

HOPE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

September 27, 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 25:1-10

Ron Parker

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

People: O my God, in you I trust;

Leader: Do not let me be put to shame;

People: Do not let my enemies exult over me.

Leader: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;

People: Let them be ashamed who are treacherous.

Leader: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

People: Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

Leader: For you are the God of my salvation;

People: For you I wait all day long.

Leader: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love.

People: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions.

Leader: Good and upright is the Lord;

People: Therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

Leader: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,

People: For those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

Invocation

Ron Parker

Hymn of Praise No. 215

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

DARWALL

Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
(pages 1312-1315 in the pew bible)

Barbara Sanders

Children's Message

Rev. Benjamin Wines

Deacon Ordination – Michael Calloway & Betty Griffiths

Hymn of Faith No. 478

God Is Calling Through the Whisper

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Worship through Stewardship

Offertory Prayer

Brenda Doyle

Anthem

Total Devotion

Havergal/Grassi

*Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, take my feet, take my voice and
let me sing. Always for my King, only for my King.*

*Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold. Take my will and make it Thine, it
shall be no longer mine. Take my heart it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne. Take this
love I pour, at Thy feet, O Lord. Take my life let it be, only, all for Thee.*

Take my life, I will ever be all for Thee.

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

"Define 'Unfair'"

Rev. Benjamin Wines

Hymn of Commitment No. 482

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM, LORD

Benediction

Rev. Benjamin Wines

Postlude

The Solid Rock
Tim Doran

Barbara Rowley

Deacons of the Week – Mike Dossett & Brenda Doyle
Attendance last week – 57



Ladies Fellowship

Saturday, October 3

Starting at 9:00 am

Fellowship Hall

Breakfast and lunch will be provided along with Bible study. Please RSVP to Robin in the church office by Wednesday, September 30.

Pastor Ben will be on vacation

September 28 – October 4.

Dr. Curtis Freeman will be preaching on October 4.

Fall Festival

Mark your calendars now for our
Fall Festival on **October 31**.

More details to come!

Food Bank

The next monthly volunteer session for our team is **September 29 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm**.

If you would like to carpool, meet at the church at 12:15 pm.

Reminder that you will need to be able to stand for the 2-hour session and should wear close-toe shoes.

If you have not volunteered in the past, please contact Julie Stoops and she can provide you with the process of how to register.

Sermon Notes are on the next page.

Sermon Notes

September 27
Eighteenth Sunday
after Pentecost

"Define 'Unfair'"
Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
Emphasis on verses 4, 31-32

This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal blue or grey ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There is no handwriting or other markings on the paper.

Questions for Further Reflection:

In this passage, the people accuse God of being unfair. First of all, are they correct? Second, how does God respond to their claim? Third, how does the gospel *depend* on unfairness?