



HPC UPDATE

August | 2026

Pastor's Letter:

This month, HPC has so many wonderful opportunities for you to get involved, to fellowship with brothers and sisters in the faith, and to join in studying God's Word together. I pray you will consider plugging in to the life of HPC prior to the arrival of the fall season!

On a separate note, the Elders of the church are discussing Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book, "Life Together" during their monthly meetings. I want to share some of that with you. In the first chapter, which focuses on the importance of community in the life of the believer, we are reminded that "The physical presence of other Christians (in our life) is a source of incomparable joy and strength to the believer." (pg 19)

He goes on to clearly call out a perspective change for us as followers of Jesus. He states, "My brother is rather that other person who has been redeemed by Christ, delivered from his sin, and called to faith and eternal life." He goes on, "What determines our brotherhood is what that man is by reason of Christ. Our community with one another consists solely in what Christ has done to both of us." (pg 25). That is a good word! A good reminder!

But the truth of Christian Community does not stop there. Bonhoeffer points out the truth of God's Word - "Even when sin and misunderstanding burden the communal life, is not the sinning brother still a brother, with whom I, too, stand under the Word of Christ? Will not his sin be a constant occasion for me to give thanks that both of us may live in the forgiving love of god in Jesus Christ?" This is such a great reminder of the truth that none of us is good, not one, and that it is only through Christ that we are invited into community. We are called to practice gratitude and Thank God for the opportunity to walk with brothers and sisters saved by the grace of Jesus, and openly share that same Grace with them ourselves.

Blessings!

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Upcoming Events

- OCC Rummage Sale, Aug 15th!
- Choir Open House, Wednesdays in August!
- Summer for Outreach Community Dinner, Aug 20
- CBCP school year begins, September 8th

Give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ
Jesus for you.
1 Thessalonians 5:18

Sept. Deadline

**Submit your Update
article by
Monday, August 17th**

MUSIC MINISTRY



Ho Ho Ho!
Ready for holidays?
See page 8 for
Christmas Musical details!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



This month our focus is on school supplies, much of which is on sale! Crayons, eraser, small or medium note pads, spiral notebooks are a few suggestions. Remember no company/product or military-type logos please and no liquids.

The money collected July 19 during Pennies for Shoeboxes will be used for shipping costs which is still \$10/box. The \$10.00 pays not only for shipping to over 100 counties and to Native American Indian reservations, but also The Greatest Gift Gospel booklets, collection center and processing costs, training in local churches, and the Ministry Partner Guide.

Shoebox gifts are a Gospel opportunity. Here is one of the many stories we have heard. In a remote region of southern Madagascar, parents are giving their children wooden rifles to play with and training them at a young age to perpetuate the hostility that has raged for generations. Pastor Soja is a local Christian leader who is working with Operation Christmas Child ministry partners in the area to introduce the eternal hope of the Gospel. During one outreach event, many in the crowd—which included parents—raised their hands indicating that they wanted to receive Christ as their Savior. Pastor Soja is now helping to start new churches in several villages that were once hostile to the Gospel.

You may drop off any shoebox items you purchased in the bin outside of the church office. Thank you for your continued support.

Homebound Members

Bob Price

Legacy Reserve at Fairview
Park

538 Harrison Bridge Rd,
Apt 328
Simpsonville, SC 29680

Pat & Bill Neuenschwander

48 Lake Pointe Circle
Hendersonville, NC 28792

Rummage
Sale!
Aug. 15!

WOMEN IN MINISTRY

Women in Ministry Bible Study

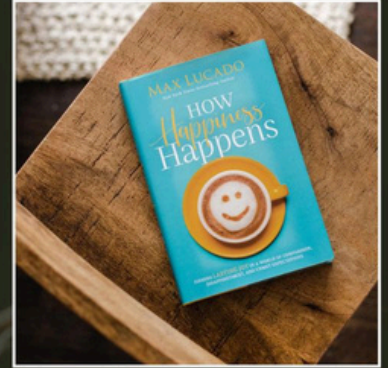
Studying "How Happiness Happens," by Max Lucado

Beginning in September with a salad luncheon!

Contact Carol Broyles for more information



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CBCP News!

Art Camp was a wonderful success with many little artists creating beautiful masterpieces.

We are looking forward to teachers returning at the end of the month to start preparing their classrooms for the upcoming school year!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to you!

Jan Demirgian	August 1
Ashley Reddy	//
Lynnette Stark	August 3
Leshea Durham	August 4
Barbara Henderson	August 7
Richard Johnson	August 11
Metta Luttmann	//
Clay Brelsford	August 12
Peggy Richardson	August 13
Laurel Wise	//
Al Reams	August 24

7 pm August 16th

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BLUEGRASS BASH

*Jerry
Salley*

Fellowship Hall

LOCAL OUTREACH

Bruce Drysdale Thanks HPC!



Most Henderson County students are still in summer-vacation mode. However, for the year-round students and staff at Bruce Drysdale Elementary, the 2026-27 school year kicked off on July 9th. BDS students have been in school for over a week now!

Thanks to a tip from Linda Boyles-Smith, our church Worship Director and part-time BDS substitute music teacher, HPC learned of some important school needs that have not been covered by School Board funding or with school resources. Our Local Missions Committee requested and received approval from Session to use Designated Funds to purchase some items on the school's wish list.

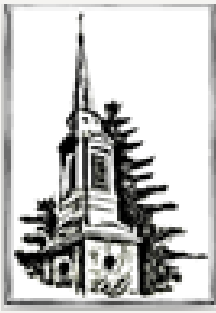
Before school started, Pastor Rob and Linda helped deliver some of the gifted items: the playground Buddy Benches, and outdoor garden planters with growing supplies. Church members donated teacher classroom supplies along with a cartload of snack foods and paper supplies for the teachers' lounge. The smiles on the staff faces expressed their appreciation.

School supplies and snack items will be used up quickly, so more donations can be dropped off in the collection boxes near the office.



Thank you HPC for sharing God's love with this school!





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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



JOIN THE CHANCEL CHOIR

"Glorious Night... When Christ Was Born"

You are invited to lift your voice in this year's Christmas musical presentation. If you or someone you know have been looking for a way to sing with the choir without a long-term commitment, this is the perfect opportunity!

LIMITED 5-REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Wednesday Evenings • 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

- September 9
- October 7
- November 4
- December 2
- December 9

Music learning made easy: Rehearsal CDs that highlight your specific vocal part (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) are available now to make practicing at home simple and stress-free!

CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION DATE TBA

We would love to have you sing with us. Pick up your music and CD today!