

# Hebron News

Hebron Presbyterian Church, Manakin-Sabot, VA *Our Mission is to "Spread the Word of God"*.

*From the pastor's desk . .*

January, 2018



## Pickett's Charge

### You, Me and the Minor Prophets

by Pastor Allen

Does all of Scripture speak to us? Are certain books of the Bible not as important as others? I knew of a pastor a few years ago that started with the premise that if every word in the Bible is God's word then he was going to preach on Leviticus and see what God would do through what felt like an archaic, out-dated book. It worked. Of course, he didn't just read through it. He did good exegesis and worked hard to make appropriate application.

We all have favorite passages of Scripture. Verses that seem to speak to us in our present circumstances. And yet if we read the Bible in its historical context it's only then that we can really understand what it is saying to us today.

Over the next several weeks we will be looking at the minor prophets. They are 'minor' not because they are less important, but merely because they wrote less. The books are short but they were written to a particular people at a particular time in a particular place. We often gloss over them because we just don't get it. But if we could "Quantum Leap" back into that period of time and feel and smell and experience their issues then true understanding would come.

I think the main reason we skip these books of the Bible is that we don't know the story behind them. And then we stumble upon Jonah. A well-written story with deep theological significance that has been told so much that even much of the secular world knows about it. So, I suppose it's up to we preachers to fill in the details on the other minor prophets.

As a preacher I am dependent on archeology, commentaries and other teachers who know more than I. I will be quoting a lot because much of the information will be new to me. One thing that we can be guaranteed though is that Jesus Christ will be at the center. For He is the theme of all of scripture. All of the Old Testament looks forward to His first coming and all of the New Testament looks back. And then forward to His second coming. That's the critical question then: How are these prophets directing the people of their time toward Christ?

Let's look forward with anticipation, knowing and trusting that God will speak even through what seems like archaic and outdated material.

Hebron welcomes the Rev. Connie Weaver of Asheboro, NC as our new pastor, effective February 18, 2018. Rev. Weaver holds a BS in Communications from the University of Tennessee; a Master of Divinity from Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia; and is currently working on her Doctor of Ministry at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

For the past ten years Rev. Weaver has been associate pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Asheboro, NC. Prior to that she held the same position at Fort Hill Presbyterian in Clemson, SC. She has additional years of training in young adult ministry, church finance, grief and pastoral care, purpose-driven ministry, and the missional church. She preaches monthly at First Presbyterian.

Rev. Weaver describes the job of a pastor as that of challenging the congregation to grow in Christ. She wants to help the congregation discern exactly what God wants from them. Rev. Weaver writes, "This understanding of God's sovereignty is central to my practice of ministry and to my personal journey of faith. ...Being a Biblical church means worship is centered around the Bible. Scripture is our authority; it should be that upon which we concentrate."

She describes herself as willing to assume the best about all people, to be tolerant rather than critical. She seeks a congregation that aspires to follow Jesus, that is gracious to each other, and that ministers to and looks for the best in others.

Her family includes her husband Joe, a private CPA, and three sons, two who have finished college and are working, and one who is applying to medical school. Two of her personal pleasures are her daily devotions and walks.

**At the Congregational Meeting, held on December 10th, Rev. Connie Weaver was approved as Hebron's new pastor, and the terms of the call were approved.**

**Nominated and approved for Class Year 2018 Officers were:**

**Elders**

**Diane Luczkovich  
Nancy Michael  
John Miller**

**Deacons**

**Everett Mish  
Scott Parks  
Eileen Ford**

## Sunday Morning Children's Programs

Help your kids start 2018 with a fresh connection to God's Word and their family of faith.



### 9:00am Kids Club [grades K-6]

Weekly Bible study, games, snacks and fun activities. Your kids won't want to miss our winter study, *Raiders of the Empty Tomb* as we discover that Jesus has the power to give us life forever.

### 10:00am Bible Buddies [preschoolers ages 3-5 and kindergartners]

We have so much fun learning from the Bible and playing together. In January we'll be learning that Jesus can do anything!

## Hebron Kids For Christ

[tweens in grades 4-6]

Lunch and Food Pantry Shopping  
Sunday, January 21, 11:30am-1:00pm



Kids For Christ will go out to lunch then shop for donations for the Goochland Food Pantry. Cost: \$10 for food donations and lunch at Cook Out.

## Hebron Youth

[students in grades 7-12]

**Sunday, January 7 Youth Group: Who is the Holy Spirit? 6:00-7:30pm, Parrish House**  
Snacks, games and Bible study to kick off a new series on the Holy Spirit.

**Sunday, January 14 Youth Group: Walking in the Spirit 6:00-7:30pm, Parrish House**  
Our special guest teacher will be Grace Alford for Part 2 in our series.

**Sunday, January 21 Youth Group: Fruit of the Spirit 6:00-7:30pm, Parrish House**  
Snacks, games and Bible study to wrap up our series on the Holy Spirit.

**Saturday, January 27 Rise Against Hunger 8:45-11:00am, Grace Church**  
Help package 10,000+ meals to be shipped to countries around the world. This event will be hosted by Grace Episcopal Church in Goochland.

**Sunday, January 28 Sundae Sunday 6:00-7:30pm, Holman Hall**  
Bring your parents for ice cream sundaes and planning for our 2018 mission trip!



