

Welcome to
Harper Christian Church
December 3rd, 2023

9:00—OPEN PRAYER MEETING *West overflow room*

9:30—AUDITORIUM BIBLE CLASS (Salvation Assured) *Pastor Ed*
In 2 Peter, Peter exhorts all who read his letter to make their calling and election sure by diligently pursuing the fruit of the Spirit. **“For in this way,”** he writes, **“there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ”** (2 Peter 1:11). In this series, Dr. R.C. Sproul addresses the importance of living in pursuit of holiness over against *“easy believism.”* He explores the doctrine of assurance as he helps to explain the relationship between the Christian life and the work of Christ Jesus on our behalf.”

10:30—PRAISE & WORSHIP *Barry Welch*

- Angels We Have Heard On High, pg. 192
- Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, pg. 184
- How Great Our Joy!, pg. 182
- O Holy Night!
- All Is Well

COMMUNION *Josh Neske*

- Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne, pg. 170

We believe that Communion should be open to any Christian, guest or church member, who shows proper appreciation for the significance of the body and blood of Christ and who is not living in willful disobedience to God (1 Corinthians 11:27-30). As the communion trays are passed, we invite you to partake of the bread before passing the tray on. Then when receiving the cup, partake of its contents and place the empty cup back in the tray.

THE MESSAGE *Pastor Ed*

THE GIFT THAT GIVES BACK BOTH NOW AND IN ETERNITY

AN OFFERING PLATE IS AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE AUDITORIUM FOR YOUR TITHES & OFFERINGS.

If you are a guest, we welcome you to our service and ask that you fill out the perforated portion of this bulletin and place it in the offering plate at the back of the auditorium. Our greatest desire is for you to have a personal, spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ. He is our only hope for experiencing God’s forgiveness for sin (John 3:16) and the joy that can be ours in this life (Romans 14:17).

If we can help you with any physical, emotional or spiritual need, feel free to contact us at 620-896-2461.

DECEMBER

TODAY..... How people view their resources: their time, possessions, talents and money is an effective barometer of where they are spiritually. It is a reflection of their spiritual maturity and understanding. The words of Jesus bear this fact in Luke 12, **“Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”** Where is your heart today? Are you giving back to God? Are you investing in God’s Kingdom here and in your Eternal Home there? Our tithes and offerings are a foundational means to make this happen and we will discuss these in today’s message.

Wed..... **Youth Group**, 6:30—8 in the Fellowship Hall

Sat..... **Men’s Prayer Breakfast**, 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Next Sun.. Christmas Caroling—We will meet at the church at 4:30 and afterward return to the church for soup, chili, hot coffee, tea and cocoa. If you plan to attend, please bring relishes, crackers, or a dessert.

Angel Tree gifts must be brought to the Pleasant Valley Mennonite Church or any local bank, school or library by close of business day on or before Sunday, December 10th.

Dec 12..... Senior Fellowship Meeting, 10 am in the Fellowship Hall

Dec 15..... **Angel Tree Distribution – TBA (?)**

Dec 20..... *No Youth Group Scheduled*

Dec 21..... First Day of Winter

Dec 24..... **Christmas Eve Candle Light Service**, 6 pm in the sanctuary

Dec 25..... **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Dec 27..... *No Youth Group Scheduled*

Dec 31..... New Year’s Eve

Notes

More space available on the back of the “Prayer List” insert

Soul-Care

If you have questions about God, need spiritual guidance or would just like to pray with someone, please contact Pastor Ed after the service. He will be located at the front of the auditorium near the communion table.

This opportunity is especially for those who have questions about Salvation (becoming a Christ-follower), Baptism, or becoming a part of our church family.

For a digital PDF or hard copy of today's message send a request to harpercc@hotmail.com or call and leave a request at (620) 896-2461.

Restrooms and a closed circuit video broadcast of the service (for parents with active children) are located downstairs.

Please silence your phone.



For **hearing assistance** contact the control booth in the back of the auditorium for a personal receiver. The system is ADA compatible for hearing aids with a telephone coil or (T-Switch).

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A **Keurig** is available downstairs for hot coffee or tea. It is located just outside the kitchen. We ask that only adults bring beverages in the auditorium and only then with lids. **NO FOOD** should be in the auditorium at anytime. Thank you.