



Hope Valley

BAPTIST CHURCH

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UPCOMING SUNDAYS:

Sermon Series: A Whole New World

June 5



Pentecost Sunday

Scripture: Romans 8:9-17
Title: *Spirit Dwelling*

June 12

Trinity Sunday

Scripture: John 16:4b-15
Title: *Truth and the Trinity*

June 19

Scripture: 1 Kings 19:1-15a
Title: *Sheer Silence*

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Brothers and sisters,

It is hard to believe it, but June is upon us! The (very) high temperatures are becoming more regular and the sun is shining longer and longer each day. To me at least, it feels like Easter was just a couple weeks ago, not a month and a half! But as the Easter season comes to a close this Sunday we are invited, as a church, to contemplate the arrival of the Holy Spirit and what that arrival means for us as Christians. There are three main symbols used by the church to reflect on Pentecost and what it means.

The first symbol is a flame. Drawing on the story from Acts 2 when the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples as tongues of fire, the church has used fire imagery to symbolize the arrival of the Spirit. The church talks about the Holy Spirit “lighting a fire” in us to go and do the work of the kingdom. You’ll hear people say they have a “burning passion” for something. Famously, John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, spoke of attending a church service and having his “heart strangely warmed.” That moment renewed his faith and spurred him to continue to preach. The Holy Spirit creates a kind of energy that fire represents so beautifully—strong and persistent.

The second symbol you’ll see on Sunday is a dove. This is actually a symbol that gets moved from where it originally started over to Pentecost. The dove descending from heaven comes to us from Christ’s baptism in Matthew 3. Jesus goes down into the waters of baptism, led by John the Baptist, and as he emerges from the waters, “suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God’s Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him” (Matthew 3:16). And so the dove comes to us as a heavenly symbol of the Holy Spirit’s presence.

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PRAYER CONCERNS
(new additions/updates in bold)

Sympathy is extended to Phil Woodell & family in the death of his nephew, Tony Woodell.

COVID Pandemic Ukrainian situation

Church family with Health Concerns:

Wendy Ash - recovery from surgeries

Irene Barnes - heart issues

Karen Bolton - recovery from surgery

Linda Brown - upcoming hip surgery

Joan Burke

Rachel Dossett - hurt back

LaVerne Ellis - health issues

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

Woody Harton

Julie Hayes - blood pressure issues

Kaye Jenkins - recovery from knee surgery

Rick Lynch - recovery from surgery

Jan Mangum - seeking employment

Linda Marshall

Nancy Michal - health concerns

Brenda Morton - recovery from fall

Keith Packer - recovery from surgery, mild heart attack & COVID

Frank Pokorny - recovery from surgeries

Carol Rigsbee

Barbara Sanders - family members

Faye Shelton - blood cancer

Joe & Doris Story - house flooded

Jerry Tew - Parkinson's

Carolyn Tippet - leukemia

Senior Living Centers:

Durham Regent: Marcella Jerdon

Emerald Pond: Lee Schevill, Sam & Pat Beasley

Universal Health Care: Marie Thompson

HVBC friends and family:

Kim Adams - back surgery (daughter of LaVerne Ellis)

Candy Arnold - brain tumor, chemo (niece of Carol Atkins)

Phil Atkins (friend of Carl & Carol Atkins)

Britt Bentley - recovery from heart and kidney transplant (son of Susan Bentley)

Rebecca Biddy - seizures (daughter-in-law of Peggy Biddy)

Jimmy Bolick - stroke (uncle of Amy Herring)

Hayley Brady - blood clots in lungs (sister of Ginger Rose)

Caitlin, Conrad, and Alice - COVID (friends of Helen Bowen)

Ray Clayton - at memory care facility (brother of Linda Kyles)

Joan Cozart - brain tumor (friend of Joan Burke)

Betty Ann Dickerson - feet & leg problems (friend of Carol Atkins)

JaQuavion Ervin - young boy in foster care with no family (from Scott Rose)

Amy Eubanks - back problems (former member)

Grayson Evans - health issues (grandson of Gail Templeton)

Paul Fain - stomach cancer (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton)

Greg - blood clots (son-in-law of Linda Marshall)

Phyllis Griffiths - lupus (sister-in-law of Terry & Betty Griffiths)

Jackie Harris - dementia (aunt of Julie Stoops, sister of Tommie Calhoun)

Ann Hayes - cancer treatments, in hospital (sister of Julie Hayes)

David Hayes - pacemaker (brother of Julie Hayes)

Alphus & Sherri Herndon - he has cancer & she has Alzheimer's (cousin of Brenda Morton & Irene Barnes)

Wanda Herring - in hospital (mother of Jonathan Herring)

