



the Forerunner

"Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us."

Hebrews 12:1

HUNTING RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Join us for our
Wednesday night
prayer calls at 9pm.

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Lent is a time set apart for renewing, strengthening, deepening your relationship with God. There are many different paths to follow, and I encourage you to be intentional about selecting one! Lent is the 40 days (minus the Sundays) between Ash Wednesday (March 1) and Easter Sunday (April 16). Forty days remind us of the forty years of wandering in the wilderness, when the people of Israel were forming their identity as God's chosen children. And also of the forty days Jesus spent in the wilderness after he was baptized and before he began his ministry. Lent is a time set apart where we can encounter God if we just pay attention.

Lent is a time set apart for worship. This year, our worship will focus on the use of our senses

(hearing, seeing, touching and tasting) as we seek to encounter God in new ways. Join us on Sundays for GOD-SENSE, a chance to hear from other church members about their meaningful faith practices and a chance to experience a form of prayer focusing on each of the senses. What is God-Sense? God-Sense is the opposite of nonsense. God-Sense is being tuned in to God's presence in and through our lives. God-Sense is using our senses to the fullest as we connect with God.

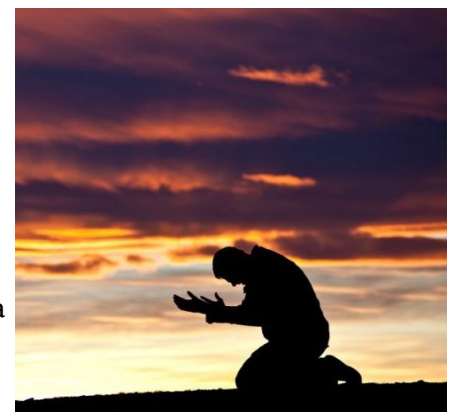
Lent is a time set apart for private prayer. Make a commitment to set aside time for prayer in a particular place on a regular basis for these 40 days. Use a form of prayer you are comfortable with or try something new. Try www.D365.org for an online daily devotional experience.

Lent is a time set apart for service. Find a way to serve your neighbors in some way. Join the Rosemont Community Interfaith Coalition on Friday, March 10, for a community movie night at St. Edward's Roman Catholic Church on Poplar Grove St. Collect food items on a weekly basis to bring in to church for 40 West. Can you bring in 40 items for 40 West for 40 days? Expand it and invite your neighbors to help.

Lent is a time set apart for giving. Plan to participate in the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Easter Sunday. Funds support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Self Development of People. Set aside funds each week or each pay period that will be over and above your support of our ministry here to touch lives around the world.

Lent is a time set apart. How will you use these 40 days this year? I look forward to hearing about your experiences with God.

— Pastor Deborah



LENT

Join Us for Worship!

A SEASON OF RENEWAL

Come for a time set apart as you experience a deepening sense of your relationship with God through your senses and God-sense...

March 5	HEARING	<i>Imani Bell Ringers: How Great Thou Art.</i>	Luke 10:38-42
<i>Celebration of the Lord's Supper AND Censtability offering to fight hunger locally</i>			
March 12	SIGHT	<i>Share in liturgical dance/movement!</i>	Luke 18:31-19:10
March 19	TOUCH	<i>Laying on of hands</i>	Luke 10:25-42
March 26	FEELINGS	<i>Getting in tough with emotions toward God</i>	Luke 18:18-30
April 2	TASTE	<i>Sharing the Lord's Supper AND Centsability Offering</i>	Luke 14:15-24
April 9	PALM SUNDAY	<i>Celebrate the arrival of our King with eco-palms!</i>	Luke 19:29-44
April 13	<i>Maundy Thursday Meal and Communion Service</i>		6:30 pm Fellowship Hall
April 16	RESURRECTION SUNDAY	<i>Outdoor Sunrise Worship and I I am Worship</i>	Luke 24:1-12
<i>One Great Hour of Sharing Offering</i>			

One Great Hour of Sharing through the Season of Lent

Through this longstanding, ecumenical effort, Presbyterians share God's love by giving to ministries that provide relief to those affected by natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support towards the self-development of poor and oppressed communities. **32%** goes to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to restore communities after natural or human-caused disasters. **36%** to Reducing hunger by supporting initiative that create sustainable food systems and alleviate root causes of poverty so that all may be fed. And **32%** to providing resources and education to oppressed and disadvantaged communities working to overcome poverty and injustice through initiatives they won and directly benefit from.



LENT @ Thursday Night Alive!

Five weeks of church family time begin March 9th. Join us every Thursday at 6pm for a simple meal (thanks to Barbara K. & Carol B. for preparing meals during Lent!) and then time for deepening your connection with God through:

FOR KIDS: Prayer is Taking to God: children of all ages will explore different ways to talk to God, including using Scripture, song, art and movement. Special prayer guides for family prayer will be provided as well!

FOR YOUTH: Meet with Eva H. in the pastor's office to practice **God-sense**—connecting to God through all of your senses.

FOR ADULTS: A Look at Luke. What is the Good News for people who are struggling? How can we be shares of that Good News? We will delve into five passages in Luke, exploring what making peace looks like for first century and twenty first century followers of Jesus. Meet in the church Library! **OR The Art of Marriage** (see right).

Each night closes by 8pm with a short intergenerational time together in the library. We will be working on learning the Lord's prayer together.

The Art of Marriage at Thursday Night Alive! For married couples and those looking forward to marriage Beginning March 9th 6:30-7:30 in the conference room

The Art of Marriage is a 6 week group video series, enabling couples to interact with other couples. Each session presents Biblical teaching that will enrich your relationships with God and with each other. Weekly date nights are encouraged, enabling couples to interact one-on-one through discussion questions and mini-projects.

