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BAPTIST CHURCH

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UPCOMING SUNDAYS:

Sermon Series: ***We Are How We Eat***

October 3 **World Communion Sunday**

Scripture: Mark 6:30-44
Title: Twelve Baskets Full

October 10
Scripture: 1 Kings 17:1-16
Title: On Hospitality

October 17
Scripture: 1 Kings 19:1-9a
Title: Keeping Going

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Brothers and sisters,

I am excited for the sermon series we're going to be starting this Sunday. We are moving into one of my favorite times of the year—fall! I really do love just about everything about this season. I love the crispness in the air. I love the return of football. I love the changing colors of the leaves. If I'm honest, I even kind of love how we get a pumpkin-spice version of everything! But perhaps my favorite thing about the fall is the food that comes along with the season. I love making a pot of chili for my friends and inviting them to carve pumpkins with me on Halloween. I love hot coffee on a Saturday morning when it's cold out and the sun is shining. I love Thanksgiving and the incredible spread of food my mother prepares each year.

What does all this have to do with our upcoming sermon series, though? Over the next seven weeks, we are going to be taking a look at several different passages in the Bible in which food plays a critical role in the story. The Bible is filled with food imagery and stories and visions of meals. Food is a constant presence and a constant source of nourishment and sustenance for God's people. But why focus on food (other than the fact that we Baptists *love* to eat!)? I want us to take some time to focus on the food in the Bible because of how basic food really is. Food nourishes our bodies. It gives us strength to meet each day. Food can also nourish our souls. How many of us have a favorite dish, something that just makes us feel good when we eat it? Food nourishes our communities. It brings people together to share a common meal, to share the stories of their lives, to share their culture and their heritage. Food ends up binding us to other people and to the rest of Creation. We are reminded, every time we eat, that we are dependent upon the wondrous bounty of God's Creation to survive. Food reminds us of our place in God's grander plans.

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PRAYER CONCERNS
(new additions/updates in bold)

Valle De Esperanza Iglesia Bautista
COVID-19 Pandemic

Church family with Health Concerns:

Irene Barnes - heart issues
Sam & Pat Beasley
Karen Bolton - flare up of trigeminal nerve pain

Joan Burke

Rachel Dossett - recovery from leg surgery
Phyllis Edwards - surgery recovery
Marilyn Flanary - recovery from foot surgery

Heidi Hall - COVID, spinal muscular atrophy (daughter of Sandra & Rick Hall)

Woody Harton
Kaye Jenkins - recovery from knee surgery
Jane Liske - under hospice care

Bonnie Lyon - recovery from fall

Linda Marshall
Nancy Michal - in rehab
Brenda Morton - recovery from fall

Mary Myers - cataract surgery

Keith Packer - dialysis
Frank Pokorny - stomach pains
Carol Rigsbee

Barbara Sanders
Faye Shelton - blood cancer
Mary Summerlin - recovery from shoulder surgery

Jerry Tew - Parkinson's

Carolyn Tippett - leukemia

Emmett Ward - hurt right hip

Phil Woodell - recovery from knee surgery
Shelby Yates - recovery from surgery

Senior Living Centers:

Family Care Home: Fadine Harris - under Hospice care

Durham Regent: Marcella Jerdon
Emerald Pond: Lee Schevill
Universal Health Care: Marie Thompson

HVBC friends and family:

