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YOUR GUIDE TO WORSHIP, GROW, & SERVE



Becoming Fully Alive Together

At Hayes Barton United Methodist Church, we believe that faith isn't something we experience alone. It grows as we worship together, learn together, serve together, and care for one another.

Every person has gifts. Every person has a place. Whether you've been a member for decades or you've only recently walked through our doors, there are meaningful opportunities to become part of the life of this church.

Some people find their place in worship. Others find it while serving meals, teaching children, singing in the choir, repairing a home after a disaster, or quietly sitting beside someone who is hurting.

However God has gifted you, we hope you'll find a place where those gifts can flourish.

Our Vision

To become fully alive as followers of Jesus Christ.

We strive to be awake to the presence of Jesus in the world and in our own lives so that we are able to offer our full selves to him.

Our Mission

Choosing Christ, Community, and Compassion.

Everything we do seeks to reflect God's love, the way of Jesus Christ, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Our Values

We are welcoming, vibrant, and engaged.



Worship regularly. Find a place to grow. Find a place to serve.

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Find Your Place

There are dozens of opportunities to get involved at Hayes Barton.
If you're not sure where to start, begin with what brings you joy.

I love worship and music

Worship Ministry, pp. 4-9

Ushers, choirs, handbells, band, and worship technology

I enjoy working with children and youth

Youth & Children's Ministries, pp. 13-18

Teaching, mentoring, music, fellowship, and special events

I enjoy learning and helping others grow

Formation Ministry, pp 10-12

Sunday School, Bible studies, small groups, and retreats

I enjoy caring for people

Support Ministry, pp 27-28

Stephen Ministry, Communion Friends, Prayer Shawl Ministry, and more

I want to make a difference in our community

Outreach Ministry, pp. 22-26

Local outreach, disaster response, and global missions

I enjoy organizing and planning

Administration Ministry, pp. 29-31

Leadership, finance, administration, and stewardship

I prefer helping behind the scenes

Throughout this guide

Preparation, technology, communications, and logistics

I only have a little time

Look for "flexible" and "seasonal"

Many ministries offer flexible, seasonal, or one-time opportunities

Safer Sanctuaries

Because the safety and well-being of children and youth are among our highest priorities, youth and children's volunteer roles require background checks and participation in Hayes Barton's Safer Sanctuaries training. Contact Pastor Lindsey.

Getting Started

Getting involved is easier than you might think.

1 Worship

Become familiar with the rhythms and life of the congregation

2 Grow

Choose one opportunity that will deepen your relationship with God

3 Serve

Find one ministry where your gifts can bless others

4 Reach Out

Every ministry includes a contact person who would love to answer questions and help you get connected

5 Try It

Many ministries allow you to visit, observe, or serve alongside an experienced volunteer before making a longer commitment

Ministry Contacts

Ready to take that first step?

1. Reach out to the appropriate contact(s) at the end of each section – and/or
2. Visit hbumc.org/signups – and/or
3. In your Realm Connect app, visit the Events tab

Wherever you begin, we're grateful you're here.

Worship Ministry

Worship Together. Welcome Others. Glorify God.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Psalm 100:2

You are often the first expression of Christ's hospitality that someone experiences on Sunday morning.

Ushers

Help every person feel welcomed before worship even begins.

A warm smile, a friendly greeting, and a willingness to help someone find their way can make all the difference, especially for first-time visitors. Ushers create an atmosphere where everyone knows they belong.



WHY IT MATTERS

The first expression of Christ's hospitality many guests experience



TIME COMMITMENT

Ushers serve two months per year as a team, and greeters sign up flexibly



TRAINING

Experienced volunteers help you learn the ropes



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Sarah or sign up online

Acolytes & Crucifer Coordinators

Help young people lead worship with confidence.

Acolytes and crucifers remind us that Christ's light leads our worship. Adult volunteers help train, encourage, and schedule the youth who serve in this meaningful tradition.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy mentoring youth and helping worship run smoothly



TIME COMMITMENT

Flexible scheduling throughout the year



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire or sign up online

Communion Servers

God calls everyone — laity and clergy — to be participants and leaders in worship.

