

Beloved Timothy:

Walking with Christ in the Life of the Church

Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church
May 10, 2026

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

Communion is served on the first Sunday of the month.

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 Pastor Bruno 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, Nathalia Souza, and Marcos Souza.
- **Elementary: Kindergarten to Grade 2** – Upstairs, Room #304.
Teachers: Crystal Goretti and Elaine Ticker.
- **Elementary: Grades 3-5** – Upstairs, Room #306.
Teachers: Jordan Goretti, Cheryl Waring, and Naomi Trask.
- **Middle School: grades 6-8** – Upstairs, Room #305.
Teachers: Laura Haines, Rebekah Bramer, Cheryl Waring, and Franciely Schaper.
- **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 classes meet in the Lounge, Room #209 and in the Boyer Fellowship Hall.
- **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.



Please mute your phone.

THANK YOU!

ORDER FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

* = *The congregation is invited to stand.*

♪ **Prelude**

Susan Clark

Words of Welcome

Jordan Goretti

Small Group Update

**Linda Cifelli
Joyce Fleming**

***Unison Call to Worship** *Psalm 119:1-2, 9-16 (ESV)*

Jordan Goretti

- ¹ Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the LORD!
- ² Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,
who seek him with their whole heart.
- ⁹ How can a young man keep his way pure?
By guarding it according to your word.
- ¹⁰ With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!
- ¹¹ I have stored up your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against you.
- ¹² Blessed are you, O LORD;
teach me your statutes!
- ¹³ With my lips I declare
all the rules of your mouth.
- ¹⁴ In the way of your testimonies I delight
as much as in all riches.
- ¹⁵ I will meditate on your precepts
and fix my eyes on your ways.
- ¹⁶ I will delight in your statutes;
I will not forget your word.

Opening Prayer

Jordan Goretti

God hath spoken by His prophets,
Spoken His unchanging Word,
Each from age to age proclaiming
God the One, the righteous Lord!
'Mid the world's despair and turmoil
One firm anchor holding fast,
God is on His throne eternal,
He alone the First and Last.

God hath spoken by Christ Jesus,
Christ, the everlasting Son,
Brightness of the Father's glory,
With the Father ever one;
Spoken by the Word incarnate,
God of God ere time began,
Light of Light, to earth descending,
Man revealing God to man.

God yet speaketh by His Spirit –
Speaking to the hearts of men,
In the agelong word declaring
God's own message, now as then.
Through the rise and fall of nations
One sure faith yet standeth fast:
God abides, His Word unchanging,
God alone the First and Last. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Dan Morrison

Merciful God,
We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
We have broken your law,
We have rebelled against your love.
We have not loved our neighbors,
And we have refused to hear the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (ESV)

Rev. Dr. Dan Morrison

4 “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. 5 You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. 6 And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. 8 You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. 9 You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

♪ *Build My Life

All

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

***Passing of the Peace**

All

♪ *Pass the Peace

All

Pass the peace of Jesus
Let Christian friendship flow
Holy Spirit, speak to us
God be with us now

Let our ears be opened,
Our hearts be restored
We gather here together
In the presence of the Lord

Offering

Susan Clark

♪ Offertory

Praise Band

***♪ *Doxology* (Hymn #572)**

Rev. Dr. Bruno Sousa

Prayer for Families

Jordan Goretti

Second Reading

1 Timothy 4:12-16 (ESV)

Rev. Dr. Bruno Sousa

¹² Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. ¹³ Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching. ¹⁴ Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you. ¹⁵ Practice these things, immerse yourself in them, so that all may see your progress. ¹⁶ Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

Sermon

*Teaching Through
Life and Example*

Rev. Dr. Bruno Sousa

For my waking breath, for my daily bread
I depend on You, I depend on You
For the sun to rise, for my sleep at night
I depend on You, I depend on You

You're the way the truth and the life
You're the well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine
Draw me close and teach me to a - bide

Where the Spirit leads, as I'm following
I depend on You, I depend on You
For the victories, still in front of me
I depend on You, I depend on You

You're the way the truth and the life
You're the well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine
Draw me close and teach me to a - bide
(bide) Be my strength, my song in the night
Be my all, my treasure, my prize
I am Yours, for - ever You're mine
Draw me close and teach me to a - bide

When I pass through death, as I enter rest
I depend on You, I depend on You
For e - ternal life, to be raised with Christ
I depend on You, I depend on You

Would You teach me, would You teach me to a - bide

I depend on You, I depend on You

*♪ *O Word of God Incarnate* (Hymn #219)

All

O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky;
We praise Thee for the radiance
That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps,
Shines on from age to age.

