THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

INVITATION, CONFESSION, AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will, we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pause for silent confession.

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
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Glory to God. Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (spoken responses)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The minister continues

And so, with your people on earth, and all the company of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The minister continues

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The minister continues

Through your son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,
all honor and glory are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

*RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP (Gluten-free elements available)

*PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HAYES BARTON HIGHLIGHTS

NIGHT OF WORSHIP – TONIGHT, 6–7PM

Join our LightHouse Band for an evening worship experience in Holroyd Hall.

UMW MARCH MISSION STUDY – MARCH 16, 6–8PM

The United Methodist Women invite you to a special March Mission Study honoring the life and legacy of Jo Anna McMillan. Our guest speaker will be Maggie Kane, founder and executive director of A Place at the Table. Learn more at hbumc.org/signups.

UMM DINNER: FAITH, SERVICE, & LEGACY – MARCH 17, 6:30–8PM

Join us for the March UMM meeting, where we'll hear from our own John Cates about the America 250 Oak City Tree Campaign, an important initiative in Raleigh. Learn more at hbumc.org/signups.

SPONSOR AN EASTER LILY

Add to the beauty of our church during Easter. Purchase of Easter Lilies, $15 each.
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FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The finance committee will host office hours with the congregation on Sunday, March 22, and April 12 as a time and place to gather and address any questions members have about the 2026 Financial Review. Join us in the Parlor during the Sunday School Hour.

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COMMISSIONER

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PRAYER CONCERNS

To submit a confidential or shared prayer request to the clergy, please email prayer@hbumc.org.

DEATH
Dr. Frank Maness,
father of Anne Whitney: March 8

PRAYER LIST
Zack Anstett
Dorothy Ashworth
Becky Balentine
Rick Clayton
Bill Collins
Katherine Fox
Jo Garrett
Steve Gill
Pat & Bud Gore
Trish Holmes
Jo Ann & Nevelle Jones
Chuck Kavcsak
Steve Motter
Mike Nearing
Krystina Ortiz
Jim Riggins
Sue Robertson
Steve Roper
Neil Rudolph
Theresa & Dick Stevens
Victoria Sullivan
Susan Ward
Jennifer Wlodarski

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS
Our Government Leaders
Those Affected by
Natural Disasters
Our In-Crowd Members
We pray for peace and the end of conflict around our world

OUR CHURCH LEADERS
Pastors David, Sarah,
Matt, and Claire
Our HBUMC Ministry Team
District Superintendent
Alan Felton
Bishop Connie Shelton

Hayes Barton United Methodist Church
March 15, 2026
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Welcome to Hayes Barton!
Our vision is to become fully alive as followers of Jesus Christ.

We seek to do this by choosing Christ, Community, and Compassion.

If you would like to learn more about our congregation and ways to connect, please contact Amy Piland, at **apiland@hbumc.org.**

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Sometimes the hardest part of love is accepting that we cannot control another person's choices. Pilate's wife sees clearly what others refuse to see and tries to turn her husband away from a terrible decision. What does faithfulness look like when the people we love choose a path we cannot change, and is it possible to love them anyway?

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Go to Dark Gethsemane* arr. Lloyd Larson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let love be genuine. Hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good.
We come to worship the Lord with sincere hearts.

Love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.
We come seeking the grace to live in peace with one another.

Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.
With hope in our hearts, we offer ourselves to God.

Let us worship the Lord!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Come, Thou Almighty King* Hymn #61

*OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, you call us to rejoice in hope, to be patient in suffering, and to seek peace with one another. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us in this hour of worship. Shape our hearts into the likeness of Christ, that we may trust you with what we cannot change and walk faithfully in your grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Romans 12:17–18

Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 27:19

While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him."

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Power and Passion: Pilate's Wife* Pastor David

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*RESPONSE HYMN (11:00) *Go to Dark Gethsemane* verses 1 & 2 Hymn #290

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00) Page 39

Robert Glenn Barnes,
son of Mary Claire & Peter Barnes

Baker Drew Hutchins,
son of Drew & Nathan Hutchins,
brother of Cole

INVITATION, CONFESSION, AND PARDON (8:30) *See back of the Order of Worship*

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND FOR THE WORLD

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

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OFFERTORY *Be Thou with Me* Johann W. Franck
Chamber Choir (8:30) Chancel Choir (11:00)

Be Thou with me through darkened night,
That I may see the day illumined bright
Oh, thank Thee for the hope we have in Thee.

Take Thou my hand near Thee to stand.
All they rejoice who lay their trust in Thee,
Our Savior, forever Thine to be.

Songs of triumph praise thy name
Above all earthly joy proclaim!
Enlighten mine eyes To see the way:
Be Thou with me, oh Father most high.

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymn #95

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

HOLY COMMUNION (8:30)

The liturgy for The Great Thanksgiving can be found on the back of the Order of Worship.

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought* Hymn #128

*BENEDICTION AND CHIMES

POSTLUDE

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WORSHIP LEADERS

USHERS (8:30)
Joe Tripp, Captain
John Floyd

USHERS (11:00)
Carson Carmichael, Captain
Cab Barkley, Collins Barwick,
Tom Perkinson, Dickie Thompson

CRUCIFER (8:30)
Cayleb Miller

ACOLYTES (8:30)
Reid Sherrill, Frank Clifton

GREETER (11:00)
Miriam Lang

COMMUNION SERVERS (8:30)
Annette Cass, Shelly Greer,
Lynn Kavcsak, Marcy Miller

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS
are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Frank Scott
on the occasion of his 93rd birthday
by Nancy Scott

MUSIC
Mike Trexler, Director of Creative Arts
Stephen Aber, Organist