Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church April 13, 2025

9:00 a.m. – Portuguese worship service
10:20 a.m. – Sunday school for all ages
11:15 a.m. – English worship service

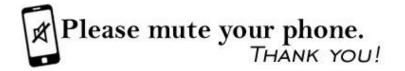
We are glad you have joined us today!

We offer a special welcome to our visitors today. Please pick up a gift bag from the Welcome Table in the hallway. If you are looking for a church home or would like to meet with the pastor or have a prayer request, please fill out the connection card in your pew or in the welcome bag and place it on the collection plate. Take advantage of our weekly Christian Education offerings! At 10:20 a.m. we have a Sunday school class for every age.

• **Toddlers: Ages 2-5** – During Sunday School, meets in the Nursery in the foyer.

Teachers: Deb Jack, Sonia Sousa, and Sthefani Pires.

- Early Elementary: Kindergarten to Grade 2 Upstairs, Room #304. Teachers: Crystal Goretti, Laura Haines, and Elaine Ticker.
- **Upper Elementary: Grades 3-5** Upstairs, Room #306. Teachers: Jordan Goretti and Bruno Sousa.
- **Middle School: grades 6-8** Upstairs, Room #305. Teachers: Rosie Bruce and Eva Morrison.
- **High School: Grades 9-12 (and beyond)** Upstairs, Room #308. Teachers: Charles Foster and Matheus Schaper.
- Adult Sunday School: We have adult Sunday school classes in both English and Portuguese. English class meets in the Lounge, Room #209 and is covering the Book of Genesis; Portuguese class meets in the Boyer Fellowship Hall, Room #201.
- We also provide nursery care during both services (birth to age 2). When the nursery is not being used by young children, we will continue to have the service streamed into the room. Please feel free to use it as a family room for children up to age 5 if staying in the service is not a possibility. There will be a nursery worker with your child at all times.



ORDER FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

* = The congregation is invited to stand.

♪ Prelude Sunday is Coming **Jon Haines**

Words of Welcome Charlene Crawford

Stewardship Update Jon Haines

*Unison Call to Worship From Psalm 118 (ESV) Charlene Crawford

- ¹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!
- ² Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

- ³ Let the house of Aaron say,
 - "His steadfast love endures forever."
- 4 Let those who fear the LORD say, "His steadfast love endures forever."
- ⁵ Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me and set me free.
- ⁶ The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?
- ⁷The LORD is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.
- 8 It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.
- 9 It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.
- ¹⁰ All nations surrounded me; in the name of the LORD I cut them off!
- ¹⁴ The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

- ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- 20 This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.
- ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Opening Prayer

Jon Haines

* A Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (Hymn #134)

All

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; Through pillared court and temple, the lovely anthem rang; To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to His breast, The children sang their praises, the simplest the best.

From Olivet they followed, 'mid an exultant crowd, The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud; The Lord of men and angels, rode on in lowly state, Nor scorned that little children, should on His bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav'n, our King; O may we ever praise Him, with heart and life and voice, And in His blissful presence, eternally rejoice! Amen.

Call to Confession

George Hindley

Prayer of Confession

George Hindley

Almighty God, like your children of old, We gather with loud praises to Jesus, The King of kings and Lord of lords. Yet, we acknowledge, While our lips have praised him, Our steps have often led us away from him. We have confessed him to be our Lord, Yet have turned away from his call to lay down our lives for the sake of the Gospel. Forgive us for living to satisfy our own desires, Rather than walking in the way of Jesus. Empower us by your Spirit To give our Lord more than lip service, That we may also honor him with loving obedience, Staying faithful to him in every circumstance, To the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

George Hindley

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-13 (ESV)

