

Sr Pastor

Pastor Ruben Sernas

EldersBob Horton John Hrenko
Joe Mayberry**Deacons**Rick Adams Joe Graves
Gary Morgan Angelo Sica
Jim Swank**Financial Update as of 4.28.24**

April Giving \$15,981

April Est Expenses \$20,000

YTD Budget \$159,551

YTD Giving \$149,669

YTD Deficit (\$ 9,882)

*(our fiscal year runs Sept-Aug)***Attendance last Sunday**

Worship Service 73

Sunday School 54

Please pray for these Heritage families this coming week:

Amy Forrest

Connie Glass

Joe & Joanne Graves

Deata Hitchcock, Kera, Sebastian & Emily Roubidoux & Greyson Weber

Mike, Kristin & Kaleb Honeycutt

This morning's Youth Ministry volunteers**Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** Crystal & Jim Baum**Next Sunday, 5/12****Worship nursery:** Myrtle Thompson + _____**Jr Church:** _____ + _____*A Reformed congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America***Heritage Presbyterian
Church****Sunday Worship 9:30 am****Sunday School 11:15 am****You may contact us at**Heritage Presbyterian Church
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302-476-1844ENTER HIS GATES WITH
THANKSGIVING, AND HIS COURTS
WITH PRAISE! GIVE THANKS TO
HIM; BLESS HIS NAME!**PSALM 100:4**

May 5, 2024

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Debbie Adams
Pastor Graham Guo

Approaching God

Call to Worship: Psalm 100:1-5 (ESV)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing! Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name! For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

* **Song of Praise:** *That's Why We Praise Him*

* **Prayer of Adoration**

Confessing our Need of God's Sustaining Grace:

Heavenly Father, we confess before You the deep-seated pride that leads us to parade our strength and goodness before others, while at the same time hiding and denying our weakness and sin. Jesus, You humbly saw the needs of people around You, and You loved them in all of their sin and brokenness, serving them with compassion and a pure heart. Thank You that Your perfect obedience is credited to our spiritual account. Holy Spirit, help us to look to Jesus for our righteousness and salvation. Transform us, by Your grace, into thankful, humble, watchful children who are eager to serve You. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Sustaining Grace: Romans 8:2-4 (ESV)

For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

* **Song of Thanksgiving:** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Delighting in God

Offering & Offertory: Numbers 18:21 (ESV)

"To the Levites I have given every tithe in Israel for an inheritance, in return for their service that they do, their service in the tent of meeting..."

Prayer of Praise & Intercession

* **Songs of Anticipation:** *Lord, I Need You
I Surrender All (All I Am)*
(students 4yrs-2nd grade dismissed for Jr Church)

Hearing God

Reading of God's Word: 2 Corinthians 4:7-18

Sermon "A Biblical Response to Suffering" Pastor Guo

Communion

* **Closing Song:** *Blessed Be Your Name*
(Jr Church students return to their families)

* **Benediction**

*** All who are able, please stand**

Communion is a visible representation of the Gospel, reminding us that Jesus gave Himself as a sacrifice acceptable to God, paying the price for our sins by the shedding of His blood. This Sacrament is for the church of Jesus Christ, 'for whom He died'.

Heritage Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel, to receive Communion with us.

Deacon's Mercy Offering: at each Communion service we are reminded to support the Deacon's Mercy Ministry. Contributions to this Ministry can be made online, in the mail, or placed in the offering box as you exit the sanctuary. Please make sure you mark the contribution for this ministry.

After the Worship service, if you have a special prayer request or a question concerning the sermon or a question regarding eternal life with God, please come to one of the front pews, someone will be glad to speak with you.

Taking the Sermon Home With You 5/5/24

2 Corinthian 4:7-18 "A Biblical Response to Suffering"

Suffering reveals to us God's surpassing power

Suffering does not have the last word

Suffering produces in us an eternal weight of glory