

# The Bridge Builder

A Monthly Newsletter from Heritage Presbyterian Church

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## POW-WOW WITH PASTOR BRIAN

When we hear the word nomination what comes to mind? For some we immediately think of politics. For instance, this week, the President's nominee for the Supreme Court will have a hearing in the Senate. So it makes sense that when nominations are heard of we can easily come to think that some controversy or questioning is close behind. Not so when it comes to nominations in the church. While this may seem a rather dry subject I assure you it is not. This coming month the nominating team will be chosen and begin their work. This work is grounded in prayer. These prayers, like all others, ground the work of the group in Christ, as they seek God's will together for the church.

Prayer is central to any activity of the church and this may seem like the obvious thing for a pastor to say, but when we move beyond simply asking God for things in prayer (like a full slate of candidates for Session), and begin seeking God's will everything changes. When we pray for God to show us what he desires us to do for his kingdom and who he wants leading the church in that work surprising things begin to happen. For one, groups that pray together, be they families or church teams, stick together and form lasting unbreakable bonds of trust and friendship. Perhaps more importantly, prayer helps us shed those things in our lives that keep us from seeking fully God's will and grounds us in the hope offered by Jesus. This is particularly important when it comes to figuring out whom God is calling to lead our church.

There is a lot of work that goes into finding those people whom God is calling. However, that work needs to be grounded in prayer. If and when you are contacted to consider becoming one of our six elders in the coming months you should know two things. One, that you have already been fervently prayed for as the Nominating Team has sought to discern God's will for the church. Second, that you are not being asked to say "yes or no" to the team, but rather are being asked to enter into a season of prayer yourself to discern if leadership is something you are being called to engage in here at Heritage Church, knowing that you will have plenty of help along the way. So do not wait! Begin praying now. Pray that God would help you know his will for you, for your family, for your church, and for the world.

Blessings,

Pastor Brian

### What is Holy Week?

**Holy Week, together with Easter, is the most sacred part of the Christian calendar - the celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.**

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**Maundy Thursday** - Maundy Thursday recalls Jesus's last meal and His arrest and imprisonment. Here at Heritage we will be holding a communion service at 7:30 pm.

**Good Friday** - This is the Friday before Easter. It is a somber observance which commemorates the crucifixion and death of Jesus. It is not a day of celebration, but a day of mourning, both for the death of Jesus and for the sins of a world that his death represents. It is a day of prayer and reflection. Here at Heritage we will be holding a Tenebrae service at 7:30 pm.

**Easter Sunday Service** - We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Christ is Risen...He is Risen Indeed!



### Holy Week Activities

**April 12  
Maundy Thursday  
Service  
7:30 pm**

**April 13  
Tenebrae Service  
7:30 pm**

**April 16  
Easter Sunday  
Service  
10:00 am**

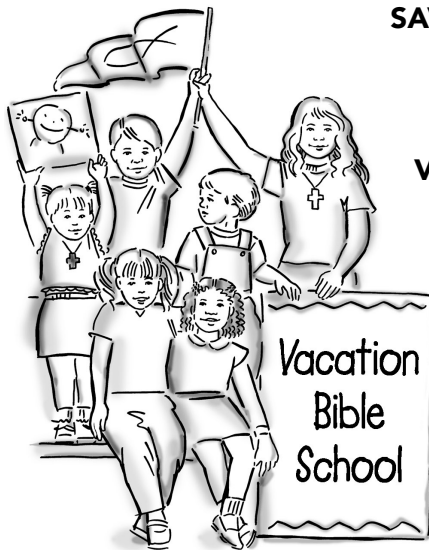


### Easter Flowers

You may  
pick up your Easter  
Flowers after  
the worship service  
on Sunday, April 16.

### Easter Flowers

If you wish to adorn the sanctuary with flowers for our Easter services, pick up an order form in Fellowship Hall. Orders must be turned in no later than Sunday, April 9, 2017. Remember, in order to keep the flower order money separate from the regular collection, a special basket will be located in Fellowship Hall to collect your orders. Checks should be made payable to "Heritage Presbyterian Church" and marked "Easter Flower Order." Easter Flowers may be picked up after the worship service on Sunday, April 16.



### SAVE THE DATES

July 10 - 14

for

Vacation Bible  
School

### Light of Life Mission

3rd Monday of each month,  
April 17, 2017

Volunteers are needed for hands-on outreach at the Light of Life. Sign up in Fellowship Hall.

\*4:45 - 6:00 pm - Volunteers serve meals and clean tables.

\*6:30 pm - Chapel Service - Volunteers needed.

If your gifts include preaching, teaching and sharing the Gospel with others (either in word or song), consider volunteering.