Serving Communion is a simple yet powerful act of hospitality and grace. Communion Servers help ensure that all who come to Christ's table are welcome.



WHY IT MATTERS

In Holy Communion, our community is invited into and participates in God's saving work in Christ.



TIME COMMITMENT

Typically one Sunday each month



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Sarah

Altar Guild Flowers

Help create a beautiful space for worship.

Flowers are more than decorations. They're expressions of celebration, remembrance, gratitude, and praise. This ministry coordinates weekly altar flowers and works with sponsors and florists throughout the year.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy organization, beauty, and details



TIME COMMITMENT

Flexible



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Sarah

Wedding Coordinators

Help couples begin their marriage surrounded by grace, hospitality, and thoughtful care.

Volunteer Wedding Coordinators work alongside our pastors and staff to ensure that every ceremony reflects the beauty and sacredness of Christian marriage, helping with logistics and supporting families throughout the rehearsal and wedding day.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy planning, hospitality, and helping others feel at ease



TIME COMMITMENT

Varies by wedding schedule



TRAINING

Provided by church staff



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Sarah

Bereavement Team

Offer comfort when it is needed most.

The Bereavement Team provides hospitality before and after funeral services by preparing gathering spaces, welcoming family and friends, assisting with seating, and helping create an atmosphere of peace and compassion.



WHY IT MATTERS

Simple acts of kindness often become lasting memories during difficult seasons



TIME COMMITMENT

As funeral services are scheduled



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Sarah

WORSHIP MUSIC MINISTRIES

Music has always been one of the church’s greatest gifts. Whether through choir, handbells, contemporary worship, instrumental performance, or children’s music, our volunteers help lead the congregation in praising God every week.

Chancel Choir

Lead traditional worship through inspiring choral music.

The Chancel Choir provides music for our traditional worship services each Sunday while also preparing special music throughout the liturgical year, performing everything from traditional masterworks to spirituals and contemporary arrangements.



WHY IT MATTERS

Music communicates God’s love in ways words alone cannot



TIME COMMITMENT

Weekly rehearsals and Sunday worship



TRAINING

Speak with Mike Trexler



FIRST STEP

Contact Mike Trexler

Sanctuary Handbells

Worship through the unique beauty of handbell music.

The Sanctuary Handbells ring throughout the year in worship and special services, using a five-octave set of bells.



WHY IT MATTERS

Handbells add beauty, celebration, and reverence to worship



TIME COMMITMENT

Regular rehearsals with seasonal performances



TRAINING

Speak with Mike Trexler



FIRST STEP

Contact Mike Trexler

Children's Choirs

Help children discover the joy of praising God through music.

Our Children's Choirs provide young singers with opportunities to grow spiritually, build confidence, develop musical skills, and become active participants in worship, with adult volunteers encouraging and supporting them.



WHY IT MATTERS

Children who participate in worship today become the church's leaders tomorrow



TIME COMMITMENT

Weekly rehearsals during the choir season



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Mike Trexler

Musicians & Instrumentalists

Share your musical gifts with the congregation.

Throughout the year, accompanists, soloists, and instrumentalists help lead worship and enhance special services and church events, whether you play regularly or are interested in occasional opportunities.



GREAT FOR

Experienced musicians looking to serve through worship



TIME COMMITMENT

Varies by opportunity



TRAINING

Speak with Mike Trexler



FIRST STEP

Contact Mike Trexler

Lighthouse Band

Lead contemporary worship through music.

The Lighthouse Band leads worship each Sunday during the Lighthouse Service, helping create an engaging worship experience through contemporary Christian music.



GREAT FOR

Contemporary musicians and vocalists



TIME COMMITMENT

Weekly rehearsals and Sunday worship



TRAINING

Audition required



FIRST STEP

Contact Corey Ward

WORSHIP TECHNOLOGY

Many people never notice the technology behind worship. These volunteers support sound, video, livestreaming, projection, and production so that worship is seamless for those gathered in person and online.