Group leaders: Walter and Frances Jones.

Workbooks: \$10

For more information contact:

Walter at storytheater@hotmail.com or
443-564-0320

Easter Flowers

Flower Selections: Lilies or Daffodils

Flowers are \$10 each

It is time to order Easter Flowers for the church sanctuary. This gives us an opportunity to remember or honor someone during the Easter season. Please consider giving an Easter flower to someone or have it taken to a shut-in. Order forms will be available beginning on March 1st and are due Sunday, March 19th. Prices have been adjusted to include a small donation to our One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. Please make checks payable to HRPC



Family MOVIE NIGHT!!!

Come watch

"Heaven is for Real" with us.

Friday, March 10th, 6-10 pm at St. Edwards
Catholic Church, 901 Poplar Grove St.

Dinner will be served.

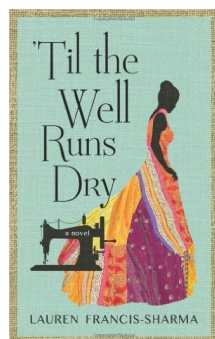
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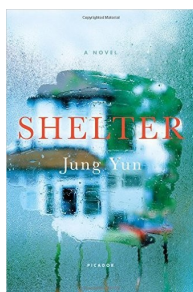
HRPC Multicultural Book Club



On March 19th at 7:00 p.m. Lauren Francis-Sharma, the author of 'Til the Well Runs Dry, will be at Hunting Ridge Presbyterian Church to discuss her book. The novel is "a glorious and moving multigenerational, multicultural saga that sweeps from the 1940s through the 1960s in Trinidad and the United States."

Awards for the book: Black Caucus of the American Library Association 2015 Honor Book in Fiction Booklist Starred Review O, The Oprah Magazine "10 Titles to Pick Up Now" All are welcome to join us. The author will sign copies of her book and will have some available for purchase.

May 21: Shelter by Jung Yun



Kyung Cho is a young father burdened by a house he can't afford. For years, he and his wife, Gillian, have lived beyond their means. Now their debts and bad decisions are catching up with them, and Kyung is anxious for his family's future. When an act of violence leaves Jin and Mae Cho unable to live on their own, the dynamic suddenly changes, and Kyung is compelled to take them in. For the first time in years, the Chos find themselves living under the same roof. Tensions quickly mount as Kyung's proximity to his parents forces old feelings of guilt and anger to the surface, along with a terrible and persistent question: how can he ever be a good husband, father, and son when he never knew affection as a child?

Giving to HRPC is easy online! Go to www.huntingridgechurch.org and find the "**GIVE NOW**" button on the right side. Click to give one time OR set up a regular Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) from your account to HRPC. Easy. Fast. Secure.



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS – February 2017

The Session:

1. heard a report from Treasurer Joan Higbee.
2. reviewed and approved a document which outlined new financial procedures.
3. heard RE Stella Ngang's report on the February 9 Presbytery gathering.
4. approved a schedule for 2017 communion dates and special offerings

Beatrice Burns, a member of Hunting Ridge since 1978 died on Monday, February 27th at the age of 95. She served as a deacon beginning in 1980. Please keep her niece and caregiver, Sylvia Porter, and her family in your prayers.



After 66 years, never missing a week, (that's 3,432 meetings!) the Thursday night meeting of Ten Hills AA will no longer meet at HRPC. Due to dwindling numbers, the group has decided to discontinue their meetings here. We look forward to continuing our community partnership with another group as the need presents.

Catonsville Concerts Series

Sunday, March 12th, 3pm

Featuring

The Peacherine

Ragtime Society

Orchestra

Catonsville Presbyterian Church

1400

Frederick Road



The 2017 PUSH Women's Conference

will take place on August 19, 2017 from 11:00am – 5:00pm in Oxen Hill, MD. The conference is free and a light meal will be served. If you are interested additional information can be obtained by going to

<http://www.pushglobalministries.org/2017-PUSH-Women-s-Conference.html>

Or Call Jacquie Myles at 443-794-5545.



Presbyterian Coffee Project

We're counting on YOU to make a difference!

To coffee farmers and their communities in different parts of the world.

To neighbors who needs assistance from the emergency assistance fund.

Organic Drip Grind Coffee 12oz. bag

Ethiopian \$8

Colombian \$8

French Roast \$8

Decaf \$9

Organic Tea (20 bags per box) \$3.50 per box

Darjeeling

Rooibos (caffeine free)

English Breakfast

Fill out an order form and put money or check in an envelope (marked coffee/tea). Place the form and payment in the offering plate or give to church office.

March



1– Amil Cousins

6– Joe Banks

9– Althea Pusateri

20– Phillip Spain

21– Matthew Higbee

28– Maggie Hernan

29– Maia Wilkins

31– Judy Rhoades



HRPC Weekly Calendar

Sundays	9:00 am	English/Spanish Class	Conference Room
	11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
	1:00 pm	Baltimore Falam Baptist Church	Sanctuary
Wednesdays	7-10pm	Berea Church	Sanctuary
Thursdays	6pm	Thursday Night Alive!	
	6:30pm	Bells rehearsal (2x month)	
	7:30pm	Choir rehearsal	
1st Fridays	6:30-9pm	Peace Community Center	Library
Saturdays	9am-1pm	Peace Community Center	Fellowship Hall/ Library
	7-10pm	Berea Church	Sanctuary



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