

THE BOOK OF
Acts



Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church
October 17, 2021 - 9:00 A.M.

9:00 a.m. – Contemporary Worship Service
10:15 a.m. - Sunday school for all ages
11:15 a.m. – Traditional Worship Service

We are glad you have joined us today!

We invite you to take advantage of our weekly Christian Education offerings. At 10:15 a.m. we have a Sunday school class for every age!

- Pre-K and K meet in the Multi-Purpose Room 209.
- Grades 1 through 3 meet on the stage side of the Boyer Auditorium.
- Grades 4 through 6 meet upstairs in Room 308.
- The youth (grade 7 and up) meet over in the Church Office.
- The adults meet on the kitchen side of the Boyer Auditorium.
- We also provide nursery care (birth to age 2).



EVERYONE

*Please wear a face covering,
maintain social distance,
& use sanitizer.*

Feel free to help yourself to a cup of coffee or tea available in the back of the Sanctuary.

If you have any questions, please contact the Church Office (office@HVPC.org; 215-947-5500).

Thanks to Elaine Holmes and BethAnn Clark for their help every week proofreading the bulletin and other Sunday materials!

Thanks to Jay Sarajian, our HVAC system has a UV cleaner installed that purifies the air continuously.

New here? Please pick up a welcome bag from the Welcome Table in the hallway.



Please mute your phone.
THANK YOU!

ORDER FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

* = *The congregation is invited to stand.*

Words of Welcome

Jon Haines

* Call To Worship

Psalm 100

Jon Haines

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!
Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!
For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

* Prayer

Jon Haines

* 🎵 Your Love Defends Me

You are my joy You are my song
You are the well the One I'm
drawing from
You are my refuge my whole life
long
Where else would I go

Surely my God is the strength of my
soul
Your love defends me
Your love defends me
And when I feel like I'm all alone
Your love defends me
Your love defends me

Day after day night after night
I will remember You're with me in
this fight
Although the battle it rages on
The war's already won
I know the war is already won

We sing hallelujah
You're my portion my salvation
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Unison Prayer of Confession

BethAnn Clark

Gracious Lord, We confess
 that we are prone by nature and habit to make wrong choices.
 We choose to go our way instead of your way.
 We choose wide roads instead of narrow ways.
 We choose to love ourselves more than you.
 We choose to serve ourselves more than others.
 Forgive us for our lack of obedience,
 and cover our sins for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

BethAnn Clark

*** First Reading:***Acts 25:23 - 26:11 (ESV)*

BethAnn Clark

Welcome & Announcements

BethAnn Clark

*** Second Reading***Acts 26:12-32 (ESV)*

Dan Morrison

Sermon*I Stand Here Testifying*

Dan Morrison

Heidelberg Catechism*Lord's Day Thirty-Three*

Dan Morrison

Q88. What is involved in genuine repentance or conversion?

A. Two things: the dying-away of the old self, and the rising-to-life of the new.

Q89. What is the dying-away of the old self?

A. To be genuinely sorry for sin and more and more to hate and run away from it.

Q90. What is the rising-to-life of the new self?

A. Wholehearted joy in God through Christ and a love and delight to live according to the will of God by doing every kind of good work.

Q91. What are good works?

A. Only those which are done out of true faith, conform to God's law, and are done for God's glory; and not those based on our own opinion or human tradition.

* **♪ To God Be The Glory**

All

To God be the glory great things He has done
So loved He the world
that He gave us His Son
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life gate that all may go in

Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the earth hear His voice
Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the people rejoice
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son
And give Him the glory great things He has
done

O perfect redemption the purchase of blood
To every believer the promise of God
The vilest offender who truly believes
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

Great things He has taught us
Great things He has done
And great our rejoicing
through Jesus the Son
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder our transport when Jesus we see

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* **♪ It Is Well With My Soul**

All

*It is well with my soul
It is well
It is well with my soul*

When peace like a river
Attendeth my way
When sorrows
Like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot
Thou hast taught me to say
It is well
It is well with my soul

Tho' Satan should buffet
Tho' trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ has regarded
My helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood
For my soul

My sin O the bliss
Of this glorious tho't
My sin not in part
But the whole
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord O my soul

And Lord haste the day
When my faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back
As a scroll
The trump shall resound
And the Lord shall descend
Even so it is well
With my soul

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* **Offering**

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along and put me back
together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your
love

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
And there's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can

