

## 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.**

*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

### POWER & PASSION: LENT SERMON SERIES

This Lent, we journey to the cross through the eyes of six unexpected witnesses: Pontius Pilate, Barabbas, Joseph of Arimathea, Mrs. Pilate, Peter, and Mary. Each stood near Jesus in his final hours, wrestling with power, fear, faith, and hope. Together, we'll explore how their stories reveal the forces that led to the cross and the surprising power of love revealed in the resurrection.

### NEW MEMBER CLASS

Our winter New Member Class begins today. Learn more at [hbumc.org/new](http://hbumc.org/new).

### RISE AGAINST HUNGER, FEBRUARY 28

Hayes Barton is once again partnering with Rise Against Hunger in the global movement to end hunger. Join us Feb 28th from 10am to noon as we package over 10,000 meals to support nutrition, education, and health for children and families facing hunger right now around the world.

Sign up at [hbumc.org/signups](http://hbumc.org/signups).

### LENT BOOK AND BIBLE STUDIES

Our Lenten studies begin February 25th. Find more details and sign up at [hbumc.org/signups](http://hbumc.org/signups) for our Ephesians Study, Lenten Yoga Series, or Power and Passion.

### UMW MARCH MISSION STUDY

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](http://hbumc.org/signups).

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### PRAYER CONCERNS

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#### DEATH

Nelson Davis,  
father of Thomas Davis,  
January 5

#### PRAYER LIST

Zack Anstett  
Dorothy Ashworth  
Rick Clayton  
Bill Collins  
Katherine Fox  
Jo Garrett  
Steve Gill  
Pat & Bud Gore  
Tom Graves

Trish Holmes

Jo Ann & Nevelle Jones  
Chuck Kavcsak  
Steve Motter  
Krystina Ortiz  
Jim Riggins  
Sue Robertson  
Steve Roper  
Neil Rudolph  
Charlie Russell  
Theresa & Dick Stevens  
Victoria Sullivan  
Susan Ward  
Billie Lee Whisnant  
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  
February 22, 2026  
The First 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](mailto:apiland@hbumc.org).

## GATHERING AND PRAISE

*Pilate knew Jesus was innocent, yet he washed his hands and handed Jesus over to the crowd. Too often in life we forget the power God gives us to make a difference in the world, and we choose comfort and safety instead of faithful courage.*

WELCOME

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

To the people of Israel, God says, “Cry aloud; do not hold back.”  
**We lift our voices to you, O Lord, for you know our hearts.**

God has shown us the fast we should choose:  
to challenge the bonds of injustice  
and let the oppressed go free.  
**Teach us your way, O Lord, and lead us in your light.**

Create in us clean hearts, O God, and make us faithful in your sight.  
**Let us worship the Lord!**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN      *O Worship the King*      Hymn #72

\*OPENING PRAYER

**Holy God, at the beginning of this Lenten season, we confess how easily we choose safety instead of justice, and silence instead of truth. You call us to loose injustice and to walk in your light, yet we often cling to what is comfortable. Forgive us when we wash our hands of the holy calling you have given us. Stir us from complacency, strengthen our courage, and lead us in the way of Christ. Amen.**

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST LESSON      Isaiah 58:1–3a, 6–9a

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

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

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

\*GOSPEL LESSON      Matthew 27:11–14, 24

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus said, “You say so.” But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?” But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.”

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SERMON      *Power and Passion: Pontius Pilate*      Pastor David

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\*RESPONSE HYMN (11:00)      *Lead Me, Lord*      Hymn #473

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

**John Macon Cornick Guidry,**  
son of Macon & Stuart Guidry, brother of Cacky

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      *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*      arr. Lloyd Larson  
Chamber Choir (8:30) Chancel Choir (11:00)

I want Jesus to walk with me. All along my pilgrim journey,  
O Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me. When my heart is almost breaking,  
O Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I’m troubled, Lord, walk with me. When my head is bowed in sorrow,  
O Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

\*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      *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*      Hymn #297

\*BENEDICTION AND CHIMES

POSTLUDE

\*Stand as you are able. CCLI License # 2367044

## WORSHIP LEADERS

**USHERS (8:30)**  
Hunter Jones, Captain  
Ben Clifton III, David Hardy  
Chris Taft, Wes Vance, Andrew Tripp

**USHERS (11:00)**  
Greg Weaver, Captain  
Jeff Hendrick, Paul Holscher  
Robby Jessup, Michael McKnight  
Wayne Young

**CRUCIFER (8:30)**  
Cayleb Miller

**ACOLYTES (8:30)**  
Frank & Walker Clifton

**ACOLYTES (11:00)**  
Thomas Warrick

**COMMUNION SERVERS (8:30)**  
Scott Gibson & Tim Edwards,  
Sue Zaytoun, Sherry Wathern

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS**  
are given to the glory of God and  
in honor of Beth’s sister Catherine Hale  
and in loving memory of Dylan’s mother  
Rebekah Baker on their birthdays  
by Dylan, Beth, Hollis, Ladd,  
and Emerson Baker.

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