



The Grapevine

Hopewell United Methodist Church

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Go, stand in the temple courts," he said,
"and tell the people all about this new life."
Acts 5.20 (NIV)

I don't know about you, but spring is my favorite time of the year. The temperatures begin to warm, the sounds of the birds chirping fill the morning air, and the signs of new life begin to emerge from the barren trees and flower beds. As spring begins to unfold, we are given a vivid illustration of the power of Christ in our lives. Like the dormant plants coming to life after having slept during the dark cold months of winter, Christ's death and resurrection have not only given us the promise of eternal life but it allows us to live that new life now. A life that has emerged from the darkness of a broken world.

This is true in our personal lives and in the life of the church. For many of us, the past two years may have seemed like one long cold, dark winter as we have endured the pandemic and the accompanying quarantines, lockdowns, masks, and many other restrictions to travel, work, and recreation. However, this year we are seeing the signs of new life as we transition from a pandemic state to an endemic state. Many of us have returned to traveling, going out to restaurants and entertainment venues and we are seeing the restrictions lifted in many areas giving us signs of new life.

For the church, we are seeing the signs as well. Last year we had the return of corporate worship, fellowship meals and events, and God giving the growth to our church. This year we continue to see signs of new life at Hopewell church as the plans for three new ministries are underway that will minister to those grieving and experiencing the pain of divorce, both adults and children. New mission opportunities are being discovered as we continue to listen to the still quiet voice of God.

Yes, March 2 is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten season that calls us to sacrifice through fasting, focus on our piety, and to reflect on our mortality. However, the light that shines at the end of Lent is our true light, which is Christ, whose resurrection gives us new life. Therefore, go tell the people all about this new life! The new life you have in Christ and the new life they will find at Hopewell church.

Grace and Mercy,

Pastor Bob



Services

Tuesday, March 2nd

12 pm

&

6:30 pm

COFFEE

WITH THE PASTOR

Wednesdays, 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

at Panera

on Brad McNeer Parkway



February Worship

Attendance Average

In-person: 51

Online: 46



- Calculating attendance for online worship is difficult with our current technologies. As we look at new solutions for our online platform, if you watch the service during a different time than when live please comment or send us an email to let us know.
- Sunday School classes are welcome to return if desired. If you would like to help a facilitate a class contact Pastor Bob.

JOYFULLY SERVING

March 6

Lay Reader: Steve Hague
Ushers: Dennis & Judy Crostic
Greeter: Doris Edwards

March 13

Lay Reader: Dennis Crostic
Ushers: Brenda Fones & Janet Rapalee
Greeter: Mary Frances

March 20

Lay Reader: Roger Williams
Ushers: Preston Taylor & Warren Camp
Greeter: Janet Rapalee

March 27

Lay Reader: Jim Kweeder
Ushers: Mike & Robin Scheivert
Greeter: Laura Hatfield

Nursery – available as needed.

Giving Gladly

General Fund Stewardship for the last 4 weeks :



required: \$15,933.29
 received: \$11,882.00
 over/short: (\$ 4,051.29)

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS



- 3 – Linda Morris
- 4 – Cherie Camp
- 6 – Gayle Smith
- 9 – Nancy Jungersen
- 9 – Audra Smith
- 12 – Jennifer Porter
- 12 – Mary Walters
- 17 – Debbie Deavers
- 17 – Judy Reid
- 17 – Scotty Myers
- 19 – Alan McCann
- 20 – Sarah Scott
- 22 – Martha Kay Creasy
- 22 – Delany Deavers
- 22 – Becky Wistrom
- 24 – Walter Williams
- 28 – Mike Scheivert
- 31 – Thom Gann



ANNIVERSARY

- 22 – Dennis & Judy Crostic

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Visit <https://hopewellunitedmethodist.org>

Click the button



To give your tithes and offerings easily online.

We also have 2 new giving options:

- Tithely: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2185267>
- Zelle: treasurer@hopewellunitedmethodist.org

If you need assistance with Zelle, please contact the office.