Candy Arnold - brain tumor, chemo (niece of Carol Atkins)
Phil Atkins (friend of Carl & Carol Atkins)
Britt Bentley - waiting for heart and kidney transplant (son of Susan Bentley)
Rebecca Bidy - seizures (daughter-in-law of Peggy Bidy)
Jimmy Bolick - recovery from stroke (uncle of Amy Herring)
Hayley Brady - blood clots in lungs (sister of Ginger Rose)
Ruby Chumney - heart & lung problems (mother of the Dossett's neighbor)
Ray Clayton - at memory care facility (brother of Linda Kyles)
Joan Cozart - brain tumor (friend of Joan Burke)
Fulton de La Morton - back issues (friend of Dossett's)
Betty Ann Dickerson - feet & leg problems (friend of Carol Atkins)
Carolyn Draper - COVID (friend of Susan Bentley)
JaQuavion Ervin - young boy in foster care with no family (from Scott Rose)
Amy Eubanks - COVID & back problems (former member)
Grayson Evans - health issues (grandson of Ron & Gail Templeton)
Paul Fain - stomach cancer (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton)
Lori Gentry (daughter of Gary & Mary Kyles)
Kathy Goodfellow - cancer, under hospice care (cousin of Scott Rose)
Greg - blood clots (son-in-law of Linda Marshall)
Phyllis Griffiths - lupus (sister-in-law of Terry & Betty Griffiths)
Steve Hannaman - heart attack (brother-in-law of Frances Smith)

PRAYER CONCERNS (continued)

Jackie Harris - dementia (aunt of Julie Stoops, sister of Tommie Calhoun)
Alphus & Sherri Herndon - he has cancer & she has Alzheimer's (cousin of Brenda Morton & Irene Barnes)

Tom Jackson - health problems (former interim Pastor)

Dana Kelly - heart issues (father of Don Kelly)

Mike Layne - heart attack & surgery (family member of the Dossett's)

Paul Lemay - cancer (uncle of Kevin Simone)

Lindsey - anorexia (friend of Jonathan Herring)

Bob Liske - cancer (son of Jane Liske)

Tim Liske - seizures (grandson of Jane Liske)

Bill & Nadine Loftis - he has cancer (friends of the Bowen's)

Doris Lynch - health issues (stepmother of Rick Lynch)

Junior Martin - cancer (friend of Joan Burke)

Judah Mathis - one year old with kidney & bladder problems (great grandson of HVBC first pastor, Bill Pearson)

Mark May - autoimmune disease (nephew of Linda Kyles)

Lauren Minotti - recovery from surgery (granddaughter of Barbara Sanders)

Hallie Moore (friend of Sean Timmons)

Faye Myers - grandchild of Laverne Ellis' neighbor

Hazel Norman - recovery from back surgery (friend of the Dossett's)

Juliet Atieno Otieno - 15-year-old with Lupus (friend of Scott Rose)

John Pierce (grandson of Carl & Carol Atkins)

Sheri Raspberry - cancer (sister-in-law of Michelle Hunt)

Weston Raspberry - health issues, lost of sight in eye (nephew of Michelle Hunt)

Payton & Brittany Rigsbee - both have health concerns (granddaughters of Carol Rigsbee)

Ashley Robbins - cancer (granddaughter of Brenda Morton)

Bill Roberson (friend of Scott Rose)

Joe Rollins - recovery from fall (cousin of Carol Atkins)

Susan Smileowicz - COVID & stroke (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton); daughter, Amy also has COVID

Charlotte Soltes (mother of Jessie Lynch)

Karen Stewart - stem cell procedure (friend of Cindy Horton)

Irene Taylor - heart & bladder issues (mother of Rachel Dossett)

Matthew Taylor - salvation & direction (request by the Dossetts)

Patricia Taylor - recovery from cataract surgery (mother of Jennifer Bowen)

Grant Tew - cancer (son of Jerry & Idell Tew)

Heath Tuttle - 13-year-old with cancer (friend of Linda Ward)

Elaine & Tom vanDalen - health concerns (sister & brother-in-law of Karen Bolton)

Clifton Walker - COVID (friend of Linda Kyles)

Jeff Webb - brain tumor (friend of Scott Rose)

Diane Wichmann - recovery from gall bladder surgery (family of Linda Marshall)

John Williams, Senior and family - under hospice care (uncle of Linda Ward)

Tommy Wilson - heart issues (brother of Linda Ward)

Military Service Personnel:

Amos (son of Hector Corchado)