PRAYER CONCERNS (continued)

Jerry (friend of Susan Bentley)

Dana Kelly - heart issues (father of Don Kelly)

Barbara Layne - diabetic, leg surgeries & rehab (extended family of the Dossetts)

Paul Lemay - cancer (uncle of Kevin Simone)

Lindsey - anorexia (friend of Jonathan Herring)

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

Barbara Lowe - leg amputation (mother of Rachel Dossett's brother-in-law)

Doris Lynch - health issues (stepmother of Rick Lynch)

Junior Martin - cancer (friend of Joan Burke)

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

Mark May - autoimmune disease (nephew of Linda Kyles)

Charlotte Mears - unknown internal bleeding (friend of the Bushes)

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

Polly Mitchell - recovery from fall (aunt of Jennifer Bowen)

Neighbors of Susan Bentley - COVID

Eddie Netzlof - cancer (friend of Scott Rose)

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

Stella Perrin - working in Moldova

John Pierce (grandson of Carl & Carol Atkins)

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

Weston Raspberry - health issues (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)

Robbie Sanders - kidney stones (son of Barbara Sanders)

Patrick & Kathy Schermerhorn - difficult month (son & daughter-in-law of Linda Ward)

Andy Sikes - health issues (grandson of Dawn Sikes, former member)

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

Greg Smith - brain & lung cancer (extended family of the Dossetts)

Vicki Smith - breast cancer (extended family of the Dossetts)

Charlotte Soltes (mother of Jessie Lynch)

Stephen - very ill (friend of John & Mary Myers)

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

Adam Stoops - Hodgkins Lymphoma (nephew of Dave Stoops)

Irene Taylor (mother of Rachel Dossett)

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

Sonny Taylor - recovery from surgery (brother of Phyllis Edwards)

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

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

Jeff Webb - brain tumor (friend of Scott Rose)

Tommy Wilson - heart issues (brother of Linda Ward)

Yvonne - cancer (sister of Barbara Sanders' neighbor)

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;

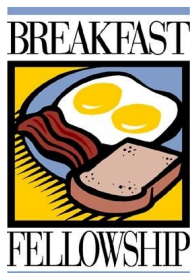
Pastor Koteswarao & Chowtu Palem Church (our partner church in India)

Finally, you'll notice *a lot* of red in the sanctuary on Sunday. The paraments, the scarf on the cross, even Amy's and my stoles will all be red. On the surface, the red symbolism is pretty simple—it hearkens back to the tongues of fire. Heat and fire can be represented by the color red. But for a long time now, the color red, as a liturgical color, has symbolized a desire for justice. It has come to represent the arrival of God's Spirit, yes, but also a church that speaks up for those whose voices are ignored. I particularly like this symbol because I think it speaks to the main point of the Pentecost story. Yes, the Holy Spirit descends upon the disciples with power, in the form of flaming tongues. God's presence is reestablished with them, but the Spirit then *immediately* sends them out into the world to care for people. The Spirit *immediately* sends them out to continue Christ's ministry. It does not descend upon them for no reason! The Holy Spirit comes to guide them to the people who are hurting and give them power to help them.

As we come to Pentecost this year, seek the Spirit's presence in your own life. Who may the Spirit be calling you to? How might God be calling you to help those people? Jesus's ministry was centered around his conviction that every person was a child of God. How is the Spirit leading you to continue that ministry?

I look forward to seeing all of you on Sunday in your brightest red!

Grace and peace,
Pastor Ben



June 12
8:30 am

Rick Lynch will be cooking breakfast for everyone on June 12! Come and enjoy breakfast before the worship service where we will be celebrating our graduates.

Please email or call Robin in the church office by Wednesday, June 8 if you will be attending or if you can help Rick with preparation.

Thanks Rick!

Summer Intern

Hi! My name is Bailey Hardy. I am so excited to be part of Hope Valley Baptist Church for the summer. Thank you for the warm welcome this past Sunday.

I am from Richmond, Virginia and am going into my third and final year of Divinity school at Duke this coming year. My plan is to pursue chaplaincy after graduation. I enjoy music, spending time at the beach, fishing, and really any activity that involves being outdoors.

As I am from Virginia you should know that I was raised a Virginia Tech Hokie fan however I got engaged this past May and my fiancée went to UVA. I am really looking forward to getting to know all of you in the coming months.



Sunday, June 12, 2022

On Sunday, June 12 we will include a special time to recognize, honor, and pray for our graduates. We encourage all graduates and their families to make plans to attend!