ProPresenter Team

Help communicate clearly during worship.

Operate presentation software that displays song lyrics, Scripture, announcements, and visual elements during worship and special events.



GREAT FOR
Detail-oriented people who enjoy technology



TIME COMMITMENT
Scheduled Sunday rotations



TRAINING
Provided



FIRST STEP
Contact Mike Trexler

Video & Livestream Team

Extend worship beyond our walls.

Every week, volunteers help livestream worship services so that homebound members, travelers, and others unable to attend can remain connected to the life of Hayes Barton.



GREAT FOR
People interested in cameras, video production, or learning new technical skills



TIME COMMITMENT
Scheduled Sunday rotations



TRAINING
Provided



FIRST STEP
Contact Mike Trexler

Audio Engineer

Help every word and every note be heard.

Audio volunteers operate the sound system for the Lighthouse Service and other special events, ensuring worship leaders, musicians, and speakers can be heard clearly throughout the space.



GREAT FOR
People who enjoy music, technology, and learning sound systems



TIME COMMITMENT
Scheduled Sunday rotations



TRAINING
Provided



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Formation Ministry

Grow in Faith. Grow in Community.

Continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith.

Colossians 2:6-7

Faith grows through regular learning, honest conversation, and relationships with other believers.

Adult Sunday School Classes

Learn alongside others each Sunday morning.

Our Sunday School classes bring together adults from every stage of life to study Scripture, explore faith, and build lasting friendships. Each class has its own personality and style, making it easy to find a community where you feel at home.



GREAT FOR

Adults looking for community and consistent spiritual growth



TIME COMMITMENT

Sundays from 10:00–10:45am



TRAINING

None. Simply visit a class and introduce yourself.



FIRST STEP

Visit a class or contact Pastor Lindsey

Starnes Class Teachers

Share God's love with adults of all abilities.

The Starnes Class is a joyful Sunday School ministry for adults with disabilities. Volunteers teach Bible lessons, sing hymns, encourage friendships, and help create a welcoming environment where every participant is valued.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy teaching, encouraging others, and building relationships



TIME COMMITMENT

Sunday mornings



TRAINING

Curriculum and support are provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Lindsey

Small Group Bible & Book Studies

Dive deeper into Scripture and Christian living.

Throughout the year, Hayes Barton offers a variety of Bible studies and book discussions designed to help participants explore Scripture, theology, and practical faith.



GREAT FOR

Anyone who enjoys discussion and lifelong learning



TIME COMMITMENT

Varies by study



TRAINING

None needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Lindsey

Small Groups & Covenant Groups

Find a community that knows your name.

Small Groups and Covenant Groups provide opportunities to build friendships, pray together, encourage one another, and walk alongside one another through life's changing seasons.



GREAT FOR

Adults looking for deeper community



TIME COMMITMENT

Varies by group



TRAINING

None needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Lindsey

Library & Resource Team

Help others discover resources that strengthen their faith.

The Hayes Barton library contains books and other resources that support Bible study, spiritual formation, and lifelong learning. Volunteers organize materials, welcome visitors, and help maintain this ministry.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy books, organization, and quiet service



TIME COMMITMENT

Flexible



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Dawn Cummings

Retreat Leadership Team

Create spaces where people can step away and draw closer to God.

Retreats offer opportunities for rest, reflection, learning, and spiritual renewal. Volunteers help plan, organize, and support these experiences so participants can focus on their relationship with God and with one another.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy planning events, organizing details, or creating experiences for others



TIME COMMITMENT

Project-based throughout the year



TRAINING

Provided



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Youth Ministry

Walk Alongside the Next Generation.

These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Students often remember the adults who believed in them long after they forget the lesson that was taught.

Youth Ministry Support Team

Help shape the future of Youth Ministry.

The Youth Ministry Support Team partners with church staff to provide encouragement, leadership, and strategic support for the overall direction of our ministry with students in grades 6–12.



