



SYCAMORE HIGHLIGHTS

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PASTOR

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DEACON OF THE MONTH

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SUMMER SERMON SERIES: SUMMER OF OLD

FROM THE PASTOR

This summer, we are beginning a new sermon journey together called *Summer of Old*. This series will walk through some of the most powerful, familiar, misunderstood, and life-changing passages in the Old Testament.

For many Christians, the Old Testament can feel distant, difficult, or even disconnected from the message of Jesus. In many churches today, preaching often centers almost entirely on the New Testament, while much of the Old Testament remains unexplored. Yet the truth, as I see it, is that the entire Bible tells one story – God’s story of creation, redemption, covenant, mercy, judgment, restoration, and salvation, fulfilled in Jesus Christ.

The Old Testament is not “old” because it is outdated. It is foundational. Jesus himself constantly pointed back to the Law, the Prophets, and the Psalms. The early church preached from the Old Testament long before the New Testament was fully written. To understand Christ more deeply, we must also understand the story that prepared the way for Him.

Throughout this series, we will revisit stories many of us know and have heard throughout our faith journey. My hope is that we will come to these stories with fresh eyes, so that we may gain a deeper understanding. The sermons over the next couple of months will not merely be about Bible heroes or inspirational lessons. They will be about God’s character and faithfulness through every generation.

Each week, I also plan to connect the Old Testament passage with a New Testament text, helping us see just how unified the Bible is from Genesis to Revelation.

My prayer is that this summer will renew our love for the Word of God in all its fullness. I believe we will see that the Old Testament is not dry history or obscure theology, but living truth that still speaks to our lives today.

Whether you have studied these passages for years or are hearing them for the first time, I invite you to join *Summer of Old* – a season of rediscovering the timeless truths of God’s Word.

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MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Extending Christ's love through service and generosity to those in need around the world.

HERMISSION



HerMission will meet at 11:15 a.m. on June 7. Lunch will be served.

Join us as we learn about missions, pray for missions, and do missions. Reservations are requested but not required!

HerMission Contact: Tricia Davis

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

This month, we will be collecting small toys for girls. These toys may include dolls, kites, finger puppets, a Slinky, an Etch A Sketch, stuffed animals, musical instruments, or interactive toys with push buttons, lights, and sound (include extra batteries). These are just a few suggestions of what may be added. A collection container will be located in the fellowship hall, marked with a sign indicating it is for Operation Christmas Child.



We plan on having a packing party at the end of the year, but if you would like to pack your own box throughout the year, you are more than welcome. Just let us know and we will get a box to you as soon as we get them. If you have any questions, please see one of us. Thank you in advance for all of your help and participation.

Erin Harcum & Janet Bulls

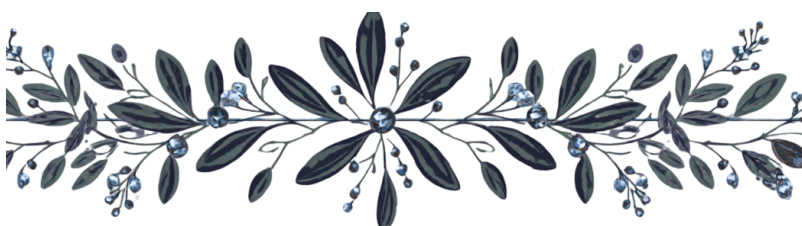
CONGRATULATIONS

Chloe Bunn	Virginia Tech
Benjamin Davis	Christopher Newport University
Douglas Moore	George Mason University
Tracey Pugh	Robert E. Webber Institute for Worship Studies



A QUICK NOTE: GRAD-U-VAC-A-TION

Pastor Tracey will be out of town June 19 - 26 to attend graduation and take a few days of vacation. Brian Williams, BGAV Field Statgeist, will be here on June 21 to bring the message. Please contact a deacon or trustee for any urgent issues.



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CHURCH LIFE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HERMISSION FAMILY NIGHT

June 3	Women's Study Group
June 10	Brotherhood
June 17	Summer Schedule
June 24	Summer Schedule



The fellowship we share during Family Night Supper is one of the highlights of the week. We appreciate all the work that goes into preparing meals.

HerMission is seeking folks to prepare meals for Family Nights this summer to keep this time of fellowship going. Our classes and groups will be taking a well-deserved meal prep break, but we welcome any volunteers who can help.

A sign-up sheet is posted in the fellowship hall for June 17 – August 12. Any open weeks will be “Bring Your Own Supper” nights.

PUZZLE FELLOWSHIP

There is a community puzzle set up in the fellowship hall. There is something beautiful about watching many hands contribute to one finished picture. In many ways, the puzzle reminds us of the church itself. We are all unique pieces of God's greater design. Alone, a single piece may not reveal much, but together they form something meaningful and beautiful.



So next time you are passing by, add a piece, share a conversation, and together let's build not only a picture, but let's strengthen our community.

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Join me for a time of fellowship. Coffee and Conversation meets every Tuesday from 9 am to 1030 am.

June 02: StoreHouse
June 09: Starbucks
June 16: StoreHouse
June 23: NO COFFEE
June 30: Starbucks



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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Time to run? Or time to step forward?

Everyone has a gift to share. The Nominating Committee will soon seek servant leaders for the church's work.

Don't run - step forward!

Committee Members:



Peggy Rush (Chair), Holly Giles, Patsy Falls, Tricia Davis, Charlie Harcum.

SAVE THE DATES FOR VBS

July 27 - 30

See Pastor Tracey if you are interested in helping.



More information to come.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL RESERVATIONS

Food is expensive. Food preparation costs precious time. If you know that you will not be at a Wednesday night meal, please take your name off the list or let the group preparing the meal know by Monday night. Emergencies are exceptions. Family Night meals are self-supporting and we are not always in the black.

Thanks for your consideration and continued support.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Deacons Meeting 7:00 p.m.	2 Coffee & Conversation StoreHouse 9-1030 a.m.	3 Family Night Schedule	4	5	6
7 Sunday Morning Schedule Communion HerMission 11:15 a.m.	8	9 Coffee & Conversation Starbucks 9-1030 a.m.	10 Family Night Schedule	11	12	13
14 Sunday Morning Schedule Community Connections 11:15 a.m.	15	16 Coffee & Conversation StoreHouse 9-1030 a.m.	17 Family Night Schedule	18	19	20
21 Sunday Morning Schedule Church Council 11:15 a.m.	22	23 NO COFFEE & CONVO	24 Family Night Schedule	25	26	27
28 Brotherhood Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Schedule Men's Sunday	29	30 Coffee & Conversation Starbucks 9-1030 a.m.				

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

(unless otherwise noted on the calendar)
 Sunday School 9:00 am. | Worship 10:00 a.m.

FAMILY NIGHT SCHEDULE

(unless otherwise noted on the calendar)
 Meal: 5:45
 Adult Study II: 6:15
 Men's Bible Study: 6:45
 Youth: 6:45
 Mission Friends and Children in Action: 6:45
 Adult Choir: 7:45

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