You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can

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This Week of 10/17 @ HVPC

New Members Class	Today	10:15 a.m.	Contact Dan Morrison
Fellowship Presbyterian Church	Tonight	6:00 p.m.	Contact Church Office
Anchored Small Group Bible Study	Tonight	7:00 p.m.	Contact Deb Jack
Session	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Dan Morrison
Wednesday Morning Prayer Meeting (online)	Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Contact Shari Hofstetter
Women's Bible Study	Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Contact Naomi Trask
Women's Pop-Up Online Bible Study (online)	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Contact BethAnn Clark
Praise Band Rehearsal	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Jon Haines
Choir Rehearsal	Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Contact Susan Clark
GO Project Vision Team	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Stephen Clark
Fall Festival Planning	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Tammy Herwig
Thursday Evening Prayer Meeting (online)	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Shari Hofstetter
Friday Evening Prayer Meeting (online)	Friday	5:00 p.m.	Contact Shari Hofstetter
Couch Potatoes Small Group	Saturday	7:00 a.m.	Contact Eva Morrison
Men's Prayer Breakfast Bible Study	Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Contact Jordan Goretti
Private Wedding	Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Contact Church Office

Contact the church office for information (office@HVPC.org; 215-947-5500).

Fall Festival - Scan The QR Code For Details



It's Fall! The Fall Festival is replacing Trunk or Treat. It will take place **Saturday, November 6th** from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Instead of trunks, we invite those so inclined to decorate a booth/table under the tent. There will be food, hay rides, bounce house, face painting, and more. If you have questions, please contact Naomi Trask (children@HVPC.org; 215-630-6186) or Tammy Herwig (Tam0514@verizon.net; 215-416-6642).



Using HVPC Facilities & Zoom

We need to know who is in the building. Please coordinate the scheduling of any meeting, in-person or Zoom using the church accounts, with the Church Office. We need to know who is in the building and meetings need to be on the calendar.

Any non-HVPC or non-VCS event requires prior approval by Session. You must complete a Facilities Request form which includes fees and waivers. Your request form needs to be submitted at least a month prior to the event to ensure Session has time to review it. Session meets the third Tuesday of each month.

If you have any questions about using HVPC facilities or need an Facilities Request form, please contact the Church Office (office@HVPC.org; 215-947-5500).

New Life Food Cupboard

Bring in the food! For the New Life Food Cupboard for **October** please bring pasta but NOT spaghetti, linguini, fettuccini, instead they need elbows, spirals, penne, ziti, bow ties, etc. Place your unbreakable items in the black basket in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Hamalian (dhamalian2000@yahoo.com; 215-837-8019).

Weekly Zoom Prayer Meetings

Zoom prayer meetings. Shari Hofstetter is hosting prayer meetings on Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m. and Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. Also, prayer for Missions is happening each Friday at 5:00 p.m. For information, contact Shari Hofstetter (chaplainshari94@gmail.com).

Web link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/597376178>. Dial in: (646) 558-8656 | ID: 597 376 178.

Small Groups New & Renewed

Small groups are happening! Please note that groups occasionally take a break so contact the leader to ensure they are meeting as scheduled.

Anchored - A new group for anyone, meeting on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at church from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Contact Deb Jack (jackfam5@comcast.net; 215-260-4564). Studying 1 John.

Couch Potatoes - An outdoor nature group for anyone, meeting every other Saturday (starting 10/23) at 7:00 a.m. in the church parking lot. Sign-up at <https://bit.ly/39LIMSo>. Contact Eva Morrison (267- 847-8233) or Rosie Bruce (215-350-6399). Studying John.

Fellowship on First Fridays - This bring-your-own dinner event for is for all families on the 1st Friday of each month at 6:00 p.m. outdoors. Contact Laura Haines (LauraHainesnp88@gmail.com; 267-442-8989). **CHANGE: They are meeting October 29th instead of November 5th.**

Men's Prayer Breakfast Bible Study - Every other Saturday at 9:00 a.m. in the Boyer. Contact Jordan Goretti (creelowns@gmail.com; 610-554-0259). Studying James.

Miriam Circle - This women's Bible study small group will be meeting the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at church in the Multipurpose Room 209. For more information, contact Pat Sarajian (215-355-7385).

Pop-Up Women's Bible Study - Weekly online Bible study for women meeting Wednesdays via Zoom from 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. Contact BethAnn Clark (BethAnnLClark@gmail.com; 724-840-9078).

