

June 6, 2022

From Pastor Molly

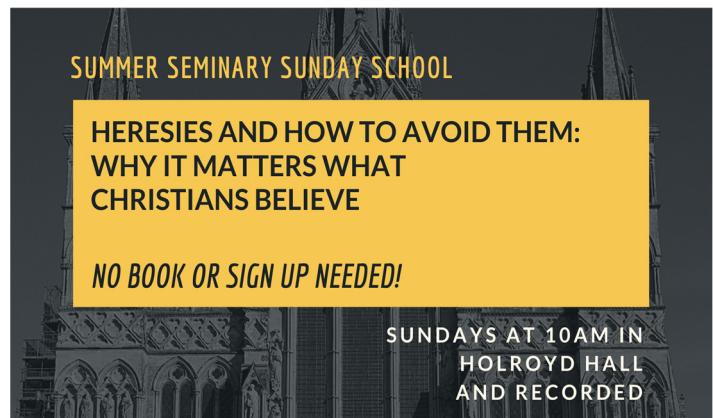
Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ!

What do Galileo, the Inquisition, Henry VIII, European wars from the 16th to 18th centuries, the Crusades, and the Apostles' Creed have to do with one another? Heresy! Our Summer Seminary this year is entitled *Heresies and How to Avoid Them*. Beginning on Sunday, June 12, at 10:00am in Casper Holroyd Hall, our adult combined Summer Seminary Sunday School class begins. Our gatherings will also be livestreamed to Facebook so that you can watch from your favorite vacation spot or catch up on any missed gatherings.

Over the summer, our pastors will help us consider and discuss the orthodoxy (literally, correct or right beliefs) of the Christian faith alongside the heresy (or divergent beliefs) of the Christian faith. At a most basic level, we're asking questions such as "What do we believe as Christians?," "Who gets to decide what is correct belief?," "What are the consequences of diverging from orthodoxy?," and "Does correct belief *actually* matter to modern Christians?" We'll look at the Christological controversies, *i.e.*, the nature of Jesus, and at some controversies of Christian living and believing.

Studying orthodoxy and heresy is interesting because in so many instances the difference between the two is slight but significantly important. Here is an ancient example and a modern example of describing the distinction. In the 2nd century, Greek bishop Irenaeus described heresy using the metaphor of a mosaic. If you have a beautiful, bejeweled mosaic of a King made up of small and intricately-designed pieces, that mosaic might represent orthodoxy. If you disassembled the royal mosaic and put it back together in a different way, you could make the image of a clever fox. The mosaic would still be beautiful and bejeweled with the same component parts, but its image is completely different. The king is the orthodoxy; the fox is the heresy.

In a modern twist from the book *Heresies and How to*



Avoid Them: Why it matters what Christians believe by Ben Quash and Michael Ward, we consider that a heresy is like a parody of a great work of art or music. It might closely resemble the original and true rendering, but all together, the meaning changes in the parody. Think of the classic Michael Jackson hit "Beat It" and (rather unflattering and silly) the Weird Al Yankovic parody version of "Eat It" which includes lots of references to eggs, Spam, and steak.¹ Heresies are a bit like parodies because they are "closely imitative of the real thing, forcing us to ask what makes the real thing real and the parody a parody," according to Ben Quash.

I can't wait to delve into the world of heresy with you this summer! If you'd like to read along with the pastors, we'll be using the *Heresies and How to Avoid Them* book. A couple of copies are available in the Hayes Barton UMC Library, or you can order it from your favorite bookseller. Feel free to email me with questions about Summer Seminary: Heresies and How to Avoid Them or any of our other Summer gatherings at mwhite@hbumc.org. On Sunday, we'll start with an introduction to the world of heresy and dive into the heresy of Pelagianism.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Molly

¹You can watch both videos for "Beat It" and "Eat It" on YouTube. You can thank me later for the trip down the 1980s memory lane!

From Bishop Leonard Fairley: Enough

"O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!" (Jeremiah 9:1)

Hearts once again struggle for words that will not come easily. Grief brought about by another senseless act of violence at the hands of a teenager with guns has once again settled heavily in our spirit like "a voice heard in Ramah, mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more." (Jeremiah 31:15)

Will the tears be enough?

Will the prayers be enough?

Will statements and media sound bites be enough?

Will the countless social media posts be enough?

Will time once again slip away while we debate what must be done, attempting to brace ourselves for the next tragedy? Enough rhetoric already.

"My tears have been my food day and night, while they say to me all day long, 'Where is your God?'" (Psalm 42:3)

Will the silence of children's voices, once vibrant with so much life ahead of them, or brown bodies lying lifeless in grocery store aisles, or the taking of lives in houses of worship, be enough? Will these tragedies linger long enough in our collective tears to remove the fear of what it might cost to follow our words with actions? The price of our lack of will has already cost too much.

