Our vision is

to become fully alive as followers of Jesus Christ

We seek to do this by

choosing Christ, Community, and Compassion

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

USHERS (8:30)
Charles Sawyer, Captain
Tom Hepler, John Lennon,
Charles Russell, Brenda Willis,
Sue Zaytoun

USHERS (11:00)
Frank Brown, Captain
Lars Bostrom, Tom Graves,
Henry Jones, Ben Thompson,
David Welsh

COMMUNION SERVERS (8:30)
Rachel & Garrett Pedersen
Scott Gibson & Tim Edwards

STEPHEN MINISTRY PRAYER PARTNERS (8:30)
Sue Zaytoun, Henry Campen

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS
are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Norma Hunt Horton
by her loving daughter,
Mary Beth Horton Grady

WELCOME

We're glad you're here! To learn more about Hayes Barton and getting involved, please contact Rev. Sarah Swandell (sswandell@hbumc.org).

Children of all ages are welcome to join us for worship. Nursery care is available. Ushers can assist you with seating and/or direct you to our nursery. If at any point you or your little one needs a break during the service, please feel free to step into our parlor, located in the hallway off the Stone Street entrance. The service will be streaming there, so you can continue to join us comfortably.

Restrooms and water fountains are available as you leave the sanctuary to your right, across the lobby and down the hall past the parlor, or to your left, through the double doors by the elevator, then on the right.

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GATHERING AND PRAISE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Romans 8

We are no longer bound by fear, but have received the Spirit of adoption.
We come to worship with grateful hearts.

Surely as we suffer with Christ, we will be glorified with him.
We wait with patience, trusting God's promises.

Come, let us worship the One who makes all things new.
Let us worship the Lord!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* Hymn #158

*OPENING PRAYER

O God, whose love reaches to the heavens, whose faithfulness knows no end: let the wideness of your mercy be known to us, that we may worship you with wonder, joy, and thanksgiving. We pray this in Jesus' name, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Psalm 139:1–18 Vicky Ravenel (11:00)

O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and night wraps itself around me," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! I try to count them — they are more than the sand; I come to the end — I am still with you.

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

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00) Meghan Watson

ANTHEM *Hallelu Yah: Three Psalms of Praise, II. Psalm 147* Dan Forrest
Chamber Choir

How good it is to sing praises to our God,
how pleasant and fitting to praise him, to sing praises to our God.
the Lord delights in those who fear him, who hope in his unfailing love.
Hallelu Yah.

Hallelu Means "praise" or "celebrate"
Yah is an abbreviated form of Yahweh, the name of God

SECOND LESSON Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' "

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.

Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

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

SERMON *The Wheat and the Weeds* Pastor Lindsey

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

INVITATION, CONFESSION, AND PARDON (8:30)

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!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

*RESPONSE HYMN (11:00) Alternate Tune: BEACH SPRING

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in His justice which is more than liberty.
There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good;
there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in His blood.

'Tis our God: His love looks mighty, and is mightier than it seems;
'Tis our Father: and His fondness goes far out beyond our dreams.
But we make His love too narrow by false limits of our own;
And we magnify His strictness with a zeal He will not own.

For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more simple, we would take Him at His word,
and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND FOR THE WORLD

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

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OFFERTORY *City Called Heaven* arr. Josephine Poelinitz
Chamber Choir

I am a poor pilgrim of sorrow, I'm left in this whole wide world,
I'm left in this world alone. I ain't got no hope for tomorrow.
I'm trying to make it, make heaven my home.

Sometimes I'm tossed and I'm driven.
Sometimes I just don't know which way to turn.
I heard of a city called heaven. I'm trying to make it, make heaven my home.

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymn #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

HOLY COMMUNION (8:30)

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (sung 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.

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *To God Be the Glory* #98

*BENEDICTION AND CHIMES

POSTLUDE

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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

DEATHS

Joel Long: June 30

Steve Evans,
father of Zach Evans: July 13

OUR CHURCH LEADERS

Pastors David, Sarah,
Lindsey, Matt, and Claire
Our HBUMC Ministry Team
District Superintendent David Joyner
Bishop Connie Shelton

HAYES BARTON HIGHLIGHTS

FINAL SUMMER BOOK CLUB - JULY 26

Looking for some great summer reading and a chance to connect with others at Hayes Barton? We have one final Summer Book Club gathering next Sunday with Pastor Matt. The one-and-done discussion will center around Shelby Van Pelt's *Remarkably Bright Creatures*. Join Matt from 5:00–6:30pm Sunday, July 26, in the Fellowship Hall. Simply read, show up ready to share your thoughts, and enjoy a fun way to engage your mind and spirit this summer. **hbumc.org/signups**

SUMMER SEMINARY CONTINUES

Join us for a six-week series of standalone classes held during the 10:00am hour in the Fellowship Hall. Each week, a different pastor will offer an introduction to a seminary-style topic, including how pastors study Scripture and prepare sermons, the meaning behind our sacred spaces and stained glass windows, and more. No sign-up or preparation needed, just come as you are ready to learn and connect with others!
Today's Topic: *Exegesis: From Lectionary Scriptures to Sermon*

MIDWEEK EXAMEN PRAYER GATHERING

Need a moment to pause, reflect, and connect with God in the middle of the week? Join Pastor Lindsey virtually on Wednesdays at noon during July and August for a guided Examen prayer gathering. There's nothing to read, bring, or study ahead of time. Simply log in and be guided through a gentle time of prayer and reflection. Each gathering will last approximately 15–30 minutes, making it easy to participate even on a busy day. **hbumc.org/signups**

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