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MESSENGER

SUNDAY SERVICE

April 29, 2018
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
10:30 AM

Guest Pastor Rev. Paul Bayerl

Scripture readings:

Psalm 22: 25 - 31

John 15: 1 - 8

Sermon: "*You Are the Branches*"



The Gospel Lesson this week is one of the "I Am" statements of Jesus—"I am the vine, you are the branches." In the Gospel of John, these words were spoken at the last supper before Jesus and his disciples went out to the garden where he was betrayed by Judas.

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit... I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit... My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

WONDERFUL NEWS TO SHARE

At the April 15 Sunday worship service a long-awaited announcement was made, telling the congregation that the Pastor Nominating Committee has selected a candidate to be called for the position of Installed Pastor at HSCPC. The Call has been approved by the Presbytery Committee On Ministry. The next step is for the HSCPC members to hear him preach and then vote on the Pastoral Call.

This past Sunday, Pastor Nominating Committee Chairman Milla Finchum

presented the congregation with information about Rev. Paul Bayer 1 (pronounced like “barrel”), and about the details of the pastoral call.



Rev. Paul Bayerl was born in western Dade County where his parents were charter members of the Friendship Presbyterian Church. His father was an elder and Sunday School Teacher. His mother was moderator of the WOC and ran the yearly VBS. He grew up with strong love for the church.

Pastor Paul is a graduate of Miami Christian College with a BA in Biblical languages, and of Columbia Theological Seminary where he received a Master of Divinity Degree. He did additional training in pastoral care as a chaplain in what was then Georgia Baptist Hospital.

In June of this year, Pastor Paul will celebrate twenty-eight years of ministry, having served three congregations in Georgia and South Carolina. In the course of these years he has served as adult advisor for the Presbytery Youth Council, and chaired the Presbytery’s Division of Nurture and the Presbytery’s hunger program PATH (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger.) He has served as chair of the Presbytery’s Mission Division and later Mission Team. He was minister commissioner to the General Assembly in Birmingham, AL in 2006 and has served on the national committee for Self-Development of People as chair of both the Southern and International Task Forces. Most recently he served on the Cultural Context Team and chaired the Presbytery’s Technology committee.

To quote from the biography he provided to Milla, *“I have served in the suburbs and in the country. I am thrilled at the opportunities that I can see in Hobe Sound. My wife Xiomy (pronounced “See-O-Me) and I have been married for three years and together we have four children. We look forward to the chance to get to know each of you.”*

Rev. Paul Bayerl will preach at HSCPC on Sunday, April 29. The worship service will be immediately followed by a Congregational Meeting at which the church members will consider and vote on accepting the Pastoral Call of Rev. Bayerl. When the call is approved, Rev. Bayerl will begin his service at HSCPC on June

Over 2 ½ long years, the **Pastor Nominating Committee** has worked diligently to find just the right candidate to lead HSCPC into the future. This committee, consisting through these years of **Chairman Milla Finchum** and **members Skip Barlow, Cam Boynton, Connie Frazee, Peg Layton, Ingrid Krumdeick, Terry McCloy, and Peter Sharp**, deserves the most grateful THANK YOU from our church members and friends for the time and effort they have put in to make this wonderful announcement possible.

AND SOME NOT-SO-WONDERFUL NEWS TO SHARE

A THANK YOU AND BEST WISHES TO MINISTER OF MUSIC BRANDON GLICK.



Brandon Glick has been Minister of Music at Hobe Sound Community Presbyterian Church since fall of 2015. This very talented young man has brought music to the forefront at our church with his exceptional skill on both piano and organ. Besides providing the music at worship services himself, he has invited many other local musicians, both vocal and instrumental, to participate in those services. Likewise, he has instituted concerts beyond the worship services, introducing both members and the surrounding community to a diverse selection of local talent. He has shown immeasurable patience with a small group of singers, forming them into a choir that has benefited greatly from his direction.

Brandon has also become a beloved member of our church community, a caring friend with a delightful and often subtle sense of humor. The title of Minister of Music is most fitting for Brandon, as he has the heart of a Pastor in addition to the talent of a musician.

At the Session meeting on April 17, the elders very reluctantly accepted Brandon's letter of resignation as HSCPC Minister of Music. His letter reads as follows:

“Dear Session,

I am writing this letter to present my official resignation as the Music Minister of Hobe Sound Community Presbyterian Church effective four Sundays from today, on May 13, 2018. It has been such an honor and privilege serving this church, but I believe my time here has come to an end.

Recently, I was offered a full time position as Director of Music Ministry at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church and after thinking and praying about it have accepted the job.

Since the beginning in 2015 I have made many wonderful friends and memories here at this church. You all have been extremely kind, appreciative and generous. I have learned and gained much from you. Thank you.