### Save the Date Taco Night 2017

We want to invite you for our Taco 2017 evening on Friday, April 28 from 5:00-8:00 PM! Plan to join us for **All You Can Eat** delicious tacos, great fellowship, and a chance to support our kids on their mission trip. Food is provided by the Franklin Inn. There will be a Cake Raffle too. Tickets for adults are \$15.00 pre-ordered and \$20.00 at the door and kids under 10 are \$8.00 pre-ordered and \$10.00 at the door. Children under 5 are free. Tickets go on sale in April. If you are unable to purchase tickets in advance, but want to attend the event, contact Terry Martin by email at [heritagepcusa@verizon.net](mailto:heritagepcusa@verizon.net) or in the church office at 412-366-1338 to be put on a pre-paid registration list. See you there!!

### Spring Workday

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, April 1 from 9:00 am to Noon to "sparkle" up the church in preparation of Holy Week. We'll provide coffee and snacks. Many hands make the work light. Sign up in Fellowship Hall. See you then.

### **Palm Sunday Brunch**

This year's Palm Sunday Brunch will take place immediately after the church service on Sunday, April 9. Sign up in Fellowship Hall with your choice of contribution and number attending. Note that if you choose to bring an egg casserole, it must be baked at home. We'll keep it warm at church. Plan to be part of this event following worship. It's a great kick-off to Holy Week.

### **Men's Good Friday Breakfast Canceled for 2017**

I want to inform you that due to a number of factors, North Park Church will not be holding the Men's Good Friday breakfast this year and will be re-evaluating whether this is something that they will be continuing in the future.

They are very grateful for our involvement in this ministry in the past and for promotion of the event here at Heritage and regret that they are unable to host the event this year.

### **Worship Schedule for Holy Week**

The schedule of Worship for Holy Week 2017 is below. Easter is on the third Sunday in April this year.

Maundy Thursday	April 13	7:30 PM	Commemoration of our Lord's Last Supper and His arrest
Good Friday	April 14	7:30 PM	A Tenebrae service of shadows and darkness
Easter	April 16	10:00 AM	Joyous celebration of our Lord's resurrection from the dead

Come worship with us as we commemorate our Lord's suffering and celebrate his glorious resurrection.

### **May Tea**

Believe it or not, it's almost time for the May Tea! Plan to stay after church on Sunday, May 7 for an old fashioned Tea Party. Enjoy snacks and a warm, comforting cup of tea (or a nice cold iced tea!) with your friends and family. If you have been participating in Secret Sisters, you will find out who has been encouraging you, and be able to reveal yourself to your secret sister. Bring your last note/gift to the tea for the "big reveal"! Hope to see you there!

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## **Body & Soul Celebrates One Year Because of You All!!!**

Can you believe that our Body & Soul ministry is a year old? Thank you to Session and the people of Heritage Church for allowing this ministry to happen. A super special shout out to the members of the SAF team who carried the burden of the facilities and extra book keeping (Pastor Brian, John, Randy, Donna and Bill) to get this ministry "moving". Thank you to Joanne Dunmyre and Carolyn Briggs for joining me on the Wellness Team. We are also grateful to our church secretary, Terry Martin, for putting up with all the disruptions to what used to be her "normal" routine pre-Body & Soul and all her support and help with sooooo many things. And, huge hugs and thanks to Anne Mallenpalli, Susan Hall, Susan Payne and the rest of the volunteers and loyal attendees who brought this ministry idea to fruition through a lot of hard work and sacrifices of time, talent, and treasures. I still can't believe what God has done through these passionate women. Please stop by and say "hi" to them when you pass through church. If no one is there, take a look at the bulletin boards and white boards to learn about the ministry happening, see sign up sheets for classes, and read prayer requests of members. It would be great if you'd even drop them a note of encouragement.

Not only have you all been a blessing to this new ministry and its participants, but they have been a blessing to Heritage Church, pitching in when they are able by selling tickets to our events like the Mexican Fiesta, taking 16 angels from our tree, providing coffee hour snacks, buying food items for Bellevue, baking cookies, spreading the word about Heritage Church, advocating for the health and well being of the women in our community, and sharing the love of God with every one who walks through our doors to exercise. This ministry has been a blessing to women wanting to stay fit, lose weight, need support going through a rough time with grief, illness or stress. Or, those who simply need to see a friendly face and have an hour of companionship with someone to chat with as they work out. I could go on and on. God is using this ministry to bless many in such a variety of ways.

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Happy 1st Birthday!