GREAT FOR

Parents, experienced volunteers, and anyone interested in supporting youth ministry beyond Sunday programming



TIME COMMITMENT

Monthly meetings with occasional planning responsibilities



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

JOY Class Facilitators

Help students explore faith through conversation and Scripture.

The JOY (Jesus, Others, Yourself) Class provides Sunday morning faith formation for middle and high school students. Volunteers use a prepared curriculum to guide conversations, encourage questions, and help students connect biblical truths with everyday life.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy conversation, mentoring, and teaching.



TIME COMMITMENT

Sunday mornings during the school year



TRAINING

Curriculum and support are provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship)

Help create a place where students want to come back every week.

Sunday evenings are filled with games, shared meals, worship, small groups, laughter, and meaningful conversations. Volunteers help prepare meals, facilitate activities, lead small groups, and create an environment where every student feels seen, known, and welcomed.



WHY IT MATTERS

Consistent relationships help students discover that church is a community where they belong



TIME COMMITMENT

Sunday evenings during the school year



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

Youth Service Projects & Mission Trips

Serve alongside students while making a difference.

Mission trips and service projects allow students to put their faith into action while serving communities both locally and around the world. Adult volunteers help prepare students before trips and provide leadership during projects.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy mentoring, serving, and traveling with youth



TIME COMMITMENT

Varies by project or trip



TRAINING

Required orientation provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

Church Youth League Basketball Coaches

Build character on and off the court.

Coaching is about much more than basketball. Volunteer coaches encourage teamwork, sportsmanship, confidence, perseverance, and Christian character while helping students enjoy healthy competition.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy sports, mentoring, and working with students



TIME COMMITMENT

January through March



TRAINING

Background check and Safer Sanctuaries requirements apply



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

Youth Special Events

Help create unforgettable experiences.

Throughout the year, Youth Ministry hosts special events that become defining memories for many students, including Pilgrimage, the Fall Nighter, Sixth Grade Welcome, and the Senior Banquet.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy planning, hospitality, creativity, or simply helping wherever needed



TIME COMMITMENT

Seasonal



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

Beach Retreat Team

Be part of one of Hayes Barton's longest traditions.

For more than fifty years, Beach Retreat has helped students build friendships, strengthen their faith, and create lifelong memories through worship, competition, small groups, and shared experiences.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy mentoring students and participating in overnight retreats



TIME COMMITMENT

Annual retreat plus preparation



TRAINING

Background check and Safer Sanctuaries training required



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

Freshman Friends

Remind college students they still have a church family.

Freshman Friends “adopt” first-year college students by sending notes, care packages, and encouragement throughout the school year, reminding them that they remain an important part of the Hayes Barton family.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy writing notes, encouraging others, and building relationships



TIME COMMITMENT

Several touchpoints throughout the school year



TRAINING

None needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

Scholarship Committee

Celebrate and encourage student achievement.

Each spring, members of the Scholarship Committee review applications and help select recipients for scholarships awarded to graduating students.



GREAT FOR

Adults with thoughtful judgment and a desire to encourage the next generation



TIME COMMITMENT

Seasonal



TRAINING

Orientation Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Claire

Youth Leadership Team

Help students lead the future of Youth Ministry.

Students in seventh grade and above are invited to serve on the Youth Leadership Team, where they help envision, plan, and lead youth gatherings throughout the year.



GREAT FOR

Students who enjoy serving others and helping shape Youth Ministry



TIME COMMITMENT

Monthly meetings plus ministry events



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

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Children's Ministry

Help Children Discover That They Are Loved by God.

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them.

Mark 10:14

No one expects perfection. What children remember most is that someone cared enough to spend time with them.

Children's Choirs

Help children worship through music.

Our Children's Choirs invite children from kindergarten through fifth grade to discover the joy of praising God through song, developing confidence, building friendships, and growing musically along the way.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy music, mentoring children, and encouraging creativity



TIME COMMITMENT

Weekly rehearsals during the choir season



TRAINING

Support and guidance provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Mike Trexler

Wednesday Night Children's Activities

Help make Wednesday nights a highlight of the week.

