

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (8:30)

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.**

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!
**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.**

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (sung 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.**

WORSHIP LEADERS

USHERS (8:30)
Dudley Gwaltney, Tom Hepler,
Joe Tripp, Doug Trowell,
Ann Whitney

USHERS (11:00)
Fil Stidham, Captain
George Anderson, Glenn Bell,
Henry Campen, Ronnie Harrell,
Joey Propst, Ronny Rogers,
Donna Seligson, Charlie Warner

CRUCIFER (8:30)
Cayleb Miller

CRUCIFER (11:00)
Ellie Kerr

GREETER (8:30)
Ellen Safrit

GREETER (11:00)
Katherine Anderson

COMMUNION SERVERS (8:30)
Rachel & Garrett Pedersen
Laurie Harrell

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS
are given to the Glory of God and in loving
memory of our son Warren Balentine
by John and Becky Balentine

MUSIC
Mike Trexler, Director of Creative Arts
Stephen Aber, Organist
Michelle Hile, Guest Pianist

PRAYER CONCERNS

DEATHS
Connie Long Alley, mother of
Melanie Tharrington

PRAYER LIST
Alex Allen
Zack Anstett
Dorothy Ashworth
Katie Burgess Cashwell
Bill Collins
Steve Gill
Pat & Bud Gore
Gilbert Hay
Roqia H.
Jim Jones
Jo Ann & Nevelle Jones
Oliver Morrel

Jim Riggins
Sue Robertson
Gladys Rose
Theresa & Dick Stevens
Victoria Sullivan
Jamie Moncol Wall

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS
Our Government Leaders
Those Affected by
Natural Disasters
Our In-Crowd Members
Peace in Palestine, Israel,
Haiti, and Ukraine

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



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

Scan the QR code for this week’s Commissioner or pick
up a paper copy in the Welcome Center.



GATHERING AND PRAISE

*Sometimes the greatest call of faith is to be faithful even when we don't feel like it.
In the story of the persistent widow, we are called to be like the judge -
who eventually does the right thing, even though his heart wasn't totally in it.*

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus told a parable so we would pray always and not lose heart.
We come, trusting that God still hears our prayers.

Like the widow who would not give up, we bring our needs before God.
We come with faith that God is just and merciful.

Let us worship the One who is faithful and near.
Thanks be to God!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* Hymn #117

*OPENING PRAYER

**Faithful God, You hear every cry and see every act of faith.
When we grow weary, give us courage to keep praying.
When answers seem far away, remind us You are near.
Renew our hope, strengthen our hearts, and make us steadfast in love.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Philippians 1:12-18

I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually resulted in the progress of the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ, and most of the brothers and sisters, having been made confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, dare to speak the word with greater boldness and without fear. Some proclaim Christ from envy and rivalry but others from goodwill. These proclaim Christ out of love, knowing that I have been put here for the defense of the gospel; the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but intending to increase my suffering in my imprisonment. What does it matter? Just this, that Christ is proclaimed in every way, whether out of false motives or true, and in that I rejoice. Yes, and I will rejoice.

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

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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SERMON *In Defense of Hypocrisy* Pastor David

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

*RESPONSE HYMN (11:00)

<i>Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service</i>	Hymn #581
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PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND FOR THE WORLD

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PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

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or mail checks to: HBUMC, 2209 Fairview Rd, Raleigh NC 27608

OFFERTORY *Prayer for Mercy* Jonathan Reid
Chamber Choir (8:30) Chancel Choir (11:00)

When at Your throne my knee I bend, and humbly plead for mercy there,
Think of the sinner's dying Friend, and for His sake, receive my prayer.

Oh think not of my shame and guilt, the stains for which Your cleansing cry;
Think of the blood which Jesus spilt, and let that blood my pardon buy.

Remember, I am still Your own, the trembling creature of Your hand;
Yet how my heart to sin is prone, and what temptations round me stand.

O think not of my doubts and fears, my strivings with Your grace divine;
Think of Your Son, His pain and tears, and let His merits stand for mine!

Let not Your faithful ways depart, for You have heard my fervent plea,
In love regard my contrite heart, and in Your mercy, pardon me.

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymn #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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 *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* Hymn #514

*BENEDICTION AND CHIMES

POSTLUDE

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