George Hindley

Do you feel the world is broken? We do	Does the Father truly love us? He does
Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do	Does the Spirit move among us? He does
But do you know that all the dark	And does Jesus our Messiah
Won't stop the light from getting	Hold forever those He loves?
through?	He does
We do	Does our God intend to dwell again
Do you wish that you could see it all	with us?
made new?	He does
We do	
	Is anyone worthy?
Is all creation groaning?	Is anyone whole?
It is	Is anyone able to break the seal
Is a new creation coming?	and open the scroll?
It is	The Lion of Judah who
Is the glory of the Lord	conquered the grave
To be the light within our midst?	He is David's Root
It is	And the Lamb who died to
Is it good that we remind ourselves of	ransom the slave
this?	From ev'ry people and tribe every
It is	nation and tongue
	He has made us a kingdom and
Is anyone worthy?	priests
Is anyone whole?	To God to reign with the Son
Is anyone able to break the seal	Is He worthy?
and open the scroll?	Is He worthy?
The Lion of Judah who	Of all blessing and honor and
conquered the grave	glory
He is David's Root	Is He worthy?
And the Lamb who died to	Is He worthy?
ransom the slave	Is He worthy of this?
Is He worthy?	He is!
Is He worthy?	
Of all blessing and honor and	Is He worthy
glory	Is He worthy
Is He worthy of this?	He is
He is!	He is

*A There's a Quiet Understanding (Hymn #204)

All

There's a quiet understanding, When we're gathered in the Spirit It's a promise that He gives us, When we gather in His name.

There's a love we feel in Jesus, There's a manna that He feeds us, It's a promise that He gives us, When we gather in His name. And we know when we're together, Sharing love and understanding, That our brothers and our sisters, Feel the oneness that He brings.

Thank You, thank You, thank You Jesus, For the way You love and feed us, For the many ways You lead us, Thank You, thank You, Lord.

Offering Jon Haines

↓ Choral Anthem Jerusalem Choir

*Doxology Doxology (Hymn #572) & Prayer Dan Morrison

Second Reading Matthew 21:1-11 (ESV) **Dan Morrison**

Pastoral Prayer Dan Morrison

Sermon The Coronation of the King of Kings **Bruno Sousa**

* 🎝 Jesus Messiah

All

Jesus Messiah Name above all names Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven Jesus Messiah Lord of all

He became sin who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness He humbled Himself and carried the cross Love so amazing love so amazing His body the bread His blood the wine Broken and poured out all for love The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn Love so amazing love so amazing

All our hope is in You All our hope is in You All the glory to You God The Light of the world

Jesus Messiah Lord of all The Lord of all All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring: Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, Who in the Lord's name comest, the King ad blessed One!

The company of angels are praising Thee on high, And mortal men and all things Created make reply: The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went: Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise: Thou didst accept their praises – accept the praise we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King! Amen.

*Benediction Dan Morrison

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Shari Hofstetter has dedicated flowers for Barry Hofstetter: Beloved husband, father, friend, and exegete.

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-13 (ESV)

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem: and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea. and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double. 13 For I have bent Judah as my bow: I have made Ephraim its arrow. I will stir up your sons, O Zion, against your sons, O Greece, and wield you like a warrior's sword.

Second Reading: Matthew 21:1-11 (ESV)

¹Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵ "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" ¹⁰And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" ¹¹And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

Upcoming Special Events

Maundy Thursday. On Thursday, April 17, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., we will have a special Maundy Thursday service in the sanctuary. Communion will be served

Easter Egg Hunt. On Saturday, April 19, from 12:45 p.m. to 3:30pm, we will have our community Easter Egg hunt! Bring friends and family. Use this QR code to register, or go to hvpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2799318



Easter Brunch. On Sunday, April 20, we will have a brunch during the Sunday school hour.

Women's Tea. On Saturday, April 26, beginning at 4:00 p.m., HVPC will host a women's tea. Special guest speaker Mariana Camacho from Pastor Bruno's church in Brazil will address the topic: The Christian and Successful Woman. Register at hvpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2859306

Happy Birthday to those born in April!

