



The Grapevine

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Hopewell United Methodist Church

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The heart of the prudent acquires knowledge,
And the ear of the wise seeks knowledge.

Proverbs 18:15

As August begins to fade and September begins a new, we find ourselves at the beginning of a new school year that is filled with excitement, some anxiety, and the joy of learning. This year I began my last year of seminary with those same feelings that many of our young people are facing as they begin a new school year. For many it will be the first time they have been together in class for more than a year. For some, this is the beginning of their next season of learning and for others, like me, it feels like the beginning of the end. But is it?

While many of us may have come to the end of our time of learning through organized academia, we should continually strive to learn and gain knowledge daily. When I worked with Ukrop's Supermarkets one of our core values was to be a lifelong learner. This core value has remained with me throughout my life and is also a part of the vision for the Virginia Annual Conference, which is "*To be disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners who influence others to serve.*" Therefore, whether we are 2 or 102, we are called to be lifelong learners.

It was M. Scott Peck who said, "The path of spiritual growth is a path of lifelong learning." Hopewell UMC offers opportunities for you to continue in your spiritual growth. There are two Sunday School classes that meet that would welcome those who are currently not attending. Or if you would like to begin a Sunday School class, please let me know. There will also be a Bible Study offered this fall as well as hopes to restart the Men's Bible Study and possibly a Women's Bible Study as well. If you feel led to begin a Bible Study, whether at church, your home, or some other location, please let me know how I can help.

Also, a search of the Virginia Annual Conference Website will provide learning opportunities at the Conference level. These courses cover the Basic Knowledge of the United Methodist Church. As well as advanced studies to place you on the path of becoming a Certified Lay Servant or Speaker. Therefore, I encourage each of you to continue to take advantage of the opportunities to learn that are available at Hopewell UMC and the Virginia Annual Conference.

As this new school season begins, I ask you to join us in our continued prayers for our students and teachers as they continue to navigate this season of learning in a pandemic. To pray for me as I conclude my seminary studies. And to pray for God to show you where He is calling you in your journey as a lifelong learner. Be blessed; learn stuff.

God Bless you,

Pastor Bob

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.



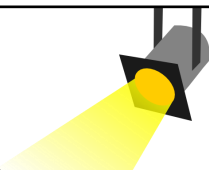
Giving Gladly

General Fund Stewardship for the last 4 weeks :



(required): \$14,875.10
 (received): \$10,957.00
 (over/short): (\$ 3,918.10)

MISSION SPOTLIGHT for September



Ronald McDonald House Charities is located at 2330 Monument Avenue in Richmond. They give support to families of children in area hospitals. The programs include housing, a Family Room, Happy Wheels, Lunches with Love and a Sibling Center. Assistance can be given in the following ways: Provide items for Grab and Go Bags, Activity Packs or Toiletry Kits; provide lunch supplies or a delivered meal; make fleece no-sew blankets and face masks; provide gift cards for Kroger, Amazon, Visa or UberEats.

Go to their website for information on the content of the kits at www.rmhc-richmond.org. Also continue to bring your aluminum pop tops to fill the container located in the foyer. RMHC receives 50 cents per pound of pop tops.

MISSION FOCUS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER 2021 FRIENDS OF BARNABAS

This organization sponsors medical mission trips to Honduras where team members provide high-quality sustainable medical care to families and children. Pastor Bob has been to Honduras with this group.

During September we will collect flipflops, sunglasses, cloth diapers and face masks. Child size preferred, adult sizes accepted. All of the items must be NEW.

Website: www.fobf.org

AUGUST Worship

Attendance Average

In-person: 36
 Online: 50



- 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

September 5

Lay Reader: Carolyn Jacobs - communion
Ushers: Kevin & Karan Wilson
Greeter: Debbie Deavers

September 12

Lay Reader: Mary Frances Williams
Ushers: Lee Livingston & Andi Taylor
Greeter: Howard Johnston

September 19

Lay Reader: Roger Williams
Ushers: Dennis & Judy Crostic
Greeter: Judy Crostic

September 26

Lay Reader: Dennis Crostic
Ushers: Jim Kweeder & Kent Toms
Greeter: Andi Taylor

Nursery – not available at this time.