The from her dear Master
Received the gift divine,
And still that light she lifteth
O'er all the earth to shine.
It is the golden casket
Where gems of truth are stored;
It is the heav'n-drawn picture
Of Christ the living Word.

It floateth like a banner
Before God's host unfurled;
It shineth like a beacon
Above the darkling world.
It is the chart and compass
That o'er life's surging sea,
'Mid mists and rocks and quicksands,
Still guides, O Christ, to Thee.

O make Thy Church, dear Savior,
A lamp of purest gold,
To bear before the nations
Thy true light as of old.
O teach Thy wand'ring pilgrims
By this their path to trace,
Till, clouds and darkness ended,
They see Thee face to face. Amen.

***Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Bruno Sousa

Happy Birthday to those born in May!

Diego Brandão, 6th
Rosie Bruce, 8th
John Stiles, 10th
Tammy Herwig, 14th
Thiago Junior Silva, 14th
Bob Berkenstock, 18th

Liam Herwig, 25th
Lucas Herwig, 25th
Igor da Silva, 26th
David Fleming, 27th
Mil Jasinski, 28th

Attendance and Giving at HVPC

Worship Attendance

Date	1 st Service	2 nd Service	FPC	Total
4/19	49	67	14	130
4/26	63	69	26	158
5/3	63	66	27	156

Giving

Date	Total
4/19	\$6,082
4/26	\$5,203
5/3	\$4,672

The amount needed to meet the 2026 budget is \$7,100 per week.

Tithing is a command from the Lord:

Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the LORD Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. (Malachi 3:10 NIV)

A tithe is ten percent of our income. Let us search our hearts and consider tithing each week and, if able, give freewill offerings as well to the Lord. It is an important part of worship, as we are demonstrating our love and commitment to God. We must trust in Him with our time, treasure, and talent. When we do, our reliance and peace with God strengthens as we serve God, not money.

Small Groups

- **Anchored Bible Study** – Next meeting May 15 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. We will meet at Deb Jack's house. Contact Deb Jack: 215-260-4564 jackfam5@comcast.net.
- **Circle of Hope** – Next meeting is May 11. Circle of Hope meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Each meeting, the group watches an episode of The Chosen and then discusses. Contact Judy Scott: 215-500-2747 jtscott2022@comcast.net.
- **Miriam Circle** – Next meeting is May 14. This women's Bible study small group meets the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. in the church lounge. Contact Linda Cifelli: 267-566-0852 llcifelli1@comcast.net.
- **Daughters of the King** – Next meeting is May 13. This hybrid Zoom and in-person group meets the first three Wednesdays of the month from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Contact Charlene Crawford: 267-279-9858 godlydiva@aol.com.
- **Presbyterian Stogie Society** – Next meeting is May 18. This cigar-friendly men's group meets every other Monday at 7:00 p.m. at Jordan Goretti's house. Contact Jordan Goretti: 610-554-0259 creelowns@gmail.com.
- **Valley Youth Group** – Next meeting is May 15. Youth Group will meet every other Friday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. Contact the Church Office: 215-947-5500 office@hvpc.org.
- **Connections Discipleship Group Study** – Next meeting is Sunday, May 17 in the Church Lounge from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. We will meet for a potluck lunch followed by time in the scriptures and in prayer. Come and join us for some fun and fellowship. Contact Cynthia Cornish: 484-640-9856 cynthiagranticornish@yahoo.com.