Each Wednesday evening, children gather for Bible lessons, games, crafts, fellowship, and hands-on learning designed especially for their age group. Volunteers help lead activities and build relationships.



WHY IT MATTERS

Consistent encouragement helps children see church as a place where they belong



TIME COMMITMENT

Wednesday evenings during the program year



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Meghan Watson

Sunday School Facilitators

Help children build a foundation of faith.

Sunday School leaders introduce children ages 2 to 5th grade to Scripture through simple lessons, engaging stories, fun activities, and open conversation. Facilitators receive easy-to-lead curriculum, supplemental resources, and ongoing support. Lesson leaders are asked to encourage wonder and curiosity about God and God's Word, not to be Biblical experts.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy teaching and encouraging young learners



TIME COMMITMENT

Sunday mornings on a rotating schedule



TRAINING

Curriculum, guidance, and support are provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Meghan Watson

Children's Special Events

Help create memories that last for years.

Vacation Bible School, the Christmas Pageant, Easter Egg Hunts, and Trunk or Treat don't happen by accident. Volunteers plan, decorate, organize, welcome families, and make every child feel like they belong.



GREAT FOR

Creative volunteers, organizers, decorators, teachers, and anyone who enjoys helping children have fun



TIME COMMITMENT

Seasonal



TRAINING

Provided as needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Meghan Watson

Nursery Volunteers

Help our youngest children experience the love and care of their church family.

On Sunday mornings, our nursery provides childcare for children ages 0–4. Volunteers support our nursery staff by playing, reading, coloring, rocking little ones, and helping create a warm and nurturing environment. Volunteers are needed to greet families and assist with check-in.



GREAT FOR

Adults who enjoy caring for young children, welcoming families, or offering a helping hand



TIME COMMITMENT

Sunday mornings on a rotating schedule



TRAINING

Provided as needed



FIRST STEP

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Fellowship Ministry

Build Friendships. Strengthen Community.

Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

Romans 12:10

Many people first become involved at Hayes Barton because someone invited them to sit together, join a class, or serve alongside them.

Wednesday Night Fellowship Team

Help create a welcoming place around the table.

Every Wednesday, volunteers prepare and serve food, welcome guests, and help clean up so that church members of every generation can enjoy a meal together before evening activities.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy hospitality and working as part of a team



TIME COMMITMENT

Flexible scheduling throughout the year



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Jason Trice

United Methodist Women Leadership Team

Support ministry that changes lives.

The UMW Leadership Team provides vision and leadership for the many ministries, circles, mission projects, and annual events sponsored by UMW, supporting fellowship, spiritual growth, and outreach.



GREAT FOR

Women who enjoy planning, collaboration, and supporting mission



TIME COMMITMENT

Regular meetings throughout the year



TRAINING

Orientation provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Andy Fowler

United Methodist Women Circles

Grow in faith through friendship and service.

UMW Circles bring together women of all ages for fellowship, Bible study, mission projects, and mutual encouragement. Each Circle develops its own personality while sharing a common commitment to spiritual growth.



GREAT FOR

Women looking for community, study, and service opportunities



TIME COMMITMENT

Monthly meetings



TRAINING

None needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Andy Fowler

United Methodist Men

Serve, grow, and build friendships together.

The United Methodist Men gather monthly for fellowship, dinner, meaningful programs, and service projects that benefit both the church and the wider community.



GREAT FOR

Men seeking fellowship, service opportunities, and spiritual growth



TIME COMMITMENT

Monthly meetings plus optional projects



TRAINING

None needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Todd Culpepper

A Few Good Men Breakfast Ministry

Start your day with faith, friendship, and conversation.

Every Tuesday morning, men of Hayes Barton gather around a simple breakfast to share a devotion, encourage one another, and begin the day grounded in faith.



