



Hope Valley

BAPTIST CHURCH

Loving, Serving and Reaching out in Christ's name.

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UPCOMING SUNDAYS:

October 30

Guest Speaker—Rev. Jeanell Cox

Scripture: Luke 19:1-10

Title: *A Wee Little Man Wasn't He*

November 6

All Saints Day

Scripture: Ephesians 1:11-23

Title: *The Power at Work in Christ*

November 13

Scripture: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4

Title: *Faithful Boasting*

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Brothers and sisters,

By the time you're reading this article, I will no longer be in the state of North Carolina. As you all know, I'm on vacation this week and my friends and I have traveled out of state for one of the most interesting trips I've taken in a while! By the time you read this, I will be in Salem, Massachusetts, just a couple days before Halloween.

As a history buff and a nerd for all things religious studies, I'm incredibly excited to travel to a place where every street has a history, every building has a story, and every name has a past. I'm also excited to be there just a few days before Halloween simply because I love Halloween and Salem is a place that leans into the wonderful weirdness of that holiday. It leans into the air of mischief and mystery that Halloween brings with it. And, from all I've read about the town, it is this incredible blend of the old and new. You can walk down one street and find a wax museum that recreates the people involved in the Salem Witch Trials. Walk down another and you'll come to the House of the Seven Gables, made famous by Nathaniel Hawthorne. Turn the corner, though, and you'll find yourself in a run-of-the-mill Starbucks or a CVS. Salem's past and present intersect in a fascinating way.

Now, obviously Halloween gets a lot of fanfare each year. As of 2021, Halloween was a \$10.1 billion industry in America, with \$1.9 billion being spent on candy alone. Stores deck themselves out selling various spooky products and decorations. But there is a church holiday the day after Halloween that doesn't get the credit it deserves.

All Saints Day happens every year on November 1. Halloween's modern name is derived from its original name, All Hallows Eve—that is, the day before All Saints Day. And in the past, All Saints Day was a day of the year in which churches would honor the lives and the faith of Christian martyrs, the saints, who had come before them. In modern times, though, we tend to use the word "saint" to describe any person of faith.

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PRAYER CONCERNS
(new additions/updates in bold)

Hope House family – housing, school & medical issues

Church family with Health Concerns:

Wendy Ash
Peggy Bidy - recovery from cataract surgeries
Karen Bolton - recovery from fall
Linda Brown
Joan Burke
Rachel Dossett
LaVerne Ellis
Heidi Hall - spinal muscular atrophy (daughter of Sandra & Rick Hall)

Woody Harton

Julie Hayes - blood pressure issues

Shirley Lewter - recovery from fall & surgery

Linda Marshall
Kendra Merritt - upcoming eye surgery
Nancy Michal - recovery from surgery
Brenda Morton - recovery from fall
Stephen Myers - Crohn's disease
Carol Rigsbee
Barbara Sanders - family members
Faye Shelton - blood cancer
Carolyn Tippet - leukemia
Emmett Ward - health issues

Senior Living Centers:

Durham Regent: Marcella Jerdon

Emerald Pond: Lee Schevill, Sam & Pat Beasley

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 - health issues (son of Susan Bentley)
Bruce & Linda Benton - him from pelvic surgery & she has breast cancer (HVBC former members)
Rebecca Bidy - in hospital (daughter-in-law of Peggy Bidy)
Jimmy Bolick - stroke (uncle of Amy Herring)
Hayley Brady - blood clots in lungs (sister of Ginger Rose)
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)
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)
Bryan Herring - heart surgery (cousin 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)
Barbara Lowe - leg amputation (mother of Rachel Dossett's brother-in-law)
Junior Martin - cancer (friend of Joan Burke)
Charlotte Mears - unknown internal bleeding (friend of the Bushes)
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)

PRAYER CONCERNS (continued)

John Pierce (grandson of Carl & Carol Atkins)
Phil Ponder - cancer (friend 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)
Franci Rokoske - fractured spine (friend of Amy Herring)
Joe Rollins - recovery from fall (cousin of Carol Atkins)
Carol Roycroft - cancer (niece of Dorothy Moore)
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)
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)
Patricia Taylor - recovery from shoulder surgery (mother of Jennifer Bowen)
Ted - serious health problems (friend of Jacquie Allen)
Heath Tuttle - 13-year-old with cancer (friend of Linda Ward)
Amy VanderMeer - kidney problems (daughter of the Dossetts)
Gregg Wallace - upcoming heart surgery (brother of Cheryl Wallace)
Jeff Ward - mass in stomach (son of Emmett & Linda Ward)
Jeff Webb - brain tumor (friend of Scott Rose)
Dee White - bone cancer, starting chemotherapy (cousin of Barbara Rowley)
John & Crawford Williams - she has aphasia (sister-in-law of Lucy Woodell)
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)



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That means that All Saints Day has grown into this holiday where the church takes time to remember those Christians that have come before us. It is a day when we deliberately take time to consider the ways that the Christians we have known in our own lives, before they passed away, have shaped and molded us. It is this beautiful expression of the way that God calls all kinds of people from places all over the world to be a family of faith. It reminds us of their love for God, their neighbors, and for each of us. It is a beautiful holiday where the church's past and present intersect in a faithful way.