This Week of 5/10 @ HVPC

Fellowship Presbyterian Church	Tonight	6:00 p.m.	Contact Church Office
Circle of Hope	Monday	10:30 a.m.	Contact Judy Scott
Deacon's Meeting	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Dr. Margie Hindley
Online Prayer Meeting	Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Contact Shari Hofstetter
Daughters of the King	Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Contact Charlene Crawford
Miriam Circle	Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Contact Linda Cifelli
Anchored Bible Study	Friday	10:00 a.m.	Contact Deb Jack
Online Prayer Meeting (Missions)	Friday	5:00 p.m.	Contact Shari Hofstetter
Valley Youth Group	Friday	7:00 p.m.	Contact Rev. Dr. Bruno Sousa

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

Food Bank Collection: For May, there is still 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/cfg-xnje-axt for Friday.

Greeters: The deacons are seeking more greeters to help with both services. Please contact Linda Cifelli to sign up.

Join us in May 23 for the All-church family picnic and Brazilian BBQ! It will take place on the church lawn from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Come bring a side, and enjoy fellowship with our church family. We will have the bounce house for the children and other activities. Register in the church app for this event.

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).

- **Bruce, Rick** – Several weeks ago, Rick suffered a stroke. Please keep Christie and him in prayer as he continues to recover at home.
- **Goretti, Jordan** – Jordan is suffering from nausea and vomiting. Please, pray for the Lord's provision in this time of trial.
- **Holmes, Bert** – Lift Bert up in prayer as he continues to struggle with pain.
- **Marron, Gail** – Remember Gail Marron in your prayers as she suffers with lower back pain.
- **Martins, Wesley** – Pray for Wesley, Liliana, and their children as he battles colon cancer.
- **Silva, Divina da** – Pray for Divina as she recovers from breast cancer surgery.



JOIN US FOR OUR

ALL-CHURCH

SUMMER KICKOFF BBQ

BEST GRILLED MEAT

SATURDAY MAY 23, 2026

5 P.M. - 8 P.M.

COME HUNGRY AND READY TO FELLOWSHIP

BRING A SIDE DISH TO SHARE

BRAZILLIAN BBQ! BOUNCE HOUSE!



Illumination Station

*Shining a light on who Jesus
really is*

HVPC
VBS

June 29-July 2

9 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.

Celebration Dinner

July 3 6:30p.m.-8
p.m.

GRADES:
PRESCHOOL- 5TH



Scan QR code to register.
\$10 per child/\$20 per family
donation recommendation

Question? Reach out to Naomi Trask
(215)630-6186

2026 Strategic Plan for HVPC

January

February

March

April

2- Maundy Thursday
4- Easter Egg Hunt
5- Easter at HVPC
Church Brunch
26- Fellowship
Sunday

May

2- Church Work Day
9- Mothers Day Lunch
23- Church Family
Picnic

June

27- Youth Pool Party
29- July 3- VBS

July

3- VBS Celebration
18- Women's Prayer
Summit
25- Men's Grilling for
the Gospel
31- Married Couples
BBQ

August

1- Youth Pool Part
9- Fellowship Sunday

September

Move Up Sunday
TBD- Senior
Information Day

October

10- Fall Festival
30- Youth Bowling

November

14- L.o.L. Potluck
Dinner
20-22- Marriage
Confrence

December

5- Women's Painting
with a Twist
12- Movie Night
27- Fellowship
Sunday

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).



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.

HVPC Staff

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Nominating: Cheryl Waring

Mofe Oduneye

Maria Eliza Schaper

Sabbatical: Jordan Goretti

HVPC Deacons

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Vice-Moderator: Elaine Mendes

Secretary: Crystal Goretti

Treasurer: Shari Hofstetter

Communion: Linda Cifelli,

Crystal Goretti, Elaine Mendes,

Dr. Margie Hindley, and Jucimeire Wolfe

Servers & Greeters: Linda Cifelli,

Elaine Mendes, and Diego Brandão

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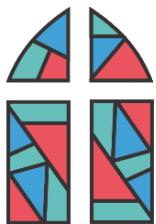
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