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UPCOMING SUNDAYS:

Sermon Series: Faith and Art

July 31

Scripture: Genesis 2:1-9, 18-23 Title: German & Flemish Cutlery Cases

August 7

Scripture: Luke 8:26-39 Title: *Head of a Man*

August 14

Scripture: Exodus 32:1-20 Title: *The Worship of the Golden Calf*

CHURCH STAFF

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Rev. Amy Herring Minister to Children & Families

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After several years of joyful service, I will be resigning my position as Minister to Children and Families at Hope Valley Baptist Church effective August 7th, 2022. The past six years in which I have been employed to minister to the children and families of this church have been an experience filled with growth and love, and one that I will always cherish.

It was in the midst of my volunteer work here that I received God's call to pursue vocational ministry through obtaining both my Master of Divinity and Ordination to Ministry, and I will be forever grateful for your support in these endeavors. Yet, while I have no doubt that it was God's will for me to be on staff at Hope Valley, for the past few years I have sensed God's calling to "something more." Within the last month, God opened a new ministry path that, after much prayer and discernment, I feel called to pursue—to return to the field of education as a teacher at GRACE Christian School in Raleigh. As much as my prior experience of teaching helped shape me as a minister, I am excited to bring my experience in ministry into a school where I will have the opportunity to serve and better exercise my giftings in meaningful and life-giving ways.

Thank you so much to the many people who have allowed me to be a part of their lives—whether through children's, youth, or family ministry. I am continuously impressed with the level of dedication to God and to each other that you demonstrate, and it has truly been my privilege to plant and water the seeds of faith as we have worked together to share the Good News of the Gospel and the love of God with our community.

To that end, please know that although I am resigning my current position, I am happy to announce that I am currently in conversation with the Personnel Team and others about how I can continue to serve the children and families of Hope Valley in a limited role (reduced hours and pay)—perhaps as an interim minister—while the church seeks the best way to fill this vacancy.

I wish all of you grace and love.

Blessings, Amy

PRAYER CONCERNS (new additions/updates in bold)

Sympathy is extended to:

The family of Irene Barnes upon her death. The Packer family in the death of Keith Packer.

COVID Pandemic

Ukrainian situation

Church family with Health Concerns:

Wendy Ash - recovery from surgeries

Peggy Biddy - long COVID symptoms

Karen Bolton - recovery from surgery

Linda Brown - upcoming hip surgery

Joan Burke

Rachel Dossett - infusions

LaVerne Ellis - upcoming procedure on 8/2

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

Woody Harton

Julie Hayes - blood pressure issues

Kave Jenkins - recovery from knee surgery

Rick Lynch - test results

Linda Marshall

Nancy Michal - health concerns

Brenda Morton - recovery from fall

Frank Pokorny - recovery from surgeries

Carol Rigsbee

Barbara Sanders - family members

Faye Shelton - blood cancer

Carolyn Tippett - leukemia

Emmett Ward - health issues

Senior Living Centers:

Durham Regent: Marcella Jerdon

Emerald Pond: Lee Schevill, Sam & Pat Beasley

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)

Annie Mae Batten - in hospital (sister of 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)

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)

Walter Dunn - 4-year-old with seizures (friend of the Herrings)

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

Scott Rose)

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 Griffitts - lupus (sister-in-law of Terry & Betty Griffitts)

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)

Bryant Herring - heart issues (father of Jonathan Herring)

Jerry (friend of Susan Bentley)

Dana Kelly - heart issues (father of Don Kelly)

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

PRAYER CONCERNS (continued)

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)

Ray & Vicki Lynch - sudden death of daughter (brother & sister-in-law of Rick Lynch)

Junior Martin - cancer (friend of Joan Burke)

Mark May - autoimmune disease (nephew of Linda Kyles) Charlotte Mears - unknown internal bleeding (friend of

the Bushes)

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

Eddie Netzlof - cancer (friend of Scott Rose)

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

Dana Page - health issues (friend of Scott Rose)

Stella Perrin - working with Ukrainian refugees in Moldova

John Pierce (grandson of Carl & Carol Atkins)

Phil Ponder - cancer (friend of Carl & Carol Atkins) Sheri Rasberry - cancer (sister-in-law of Michelle Hunt)

Weston Rasberry - 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)

Franci Rokoske - fractured spine (friend of Amy Herring)

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

Carol Roycroft - cancer (niece of Dorothy Moore)

Robbie Sanders - kidney stones (son of Barbara Sanders) Patrick & Kathy Schermerhorn - difficult month (son &

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

Susan Smileowicz - stroke (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton)

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

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

Charlotte Soltes - fall & other health issues, at UNC Hospital (mother of Jessie Kelly)

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

Adam Stoops - Hodgkins Lymphoma (nephew of Dave Stoops) Irene Taylor - COVID & other health concerns (mother of

Rachel Dossett)

Matthew Taylor - salvation & direction (request by the Dossetts) Sonny Taylor - recovery from surgery (brother of Phyllis

Edwards)
Sara Thompson - recovery from surgery (mother of Leigh Bigger)

Heath Tuttle - 13-year-old with cancer (friend of Linda Ward)
Elaine & Tom vanDalen - health concerns (sister & brother-inlaw of Karen Bolton)

Amy VanderMeer - kidney problems, upcoming surgery (daughter of the Dossetts)

Jeff Webb - brain tumor (friend of Scott Rose)

Tommy Wilson - heart issues (brother of Linda Ward)

Mike Yeargan - cancer (nephew of LaVerne Ellis)

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

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

7/31—Mike Dossett & Johnny Bush

8/7—Brenda Doyle & Anne Pokorny

8/14—Linda Ward & Barbara Sanders



1—Billy Lewter

7—Tom Hall

10-Jacquie Allen

14—Marie Bush

15-Bonnie Lyon

15—Abby Younts

18—Robbie Ellis

18-Logan Myers

24-Joan Burke

24—Shirley Lewter

25—Barbara Rowley



Our next date is August 18.

Please let Anne Pokorny know how you can help.



Zoom Bible Study

Starting September 13, 2022 at 9:30 am

The Jesus You May Not Know

By David Jeremiah

Please email or call Robin to sign up so we can order the proper number of books. The total cost of the books is **\$30 per person** **be sure to note the price reduction.** This includes the hardback book & a study guide.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Ward at 919-451-2876.



Hope Valley Staff and Church Family,

We wish to thank you for the prayers, calls, cards and visits during Jerry's illness and death. We are also grateful for the preparations necessary for us to use the Family Life Center after the service.

Your expressions of love and kindness are a testament of God's love through you.

Love in Christ, Idell Tew & Family

Church at its Best: Rocky Railway VBS 2022

Thank you to those of you who provided materials and/or money, who prayed, and who showed up and served—as Bible Story Leaders, Craft and Imagination Station Leaders, Games Leaders, Crew Leaders, Registration and Hospitality Staff, Decorating, Set-Up, and Clean-Up Staff, Snack and Sunday Night Dinner Staff, Security Staff, Sound and Technology Staff, Photography and Videography Staff, and those who signed up as "floaters" and just worked wherever you were needed at that time for that day. The time and energy and dedication that you poured into this labor of love that we know as Vacation Bible School helped share the Good News of the Gospel and the love of God with our community!