Chronological Bible Reading Plan

Join us in a plan to read the Bible in its entirety this year In chronological order.

This plan provides an easy to follow plan to read the Bible in the order that the events happened.

9/1/2021	Ezekiel 18-19
9/2/2021	Ezekiel 20-21
9/3/2021	Ezekiel 22-23
9/4/2021	Ezekiel 24-27
9/5/2021	Ezekiel 28-31
9/6/2021	Ezekiel 32-34
9/7/2021	Ezekiel 35-37
9/8/2021	Ezekiel 38-39
9/9/2021	Ezekiel 40-41
9/10/2021	Ezekiel 42-43
9/11/2021	Ezekiel 44-45
9/12/2021	Ezekiel 46-48
9/13/2021	Joel 1-3
9/14/2021	Daniel 1-3
9/15/2021	Daniel 4-6
9/16/2021	Daniel 7-9
9/17/2021	Daniel 10-12
9/18/2021	Ezra 1-3
9/19/2021	Ezra 4-6; Psalm 137
9/20/2021	Haggai 1-2
9/21/2021	Zechariah 1-7
9/22/2021	Zechariah 8-14
9/23/2021	Esther 1-5
9/24/2021	Esther 6-10
9/25/2021	Ezra 7-10
9/26/2021	Nehemiah 1-5
9/27/2021	Nehemiah 6-7
9/28/2021	Nehemiah 8-10
9/29/2021	Nehemiah 11-13; Psalm 126
9/30/2021	Malachi 1-4



CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

3 – Karan Wilson	24 – Brenda Fones
4 – Carolyn Jacobs	27 – Robin Reed Johnston
16 – Maxine Leslie	30 – Jerry Bowen
24 – Christian Harvell	

ANNIVERSARIES

2 – Jerry & Betty Bowen
15 – Curtis & Sharon Hooper
20 – William & Helen Leneave

WATCH THE SERVICE

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

<https://hopewellunitedmethodist.org/>




ONLINE 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!!



**** PLEASE REMEMBER to let the office know if your directory information changes .**

*** * * VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY * * ***



Belmont UMC Food Pantry

A huge **THANK YOU** to all volunteers at the Belmont UMC Food Pantry who come from various churches in the District!! All the volunteers that help on Thursday morning packing and Friday morning drive-thru days make a huge difference to hungry people in our area.

As summer approaches and calendars fill up with sports, vacations, family outings, etc., could you schedule some volunteer time at the Pantry? VCU students are not

available during the summer and this has created a shortage in volunteers. 40-50 volunteers are needed each week. It's a great way to serve with family and friends, meet new people, and make a difference in the community.

You can sign up at bcersva.org through the volunteer link. Two-hour shifts are available every Thursday and Friday.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Larry Cochran at (804) 516-9195.

GOSPEL MUSIC NIGHTS

JOIN US IN FELLOWSHIP at 7 PM

September 3rd - True Spirit

October 15th - New Journey

November 19th - Last Chance



MEETING REMINDERS



Nominations Committee Meeting - Thursday, September 2nd @ 6:30 PM

Missions Committee Meeting - Tuesday, September 14th @ 7:00 PM

Administrative Council Meeting - Thursday, September 16th @ 7:00 PM

United Methodist Men Meeting - Tuesday, September 28th @ 7:00 PM





PRAYING DAILY

For the HOMEBOUND:

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

For ALL Military, Including:

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

For Missionary in Covenant Relationship with HUMC:

Clara Biswas - serving as a community worker in Phnom Penh, Cambodia

For Leaders of the UMC, our Bishop and District Superintendent

Teachers

First Responders

Our Police

Our Country

All Children

Healthcare Providers

Those affected by COVID

Our President

Government Leaders

Also pray for:

