

# Hebron Happenings

A Note from Jason,

Being persistent at something takes work. I think anyone who has embarked on a long project knows this. Often, we begin a project and then over time we might begin to lose interest in it, and it quietly fades away and never comes to completion. It takes endurance persistence to see things through to the end.

In the Gospel of Luke chapter 18 Jesus tells us the parable of the “persistent Widow” to illustrate our need for persistence in prayer. The parable is of a widow who has been denied justice and is going to see her local judge to get justice from the person who has wronged her. The problem is that the judge isn’t a good or righteous judge and simply ignores the widow’s pleas. However, the widow’s persistence finally wears down the judge so that he finally grants her justice so she would simply leave him alone!

What is the moral of parable? Jesus reminds us that our God is not an immoral judge but one who hears our cries for justice in this world and wants to respond. The point being that we should keep on praying and crying out to God with our petitions for others and yes even for ourselves. While we might not see immediate results, I believe the encouragement here is that there is reward in the persistence of the act of prayer and crying out to God in itself. God does here and will respond, we are simply called to faithful persistence.

In case you were unaware there is a group of us that meet on Zoom every Wednesday night at 7pm for just this reason. We seek to be persistent in prayer for our congregation and for the prayer requests that are made each week. It has been a privilege and joy to pray with this group each week and I am thankful for their persistence in prayer. It isn’t an exclusive group, any who would like to join us are invited to join us, simply let me know if you are interested and we can send you the weekly link to join in. But no matter if you are part of this group or not, I hope that daily persistent prayer is a growing part of your faith journey.

God Bless,

Jason

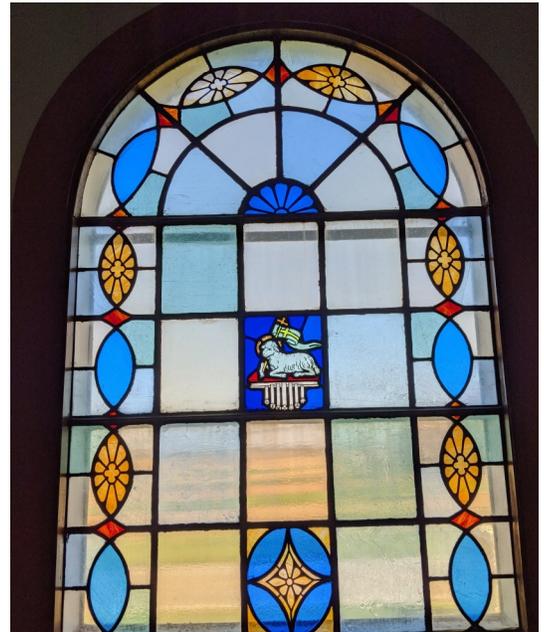


### Hospitality Sign-up

There's a new hospitality signup in the church entrance. Come be a part of the team welcoming our church family and visitors on Sunday mornings!! There are some updated suggestions for how to do this task—nothing too strenuous!!

### **New Member Class October 16th and 23rd**

A New Member class will begin on October 16th and run for two Sundays meeting right after the service. The classes will be an opportunity to explore membership at Hebron Presbyterian church and ask any questions you might have. We will also talk about faith and baptism and what is required to join the church. If you are interested in joining we hope you will join us. If you are interested in joining but can't join us on one or both Sundays let Jason know and we can make other accommodations. The classes will last an hour or less.



### **Show and Tell Luncheon—October 16th**

Don't forget the church dinner directly after church on October 16. After dinner you have the opportunity to "show and tell" about something that is important to you. It should be a lot of fun! We all have things we want to share. It is like seeing a rainbow. The first thing you want to do is tell someone else.

### **More Photos needed for the bulletin**

We've had some really lovely photos on the front of our bulletins. If you are curious about who took the photo, you can find the credit on the back of the bulletin. If you have photos you would like to submit, send them to our administrative assistant, Sam Blattner using the church e-mail: [hebronchurch1767@gmail.com](mailto:hebronchurch1767@gmail.com)

### **Game Night October 8th at 6:30pm**

Join us on the 17th for a fun night of playing games and sharing snacks. All ages are welcome and everyone is invited to bring a snack and a favorite game to play.

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