WHY IT MATTERS

Regular friendships help strengthen our faith and remind us we never walk alone



TIME COMMITMENT

Tuesday mornings



TRAINING

None needed



FIRST STEP

Join the group Tuesday morning or contact David Rutledge

Fellowship Friends Hospitality Ministry
Help someone discover that Hayes Barton can become home.

Fellowship Friends help bridge the gap by walking alongside new members during their first months at Hayes Barton, whether that means sitting together in worship, inviting someone to lunch, or helping them find a class.



GREAT FOR
People who enjoy welcoming others and building friendships



TIME COMMITMENT
Flexible



TRAINING
Guidance provided



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Outreach Ministry

Love Our Neighbors. Serve Our Community.

And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

Our neighbors matter to God, and God calls us to step beyond the walls of our church and to serve our neighbors in need.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Children, Youth, & Family Support

Help families build stronger futures.

Hayes Barton partners with organizations that provide education, mentoring, stability, and support for children, youth, and families facing challenges in our community.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy encouraging children, supporting parents, and investing in future generations



TIME COMMITMENT

Varies by ministry partners



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Jason Trice

Economic Empowerment & Poverty Alleviation

Help create opportunities that last.

Hayes Barton partners with organizations that help individuals develop job skills, strengthen financial stability, and build pathways toward long-term independence.



GREAT FOR

Volunteers passionate about workforce development, mentoring, and economic justice



TIME COMMITMENT

Flexible



TRAINING

Provided as needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Jason Trice

Education & Skill Building

Open doors through learning.

Hayes Barton supports ministries that provide tutoring, adult education, English language instruction, mentoring, and other educational opportunities that help individuals achieve their goals.



GREAT FOR
Teachers, tutors, and lifelong learners



TIME COMMITMENT
Varies



TRAINING
Provided as needed



FIRST STEP
Contact Jason Trice

Faith-Based Advocacy & Education

Explore today's challenges through the lens of faith.

Our congregation seeks to engage complex social issues thoughtfully, prayerfully, and in a nonpartisan manner rooted in Christian discipleship.



WHY IT MATTERS
Faith shapes not only what we believe, but also how we engage the world around us



TIME COMMITMENT
Program-based



TRAINING
Varies



FIRST STEP
Contact Jason Trice

Food Insecurity

Help ensure every neighbor has enough to eat.

Hayes Barton partners with organizations that provide nutritious food through community meals, food distribution, and long-term efforts to reduce hunger throughout our region.



WHY IT MATTERS
No one should have to wonder where their next meal will come from



TIME COMMITMENT
Flexible



TRAINING
None needed



FIRST STEP
Contact Jason Trice

Health & Wellness Access

Support healthier lives throughout our community.

This ministry partners with organizations that improve access to healthcare, wellness resources, and support services for individuals and families throughout our area.



GREAT FOR
Healthcare professionals and anyone passionate about community well-being



TIME COMMITMENT
Varies



TRAINING
Provided as needed



FIRST STEP
Contact Jason Trice

Housing & Homelessness

Help provide stability and hope.

Hayes Barton supports ministries that prevent homelessness, provide transitional housing, and strengthen long-term housing stability for our neighbors.



WHY IT MATTERS
Everyone deserves a safe place to call home



TIME COMMITMENT
Program-based



TRAINING
None needed



FIRST STEP
Contact Jason Trice

Immigration & Refugee Support

Welcome the stranger. Walk alongside new neighbors.

Hayes Barton partners with organizations serving immigrants and refugees through education, advocacy, accompaniment, and practical support.



WHY IT MATTERS
Hospitality has always been central to the Christian story



TIME COMMITMENT
Varies



TRAINING
Provided as needed



FIRST STEP
Contact Jason Trice

ONGOING MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Collections

Meet practical needs with everyday generosity.

Throughout the year, Hayes Barton collects food, clothing, diapers, school supplies, hygiene items, and other necessities for local nonprofit partners.



GREAT FOR
Individuals, families, children, and Sunday School classes



TIME COMMITMENT
As opportunities arise throughout the year



TRAINING
None needed



FIRST STEP
Watch church communications for current collection drives

Disaster Response

Bring hope when communities need it most.

