Thanks, We Give Praise”

Gospel Choir

GOING INTO THE WORLD

°HYMN 555

“Now Thank We All Our God”

°BENEDICTION

°SENDING

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

RECESSIONAL

“Every Day Is a Day of Thanksgiving”

Gospel Choir

*Every day is a day of thanksgiving
God's been so good to me
Every day he's blessing me
Every day is a day of thanksgiving
Take the time to glorify the Lord today.
(repeat)*

*He keeps blessing me, blessing me
He's opening doors that I cannot see
He's blessing me
He keeps blessing me, blessing me
Take the time to glorify the Lord today.*

Sharing Community Life

November 22, 2009

All guests are welcome at Hunting Ridge Presbyterian Church. You are invited to make our congregation your spiritual home. If this is your first time with us, you are our honored guest, and we hope you will feel spiritually at home. Please provide contact information on the attendance register as it comes your way.

During worship, the library is available for parents with restless infants or toddlers. Unaccompanied children and youth are not permitted to sit in the library during worship. Childcare for infants and young children is provided during worship by Toni Smith (a certified child care provider), Mrs. Lim, and volunteers from the church. The ushers will direct you to the nursery. Parents please escort your children to the nursery and then return to pick them up when the service has ended.

Hear Our Prayers, O Lord, for Anne Salzman, Charlotte Elliott, Charlene Woleslagle, the Rippel Family, Libby Grant, Joanne Holland, David Oler, Pat Arey, Colette Edell, Gilmour Webster, Tom Nastoff, Shelley Rambeau, and Almeda Lewis.

We thank *Joe Banks* for serving as the **LAY READER** this morning. Please join us next Sunday, November 29; *Paul Hernan* will be our Lay Reader.

The **USHERS** for the service this morning are *Joseph and Willa Banks*. The ushers next Sunday will be *Sally Altman, Elizabeth Kradz, Roseline Petro-Siewe, and Peter Van Allen*.

The **TELLERS** this morning are *Carol Bailey and Judy Rhoades*. *David and Ginny Callahan* are scheduled as the tellers for next week.



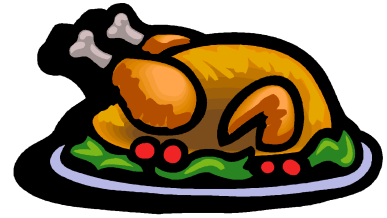
Our thanks to *Toni Smith* for providing refreshments after worship service this morning. *Sharleen Hernan* is supplying refreshments next Sunday, November 29.

The flowers adorning the sanctuary are
donated by Johnnie Summers in memory
of her father, John Henry Wyley.

40 West Assistance & Referral Center assists persons in need in our community. We provide assistance with BGE, eviction, food vouchers, and food from the shelf for people coming in off the street.

They are also providing Thanksgiving baskets to at least 45 families in the community. HRPC is providing food for one basket, if not more. Items needed for the basket are

listed on a poster in the library. If you cannot shop, financial contributions will be accepted. Place money in a pew envelope and mark "40 West". Carol Bailey (410.788-9537, cabaile@comcast.net) is available to answer any questions about this vital ministry in our community.



Join Us for Worship

Sunday, November 29, 11 a.m. – 1st Sunday of Advent

Worship

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

Jer. 33:14-16; Ps. 25:1-10; 1 Thess. 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36

Sunday, December 6, 11 a.m. – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Worship with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Lighting of the Candle of Peace

Mal. 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Phil. 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

Sunday, December 13, 11 a.m. – 3rd Sunday of Advent

Worship with Bill Webster preaching

Lighting of the Candle of Joy

Annual Congregational Meeting, Part I, immediately following worship

Zeph. 3:14-20; Isaiah 12:2-6; Phil. 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

The week of Thanksgiving the church office will be staffed Tuesday, Nov. 24 and Wednesday, Nov. 25 from 9a.m. – 3 p.m. The office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 26 and Friday, Nov. 27 for the holiday.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, PART I
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2009
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

LOOKING AHEAD: THE SEASON OF ADVENT

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| DECEMBER 6 | | POINSETTIA ORDERS DUE |
| DECEMBER 12 | 10:00 A.M. | DECORATING THE SANCTUARY |
| DECEMBER 18 | 6:30 P.M. | HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER |
| DECEMBER 20 | FOLLOWING WORSHIP & LUNCH | CAROLING |
| DECEMBER 24 | 7:00 P.M. | CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE |
| DECEMBER 27 | 11:00 A.M. | BRUNCH WORSHIP |
| JANUARY 3 | | GUEST PREACHER: BARBARA LAUKAITIS |

Senior Camradery

The next meeting of the activity year for Senior Camradery, Hunting Ridge's Senior Club, will be on Thursday, December 3rd at 11:30 a.m. We will be gathering at The Old Country Buffet on Route 40 for our annual Christmas Party. We will be exchanging gifts (wrapped, \$10.00), For more information, please see Vivian Smith (410.945.2186) or Harriette Burks (410.747.1637).