## Hebron Day School

**“Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things.”  
Psalm 98:1**

January promises to be a busy month at Hebron Day School. We begin with Pajama Day on Wednesday, January 10. This is a fun morning that allows the children and staff to wear their favorite pj's to school and for them to introduce a favorite stuffed animal.

Then on Wednesday, January 24, we have our annual Father's Night from 6:30-8:00pm. The children bring their dads (or an uncle or special friend) to preschool for an evening of special activities and games, along with refreshments. We hope to do another camping themed night this year!

Believe it or not, Hebron Day School is already working on enrollment for 2018-2019 preschool year! Current students, their siblings, and Hebron Church members and friends have first priority. Registration forms are sent home in January and are due back by January 31. Registration opens to the public on February 1. If you know a family with a child who might be interested in Hebron Day School, please let Ms. B know so an application packet can be mailed.

As a reminder concerning winter weather, Hebron Day School will be closed if Goochland County Schools are closed due to snow or ice. If Goochland schools open one or two hours late, Hebron Day School will be **OPEN** from 10:00am - 12:00pm.

We would like to wish everyone a very **HAPPY, HEALTHY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR!**

Shirley Bonovitch  
Director



## JANUARY CALENDAR

**Tuesday, January 2**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House  
Day School Re-opens

**Friday, January 5**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

**Sunday, January 7**

Adult Bible Study 9:00am  
*Seeking a Word from the Lord*, Ralph Fields Room  
*Invitation to Solitude & Silence*, Holman Hall

Kids' Club 9:00am

Bible Buddies 10:00am

Worship 10:00am

Communion

Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm Parrish House

Men's Group 6:00-7:30pm Holman Hall

**Tuesday, January 9**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House  
Women's Bible Study 9:30am, Parrish House  
*Finding I Am* by Lysa TerKeurst

**Wednesday, January 10**

Choir Rehearsal 6:30-8:00pm

**Thursday, January 11**

Women's Bible Study 9:30am, Parrish House  
*Precept Upon Precept: Genesis, Part 5*

**Friday, January 12**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

**Sunday, January 14**

Adult Bible Study 9:00am  
*Seeking a Word from the Lord*, Ralph Fields Room  
*Invitation to Solitude & Silence*, Holman Hall

Kids' Club 9:00am

Bible Buddies 10:00am

Worship 10:00am

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm Parrish House

Men's Group 6:00-7:30pm Holman Hall

**Tuesday, January 16**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House  
Women's Bible Study 9:30am, Parrish House

**Wednesday, January 17**

Choir Rehearsal 6:30-8:00pm

**Thursday, January 18**

Women's Bible Study 9:30am, Parrish House

**Friday, January 19**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

**Sunday, January 21**

Adult Bible Study 9:00am  
*Seeking a Word from the Lord*, Ralph Fields Room  
*Invitation to Solitude & Silence*, Holman Hall

Kids' Club 9:00am

Bible Buddies 10:00am

Worship 10:00am

Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm Parrish House

Men's Group 6:00-7:30pm Holman Hall

**Tuesday, January 23**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House  
Women's Bible Study 9:30am, Parrish House

**Wednesday, January 24**

Choir Rehearsal 6:30-8:00pm

**Thursday, January 25**

Women's Bible Study 9:30am, Parrish House

**Friday, January 26**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

**Saturday, January 27**

Rise Against Hunger Project: 8:45am-11:00pm  
Grace Episcopal Church, Goochland

**Sunday, January 28**

Adult Bible Study 9:00am  
*Seeking a Word from the Lord*, Ralph Fields Room  
*Invitation to Solitude & Silence*, Holman Hall

Kids' Club 9:00am

Bible Buddies 10:00am

Worship 10:00am

Congregational Meeting

Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm, Sundaes Sunday, Bring your  
Parents for Mission Trip Planning, Parrish House

Men's Group 6:00-7:30pm Holman Hall

**Tuesday, January 30**

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House  
Women's Bible Study 9:30am, Parrish House

**Wednesday, January 31**

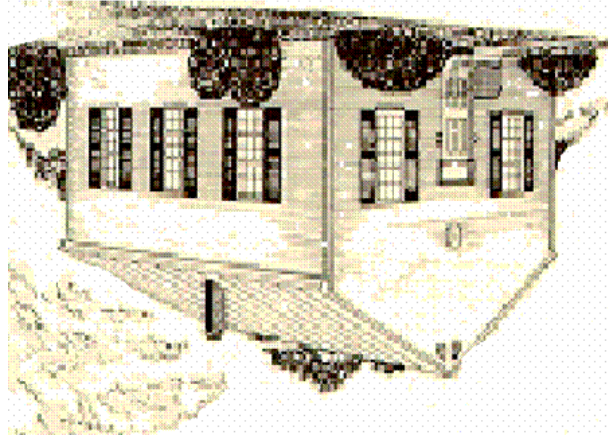
Choir Rehearsal 6:30-8:00pm

Hebron Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Church of Jesus Christ, Reformed in theology and Presbyterian by way of organization. It is related to the Presbytery of the James, the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, and to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

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“A Historic Church with a Living Mission”

**Hebron Presbyterian Church**  
*Founded 1843*



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*You are invited to join us for our*  
*10:00am Worship Service*