We must bear this hurt collectively; it is all of ours. "Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?" (Jeremiah 8:22) What if the great physician, Jesus, the prince of peace, our peace in the midst of the storm, has already diagnosed the sickness and written the prescription, but we refuse to take the medicine? What if what awaits is our courage to do whatever is necessary to transform the question mark of our current laments of "why?" into the exclamation point of life and hope strong enough to lead us into necessary change.

NO MORE! ENOUGH IS ENOUGH.

Come, Lord Jesus, come! Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Worship in the Park

Worship in the Park on May 15th was a special day of sunshine, good friends, good food, and meaningful music and worship. We also filled the Taylor-Burroughs Market P.L.A.C.E. van with supplies for their pantry!



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Summer Seminary: Heresy!

Combined Adult Sunday School Starts June 12

Join us for our annual combined adult Sunday School beginning on June 12 in Holroyd Hall or watch livestreamed on Facebook from the comfort of your vacation spot! This summer we'll be learning from the pastors about the truths we believe about Jesus Christ and Christian life – and why what we believe matters. No reading is required, but if you'd like to read along, pick up a copy of *Heresies and How to Avoid Them: Why It Matters What Christians Believe* by Quash and Ward, or borrow a copy from the HBUMC Library. No sign up required.

Learning to Pray: A Guide for Everyone: Starts 6/13

by James Martin, SJ

Whether you're a beginner or a practiced pray-er, this highly readable and enjoyable book is perfect for your summer reading list. You'll enjoy the stories about prayer and get the tools for engaging in more meaningful prayer yourself. We'll gather online with Pastor Molly for nine Monday evening sessions on Zoom beginning at 7pm on June 13. Pick up the book at Quail Ridge or borrow it from the HBUMC Library. Sign up at:

[www.hbumc.org/formation](http://hbumc.org/formation)

The Revelation of St. John the Evangelist: Starts 6/21

Need a lesson in how to be a disciple in a crazy, chaotic world? Revelation is the book for you! Set any preconceived notions about the last book of the Bible aside as we journey with Pastor



In the Children's Department at **HBUMC**, nothing is more important to us than the safety and security of your children. That's why we've chosen KidCheck as our children's check-in solution to bring you the best check-in experience and to allow us to partner with you to keep your children safe.

We will go live with KidCheck on Sunday, June 12th. It is important you create your account prior to this date. If you haven't already created your free account, please do so by going to go.kidcheck.com and selecting "Create Your KidCheck Account". Or download the KidCheck Mobile App from the App Store or Google Play Store to create, manage, and update your account right on your mobile device.

Create your account from the comfort of home; it's simple and will only take a few minutes. Creating your account prior to the

Molly and our Duke Divinity School intern Dawson into a cosmic story of dragons, battles, discipleship, and salvation. We'll meet on Zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7pm for six weeks beginning on June 21. The only book required is a study bible! Sign up at www.hbumc.org/formation.

Lectionary Bible Study

Gather together in person or via Zoom on Thursday mornings at 10am as we join one of our pastors for a Bible-based discussion on the coming week's preaching text. Come in person or email Cheryl Fortineau at cfortineau@hbumc.org to join the hybrid Zoom/in-person meeting.

One-and-Done Book Study: July 14

The Great and Holy War: How World War I Became a Religious Crusade by Philip Jenkins

How did religion fuel the First World War? And how did the First World War fundamentally change religion? Philip Jenkins does a masterful job navigating the religious landscape of a world devastated by war – and demonstrating how what we believe and how we practice faith today was changed by the global conflict. Join Pastor Molly in person on Thursday, July 14, from 7-9pm as we discuss The Great and Holy War. Pick up a book at Quail Ridge or borrow a copy from the HBUMC Library. Sign up at:

www.hbumc.org/formation

One-and-Done Book Study: August 4

The Least of Us: True Tales of America and Hope in the Time of Fentanyl and Meth by Sam Quinones

Sam Quinones is the author of the wonderful book Dreamland about the opioid epidemic that we read together a couple of years ago. His new book telling stories across the country about the synthetic drug epidemic is just as good! We'll gather with Pastor Molly in person on Thursday, August 4, from 7-9pm to discuss the book. You can pick up the book at Quail Ridge or borrow a copy from the HBUMC Library. Sign up at:

www.hbumc.org/formation

above date helps us have a smooth transition and helps your first check-in go more quickly so you can get on your way.

Once you've created your account, simply use your 10 digit phone number to check-in with us.

