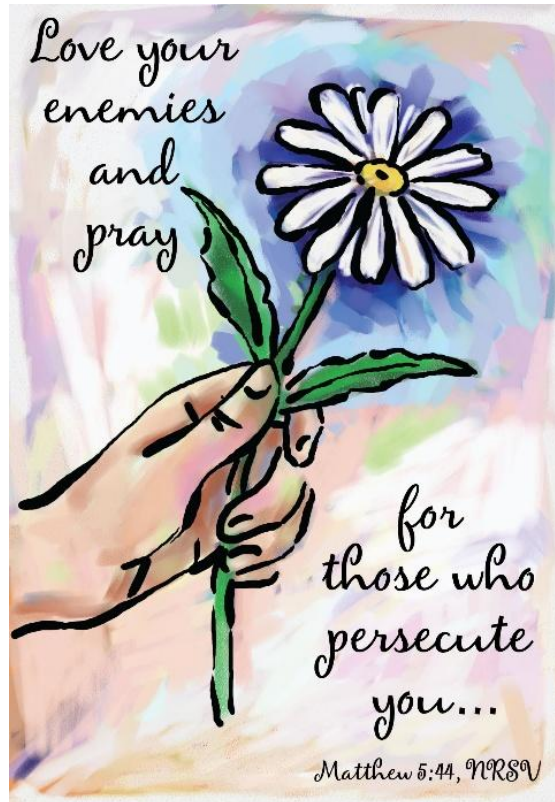


HOPE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

July 12, 2026



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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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Benjamin Wines

Chiming of the Trinity

Call to Worship

Psalm 112:1-2, 4-9

Rhonda Welfare

Leader: Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord,

People: Who greatly delight in his commandments.

Leader: Their descendants will be mighty in the land;

People: The generation of the upright will be blessed.

Leader: They rise up in the darkness as a light for the upright;

People: They are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

Leader: It is well with those who deal generously and lend,

People: Who conduct their affairs with justice.

Leader: For the righteous will never be moved;

People: They will be remembered forever.

Leader: They are not afraid of evil tidings;

People: Their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord.

Leader: Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid;

People: In the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

Leader: They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor;

People: Their righteousness endures forever.

Invocation

Rhonda Welfare

Hymn of Praise No. 307

All Creatures of Our God and King

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:38-48
(page 1507 in the pew bible)

Mike Dossett

Children's Message

Mike Bunch

Hymn of Faith No. 17

This Is My Father's World

TERRA PATRIS

Worship through Stewardship

Offertory Prayer

Julie Stoops

Anthem

Rain Down
with "As the Deer"

James Koerts

Rain down, rain down, rain down Your love on Your people.

Rain down, rain down, rain down Your love, God of life.

Faithful and true is the Word of our God. All of God's works are so worthy of trust.

God's mercy falls on the just and the right. Full of God's love is the earth.

Rain down, rain down, rain down Your love on Your people.

Rain down, rain down, rain down Your love, God of life.

God of creation, we long for Your truth. You are the water of life that we thirst.

Grant that Your love and Your peace touch our hearts. All of our hope lies in You.

Rain down, rain down, rain down Your love on Your people.

Rain down, rain down, rain down Your love, God of life.

*As the deer panteth for the water, so my soul longeth after You. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship You. You alone are my Strength, my Shield.
To You alone may my spirit yield.*

*Rain down, rain down, rain down Your love on Your people.
Oh, rain down, rain down, rain down Your love, God of life.*

Offertory Response

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him, above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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.

Sermon

Be Perfect

Rev. Benjamin Wines

Hymn of Commitment No. 517

Go Forth for God

GENEVA 124

Benediction

Rev. Benjamin Wines

Postlude

Benediction Medley
Arr. Mark Hayes

Kathryn Bunch

*** Those who are able are invited to stand or to remain standing.**

The flowers in the sanctuary today are in memory of Shirley Lewter.

Deacons of the Week – Ron Parker & Julie Stoops
Attendance last week – 63

2026 Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars for this year's Hope Valley Baptist Church Vacation Bible School, **God's Toolbox: Built for a Purpose.** This event will be held **9:30 am—12:30 pm on Saturday, July 18 and 25.**

If you would like to register children online, the form is on the church website at www.hvbc.org.

There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers in the vestibule this morning. Please be sure to stop by and sign up to help on any of those Saturdays. Call the church office for more information at (919) 493-1809.

Sunday Social

Please join us on Sunday, July 19 for our Sunday Social. We will meet in the Choir Room after morning worship.

Pickleball

July 25
3:00 – 5:00 pm
Come join the fun!

Families Moving Forward

Our next date to help feed families is **July 23**.

Please let Anne Pokorny know how you can help with this mission.

Deacon Nomination

We have inserted into this bulletin a Deacon Nomination and Election form for your use to nominate candidates for a deacon position next year. Please be sure to return this form to Brenda Doyle (Deacon Chair), Mike Dossett (Deacon Vice-Chair, or the church office by **Sunday, August 9**.

2026 Deacon Nomination and Election Process

Our church needs to provide up to six (6) Deacon positions for the new church year. Each person elected will be expected to serve a three-year term (October 2026 through September 2029).

Beginning now through Sunday, August 9, members are asked to nominate candidates for Deacon (using the form below) that they have talked with and feel are willing to serve if elected.

To those nominated, the Deacon Chair or a small group of Deacons will explain the role of Deacon and confirm they are willing to serve. Once a slate of nominees is complete, the church will vote to fill available Deacon positions from a list of nominated candidates who are willing to serve.

Deacons who are currently serving and ineligible for nomination are: Jennifer Bowen, Toby Bowen, Mike Bunch, Marie Bush, Mike Dossett, Brenda Doyle, John Myers, Corette Parker, Ron Parker, Anne Pokorny, Ginger Rose, Barbara Sanders, Julie Stoops, Cheryl Wallace, and Rhonda Welfare.

Newly elected Deacons will begin service on October 1.

I nominate the following person(s) to serve as a Deacon for Hope Valley Baptist Church beginning in October 2026. I believe this person(s) possesses and demonstrates a deep faith, a commitment to faithfulness in serving God and the church, and a spirit that reflects the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. I have spoken with this person and he/she is willing to serve if elected by the congregation.

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Nominated by: _____

Please return this form to Brenda Doyle (Deacon Chair), Mike Dossett, (Deacon Vice-Chair), or the church office by Sunday, August 9.

Sermon Notes

July 12
Seventh Sunday
after Pentecost

“Be Perfect”
Matthew 5:38-48
Emphasis on verses 43-45, 48

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Questions for Further Reflection:

In this passage, Jesus gives his disciples a simple command, "Be perfect." How can we take a command like that seriously? And how does a command like that change the way we view the world?