Eduardo Felipe Macedo, 6th Kenneth Davis, 7th BettyAnn Jones, 10th Maria Geralda de Paula, 12th William Waring, 13th Patricia Sarajian, 14th Andreia Jeselma Kautzmann Machoviack, 15th Charles Foster, 17th
Maureen Sweeney, 21st
Ira Sousa, 23rd
Ana Karolina Resende Souza, 25th
Julia Kellogg, 26th
Bruno Sousa, 26th

Attendance and Giving at HVPC

Worship Attendance

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Date	1st Service	2nd Service	FPC	Total		
3/23	75	76	18	169		
$\frac{3}{23}$ $\frac{3}{30}$	74	70	21	165		
4/6	66	91	12	169		

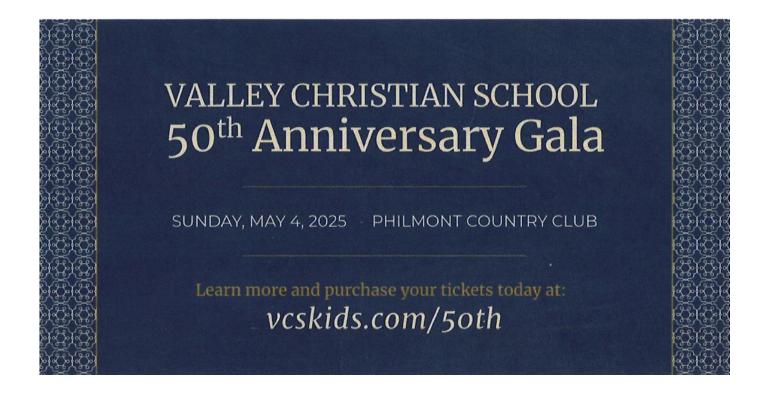
Giving

Date	1st Service	2 nd Service	FPC	Total
3/23	\$1,621	\$2,196	\$323	\$4,140
3/30	\$2,756	\$3,783	\$310	\$6,849
4/6	\$2,200	\$5,922	\$181	\$8,303

Average giving needed per week to meet 2025 budget: \$7,876



Join us April 29 from 6 to 8 p.m. for our 5th Tuesday Prayer Service. The service will be preceded by a simple supper in the Boyer starting at 6:00 p.m. We will then move to the sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. for prayer and worship.





Fifty years! Valley Christian School opened its doors in 1974 through the vision of a group of mothers at HVPC. Now, fifty years later, HVPC remembers the proud legacy of this Christian school that has educated more than 1000 alumni.

We celebrate God's faithfulness to VCS and HVPC on Sunday, May 4, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Philmont Country Club. Tickets are \$60 each.

Our keynote speaker will be Robert Johnson, NBC10 meteorologist and proud VCS alum. From his early days as a student at Valley Christian School to forecasting on one of the nation's top news stations, Robert's journey is a testament to the foundation built at VCS. He will share how faith, education, and perseverance shaped his path—and why the mission of Valley Christian School matters now more than ever. Those of you who know "Robbie" already love him. And those of

you who will meet him for the first time will be charmed!

Small Groups

- **Anchored Bible Study** Next meeting is April 25. The following are the dates for the group through June: May 9 and 23, and June 13. Contact Deb Jack (jackfam5@comcast.net; 215-260-4564).
- **Circle of Hope** –Circle of Hope normally meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. It will not, however, meet this Monday because of construction in Judy's apartment. The group watches an episode and then discusses the Chosen. Contact Judy Scott (jtscott2022@comcast.net; 215-500-2747).
- **Life on Life Discipleship** Two groups are currently meeting every other week, one on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m., and the other on Saturday morning at :9:30 a.m. Check with Pastor Dan or Pastor Bruno to attend.
- **Miriam Circle** Next meeting is May 8. This women's Bible study small group meets the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at the church in the Lounge Room #209. For more information, contact Pat Sarajian (sarajian@comcat.com; 215-485-0184).
- **Daughters of the King** Next meeting is April 14. This combination Zoom and in-person group meets the first three Mondays of the month from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Contact Charlene Crawford (godlydiva@aol.com; 267-279-9858).
- **Presbyterian Stogie Society** Next meeting is April 21. This cigar-friendly men's group meets every other Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Ungerman Barn. Contact Jordan Goretti (<u>creelowns@gmail.com</u>; 610-554-0259).
- **Valley Youth Group** Next meeting is April 25 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Contact the church office (office@hvpc.org; 215-947-5500).
- **Women's Bible Study** Next meeting to be determined. The group meets every other week. Childcare is available. Contact Naomi Trask (trasknaomioo1@gmail.com; 215-630-6186).
- **Connections Discipleship Group Study** Next meeting is April 27, in the Church Lounge from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. Contact Cynthia Cornish (cynthiagrantcornish@yahoo.com; 484-640-9856).