Presbyterian Stogie Society - This men's group meets every other Monday at 7:00 p.m. at various locations. Contact Jordan Goretti (creelowns@gmail.com; 610-554-0259). Studying Hebrews.

Women's Bible Study - For all women meeting weekly on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room 209. Childcare will be provided. Contact Naomi Trask for more information (children@HVPC.org; 215-630-6186). Studying Matthew.

Calling All Couch Potatoes

A new small group! Are you feeling a certain kind of malaise? Do you want to get into spiritual shape while training to run your first ever 5K? Then join us as we meet Jesus on the trail with a study of the book of John. We will meet in the HVPC parking lot every other Saturday morning at 7:00 a.m. beginning October 23rd. This group is open to anyone willing to have fun, enjoy nature, and get in (spiritual and physical) shape! Register at <https://bit.ly/39LIMSo>. or scan the QR code. If you have questions, call or text Eva (26- 847-8233) or Rosie Bruce (215)350-6399.



Missions @ HVPC

Urban Promise Update. After gathering for the new school year, grades K through 5 had to return to remote learning for several weeks, out of an abundance of caution due to several COVID cases on campus. Fortunately, in-person learning was restarted on October 4th.

The first grade class we have adopted as a church has 12 children enrolled. We would love to have some of our congregants develop a "penpal" relationship with these youngsters. This would involve maybe a monthly newsy note and words of encouragement (at a 1st grade level), possibly a birthday card or Christmas card to let the child know you are praying for them and interested in them! There are 3 boys and 9 girls. If you are interested, please contact Sue Belinsky or Joan Clover.

We are also providing needed supplies for the class. Ms. Nijah McEady, their teacher, says they need Clorox wipes, tissues, hand sanitizers, art supplies (especially yarn, string, masking tape). If you would like to donate some of these items, there will be a collection box/basket in the foyer over the next couple of weeks. We will be delivering them to UP the end of October.

Ms. McEady is also requesting some specific science supplies such as kids magnifying glasses, tweezers, Petri dishes, and K-3 dry erase boards. The Missions Committee will purchase these items. If you would like to help, please give generously to Missions so that we can meet this and other needs of all our supported missions.

Please use your Missions envelope or a pew envelope with a notation of "Missions." if you have questions about Urban Promise, please contact Sue Belinsky (setb8518@gmail.com; 215-593-7413) or Joan Clover (joan.clover@verizon.net; 215-663-1585).

Young Life Update. Jeff Pearson's home was severely damaged during hurricane Ida. The roof was ripped off and lots of water rained into their home. Jeff says that much of the home will need gutting. We can pray for him and his family as they remediate and rebuild. Upper Dublin High school which is one of their ministry sights was also damaged in the storm. The high school is closed and back to virtual classes. Pray for the students affected by this and that Young Life will be able to carry on an effective ministry despite these setbacks.

In the meantime Young Life is forging ahead. They are training new youth leaders, having weekly Bible study (campaigners) and gearing up for club, which is a weekly outreach starting in mid-October.

Jeff asks for prayers that they will find more volunteer leaders in each of the schools where they do ministry including Cheltenham, Abington, Upper Dublin, Methacton, Wissahikon, and Upper Perkiomen. Also for continued prayer in the area of finances as for the past two years they have been unable to have the annual banquet which is their main fundraiser. Finally and most importantly he asks for prayer for the students to be drawn to the gospel, and to meet new students at each school allowing them to build relationships with them and pointing them to Jesus.

If you have questions about Young Life, please contact Karen Nyirjesy knyirjesy@gmail.com; 215-738-9529) or Ruth Ebert (215-500-7971).

Support missions! HVPC supports EPC Engage 2025, Coalition of Christian Outreach (Penn State Abington), Young Life, and Urban Promise. Our fundraising goal is \$12,000 for the year. So far this year we have raised \$7,579.16, about \$1,450 behind where we should be. We have given \$7,393 to our supported missions, addressing specific needs as they have arisen. Please consider giving to our missions program. And please consider joining the Missions Committee! We meet every other month on the second Tuesday. If you have questions about missions, please see anyone on the committee: Dan Bramer, Karen Nyirjesy, George Hindley, Ruth Ebert, Sue Belinsky, Stephen Clark, Shari Hofstetter, or Joan Clover.

You've got gifts! Now it's time to use them.