Additionally, we're excited to share we will be using KidCheck Express Check-In, which allows you to check-in right from your own phone – no waiting in line, no check-in station! You will need to check in for the first time with your 10 digit phone number at a check-in station. Then after that you can use Express Check-In, using these few simple steps:

1. Download the KidCheck App (as noted above)
2. Start check-in on your phone – from home, the car, the parking lot
3. Complete check-in upon arrival by tapping the green submit button on your phone
4. Pick up your printed name tag and guardian receipt labels

Thank you for your participation! We are excited to get up and rolling with this new system!



This summer, HB will host 170 kids for Vacation Bible School the week of June 20! Can you help donate? Anything you can do to support this important ministry is so appreciated! Sign-up at:

hbume.org/signups

VBS Volunteers Needed:

1 Adult Shepherd for the 3's Class
 3 Adult Shepherds for the 2nd Grade Class
 1 Adult Kitchen Center Volunteer
 1 Adult Set-up Volunteer for June 18
 3 Adult Science Center Volunteers
 3 Youth Set-up Volunteers for June 18
 2 Youth Clean-up Volunteer for June 23

VBS Supplies Needed:

9" Clear Plastic Plates (100 Pack) (1)
 Plastic Round Tablecloths (84" and Primary Colors) (59)
 Food Coloring Boxes (Assorted Colors) (6)
 Rectangular Plastic Tablecloths (Red, 54" x 108") (8)
 Plastic Fast Food Baskets (Set of 24)
 Blue Craft Paper Roll
 Bag of Poly-Fil (16 oz) (2)
 Bubble solution (2)

VBS Snack Supplies Needed:

Krispy Kreme Gift Cards (20) \$10

Bereavement Care at HBUMC

The Hayes Barton UMC's Bereavement Team serves together to offer care and compassion when a funeral or memorial service takes place on our campus. From setting up, to serving as ushers and greeters, to providing space for families to gather after the service, Bereavement Team members offer the love of Christ in the midst of the painful days of saying goodbye to a loved one.

Insights into Aging and the Decisions Older Adults Face

Presented by the Center for Leadership Excellence
with Jeff Hutchins

Wednesday, June 22, 2022, 12:00-1:00pm ET

Caring for families and congregations is, without a doubt, multifaceted! In this webinar, we will dig into some of the complexities and opportunities in the journey of aging while exploring options to best support individuals and their network of support.

This webinar is geared toward pastors and those who walk

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Sam's Club Gift Card (10) \$10
 Hungry Howie's Gift Card (18) \$10
 Jersey Mikes Gift Card (8) \$10
 Cans of Coke (16) Pack of 12
 Cans of Cheerwine (5) Pack of 12
 Cans of Mountain Dew (5) Pack of 12
 Cans of Sprite (5) Pack of 12
 Chip Variety Pack (Individual Bags) (6) Box of 50
 Candy Bar Variety Pack (5) Box of 30
 Fresh Baked Cookies (2) Box of 24
 Cans of Sparkling Water (3) Pack of 12
 Cans of Diet Coke (3) Pack of 12

Daily VBS Snacks:

Monday-Thursday (each day)

Chicken Salad (2) Approximately 2 lbs.
 Pimento Cheese (2) 24 oz
 Brownies, Cookies or other Sweet Treat (4) Dozen
 Fruit Bowl (2)
 Vegetable Tray with Dip (2)

Monday

Hummus (2.5 oz individual servings) (2) Pack of 20
 Ham Biscuits (4) Dozen
 Muffins (2) Dozen

Tuesday

Guacamole with chips (2) 24 oz
 Ham Biscuits (4) Dozen
 Bagels with Cream Cheese Spread (2) Dozen

Wednesday

Hummus (2.5 oz individual servings) (2) Pack of 20
 Muffins (3) Dozen

Thursday

Guacamole with chips (2) 24 oz
 Ham Biscuits (4) Dozen
 Bagels with Cream Cheese Spread (2) Dozen

Members of this team are committed to showing up, caring for the needs of the family at the service, and delivering compassion while bringing comfort into their unsettled world. If you are looking for a place to serve that is deeply impactful, please consider volunteering. From retirees to high school students, we welcome any compassionate and kind participants!

Please contact Jan Woodard at 919-787-7170 if you want to be of help to this ministry. Thank you for your consideration!

with families through the decision-making that often comes when our loved ones age. Participants can expect to gain:

- ⊕ a broader understanding of how to serve older adults well;
- ⊕ growing knowledge of what older adults face at that stage of life;
- ⊕ an overview of long-term care options;
- ⊕ understanding how to support older adults who are experiencing a health crisis;
- ⊕ critical and loving conversation touchpoints.