Pauline Burnette

David Leehy

Robin Reed

Lewis Smith

Cherie Camp

Wayne Leneave

Al Reid

Marion Smith

Peggy Camp

Kenny Marshall

Judy Reid

Joseph Sparkman

Warren Camp

The McCourt Family

Arleth Robb

Lynwood Thompson

Arlene Dunkum

Sheryl McKinney

Gill Shand & family

Dorma Thompson

Family of Dale Sheally

Diana Patriquin

Mary Sharpe

Bill Toher

Jeanette Gross

Kenny Powers

Mike Sharpe

People of Afghanistan

Roger Gross

Linda Powers

Dorothy Smith

People of Haiti

THANK YOU
TO EVERYONE WHO
CONTRIBUTED TO
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Just a thought...

There is more to Christian growth than knowing what the Bible says; nobody is even nourished by memorizing menus.

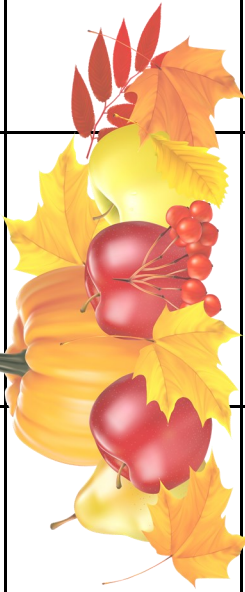
John Blanchard

GROWING The Grapevine?

Would you like to contribute to be included in the October Newsletter, please have your submissions to the church office no later than Wednesday, September 22nd.

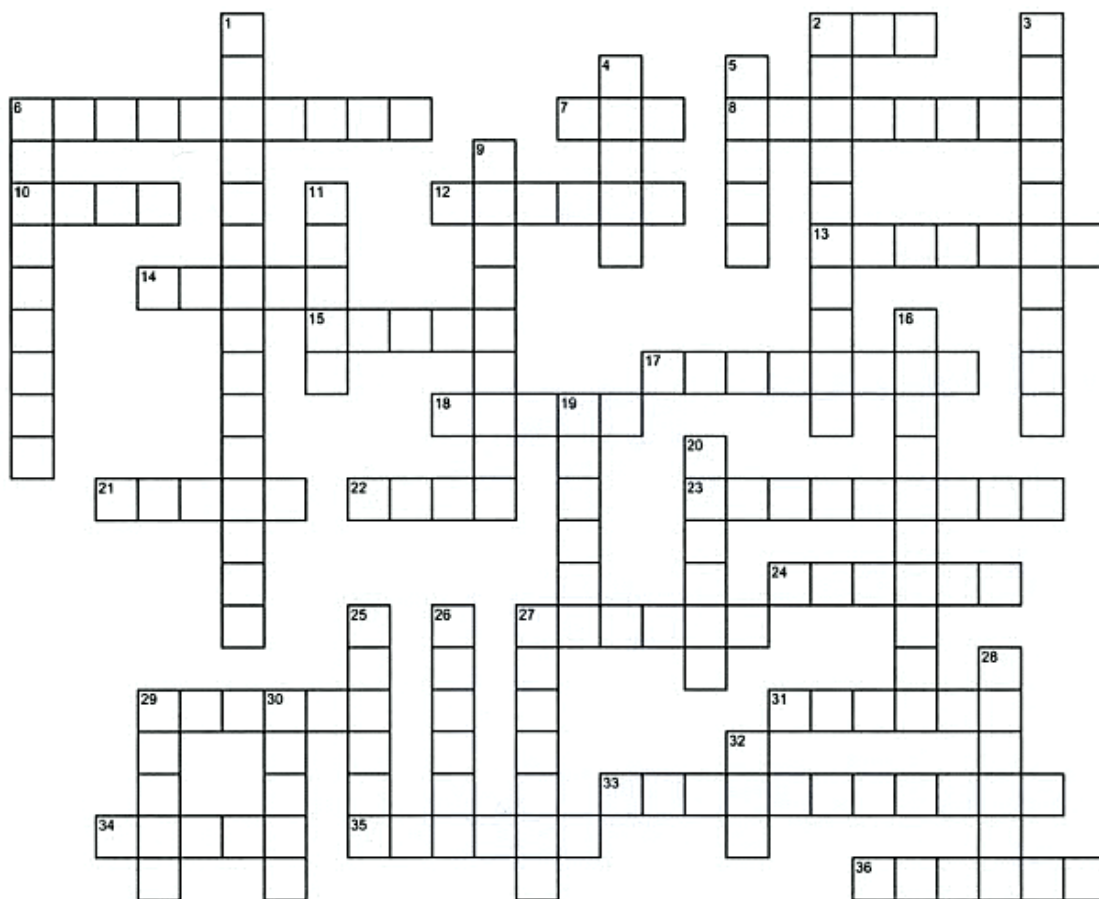
THANK YOU!!