Over the past four weeks, we, as a church, took a closer look at Spiritual Gifts through sermons and in our small groups and the adult Sunday school class.



Our goals were that each member of the HVPC congregation...

- ...will gain a good understanding of the biblical concept of Spiritual Gifts,
- ...will discover what their gifts are, and
- ...will make a commitment to engage their gifts in ministry in or through HVPC.

Did you learn something new about Spiritual Gifts? Did you discover what your gifts are? Are you ready to begin using your gifts at HVPC in ministry?

Please reach out to any Elder or Deacon about how you can contribute your gifts in ministry at HVPC. They will be happy to help connect you.

If you were unable to participate in a small group discussing Spiritual Gifts, the adult Sunday school class will be continuing with the study over the next few weeks. There are still plenty of study guides available on the information buffet. You can also download material here: www.HVPC.org/sg.

If you have any questions about the Spiritual Gifts study, the assessments, or the sermon series, you may also talk with any of our GO Project Vision Team members: Dan Morrison, Christie Bruce, Jon Haines, Noel Wolfe, or Stephen Clark.

Our desire is that everyone at HVPC will be able to fully engage their God-given gifts joyfully in service to the Kingdom!

Current COVID Guidelines For In-Person Activities @ HVPC

The COVID variant is on the rise in Montgomery County. It is more easily transmitted than the original virus. Even those who are vaccinated can contribute to its spread. Therefore, just as we have done throughout the pandemic, we are following the current CDC and PA recommendations.

These current guidelines are as follows:

Screening. When you come in, someone at the door will ask a couple of questions about symptoms and offer you a mask. If you are not feeling well, please stay home.

Face coverings. Whether you are vaccinated or not, ***we strongly urge you to wear a mask or a shield.*** This is especially important for those who are not vaccinated and for those who work with our children. Those with legitimate health issues are exempt. Face coverings are not required by those who are vaccinated while ministering on the chancel.

Social distance. Those who are not in the same household should maintain six feet of distance from others. Every other pew will be roped off. The transepts are available for additional seating.

Sanitizer. Hand sanitizer is conveniently located around the building. Please use it freely.

Communion. We will return to using the disposable TrueVine Chalice which you may pick up from the table as you come into the sanctuary.

Coffee. The coffee and tea service will remain, but we ask that you not congregate by the dispensers. Also please refrain from bringing food to share into the sanctuary.

The above masking and social distancing guidelines apply to anyone in the building on weeknights and weekends participating in small groups, meetings, rehearsals, etc. These guidelines also apply to the Church Office.

Valley Christian School. When school is in session during the week, anyone entering the building must wear a mask or shield and social distance as per their requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact the Church Office (office@HVPC.org; 215-947-5500).

Prayer Requests

NOTE: If you have a prayer request to be **added, updated, or removed**, please contact the Church Office (office@HVPC.org; 215-947-5500).