T.H.O.R., the group that hosts before and after school care at HRPC, is planning to feed 100-125 folks who find themselves in a homeless shelter this Thanksgiving holiday. THOR will be working the evening of Wednesday, Nov. 25 and the morning of Nov. 26 preparing, packaging, and delivering meals. They are seeking volunteers to offer their time on one of those days, or food to contribute to this mission. They are seeking pre-cooked rotisserie chickens, dinner rolls, and prepackaged utensils. If you are able to contribute time or food, or have more questions please contact David Heard (443.904.8831 or thorprogram@aol.com).

HRPC Men's Breakfast

The men of the church are cordially invited to join for breakfast, reflection, and spiritual unity.

We gather next on Saturday, December 12th at 8:30 a.m. Please plan to extend your visit by staying to help decorate the sanctuary for Christmas!

Secret Santa Donations Needed!

We are accepting gently used (or new) toys, home décor, and items to re-gift for our Secret Santa Shop. These items are for children to purchase for their friends and family for Christmas. Please bring items to church, label bag "Secret Santa", and leave in the library. Items will be accepted through Dec. 13th. Please contact Judy Rhoades with any questions.

**Christmas Fellowship Dinner and
Secret Santa Shop
Bring your family, bring your friends!**

Everyone is invited to join us for a comfortable and casual evening of food, Christmas cheer, and fellowship.

We will be sharing a potluck meal, decorating gingerbread houses, making tree ornaments and other crafts, singing carols, and playing holiday-themed games. Judy Rhoades will be operating the Secret Santa shop so children can shop for their friends and family.

We ask that attendees please bring along a main dish, salad, or dessert to share. Let us know what you'll be bringing by signing up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board by the elevator in the library.

When: Friday, December 18 @ 6:30 pm

Where: The HRPC Fellowship Hall

Deacons' Meeting

The Deacons host their next monthly meeting on **Sunday, December 6, 2009** immediately after the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service.

Deacons meet the first Sunday of each month following worship. If you are currently serving as a deacon please join us so we can adequately address the needs of and support our fellow church members. Please contact Lydia Fryer (410.233.3317) with questions.



Calendar: November 2009

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| Nov. 22 | 9:15 am | Sunday School: Faith Place | Education Wing |
| | 9:30 am | Sunday School for Adults | Library |
| | 11:00am | Worship Service w/Gospel Choir Lay Reader: Joe Banks | Sanctuary |
| Nov. 25 | 6:00 pm | Imani Ringers rehearsal | Choir Room |
| | 7:00 pm | Gospel Choir rehearsal | Sanctuary |
| Nov. 26 | 7:00 pm | God's Merry Band rehearsal | Sanctuary |
| | 7:30 pm | Chancel Choir rehearsal | Sanctuary |
| | 8:00 pm | Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting | Fellowship Hall |
| Nov. 29 | 9:15 am | Sunday School: Faith Place | Education Wing |
| | 9:30 am | Sunday School for Adults | Library |
| | 11:00am | Worship Service Lay Reader: Paul Hernan | Sanctuary |

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| Dec. 2 | 6:00 pm | Imani Ringers rehearsal | Choir Loft |
| | 7:00 pm | Gospel Choir rehearsal | Sanctuary |
| Dec. 3 | 11:30 am | Senior Camradery Christmas Party | Old Country Buffet |
| | 7:00 pm | God's Merry Band rehearsal | Sanctuary |
| | 7:30 pm | Chancel Choir rehearsal | Sanctuary |
| | 8:00 pm | Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting | Fellowship Hall |
| Dec. 6 | 9:15 am | Sunday School: Faith Place | Education Wing |
| | 9:30 am | Sunday School for Adults | Library |
| | 11:00am | Worship Service: 2nd Sunday of Advent Lay Reader: Bill Bachman | Sanctuary |
| | 12:30 pm | Deacons Meeting | |

Board of Deacons 2009

Willa Banks
Peter Van Allen
Louis Wyley

Lydia Jackson-Fryer
Vivian Smith

The Session

2009

Joan Higbee
Anna Malla
Rachel Burks Rea
Johnnie Summers

2010

James Parks
Toni Smith
Annette Snyder
Jamie Wilkins

2011

Carol Bailey
David Callahan
Lydia Jackson-Fryer
Shelley Rambeau

Officers:

Treasurer: Chuck Knauf
Bookkeeper: Carol Bailey
Clerk: Joan Higbee

Staff

Interim Music Coordinator
Gospel Choir Director
Piano Accompanist
Sextons

Assoc. for Mission
Office Manager

Suzanne Geyer
Shelia Lewis
Otis Stroup
Thurman Lambert
Louis Wyley
Bill Webster
Katie Cushman

Mission Statement

In a world torn by racial and ethnic strife,
Divided into those who have much
And those who have little,
We work to glorify God
By bringing the promised reign
Of justice and peace
To our community
Through our example as a
Multi-racial, multi-ethnic, multi-cultural
Congregation of caring, dynamic people.