HOPE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

September 18, 2022



Our Church Staff

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Our Vision: to be a Christ-centered community, worshiping in the Spirit, growing in discipleship, and sharing God's love.

The Church at Worship

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Benjamin Wines

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude Lift High the Cross Kathryn Bunch and

CRUCIFER Barbara Rowley

Call to Worship Psalm 98:1-6 Rev. Amy Herring

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song,

People: For he has done marvelous things. Leader: His right hand and his holy arm, People: They have gotten him victory.

Leader: The Lord has made known his victory;

People: He has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

Leader: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to Israel.

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; **People: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, **People: With the lyre and the sound of melody.** Leader: With trumpets and the sound of the horn

People: Make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

Invocation Rev. Amy Herring

Hymn of Praise No. 415Lift High the Cross

CRUICIFER

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Mike Bunch

Children's Message Rev. Amy Herring

Hymn of Faith No. 264 Where Charity and Love Prevail RESIGNATION

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Benjamin Wines

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

Anthem Be Present, Spirit of the Lord Dudley-Smith & Beall

Be present, Spirit of the Lord. Let sounds of earth be dumb, the Father's love be shed abroad, the dew of blessing on us poured, oh, silent Spirit, come. Oh, silent Spirit, come.

In power unseen upon us rest, in power unseen upon us rest, your gracious gifts impart. Every gift impart. A mind-renewed, a Spirit blessed, a Spirit blessed. A life where Christ is manifest. An understanding heart, an understanding heart.

Oh, Spirit come and with us stay; Make every heart your home. So work in us that we who pray, may walk with Christ in wisdom's way. Oh, Holy Spirit, come, oh, Holy Spirit, come.

SermonFoolishnessRev. Benjamin WinesHymn of Commitment No. 642Jesus, Keep Me Near the CrossNEAR THE CROSSBenedictionRev. Benjamin WinesPostludePromiseKathryn Bunch

Natalie Sleeth

Town Hall Meeting

Today, September 18 3:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Student Prayer Partners

For several years, the Student Prayer Partner program at Hope Valley has been an important part of the church's ministry to young people and families through strengthening the intergenerational relationships that are so necessary for church community and the passing-on of faith. If you are willing to make a commitment to pray for and to provide tangible expressions of love and support for a child, youth, or young adult in our church during the upcoming school year, please sign-up via the Sign-Up Genius Link (noted below) or by contacting Robin Wimberley at the church office.

Once you have selected a student (or students), you will receive an email containing information related to your student including his/her birthdate, address (and email address if applicable), and phone number. You are encouraged to contact your student at least once a month—especially on holidays and his/her birthday. Contact can be as simple as a phone call, email, or letter or card dropped in the mail. You are also encouraged to occasionally mail or drop-off special surprises as appropriate (stickers, balloons/simple crafts, etc.) If you wish to help with our college student ministry, please add your name to the slot labeled "College" on the Sign-Up Genius link. Rhonda Welfare will be coordinating this aspect of the ministry.

Student Prayer Partner Sign-Up

Link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4EAEA923A5F94-20222023

Sermon Notes

September 18, 2022
Fifteenth Sunday
after Pentecost

"Foolishness"

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Emphasis on v. 18, 21-23

Questions for Further Reflection:

What were your first impressions to hearing Paul say that the message of the cross is "foolishness"? Why do you think he does that? What might be some unexpected ways you can show up for others?