Sincerely, J. Brandon Glick”

And on this past Sunday, Brandon spoke directly to the congregation, thanking them for their love and support over the past 3 years.

“It’s been such a joy to serve this church since 2015. I have been amazed by how supportive and kind you have been to me. This was not an easy decision, but after much thought and prayer I believe this is where God is leading me.

I will be taking the full-time position as Director of Music Ministry at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church in downtown Stuart. I will be helping lead in the worship services as the organist/pianist and working with the choir. I will also be organizing a concert series and other activities.

This church has meant so much to me. I will miss the beautiful buildings, courtyard and grounds, but most of all, I will miss you, my church family. You have been generous, kind and have certainly made it difficult to lose weight!!

Thank you for your friendship. I am not moving away though, so let’s stay in touch!

While we will miss Brandon, the wonderful music experiences he has provided to our church, and the love and friendship he has shared with us, we can only wish him the very best as he moves on to the next step in his expanding musical career. And we can be so proud that it has been our little church that he has served with such dedication and devotion over the past 3 years.

As we make these transitions in our church, please note the following Sunday dates:

April 29 - Congregational meeting following the worship service.

May 13 - Brandon’s last Sunday at HSCPC

June 10 - Pastor Roger Verse’s last Sunday at HSCPC

June 17 - Guest Minister Dennis Bennett, representing Presbytery of Tropical Florida

June 24 - Rev. Paul Bayerl begins his service as Pastor at HSCPC.

LOOKING AHEAD



The **Instrumental concert**, which was previously postponed, has been rescheduled for **Tuesday, May 1 at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary.**

Amy Clark on flute, **Carrie Fox** on oboe and **Brandon Glick** on piano are the featured musicians in this closing concert of the season. This

will be a fun concert of jazz, classical and movie tunes featuring music by Claude Bolling, Henry Mancini, Camille saint-Saen and more.

The concert is free of charge, and a free will offering will be received at its conclusion. Please come, and invite your friends and neighbors.

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULED

Women of the Bible

Wednesdays, 10:00 – 11:00 AM.



A discussion group on **Women of the Bible** is meeting on **Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM.** The book “**All the Women of the Bible**” by M.L. delMastro, is the source of information for discussion, which is led by Elder **Arline Holloway**, chairman of the Women’s Fellowship committee.

IT’S ALMOST TIME FOR A GOOD SPRING CLEANING

At the March Session meeting a date was set for a good **spring cleaning** of the church property, including both the structures and the grounds.

Saturday, May 19, 9:00 AM til? is the date.

This seems like a long way off, but time goes fast and it’s never too early to start planning. Please report to the church office, any Elder, or any Deacon, anything you see that needs attention, and plan on coming to help out on this up-coming workday.

USHERS NEEDED!

HSCPC is in need of people to volunteer as ushers at the Sunday church services. No experience necessary. Please contact **Roy Kindberg** at kindberg@bellsouth.net or see Roy at church if you are interested in serving the church in this important capacity.

Attention Snow Birds and Year-rounders on summer holiday!

Keep up to date on our church activities this summer, no matter where you are, by visiting our **website** at www.hspc.org . Like us on **Facebook** to get weekly inspirational posts and special notices. Simply go to facebook.com/hobesoundpresbyterianchurch and the miles will melt away (or will that be us melting?!).

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- April 4** - Ruth Jubb
- April 10** - Robert Wagner
- April 13** - Julie Norrish
- April 14** - Marilyn Nyman
- April 15** - Linda Byrd
- April 22** - Earlene Thompson
- April 24** - Retta Galloway
- April 27** - Owen Pratt
- April 30** - Luke Moore

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- April 6** - Milla and Lennie Finchum
- April 16** - Dari and Billy Bowman

(If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know so you can be included here for the rest of the month.)

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Alex Lopez-Estrada
- The George Mulleneix family
- Gary Shriver
- Judy McCloy
- Kris Herd
- Josephine Scricca
- Gail Shriver
- Tom Prestegard
- Skip Barlow
- Bill Carlson
- Hisa Clark
- Bob Kehres
- Terry McCloy
- Laurie Updegrave
- Sarah Williams
- Freda Jones
- Clara and Norman Douphinais
- Mitsn Mitchell

Names will be removed from this list after three weeks unless a request is made to keep them on. This request should be made to Diane Atkisson in the church office. Phone – 772-546-5043, email – church@hscpc.org

WHEN YOU WANT TO MAKE A PRAYER REQUEST: To request prayers through the Prayer Circle, for yourself or someone else, contact Jan Norrish, 772-486-5514, jannorrish@hotmail.com, To have a prayer request included in the Church Sunday bulletin and the MESSENGER, fill out the prayer request card found in the Church pews or contact Diane Atkisson in the church office. Phone – 772 546-5043, email - church@hscpc.org

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