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
5 9:45am Sunday School 10 am Sunday School 11am Sunday Worship	6 5:pm AA—Principles	7	8 10am NARFE 12pm AA—Valentine 5pm AA—Principles 7pm Cub Scouts	9 10am Knitting Gals 7pm Worthington Women	10 7pm Gospel Music With TRUE SPIRIT	11 12pm AA Group 8pm AA—Young Life
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Bible History Crossword

Old Testament #1



www.kjv-bible-verses.com

ACROSS

- 2 The number of cities of refuge God told the children of Israel to appoint for those who mistakenly killed someone.
- 6 How old Noah was when the flood came.
- 7 The land on the east of Eden.
- 8 Jacob's youngest son.
- 10 The tribe of Israel Moses was born into.
- 12 The son of Cush who was a mighty hunter.
- 13 The name of the woman prophetic who judged Israel.
- 14 The name of Judah's daughter in law who pretended to be a harlot.
- 15 The country Joseph was taken to as a slave.
- 17 What the Jews celebrate yearly, because God did not kill any of their oldest children while they were in Egypt.
- 18 The number of years the Israelites wandered in the wilderness.
- 21 The number of years Joseph understood would be a time of plenty in Egypt.
- 22 The name of Adam & Eve's oldest son.
- 23 What God told Moses to make so that He could dwell among the Israelites.
- 24 The name of the man of Israel God used to deliver Israel from the Midianites with trumpets, pitchers, and lamps inside the pitchers.
- 27 The first body of water that the Israelites walked through on dry land.
- 29 The wife Jacob loved and worked 14 years for.
- 31 He led the Israelites after Moses died.
- 33 Where God told Moses to take off his shoes.
- 34 What God fed the Israelites during their years wandering in the

wilderness.

- 35 Moses sister.
- 36 The land where the Tower of Babel was built.

DOWN

- 1 What God wrote with His own finger on stone.
- 2 What stood still in the heavens for Joshua when he fought against the Amorites.
- 3 What God brought upon Egypt because Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.
- 4 The name of the city that Lot pitched his tent toward.
- 5 Abraham's original name.
- 6 What Joseph had hidden in Benjamin's sack.
- 9 Those who died in Egypt during the 10th plague.
- 11 The number of sons Noah had.
- 16 The man who lived the longest, 969 years.
- 19 The number of spies sent out to search the land of Canaan.
- 20 The name God gave Jacob after wrestling with him and prevailing.
- 25 The man whose donkey spoke to him when an angel stood in front of him with a sword.
- 26 What Jacob saw angels ascending and descending on.
- 27 The name of Isaac's wife.
- 28 The strongest man who had seven locks.
- 29 The name of the harlot that was saved when Jericho fell.
- 30 The name of Ishmael's (Abraham's son) mother.
- 32 The number of languages spoken before the Tower of Babel was built.