Volunteers help assemble relief supplies, organize collection drives, and participate in trained disaster response teams that provide practical assistance and compassionate care during recovery efforts.



GREAT FOR
People who enjoy hands-on service and responding to urgent needs



TIME COMMITMENT
Varies by disaster response



TRAINING
Some opportunities require specialized training



FIRST STEP
Contact Jason Trice

Creation Care

Inspire, learn, and act to care for God's creation.

Creation Care helps develop and put into practice practical ways for our congregation to care for God's creation. The team focuses on inspiration, knowledge, and hands-on action that supports the thriving of our whole community.



GREAT FOR
People who care about sustainability, stewardship, and hands-on creation-focused ministry



TIME COMMITMENT
Varies



TRAINING
None needed



FIRST STEP
Contact Bobbi Mullins

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Hearts & Hands for Haiti

Invest in a child's future.

Members of Hayes Barton sponsor children by helping provide education, nutrition, healthcare, clothing, and safe housing. A sponsorship is an investment in hope, dignity, and opportunity.



WHY IT MATTERS

Your generosity helps children and families build brighter futures



TIME COMMITMENT

Flexible



TRAINING

None needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Jason Trice

Rise Against Hunger

Help feed families around the world.

Rise Against Hunger meal-packing events bring together volunteers of every age to package nutritious meals that are distributed throughout the world, ideal for families and youth groups.



GREAT FOR

Families, children, students, and first-time volunteers



TIME COMMITMENT

Event-based



TRAINING

Provided on-site



FIRST STEP

Watch church communications for the next meal-packing event

ZOE Empowers

Help families build lasting independence.

ZOE Empowers helps vulnerable young people overcome extreme poverty through education, entrepreneurship, community support, and long-term empowerment rather than temporary assistance alone.



WHY IT MATTERS

Empowerment creates lasting transformation



TIME COMMITMENT

Flexible



TRAINING

None needed



FIRST STEP

Contact Jason Trice

ANNUAL MISSION PROJECTS

Scattered to Serve

One church. Hundreds of volunteers.

Scattered to Serve is a quarterly outreach experience that combines learning, hands-on service, prayer, and reflection around one community issue at a time. Each gathering is designed to help us build relationships, grow in our faith, and discern where God may be calling us to go deeper.



GREAT FOR

Everyone — children, youth, adults, families, and first-time volunteers



TIME COMMITMENT

One day each quarter



TRAINING

Provided through project leaders



FIRST STEP

Register when signups open

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Support Ministry

Walk Alongside Others with Compassion.

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2

People remember who walked beside them.

Stephen Ministry

Walk beside someone during life's difficult seasons.

Stephen Ministers are trained lay caregivers who provide confidential, Christ-centered care to individuals experiencing grief, illness, divorce, job loss, loneliness, or other significant life challenges.



GREAT FOR

Compassionate individuals who feel called to one-on-one caring ministry



TIME COMMITMENT

Ongoing care relationships following training



TRAINING

Fifty hours of Stephen Ministry training



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Sarah

Communion Friends

Extend Christ's table beyond Sunday morning.

Communion Friends bring consecrated Communion elements to members who are unable to attend worship because of illness, age, or other circumstances, along with conversation and prayer.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy visiting, listening, and building relationships



TIME COMMITMENT

60-90 minutes per month



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor Sarah

Prayer Shawl Ministry
Wrap others in comfort, prayer, and hope.

Members knit and crochet prayer shawls, lap robes, and other handmade gifts that are shared with people experiencing illness, grief, recovery, or other difficult seasons, each one created with prayer.

**GREAT FOR**
Anyone who enjoys knitting, crocheting, crafting, or creating handmade gifts for others

**TIME COMMITMENT**
Flexible

**TRAINING**
None

**FIRST STEP**
Contact Pastor Sarah

Pastor Sarah

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Administration Ministry

Strengthen the Ministry Behind the Ministries.

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others.