A Heritage Church Wellness Ministry for Women

**In honor of what God has done, we are celebrating our first birthday with an anniversary week celebration, April 24th - 29th.** An exciting week is planned with Pittsburgh award-winning news anchor **Jennifer Antkowiak** speaking on Apr. 25 at 11:30 am on Women's Wellness. Following her talk at noon, she will instruct a WALK15 aerobics class. That evening at 6:30, Officer Jason Venturella, from the Franklin Park Police Dept., will teach a Women's Personal Defense class. Other events include fitness clothing fashion show presented by JOY Fitwear of Franklin Park. I'm told JOY stands for Jesus, Others, and Yourself. All are welcome to the events and they are free! A three month Spring Slimdown program will be offered to all new members! We have some great door prizes to raffle off when you participate in any of the anniversary activities including, of course, a Franklin Inn gift certificate! I think we will have a birthday cake one morning during this week as well. It's okay to indulge occasionally! Even if you don't want to work out, you can stop by to sing "Happy Birthday" and enjoy a piece of cake. I'll post a flyer and put the details on our website when all the details are finalized. (Click on the Wellness Ministry/Body & Soul Tab). We hope that the ladies of the church will attend these festivities and invite a girlfriend or two along. Guys, encourage the ladies in your life to attend. Let's mingle more with this ministry and continue to share God's love with our Body & Soul members. If you have any questions, please feel free to see me, Joanne, or Carolyn (or again, stop in and see one of the super awesome ladies mentioned above).

Love,  
Wendy

**Mission, Service & Outreach**  
**Prayer Ministry**



*...Please pray for those we know who are ill or have concerns:*

Barbara Berger - classmate of Donna Johnston  
 Betty Jane Burke - cousin of Wayne Dillner  
 Annette Curtis - neighbor of the Johnston's  
 Evan Dillner - grandson of the Dillner's  
 Linda Felkar - member  
 Joyce & Pete King - Donna Johnston's sister & brother-in-law  
 Louise & Jim Martin - Terry Martin's mother-in-law & father-in-law  
 Eric McAleer - member  
 Mike McAleer - member  
 Tim McAleer - member  
 Cammy Nichols - daughter of Donna & Bill Johnston  
 Alan Pettengill - Nancy Pettengill's brother  
 Chrissy Mills' uncle  
 Alta Pettengill - Nancy Pettengill's mother  
 Chrissy Mills' grandmother  
 Ralph Tissue - brother of Carol Harvey  
 Ginny Trunick - member  
 Elaine & Ed Wilson - members  
 Caroline Wise - member

If you would like prayer or know someone who should be added to this list, please contact Terry Martin in the church office at 412-366-1338 or [heritagepcusa@verizon.net](mailto:heritagepcusa@verizon.net).

Also, if you are willing to prepare and deliver a meal, drive to doctor appointments or grocery shopping, or can babysit, the Deacons have an "at need" individual that they can pair up with you.

**PRAYER CHAIN**

If you wish to put something on the Prayer Chain, first contact Terry Martin in the office between 8:30 am and 2:30 pm, Monday through Friday 412-366-1338 or at [heritagepcusa@verizon.net](mailto:heritagepcusa@verizon.net). If your request is other than the church hours, please contact Donna Johnston at 412-364-3340 or [dmj5393@verizon.net](mailto:dmj5393@verizon.net). Thank you.



*Birthdays  
of the  
Month*

<b>APRIL BIRTHDAYS</b>	
<i>April McCabe</i>	<i>4/2</i>
<i>Elizabeth Pearl</i>	<i>4/2</i>
<i>Justin Thomson</i>	<i>4/12</i>
<i>Tim McAleer</i>	<i>4/13</i>
<i>Marilyn Bond</i>	<i>4/14</i>
<i>Megan George</i>	<i>4/20</i>
<i>Elaine Wilson</i>	<i>4/22</i>
<i>Grace Cibula</i>	<i>4/24</i>



<b>Worship Volunteers April</b>					
<b>Date</b>	<b>Worship Leader</b>	<b>Sound System/ Projection</b>	<b>Coffee Setup/ Cleanup</b>	<b>Nursery (Worship)</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
4/2	Rick Berg	Winn Dunmyre Pam Dierker	Betty Olson Bobbie Berg	Dolores Boeh Erika Jani <b>(B) Connie Vitale</b>	Roy & Quentin Halyama
4/9	Reed Harvey	Bill Johnston Rick Berg	Carolyn Briggs Joanne Dunmyre	Grace Cibula Melanie Thomson <b>(B) Matt Joseph</b>	Lex Felkar Pete Olson
4/16	Steve Paulson	Jim Cummins Morgan Halyama	Betty Olson Dolores Boeh	Karen Hayworth Julie Halyama <b>(B) TBA</b>	Melanie Thomson Maggie Nestor
4/23	TBA	Marilyn Bond Quentin Halyama	Barbara White Cyndi McAleer	Joanne Dunmyre Nancy Wise <b>(B) Dolores Boeh</b>	Sonny Jani Matt Joseph
4/30	Carol Harvey	Winn Dunmyre Pam Dierker	Betty Olson Bobbie Berg	Katy Berg Sonny Jani <b>(B) Karen Hayworth</b>	Winn Dunmyre Bob Nestor

