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MESSENGER

SUNDAY SERVICE

October 7, 2018
10:30 AM

Pastor Rev. Paul Bayerl

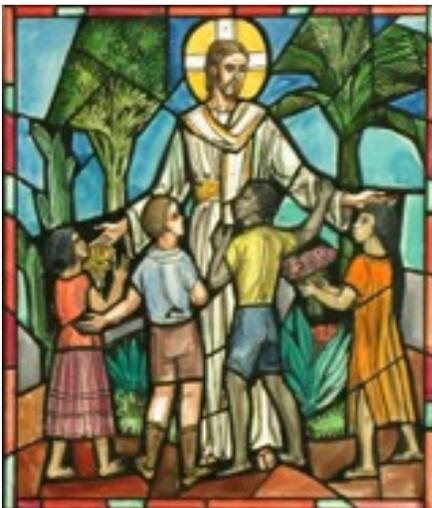
Bible readings: Old Testament

Job 1: 1, 2: 1-10

New Testament

Mark 10: 2-16

Message: *"Our Will or God's Will -
the Question of Commitment"*



This week's Gospel reading is Mark 10: 2-16. In verses 13-16, Jesus blesses the little children brought to him by their parents. *"People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them. **Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.**"* And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them."

Sunday, October 7 is **World Communion Sunday**. The following presents excerpts from **WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**, a publication of the **Presbyterian Mission Agency**.

The first Sunday in October is designated as World Communion Sunday, which celebrates our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the

world. World Communion Sunday (originally called World Wide Communion Sunday) is a gift of the Presbyterian Church to the larger ecumenical church. The first celebration occurred at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA, in 1933 where Dr. Hugh Thompson Kerr served as pastor.

The idea grew out of the Division of Stewardship at Shadyside. It was their attempt to bring churches together in a service of Christian unity—in which everyone might receive both inspiration and information, and above all, to know how important the Church of Jesus Christ is, and how each congregation is interconnected one with another. The concept spread very slowly at the start. People did not give it a whole lot of thought. It was during the Second World War that the spirit caught hold, because we were trying to hold the world together. World Wide Communion symbolized the effort to hold things together, in a spiritual sense. It emphasized that we are one in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.”

Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church in 1936. Churches in other denominations were invited to celebrate with us from the beginning, but it wasn't until 1940 when the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches (a predecessor body of the National Council of Churches) promoted extending the celebration to a number of churches around the world that the practice became widespread.

Today, World Communion Sunday is celebrated around the world, demonstrating that the church founded on Jesus Christ peacefully shares God-given goods in a world increasingly destabilized by globalization and global market economies based on greed.



COMMUNION: At HSCPC We celebrate the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of every month. We also designate these Sundays as "Mission Sundays". Donations help provide funds and services for those in need within our own Church, within the immediate Community such as Banner Lake school programs, and through charitable organizations such as House of Hope.

If you wish to make a donation to the Missions program on this **October 7th Mission Sunday**, you can use the blue and white envelope found in your envelope offering box, a Mission Envelope located in the back of the pews, or send a donation directly to the church.



MUSIC DIRECTOR NEWS

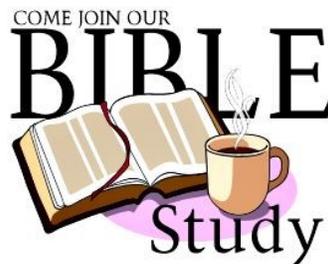
At the Sept. 25 Session meeting, the Administration and Personnel Committee recommended that the Elders approve a contract for **Anita Caswell as Music Director** at HSCPC for the coming year. The Elders present at the meeting approved this recommendation by a unanimous vote.

Ms. Caswell is the very popular coral and drama director at Murray Middle School in Stuart, and is the current



“teacher of the year” at that school. She has extensive experience in church music, both piano and organ as well as choir direction, and has been providing the music for our worship services for the past month. When you see her in church, please give her a special welcome as a new member of our Church family.

**PASTOR PAUL IS HOLDING A SERIES OF WEEKDAY STUDY GROUPS
CONTINUING THROUGH DECEMBER.**



To prepare for next week’s sessions, the following readings are suggested:

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY
Tuesday mornings @ 10:30 am:

To prepare for the class on Tuesday, Oct. 9, read chapters 11 and 12 from the Book of John in the New Testament.

WEDNESDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP: CULTS
Wednesday evenings @ 6:30 pm;

To prepare for the class on Wednesday, Oct. 10, read “Christian Science”, in the textbook Cults and the Occult, copies available in the church office.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON CHURCH GROWTH STUDY GROUP
Thursday afternoons @ 4:00 pm,

To prepare for the session on Thursday, Oct. 11, read Chapter 11, “The Great Commission Becomes the Great Omission” in the study book Autopsy of a Deceased Church, copies available in the church office.

The entire schedule is posted on the church website. If you are unable to attend every meeting of a session in which you are interested, please come whenever you can.

At the conclusion of this series of study groups, they will be rotated and repeated in the new year. Thus, if a class in which you are interested meets at an inconvenient time this year, it will be available at a different time in the future.

Pastor Paul is uploading his sermons to our website, www.hscpc.org. You can listen again to the sermon you have heard on a Sunday morning, or if you miss Church on a Sunday you can listen to that morning's message at your convenience.

A camera has been set up in the Sanctuary, and the video will run continuously on our website. Eventually, audio output will be activated whenever the sound system in the Sanctuary is in operation. This will make it possible to watch on our website an entire worship service, or any other church activity taking place in the sanctuary, as it is in progress.

The calendar on the website is continually updated. Check it regularly to see what is happening at our church.

Go to the website often. Navigate through the various links and follow all the changes and additions that are being made.

Pastor Paul's Office Hours are **Monday through Thursday, 9:30AM to 12:00 noon**. If you want to meet with him, check ahead since he may occasionally have morning commitments outside of the office. He is available at other times by appointment.

LADIES LUNCHEON: The next ladies' luncheon will be on
Friday, October 5, 12:30 PM at
Miles Grant Country Club
5101 S.E. Miles Grant Rd., Stuart, Fl.
(left off of Cove Road, east of Dixie Hwy – A1A)

All female members and friends of our Church are welcome. If you plan to attend it is important that you make your reservation with [Dorothea Wiley, 772 546-2719](mailto:Dorothea.Wiley@hscpc.org).

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 COFFEE HOUR

Fellowship hour following the worship service on Sunday will feature a special celebration of **Pastor Paul's birthday**. All are invited to join in this celebration, help Pastor Paul celebrate, and enjoy the many treats prepared by the church Deacons.



BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

- October 6** - Rev. Paul Bayerl
- October 15** - Jon Pratt, Jennifer Kindberg
- October 16** - Leila Howard
- October 18** - Cam Wagner
- October 19** - Tom Prestegard
- October 25** - Cindy Fucigna, Linda Croyl

October 29 - Danny Arcia (Xiomy Bayerl's son)

ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER

October 6 - Martin and Stacey Albrecht

October 24 - Lloyd and Leila Howard

(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
- Hisa Clark
- Judy McCloy
- Gail Shriver
- Cheryl Bent
- Ida Gilliams
- Kathy Atkisson Kline
- Bill Carlson
- Terry McCloy
- Josephine Scricca
- Chuck Otero
- Frank DiNapoli
- Pat Kavanaugh
- Jan Norrish

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

HSCPC WEBSITE: The MESSENGER is posted on our website each week. If you want to check content from a previous week, just go to www.hscpc.org and click on the Newsletter link.

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