And we still look forward to finding your envelope in the mailbox!!



WORSHIP ONLINE

You can watch the service live on Sunday at 11am or anytime!

<https://hopewellunitedmethodist.org/>



CALL-IN SERVICE: for those without internet, we offer a call-in service to be able to listen to the worship service each week.

To join over the phone call: 518-318-7925.

To access the recording, dial 720-740-9892. The access code is 3809242# and for the reference number just enter # and you will be given the last recording.





2022 Bible Reading Challenge

Week 9	2/28	3/1	3/2	3/3	3/4
Week 10	3/7	3/8	3/9	3/10	3/11
Week 11	3/14	3/15	3/16	3/17	3/18
Week 12	3/21	3/22	3/23	3/24	3/24
Week 13	3/28	3/29	3/30	3/31	4/1



LET US PRAY DAILY

For the HOMEBOUND:

Marie Clark	Sarah Scott	Lynwood Thompson
Irene Eagles	Jean Sharpe	Buz Walters
Bill Leneave	Lois Thomas	Walter Williams
Helen Leneave	Dorma Thompson	

For ALL Military, including:

Daniel Brown	C.J. Kovas
Shannon Brown	Devin Lewerenz
Jason Helhm	Sam Power
Ryan Helhm	Tyler Smith

For Leaders of the UMC, our Bishop and District Superintendent

Teachers

First Responders

New Ministries

Our Country

All Children

Healthcare Providers

Those affected by COVID

Our President

Government Leaders

Also pray for:

Laura Brown	Belle Eubank	Cathy Markham	Mary Sharpe
Pauline Burnette	Martha Ann Goodrich	Lisa Melody	Mike Sharpe
Vincent Caprara	Melissa Groome	Holly Phillips	Dorothy Smith
Cheryl Cassedy	Jeanette Gross	Patrick Phillips	Lewis Smith
Karen Cline	Roger Gross	Robin Reed	Joseph Sparkman
Tim Davey	Rusty Guess	Al Reid	Bobby Young, Jr.
Rick Davis	Marilyn Hart	Judy Reid	Ukraine
Jenny Easter	Melanie Hawk	Lisa Robertson	
Howard Emory		Mike Scheivert	

LAY LEADER MESSAGE:

Hello to my church family. I hope everyone is doing well today. I know many of you are having health and other problems. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers ALWAYS!

March is finally here. March is known as the month wind and crazy weather. We have had some pretty big snows in March. But March is more than crazy weather and kite flying, it's the beginning of Lent which falls on March 2nd this year. Lent is a time of reflection and soul searching. Many of us will give up something such as a favorite food or drink during this season... and boiled okra doesn't count. No one likes that anyway. As we think of something we might give up, let's think of something we can do as well. You know something we don't normally do or something we don't do a lot of. Let's do something to help others. I know that many of you are already doing many great things to help others and our church. We might want to increase what we are already doing or do something totally different. No matter how young or old you are, good health or bad there is always something you can do. You might have to think outside the box or step out of your comfort zone, but there is something for everyone. It can be as simple as sending a card, making a phone call, visiting a friend or neighbor or helping out at the church. I can't wait to see what you guys come up with.

As always please feel free to contact me with your thoughts, questions, or concerns. Let me know if I may help you in anyway. Thank you again for your friendship, love, and support.

God Bless.

Mike Sharpe

GOSPEL MUSIC NIGHTS



Join us in fellowship at 7PM

MARCH 18th - True Spirit

APRIL 22nd - Good News

MAY 20th - Just Us

Daylight Saving Time

Sunday, March 13th

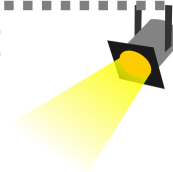
The clocks will spring forward starting that Saturday, March 12



MISSION SPOTLIGHT FOR MARCH

BELMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3510 Broad Rock Boulevard, Richmond, VA 23234



BUMC operates a food ministry as Belmont Community Resource Services, serving an average of 350 families each week. They need help with packing food on Thursdays (non-contact) starting at 9:30am and distributing the food on Fridays (mostly non-contact) starting at 8:30am. They also have a clothes closet and will accept volunteer help as well as donations.