- **Joan Palmer** - Had hip surgery, please pray for a speedy recovery.
- **Jon Haines** - Pray for his cousin, Christy, and her family. Her husband (Nick, 33 years old) died of a massive heart attack recently. She and her family of four kids are heartbroken. Please pray for the peace of Christ to come upon them as they navigate life without him.
- **Naomi Trask** - *Al Pannapacker* (son-in-law), severe heart failure with transplant in future, tested positive for COVID and was removed from the heart transplant list; Her granddaughter, age 15 has been discovered to have a heart problem and will be having a heart catheterization and likely followed by an ablation.
- **Joan Clover** - Pray for her sister-in-law, *Jane*, who is seriously ill with a heart and lung disease.
- **Noel Wolfe** - Karen Eppinger's (VCS Treasurer) husband, *Bob*, had unexpected surgery to remove a brain tumor. The tumor is cancerous. Please keep the family in prayer, including their son Rob.
- **Laura Haines** - Her grandfather has been diagnosed with kidney cancer and had his kidney removed. Pray that his other kidney does all right with it. Her aunt is still recovering from a major bacterial infection which resulted in a bad wound. Pray for complete healing.
- **Fred & Janet Ungerman** - Recovering at home from falls.
- **Shari Hofstetter** - Praise God for his faithfulness – no matter what! Pray that treatment will shrink and kill Barry's cancer. Pray for Barry to thrive despite the pain and discomfort of his tumors. Pray for his doctor and others working towards a cure for colon cancer, a cure for Barry. Pray for our girls as they live with all of this.
- **Liz Rozarto** - Her husband *Dennis* is in hospice. *Juliana*, great-great niece, 6 years old, diagnosed with inoperable brain cancer.
- **Anne Caulfield** - *George Bernard*, third stage lung cancer. *Lorreta*, serious blood disease - if treatment fails, may lead to amputation of both legs.
- **Ginny Timberg** - In at-home hospice.
- **Charlene Crawford** - Her friend *Cathy's* grandson is in the hospital. Please keep *Kingston Fuller* in your prayers. He suffered a brain injury at the hands of his babysitter; Update: *Tony* is home and doing well; Pray for the *William's* family in the unexpected sudden passing of her husband Jesse. He was only 40 and they had 3 young children together. We pray for peace, provision, protection, and comfort; Continue to pray for *Charlene, Ana, Naomi, BJ* as they adjust to *Byron's* transition to going home to be with the Lord.
- **BethAnn Clark** - Please pray for *Amy* co-worker, ALK lung cancer. *Rachael* battling breast cancer.
- **Betty Ann Jones** - Pray for her friend, *Annette Brookshire*, wisdom for decision makers and for comfort for *Annette* who is in hospice; please pray for proper medication management.
- **Steve Jahss** - Please continue to pray for Steve's father as he makes progress towards independence. Pray that he continues to work hard in daily physical therapy towards a full recovery.
- **Christine Buoni** - Her sister, *Meredith Krupnick*, has heart issues.
- **Deb Hoffmann** - Please pray for *Kristen* who continues to battle cancer. Please pray for her family as well. It's been such a long road for them.
- **Stephen Clark** - Struggling with continuous AFib. Scheduled for an ablation on 10/15. Pray that symptoms abate and the ablation is successful long-term.

Our Mission Statement

For God's glory, and by His power, we are a fellowship of sinners who worship God, study God's word, love all people, and share the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

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Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church is a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (www.EPC.org). The EPC motto is: "In Essentials, Unity. In Non-Essentials, Liberty. In All Things, Charity. Truth in Love." The EPC has set forth the following statements of what they believe in common.

Scripture is self-attesting and being Truth, requires our unreserved submission in all areas of life. The infallible Word of God, the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments, is a complete and unified witness to God's redemptive acts culminating in the incarnation of the Living Word, the Lord Jesus Christ. The Bible, uniquely and fully inspired by the Holy Spirit, is the supreme and final authority on all matters on which it speaks. On this sure foundation we affirm these additional Essentials of our faith:

- 1.** We believe in one God, the sovereign Creator and Sustainer of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. To Him be all honor, glory and praise forever!
- 2.** Jesus Christ, the living Word, became flesh through His miraculous conception by the Holy Spirit and His virgin birth. He who is true God became true man united in one Person forever. He died on the cross a sacrifice for our sins according to the Scriptures. On the third day He arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven, where, at the right hand of the Majesty on High, He now is our High Priest and Mediator.
- 3.** The Holy Spirit has come to glorify Christ and to apply the saving work of Christ to our hearts. He convicts us of sin and draws us to the Savior. Indwelling our hearts, He gives new life to us, empowers and imparts gifts to us for service. He instructs and guides us into all truth, and seals us for the day of redemption.
- 4.** Being estranged from God and condemned by our sinfulness, our salvation is wholly dependent upon the work of God's free grace. God credits His righteousness to those who put their faith in Christ alone for their salvation, thereby justifies them in His sight. Only such as are born of the Holy Spirit and receive Jesus Christ become children of God and heirs of eternal life.
- 5.** The true Church is composed of all persons who through saving faith in Jesus Christ and the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit are united together in the body of Christ. The Church finds her visible, yet imperfect, expression in local congregations where the Word of God is preached in its purity and the sacraments are administered in their integrity; where scriptural discipline is practiced, and where loving fellowship is maintained. For her perfecting, she awaits the return of her Lord.
- 6.** Jesus Christ will come again to the earth-personally, visibly, and bodily-to judge the living and the dead, and to consummate history and the eternal plan of God. "Even so, come, Lord Jesus." (Revelation 22: 20)
- 7.** The Lord Jesus Christ commands all believers to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world and to make disciples of all nations. **Obedience to the Great Commission requires total commitment to "Him who loved us and gave Himself for us."** He calls us to a life of self-denying love and service. "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2: 10).



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