I Peter 4:10

Healthy churches are built through collaborative leadership and faithful discernment.

Church Council

Help shape the future of Hayes Barton.

Church Council provides vision, accountability, and overall leadership for the congregation, helping ensure that every ministry reflects the church's mission, vision, values, and strategic priorities.



GREAT FOR

Individuals who enjoy strategic thinking, collaboration, and long-term planning



TIME COMMITMENT

Six meetings each year plus Charge Conference



TRAINING

Orientation provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Pastor David

Board of Trustees

Care for the places where ministry happens.

The Trustees oversee the buildings, grounds, equipment, and property entrusted to Hayes Barton, helping ensure that our campus remains safe, welcoming, and ready for ministry every day.



GREAT FOR

People with experience or interest in facilities, maintenance, construction, engineering, or project management



TIME COMMITMENT

Six meetings each year plus Charge Conference



TRAINING

Orientation provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Natalie Peterson

Permanent Endowment Team

Invest in the church's future.

The Permanent Endowment Team manages gifts and endowments that strengthen Hayes Barton's ministry for generations to come.



GREAT FOR

Individuals interested in finance, investments, and long-range planning



TIME COMMITMENT

Quarterly meetings



TRAINING

Orientation provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Natalie Peterson

Stewardship Leadership

Help inspire a culture of generosity.

This ministry encourages the congregation to respond to God's generosity through prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness while helping coordinate the church's annual stewardship campaign.



GREAT FOR

People who enjoy encouraging others, planning campaigns, and celebrating the impact of generosity



TIME COMMITMENT

Seasonal with additional planning meetings



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Natalie Peterson

Staff-Parish Relations Team

Support the people who lead our church.

This team works closely with pastors and staff to support healthy leadership, personnel decisions, staff care, and organizational effectiveness.



GREAT FOR

Intentional listeners, collaborative leaders, and people who value healthy organizations



TIME COMMITMENT

Monthly meetings



TRAINING

Orientation provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Natalie Peterson

Finance Team

Steward the resources that make ministry possible.

The Finance Team helps oversee the church's financial health through budgeting, financial planning, stewardship, and responsible management of the gifts entrusted to Hayes Barton.



GREAT FOR

People with financial, accounting, budgeting, or business experience, though a willingness to learn is equally valuable



TIME COMMITMENT

Six meetings annually



TRAINING

Orientation provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Natalie Peterson

Parsonage Team

Care for the home that supports our pastors.

The Parsonage Team oversees maintenance, repairs, and improvements to the church parsonage, ensuring it remains a welcoming home for those called to serve our congregation.



GREAT FOR

People with practical skills, project management experience, or a desire to serve behind the scenes



TIME COMMITMENT

As needed



TRAINING

None



FIRST STEP

Contact Natalie Peterson

Receptionist & Office Volunteers

Help keep the church connected every day.

Office volunteers welcome visitors, answer telephones, provide information, assist with administrative projects, and support the day-to-day work that keeps the church running smoothly.



GREAT FOR

Friendly, organized people who enjoy helping others



TIME COMMITMENT

Flexible four-hour shifts



TRAINING

Provided



FIRST STEP

Contact Tina Colly

Safer Sanctuaries Team
Help create a safe environment for everyone.

This team works to ensure that children, youth, and vulnerable adults experience Hayes Barton as a place of safety, trust, and care through thoughtful policies, training, and ongoing review.

**WHY IT MATTERS**
Creating a safe church is a shared responsibility

**TIME COMMITMENT**
As needed

**TRAINING**
Provided

**FIRST STEP**
Contact Natalie Peterson

Lay Leadership Team
Help people discover where they belong.

The Lay Leadership Team helps members identify their gifts, connect with meaningful opportunities for service, and develop leaders for the future of Hayes Barton.

**GREAT FOR**
People who enjoy encouraging others and recognizing gifts in those around them

**TIME COMMITMENT**
Three to four meetings each year

**TRAINING**
Orientation provided

**FIRST STEP**
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