Ways to contact them for information about volunteering:

Phone: 804-275-6336

Website: <http://bcrsra.org>

Facebook: Belmont Community Resource Services

Please feel free to just show up at the above times to volunteer.

Shifts are about 2 1/2 hours — bring your mask, they provide gloves.



Divorce Care Sponsors Needed

We are excited about the upcoming Divorce Care and Divorce Care for Kids (DC4K) ministries that will soon begin here at Hopewell Church. We have targeted March 27 for kick-off registration for adults and children with the first session beginning Monday March 8. The teams are working diligently to help identify supply needs to successfully hold the ministry as they train to facilitate each week's lessons.

Our goal is to offer this as a free ministry to those who are seeking the care and support provided in this setting. To do that, we are offering the members of Hopewell Church to sponsor a child and/or an adult to participate in this ministry. For \$25, your sponsorship will cover the cost of books for the participant, snacks throughout the thirteen-week session, and any craft supplies needed. You will also be provided the name of your sponsored child or adult so that you can send them encouraging notes during the ministry session. If you would like to sponsor a person for the ministry, please make check payable to the church with Divorce Care or DC4K Sponsorship.

We will also be offering a Grief Share ministry and once more information is available about that ministry, we will offer similar sponsorships for the Grief Share participants as well.

*Live in such a way that those who know you, but don't know God,
will come to know God because they know you.*

MARCH



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 12pm Ash Wednesday Service 12pm AA— Valentine #7 5pm AA— Principles #7 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service 7pm Cub Scouts FH	3 11am Lenten Study 7pm Boy Scouts FH	4	5 10am AA Group #7 8pm AA—Young Life #7
6 9:45am Sunday School 11am Sunday Worship 6 pm Men's Bible Study	7 5:15pm AA— Principles #7	8 10am Alma Williams Shawl Group #2 7pm Service of Healing & Prayer	9 10am NARFE FH 12pm AA— Valentine #7 5pm AA— Principles #7 7pm Cub Scouts FH 7pm Buildings & Grounds Meeting	10 10am Knitting Gals FH 11am Lenten Study 7pm Worthington Women #2	11	12 10am AA Group #7 2pm Best Private Event 8pm AA—Young Life #7
13 9:45am Sunday School 11am Sunday Worship 6 pm Men's Bible Study	14 5:15pm AA— Principles #7	15	16 12pm AA— Valentine #7 5pm AA— Principles #7 7pm Cub Scouts FH	17 11am Lenten Study 7pm Order of the Arrow P	18 7pm Gospel Music Night	19 9am Admin Coun- cil/Church Planning Meeting 10am AA Group #7 8pm AA—Young Life #7
20 9:45am Sunday School 11am Sunday Worship 6 pm Men's Bible Study	21 5:15pm AA— Principles #7	22 7pm United Methodist Men Meeting	23 10am Knitting Gals 12pm AA— Valentine #7 5pm AA— Principles #7 7pm Cub Scouts FH 7pm Choir Practice	24 11am Lenten Study 7pm Worthington Women #2	25	26
27 9:45am Sunday School 11am Sunday Worship 6 pm Men's Bible Study	28 5:15pm AA— Principles #7 6:30pm Divorce Care and DC4K	29	30	31 11am Lenten Study		

Mark Your Calendar

We are excited to have Brent Vernon join us at Hopewell Church for a live performance on Thursday, March 3rd. The time of the show is 7:00 PM. Mark your calendars as you won't want to miss this.

Brent is a Ventriloquist/Songwriter/Musician and Children's Author who has been performing for over 25 years.

To learn more about Brent go to www.brentvernon.com