**B = Back up**

Please consider joining our volunteers, contact the following:

Coffee Setup/Cleanup, call Reed Harvey 724-774-4895

Nursery Worker, call Karen Hayworth Wildfong 412-259-8056

A/V Sound System, call Jim Cummins 412-364-3172

Usher, call Bob Nestor 412-369-9278

#### **Projection Crew Phone Numbers**

Rick Berg 724-709-8601  
 Dave Briggs 412-364-6225  
 Grace Cibula 412-364-7885  
 Pam Dierker 412-812-3599  
 Morgan Halyama 412-548-3270  
 Quentin Halyama 412-548-3270

#### **Sound Team Phone Numbers**

Marilyn Bond 724-625-2537  
 Jim Cummins 412-364-3172  
 Alex Dunmyre 412-367-4771  
 Winn Dunmyre 412-367-4771  
 Bill Johnston 412-364-3340

Thank you for taking the time to serve!
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	<b>Communion Preparation</b>	<b>Communion Servers</b>	<b>April Counters</b>
<b>April 2</b>	Pam Dierker	Craig Bentzen Lex Felkar Chrissy Mills	Mike McAleer Nancy Pettengill
<b>April 13</b>	Barb White	Donna & Bill Johnston Steve Paulson	



**Communion Dates**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Sunday	May 7
Sunday	May 21
Sunday	June 4
Sunday	June 18
Sunday	July 2
Sunday	July 16

<b>April CHILDREN'S SERMON SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>TEACHER</b>
April 2	Ted Griffin
April 9	Pastor Brian
April 16	Cyndi McAleer
April 23	Bobbie Berg
April 30	Ted Griffin

Heritage Calendar of Dates April, 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 9:00 am-Noon Spring Workday
2  10:00 am Worship Service Communion <b>5th Sunday in Lent</b> 11:15 am Sunday School Adult Bible Study 6:00-7:30 pm Youth Group	3	4	5	6	7  7:00 am Men's Breakfast at King's	8
9  10:00 am Worship Service <b>Passion/Palm Sunday</b> <b>Brunch</b> <b>No Sunday School</b> 6:00-7:30 pm Youth Group	10	11	12  6:30-8:00 pm ReCharge/ Anchorpoint	13  <b>7:30 pm</b> <b>Maundy Thursday</b> <b>Service</b> Communion	14  Good Friday 7:00 am Men's Breakfast at King's <b>7:30 pm</b> <b>Tenebrae</b> <b>Service</b>	15
16  10:00 am Worship Service <b>Easter Sunday</b> <b>No Sunday School</b> <b>No Youth Group</b>	17  4:45-6:00 pm Light of Life	18	19  7:15 pm SAF Team Mtg.	20  7:00 pm CE Team Meeting	21  7:00 am Men's Breakfast at King's  FH	22    FH
23  10:00 am Worship Service Visiting Preacher: Dr. Kang Na 11:15 am Sunday School Adult Bible Study 6:00-7:30 pm Youth Group	24  5:30 pm Bellevue Meal Ministry	25	26  6:30 pm ReCharge/ Anchorpoint	27  7:00 pm Session Meeting	28  7:00 am Men's Breakfast at King's 5:00-8:00 pm Taco Night at Heritage	29
30  10:00 am Worship Service 11:15 am Sunday School Adult Bible Study 6:00-7:30 pm Youth Group						

CE=Christian Education  
M&E=Mission & Evangelism  
MFC=Membership, Fellowship & Care  
SAF=Stewardship, Administration, Finance  
FH=Fellowship Hall

**HERITAGE CHURCH OFFICERS**

**ELDERS**

<u>Christian Education</u> Denton Bond '17	<u>Worship</u> Rick Berg '17	<u>Mission &amp; Evangelism</u> Melanie Thomson '18
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<u>Stewardship Administration &amp; Finance</u> John Cibula '17 Randy Thomson '17	<u>Membership, Fellowship &amp; Care</u> Reed Harvey '17
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**BOARD OF DEACONS  
(Class of 2017)**

Dolores Boeh  
Sara Briggs  
Pam Dierker  
Chrissy Mills  
Nancy Pettengill  
Barbara White

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE  
AT  
HERITAGE**

**10:00 am      Worship Service**

**11:15-11:50 am      Sunday School  
Adult Bible Study**

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