Typically, churches celebrate All Saints Day on the first Sunday after November 1 and so we will be celebrating on November 6 this year. The families of our church members who have gone on to glory have been invited to join us for a special service that Sunday. You are invited as well. Come on November 6 and support our brothers and sisters who have lost someone. Come and share with them a fond memory of their loved one. Come and remind them that you are available to them if they ever need anything. Come and be a part of this tradition that links us with those saints who have gone before us, those saints who live among us, and those saints who will come after us.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Ben

COLLEGE STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Help us stay in contact while they are in college with your children, grandchildren, and other young people connected to Hope Valley. Send your student's US Mail address and/or email to the church office. We promise not to overwhelm them with communication, but we do want to keep in touch.

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

10/30—Linda Ward & Mary Summerlin

11/6—Cameron Packer & Mike Dossett

11/13—Lucy Woodell & Mike Bunch



Service Opportunity

We have recently begun to have children that need to be cared for during the 11:00 am worship service. If you are willing to volunteer to serve during worship one Sunday a month, please contact Robin at the church office.



Mark your calendars now for Thanksgiving Dinner at **1:00 pm Thursday, November 24**, in the Family Life Center. Bring side dishes, bread and dessert to share. Meat and beverages will be provided. Reservations are requested but not required. To make a reservation or to volunteer, contact Rhonda Welfare (rwelfare411@gmail.com).



**November 6, 2023
After Worship Service
Copies of the Motions &
other information are
located in the vestibule.**



Sunday, November 6



Mark your calendars for **November 3 at 9:30 am**. We will meet at the church and carpool to Jean's Neighborhood Market in Apex. They have mums, ice cream, cider, apples, jams & jellies, fall vegetables and lots of fall decorating ideas!



The Hospitality/Coffee room has been refreshed and given a facelift. New curtains, new rug, upholstered chairs and the supplies for coffee and tea are fully stocked. Also the room has been painted. It is very inviting and ready to be used. The coffee machine is present with pods and if you have never used this machine there are instructions on the table. Please help yourself!



HVBC READS schedule:

7:00 pm December 8 - *Becoming* by Michelle Obama

Becoming, by Michelle Obama, is a candid reflection on the former first lady's life.

HVBC READS meets monthly via Zoom, usually at 7:00 pm on the last Thursday each month. Because of the holidays, the November and December meetings will be combined and the group will meet to discuss *Becoming* on December 8.

Becoming is available in print, eBook and audio book format from the Durham Public Library, from local new and used bookstores, and online. Durham Public Library Book Club Kit copies of *Becoming* may be available early in November.



- 4—Gail Templeton
- 5—Linda Marshall
- 7—Justin Hayes
- 10—Carol Rigsbee
- 13—Brenda Harton
- 16—Steven Myers
- 20—Lucy Woodell
- 22—Jan Mangum
- 27—Elizabeth Herring
- 27—Herschel Ngeve
- 29—Terry Griffiths
- 30—Jacob Ngeve



Sunday, October 30
4:30-6:30 pm

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 the church or by calling the church office..



Coming Soon: Christmas Angel Tree!

We are preparing for the Christmas season and very soon you will see the “Angel Tree” filled with tags! This year, HVBC will be purchasing gifts for \$50 or less for homeless men, women and children in Durham from the Durham Rescue Mission. We ask that you select a tag, purchase the gift, place in a Christmas type **bag** and return it to the church office by **Sunday, December 4**. The requested gifts will be given to shelter residents on Christmas Day!

You may choose to partner with someone else to provide a gift(s) that are more costly than you feel you can afford. You may also choose to take more than one tag. If you have any questions, please talk to a member of the Missions Team, or call the church office.



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.

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 | Jelly | Juices |
| Cereal | Rice | Oatmeal |
| Canned Fruits | Mac/Cheese | Soup |
| Canned Meats | Mayonnaise | Grits |
| Mustard | Instant Potatoes | |



Christmas Shoebox Ministry for Olive Branch Ministries

Appalachian Ministries CBF Field Personnel Scarlette Jasper

CAUTION: It’s different this year! In 2021, we filled shoeboxes with needed items and a “Wow!” gift for children and senior adults in the poorest areas of Appalachia! We met and have continued to support Scarlette Jasper, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Field Personnel. Because of tight deadlines and expensive shipping, we will not be preparing and sending shoe boxes. Instead, we will collect money and \$10 gift cards to send to Scarlette.

Every year, Scarlette purchases whatever she needs on faith... and God always provides! She distributes the gift cards and will purchase items needed to fulfill the shoebox requirements. \$10.00 Giftcards can be purchased for the following stores: Walmart, Dollar General, Family Dollar, or Kroger. Please consider what you can give. Missions Team members are available to purchase gift cards for you, if it would be helpful. Please designate your gifts for “Olive Branch Ministries.” Look for a collection center and more information around the church. **Deadline for this collection is November 13.**