



OCTOBER UPDATE

HENDERSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastor's Letter:

It is always such a wonderful thing to be able to write to all of you as we move through the year. This is especially true this month.

What an October we have in store for us here at HPC!

We will be welcoming our new accompanist and contemporary worship leader, Tim Browning. Please take a few moments to welcome Tim and get to know him. He is an amazing musician, father of six children (all under the age of 19), and husband.

October will also see us hosting two wonderful events.

The first will be our First Annual Pumpkin Patch. This event is focused on helping us reach and engage with the community here in Hendersonville. Come join us by helping people find just the right pumpkin, reading stories to children, acting as a cashier, or just being present to welcome and get to know members of the community. We will have fun activities, some food trucks, and picture stations from October 15–Nov. 1, 2026. Help us have a great fall outreach!

We will also be hosting our annual Kirkin of the Tartans on Sunday, October 18 at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary! We are looking forward to worshipping with Joe Bailey and the Montreat Pipe and Drum Band. We will have well over 60 tartans displayed and processed during the service. If you have not attended one of our Kirkin services, I would encourage you to plan to join us on Sunday, October 18 at 11:00am.

Finally, on October 4, we will have Mia Godfrey with us from Operation Christmas Child to share her testimony about what receiving a shoebox did in her life. Then, on October 25, we will have one of our Missionaries, John Hever with us to share and catch us up on all that God is doing through his church plant down in Florida! You do not want to miss either of these special services of worship!

We hope to see you Sunday, October 4, for worship as we celebrate the sacrament of communion together!



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November Update Deadline

Monday,
October 19th

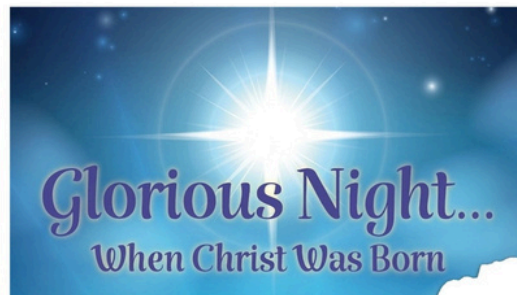


upcoming events

- Community Pumpkin Patch begins, Oct 15th
- Pumpkin Patch Bake Sale, Oct 17th, 11 AM
- Kirkin of the Tartans, Sunday, Oct 18th, 11 AM

HPC MUSIC MINISTRY

LINDA BOYLE-SMITH



Next Rehearsal

October 7th

5:30 PM

A photograph of a hand holding a piece of Scottish tartan cloth. The cloth has a green, black, and white plaid pattern. The text "Kirkin' o' The Tartans" is overlaid on the image in a white, stylized font.

Kirkin' o' The Tartans

October 18th

11:00 AM

**Featuring Joe Bailey and
The Montreat Scottish Pipe & Drums**

Operation Christmas

CHILD



Each shoebox is a Gospel Opportunity that can be used by God to change a child's life for eternity—and change the course of many other lives as well.

In Cambodia, Sann seeks to follow Christ and actively works to multiply the number of believers around him. That's been true of his life since he graduated from *The Greatest Journey* at age 10.

But much of the young evangelist's life before that was filled with pain. Wanting to spare him the troubles of a fractured home, his mother sent him to live with a pastor at a local church. There he found stability, hope, and love and began learning about a Savior who could provide that for eternity.

When Sann turned 8 years old, he received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox with gifts that made him smile, but an invitation to Samaritan's Purse discipleship program, *The Greatest Journey*, changed the trajectory of his life forever as God opened his mind to a whole new ministry opportunity. *(continued on page 8)*

Homebound Members

Dave Stewart

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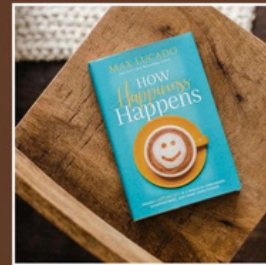


WOMEN IN MINISTRY

HENDERSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Women in Ministry

- Monday, October 11th at 9:45 AM
- All women are welcome to join us for the first lesson in Max Lucado's, "How Happiness Happens"
- Led by Jan DeMirgian
- Fellowship Hall



Creative Beginnings Preschool

Our preschool kiddos are adapting well to being back at school and having a great time learning each day!

We are looking forward to our dance party and our field trip to Stepps Apple Orchard this month. **Join us October 23rd** for our **Annual Harvest Program at 11 AM** in the sanctuary.

Brunch following in the Fellowship Hall!

Bluegrass Bash

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October Birthdays



Isabelle Corrente	Oct 3	Mary Franks	Oct 20
Joyce Mason	Oct 6	Clara Bayne	Oct 26
Bill Grier	Oct 11	Janet Briner	Oct 29
Pat Neuenschwander	Oct 16	Dan Demirgian	Oct 30
		Guenter Wadewitz, Jr.	Oct 30
		Teresa Lyle	Oct 31

COMMUNITY PUMPKIN PATCH

HENDERSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fresh Pumpkins



Help Needed:

- **Volunteer to:** greet visitors, help families select pumpkins, staff games, and manage checkout
- **When:** October 15–Nov 1st
- **Where:** HPC parking lot and CBCP Playground
- Scan QR code & sign up today!



Bring your smile and welcoming spirit!
All families and individuals are welcome!

PUMPKIN
PATCH

**BAKE
SALE**
FUNDRAISER

**SATURDAY
OCT 17**

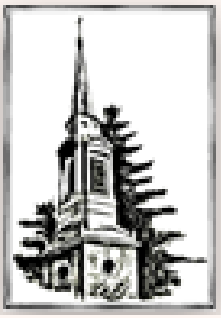
**HPC
11:00 AM**



Please consider baking goodies to help support the Pumpkin Patch fundraiser!

Please bring your packaged donations to the church kitchen on Friday, Oct 16th.

Happy fall, y'all! Thank you for baking!



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Return Service Requested

OCC Update continued:

The Greatest Journey was the turning point in his life where Sann fully committed and understood what it meant to be a Christian. He soon wanted other children to experience this transformation, too. Now 21, Sann has dedicated the past 11 years of his life to teaching this class. “*The Greatest Journey* and Operation Christmas Child have changed me,” Sann said. “I cannot stop discipling others, teaching others, and helping these children to grow in the Lord.”

The Rummage Sale, Tea Cup Benefit, and Bake Sale combined resulted in \$3,741.78. Thank you for all who donated, helped to run the events, or who purchased items. You are a blessing to OCC and to people like Sann.