Congratulations to our Graduates:

Nikki Bush - from high school

Elizabeth Gardner—from Western Carolina

Elizabeth Herring—from GRACE Christian School—will be attending Meredith College

Genevieve Mua—received nursing degree

Courtney Packer—received masters degree in forensic science

Bradford Rose—from Research Triangle High School

Savanna Sanders—from high school (granddaughter of Barbara Sanders)

Emma Stoops — from Meredith College with BS in Interior Design.

Sean Timmons—received Master of Divinity from Duke University.



What's ahead for the HVBC book club:

June 30—The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis

This discussion will focus on Lewis's use of religious symbolism and will be led by Pastor Ben Wines. You can also read the next book in the series, Prince Caspian.

Coming soon

Hidden Figures, Margo Lee Shetterly
Bootlegger's Daughter, Margaret Maron

HVBC Reads meets via Zoom at 7 PM on the last Thursday night each month. Contact Rhonda Welfare rwelfare411@gmail.com to be added to the Zoom contact list.



This Sunday, June 5



Hope Valley Baptist Church seeks a 15 hr/wk Director of Music Ministry to provide leadership in a comprehensive music program and assist the Senior Pastor in planning and leading worship. Salary is commensurate with skills and experience.

The Director of Music Ministry should demonstrate strong Christian faith and a willingness to support the goals and beliefs of the church, have experience directing vocal and instrumental ensembles, be familiar with different types of music used in a church setting, and have strong planning and organizational skills.

View the job announcement at:
<https://www.hvbc.org/work-for-hvbc/>

To apply, send a cover letter, a resume or vitae, and a list of at least three people we can contact to learn more about your qualifications for this position to Robin Wimberley, HVBC, 6900 Garrett Rd, Durham NC 27707.

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

6/5—Toby Bowen & Johnny Bush
6/12—Mike Bunch & Brenda Doyle
6/19—Mike Dossett & Linda Hall



All church members who are currently serving in a ministry or mission team should now have received an email from the Nominating Team regarding serving next year. (If your email did not arrive, please contact Jennifer Bowen at Jennifer.pt.bowen@gmail.com. As people consider how to serve in the next year, we would like to mention some areas where we know there will be needs in the following areas: Greeters, Youth Sunday School, Family Ministries, Youth Team, Sound Team, Song Leaders and Pianist for Carolina Reserve, and the Nominating Team. **HOWEVER**, if there is somewhere you feel led to serve (or are just curious about), we can use your gifts. Please contact a member of the Nominating Team with any questions you have about what any of the teams do or how to get involved.

Thank you for all you do for our church,
The Nominating Team

Jennifer Bowen, Johnny Bush, Rachel Dossett, and Linda Ward



Mission Trip Opportunity:
Location: Hope Valley Baptist Church
Event: Rocky Railway VBS
Date: July 14-17
Thursday, 7/14 – 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Friday, 7/15 – 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Saturday, 7/16 – 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Sunday, 7/17 – 3:00 – 5:00 pm



How would you like to join us for an outstanding mission opportunity and never have to leave Durham? **Rocky Railway VBS** starts in a little less than six weeks and more families continue to sign up daily. However, this awesome chance to share Jesus' love with the children in our community depends on YOU!

As always, our goal for VBS is **100% participation** of our entire church family, and it is our prayer that every person will find a way to use his or her gifts and talents to participate in this vital ministry to our community. We are confident that EVERYONE in our church can find a role to fill in this year's VBS:

- Welcoming visitors as part of the **Registration and Hospitality Crew**
 - Ministering to children as a **Crew Leader or Station Rotation Leader**
 - Setting up food as part of the **Snacks Team**
 - Maintaining a safe environment for our children and volunteers with the **Security Team**
 - Assisting the **Decorating Team**
 - Helping to provide materials for use at different stations.
- Being a part of our **Prayer Team** and committing to pray for our volunteers and the children and families who will attend VBS at Hope Valley.

To register a child or to volunteer, check out our online registration at www.hvbc.org or call the church office and say, **“Sign me up!”**

Lend (will be returned at the end of VBS):

Play Tunnel
Small Stuffed animals (2)

Donate:

Individually packaged wet wipes (200)
Clorox/Sanitizing Wipes (8 containers)
Small/portable bottles of hand sanitizer (20)
Gallon-size resealable bags (300)
Quart-size resealable bags (15)
Reynolds Freezer Paper (2 rolls)
Sponge balls/dish sponges (12)
1 Carwash-size sponge
2-gallon buckets (6)
5-gallon buckets (6)
3M Command Poster Strips

Pool Noodles (15)
Bandanas (4)
16 oz and 18 oz disposable cups (1 pack)
16 oz disposable cups (1 pack)
Beach Balls (10)
2 Jump Ropes
Small traffic cones (15)
Balloons
Plastic sand-pails/buckets (6)
Duck Tape
Black Electrical/Masking Tape