This Week of 4/13 @ HVPC

Fellowship Presbyterian Church	Tonight	6:00 p.m.	Contact Bruno Sousa
Daughters of the King	Monday	7:30 p.m.	Contact Charlene Crawford
Session Meeting	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Church Office
Online Prayer Meeting	Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Contact Shari Hofstetter
Staff Meeting	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Church Office
Maundy Thursday Service	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Dan Morrison
Online Prayer Meeting (Missions)	Friday	5:00 p.m.	Contact Shari Hofstetter
ELL Program	Friday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Bruno Sousa

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

Food Bank Collection: For April, there is a great need for baby food and diapers. Please also consider donating other non-perishable items as well, such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and baby wipes. If you have questions, please contact Crystal Goretti; acheeg85@gmail.com, 201-213-2758.

Online prayer meetings: Shari Hofstetter hosts prayer meetings on Google Meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m. and Thursdays at 7:00 p.m., and prayer for Missions each Friday at 5:00 p.m. For info, contact Shari Hofstetter chaplainshari94@gmail.com. Use the link meet.google.com/bqw-vgnh-wnx for Wednesday, meet.google.com/kex-umjj-czk for Thursday, and meet.google.com/kex-umjj-czk for Friday.

Greeters: This important ministry is seeking volunteers, whether you have or have not volunteered before. The sign-up page is http://bit.ly/HVPCgreeting. You may also contact Joyce Codispoti directly at 215-478-3299, ijcods@verizon.net.

Readers: We are seeking additional readers for Sunday morning! Please contact the Church Office if interested; office@hvpc.org, 215-947-5500.

The Children's Ministry needs several tubes of diaper ointment (any type) and several packs of baby wipes (any type). If you'd like to donate, please contact Deb Jack (215-260-4564). Many thanks in advance!

The Children's Choir is singing this Easter at both the early and late services. Hektor and Keren Macedo will rehearse with the children from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings.

Prayer Requests & Praises

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

- **Berkenstock**, **Caroline** Caroline fell and broke her pelvis. Please keep her in prayer as she recovers.
- **Bush**, **Carl** Elizabeth Rozarto's brother, Carl Bush, needs prayer. He is recovering from retina surgery and was diagnosed with small cell lung cancer. He is receiving chemo.
- **Clover**, **Joan** Pray for Joan as she continues to struggle with nerve pain.
- **Holmes, Bert** Lift Bert up in prayer as he continues to struggle with pain.
- **Johnson**, **Ethel** Lift up Ethel Johnson in your prayers as she has been recovering from a stroke. She is recovering but has suffered memory loss. She is located at Wesley Enhanced Living, Room 105. The address is 200 Veterans Lane, Doylestown, PA 18901. Her number is 267-927-8304.
- **Morrison**, **Eva** Please keep Ulla in your prayers. She is recovering from surgery and faces recovery from cancer. Her husband, Wieland, has Alzheimer's and is unable to care for her. May her family and friends continue to provide companionship and comfort.
- **Marron**, **Gail** Remember Gail Marron in your prayers as she suffers with lower back pain.
- **Scaffidi**, **Barb** Barb's Mom continues to struggle with cancer. Also, Barb's Sister-in-law, Sue, is fighting breast cancer. Please pray for their health and that their walks with Christ be strengthened.
- Silva, Divina da Pray for Divina as she recovers from breast cancer surgery.
- **Ticker, Elaine** Elaine's cousin Rick's daughter-in-law, Megan, who died recently, her husband Mike has been hospitalized for more treatments for his esophageal cancer. But he also is being treated for pneumonia. Rick asked for your continued prayers. They really appreciate them and as a believer he understands the power of prayer.
- **Trask, Naomi** –Continue to pray for Naomi as she recovers at home. Also, Anna, her daughter-in-law's cousin's five-year-old, has been diagnosed with leukemia.

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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