Chris Buchanan (nephew of Barbara Rowley)

Clayton Davis (grandson of Linda Marshall)

Travis Hayes (nephew of Ginger Hayes)

Blake Smith (son-in-law of John & Mary Myers)

Around Our World:

Leena Lavanya - missionary with ServeTrust working in India; Pastor Koteswarao & Chowtu Palem Church (our partner church in India)

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Finally, perhaps most importantly, food reminds us of the kind of love that God has for us and the kind of love we ought to have for one another. It takes time to prepare a meal for someone else. It takes intention on each of our parts to do that. We have to spend time and money planning the meal and purchasing ingredients. We spend time and effort cleaning, chopping, stirring, seasoning, tasting, seasoning again, and plating. All to let someone know we care about them. And there are so many moments in the scriptures where we see God doing similar things. We will see God break bread and provide for God's people. We will watch God multiply scant resources in the midst of a drought. We will see God care for people through food and rest. We'll even catch a glimpse of God's table and see what the Lord will lay out for all of us one day. All these beautiful images of God, these wonderful understandings of God's love and God's character—they all involve food. I'm looking forward to the next seven weeks. I hope you all will as well!

Grace and peace,
Pastor Ben

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

10/3—Johnny Bush & Brenda Doyle
10/10—Phyllis Edwards & Linda Hall
10/17—John Myers & Keith Packer



**American Red Cross
BLOOD DRIVE**

Give Blood • Give Life

Thank you for hosting the blood drive this past Friday at Hope Valley Baptist Church! We collected 14 units of blood saving and impacting 42 lives!

Thank you for your partnership with the American Red Cross in our life-saving mission!

Sincerely,
Courtney Watkins
American Red Cross



Dear friends,

I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness and caring during my recent knee replacement surgery. I have a few more physical therapy appointments, and then will see my surgeon for a final visit.

I appreciate the cards, texts, phone calls, food and visits. Terry and I are so blessed to be a member of such a caring church. The prayers have meant so much. I am also thankful for Terry, and our Durham children, Larissa and Shane.

With love,
Betty Griffiths

SHOEBOXES FOR APPALACHIA

Shoebboxes for Appalachia, which is coordinated by CBF Field Personnel Scarlette Jasper, is a ministry of Olive Branch Ministries as a part of CBF's Together for Hope Rural Poverty Initiative—a 20-year commitment to the 20 poorest counties in the United States.

This year HVBC will have the opportunity to assist with this program by collecting items and preparing boxes for children and young people in need.

According to Scarlette, because “these boxes may be the only gift some kids will get for Christmas” the goal of the shoebox ministry emphasizes quality instead of quantity, and because children do not always wear a clothing size standard for their age, she requests gift cards instead of clothing items (with the exception of hats and gloves).

Items should be packed in cardboard literature mailer boxes (Dimensions: 12-1/8” L x 9-1/4” W x 4” H). The church will provide boxes for you to use. They can be picked up beginning Wednesday, October 6th at the church office or in the vestibule on Sunday mornings.

REQUESTED ITEMS FOR ALL BOXES:

Washcloth	Toothbrush (1)	Toothpaste (small/medium)
Gloves	Hat	Hairbrush (comb is optional)
2-in-1 Shampoo/Bodywash or 3-in-1 Shampoo/Conditioner/Bodywash*		
One “wow” item (see suggestions by age below)		
A \$10 gift card to Walmart, Family Dollar, or Dollar General—please tape to inside lid of box and clearly mark the balance on the gift card.		

OTHER SUGGESTED ITEMS BY AGE:

High School:

Deodorant*

High-quality “wow” items that are fun and age-appropriate such as footballs, soccer or basketballs, or other sports-related items (flatten and include ball pump if needed), perfume/body-spray/scented lotions,* games, books, nail polish,* nail grooming kits, jewelry, lip balm/gloss, etc.

