

*Sermon Notes*

**Isaiah 9:1-7**

*The Gospel According to Isaiah*

1. Good News shines brightest in the context of darkness
2. Light for those blinded by spiritual darkness
3. Deliverance for those in spiritual bondage
4. A ruler to provide for our every need

*The Sermon isn't the finish line for Word ministry, it's the starting line. It begins in the pulpit, but then it must continue through the life of the church as members echo God's Word back and forth to one another.*

*Ministry Opportunities*

Welcome

*We extend our cordial greetings to all who are visiting us today and hope that you will join us again for worship. We ask you to, please, sign the Fellowship Register as it is passed so that we may have a record of your visit. If you give us an address, we can send you more information about Hartsville PCA, or you can pick up any of the brochures from the information display in the entry hall.*



The church is hosting a bridal shower for Grace Driggers **this Wednesday, December 19th at 6:30 p.m.** Please remember to provide a RECIPE CARD for Grace's collection, you can add it to the box or give your card to Leslie Schroeder. Please sign-up to bring some finger food for shower, the list is in the Narthex. Many hands make light work, please plan to stay after the evening service tonight to help set-up. **[ No Prayer Meeting or Covenant Choir ]**

*The Week of December 16<sup>th</sup>*



## Christmas Eve Service

December 24, 2018 at 6:00 pm



We as a church are to be the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket.

Therefore, in a basket in the Narthex you will find prepared invitations to help you invite your friends and neighbors to our Christmas Eve service. Don't just consume the savor of the Savior for yourself. Pass on the invitation and the candy cane to someone you care about and invite them the savor the Savior with you.

*[unlike with Jesus' miracle, we'd like to not see a basket full left over]*



## Hartsville PCA is listed on AmazonSmile

Don't we all wish we had more time and money to offer to the church? Well, with just a few simple clicks, you can support the church in its worship and work while going about your daily business. Hartsville PCA is now registered with AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)). Please, sign up on your computer, so every time you spend money with them, you'll also be giving money to the church.

## End of the year giving

We have all promised to support the church in its worship and work to the best of our ability. As we make lists of friends and family for giving in this season, Jesus is a friend that sticks closer than a brother. Please continue your regular giving to Christ and his church through the end of the year so we can end the year financially sound and ready for the year to come.

*The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.*

~2 Corinthians 9:6-8~

## Circle Fellowship Groups

The new assignments for the Circle Fellowships were given out last week, if you didn't receive one please see Leslie Schroeder. Please be in contact with your group soon to plan your January fellowship time.

### *This Week at HPC*

#### **Sunday, December 16**

8:45am Prayer for worship services—Room 102

**9:30am Morning Worship—Sanctuary**

11:10am Educational Hour

5:00pm Adult Choir—Sanctuary

Catekids—Room 101

**6:00pm Evening Worship—Sanctuary**

#### **Wednesday, December 19**

6:30pm Wedding Shower for Grace Driggers

*[There will be no Prayer Meeting or Covenant Choir Practice]*

#### **Thursday, December 20**

Church Office Closed

#### **Sunday, December 23**

8:45am Prayer for worship services—Room 102

**9:30am Morning Worship—Sanctuary**

11:10am Combined Sunday School—Sanctuary

5:00pm Adult Choir—Sanctuary

Catekids—Room 101

**6:00pm Evening Worship—Sanctuary**

#### **Monday, December 24**

**6:00pm Christmas Eve Service—Sanctuary**

## Short-term Mission Trip

Hartsville PCA has had a number of invitations to take a short-term mission trip next summer. The opportunities are almost as varied as the locations. This is an excellent opportunity to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We are still in need of a coordinator to research and organize the trip. If you are interested, please let Martin Driggers know.