Preschool-Grade 6:

A high-quality “wow” toy that is age-appropriate such as footballs, soccer or basketballs, or other sports-related items (flatten and include ball pump if needed), games, dolls, stuffed animals, cars/trucks, Lego, etc.

Other fun and age-appropriate items you might like to include such as lip balm, hairbows, books, etc.

PACKING INSTRUCTIONS:

Use the specified cardboard literature mailer box (available from the church)

Do NOT include violent/war-related items (no knives, play guns, etc.).

Package all aerosols and liquids in separate Ziploc bags.*

Tape a label indicating gender and age to each box (e.g. Female-15 yrs.; Male-7 yrs.)

You may include candy, but do not put in boxes—package separately.

You may decorate your box with markers, stickers, etc., but do NOT wrap or seal your box. Olive Branch Ministries checks each individual box prior to delivery.

Other items you may send (separate from the boxes) to be distributed to children include

School supplies

Extra hygiene items (soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, etc.)

Gift cards to these restaurants: Arby's, McDonald's, Hardee's, Subway, KFC, Taco Bell, Pizza Hut, Sonic.

ALTERNATE WAYS TO SUPPORT SHOEBBOXES FOR APPALACHIA

If you would like Olive Branch Ministries to pack a box for you, the cost per box is \$25.00 (\$35.00 to include a gift card). You may make contributions payable to Olive Branch Ministries (memo: Christmas Boxes).

You may choose to simply donate gift cards. If so, please place in envelope and clearly mark the gift card balance on each card.

Online donations to Olive Branch Ministries may be made through CBF at this link: <https://classy.org/campaign/Scarlette-jasper/c103225>

To learn more about Scarlette's ministry please visit <https://olivebranchministriesky.org>.

All Boxes, Gift Cards, and donations not made on online must be received at the church by Sunday, November 7.



**Saturday, October 30
4:30-6:30pm**

If you are bringing a car, please arrive no later than 4:00pm.

Trunk-or-Treat at Hope Valley Baptist Church is a fun, safe way for children in our community to enjoy the traditions of Halloween! We'll have trunks full of candy and other treats, a Photo Spot, and more. Plus, attendees will get to vote for best car and pumpkins! Bring your family and invite your neighbors—you won't want to miss this time of fellowship!

Want to help?

There are many ways you can get involved in Trunk-or-Treat this year. Some areas where you may wish to participate the day of the event include the following:

- Make "goodie bags" for our guests
- Decorate the property (including set-up for the Photo Spot)
- Set up and/or greet guests at the Information Station
- Use your vehicle for trunk-or-treat and passing out candy
- Bring a carved or decorated pumpkin for the event (you may take home afterward)
- Direct traffic
- Make sure each vehicle is stocked with treats
- Run the "voting station" (where our guests will vote on best trunk, and best carved and/or decorated pumpkins)
- Clean-up after the event
- Come and enjoy the fun!

If you are unable to attend the Trunk-or-Treat festivities, you can help by donating any of the following:

- Store-bought wrapped candy or snack items (e.g. mini-pretzel bags, etc.) or other non-food treats
- Decorating supplies (haybales, pumpkins, other Autumn-related outdoor items)
- Money to help costs for goodie bags, decorations, signage, etc.

Volunteer via the sign-up sheet available at church, by calling the church office, or by using this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4EAEA923A5F94-hvbc>

Rain date: Sunday, October 31



October through December are the months that Hope Valley is assigned to provide food for the Yates Association Food Pantry. Everyone is encouraged to pick up a few grocery items for this needed ministry. The pantry depends on the churches of the Association to keep this project going. You may place your donations in the brown bins in the vestibule and in the children's hallway or bring them by the church office. Thanks for your support!

Items Needed:

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| Peanut Butter | Mustard |
| Jelly | Mayonnaise |
| Rice | Miracle Whip |
| Instant Potatoes | Canned Soup- |
| Mac/Cheese | Oatmeal |
| Grits | Juices |
| Canned Meats | Cereal |
| Canned Fruits | |