Sign up at:

nccumc.org/leadership/event/insights-into-aging/

Sympathy and Love to

- † Matt Fortier and family on the death of his mother, Catherine Fortier, on April 24. Her service was held on April 29 at The Church of the Holy Cross, Dover, DE.
- † Les Hershey and Kathy Davis and family on the death of his wife and her mother, Kate Hershey, on May 28.
- † Denise Lee and family on the death of her mother, Joanna Lee, on May 21.
- † Anne Miles and family on the death of her mother, Suzette Marie Miles, on May 17.
- † Will Watkins and family on the death of his mother, June Watkins, on May 28. Her service was held on June 1 at Hayes Barton.

Congratulations to

Leigh Eury and Larry Vette, who were married at Hayes Barton on June 4.

Birth

Anna Elizabeth Hagy "Annie", daughter of Emily & Hunter Hagy, granddaughter of Carol & Ed Hagy, was born on March 23.

Memorial Gifts Processed by June 2

In Honor of **Becky Valentine** to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Elvey & Sharon Thomas.

In Memory of **Tom Blalock**:

- to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Lisa & Nelson Brugh and family, Al & Julie Bullock, John & Leah Callaway, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Hodge, Leroy & Betty Rising, Walt & Mary Penn Sherlin, Dorothy Thomason, and Connie & Charlie Upshaw.

- to the ASP Fund by David & Dianne Jones.

In Memory of **Mary Gatton**:

- to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Cheryl Burgess Hall.
- by Frank & Becky Brown, Walt & Mary Penn Sherlin, and Connie & Charlie Upshaw.
- to the Well Fund by Lisa Ashworth, Emily Clark, and Mary June & Henry Jones.

In Memory of **Paul Johnson**:

- to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by The Birthday Group, Bill Bizzell, Sherry C. Frye & Trudy C. Conrad.
- to the ASP Fund by John & Deanna Drescher, David & Dianne Jones and Connie & Charlie Upshaw.

In Memory of **Claudia Booth Koutoulakos** to the In As Much Fund by Shelley Roper Early, Dr. & Mrs. Michael Gross, and Beverley Stevens.

In Memory of **Mac Newsom** to the Seeker's Benevolent Fund by Lisa & Nelson Brugh and family.

Rescheduled from May 16



Child care offered.

Tuesday, June 7
Ladies' Night!
6:30-8pm
Box Dinner

Hear from
Church member and
WRAL meteorologist
Elizabeth Gardner

RSVP:
rwhite@hbumc.org

PRAYER REQUESTS:
PRAYER@HBUMC.ORG

Prayer Bookmarks: 05-29-22 & 06-05-22

Deaths

Catherine Fortier, mother of Matt Fortier
Kate Hershey
Joanna Lee, mother of Denise Lee
Suzette Marie Miles, mother of Anne Miles
June Watkins

Wedding

Leigh Eury & Larry Vette

Birth

Anna Elizabeth Hagy "Annie",
daughter of Emily & Hunter Hagy,
granddaughter of Carol & Ed Hagy

Health Concerns

Pat Gore	Joelyn Harrington
Sheila Lee-Carr	John & Shirley Phillips
Theresa Stevens	Bill Ulmer

Ongoing Concerns

Betty Angell	Jim Riggins
Dianne Beattie	Gladys Rose
Dorothy Caldwell	Rhumell Ross
Jerry Carter, father of Rebecca Phillips	Barbara Smith
Malcolm Cass	Nancy Stamey
Mary Lou Goodrich	Mark Stamper
Finlay Carter Green	Elvey Thomas
Martha Lowrance	Georgia Webb

Deployed

William Wampler, fiancé of Ellie Dannenberg

Our Church Leaders

Pastors David, Molly, Matt, and Laura
D.S. Brady; Bishop Fairley

Our In-Crowd Members

**Those grieving the over 6.29M
who have died from COVID worldwide
and the over 1008K in the US**

Our Leaders at All Levels of the Government

**Pray for peace
and a Russian withdrawal from Ukraine**

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Food Trucks. Fun & Fellowship

Our next churchwide event is Thursday, 6/23, 5-7pm. Come hungry for Food Trucks, Fun, and Fellowship on the back lawn!! ALL AGES will enjoy live summertime music, food truck dinner, Dessert food truck, and time with your church family on the back patio.

Food Trucks:

Gonza Tacos
Crave (BBQ, hot dogs, mac n cheese)
454 Grill (sandwich melts)
Edible Cookie Dough and Ice Cream

There's an **inflatable obstacle course** just for kids (and fun adults)!

Head to hbumc.org/signups for dinner tickets for your choice of meal from one of the food trucks.

We'll also hear our **VBS** kids sing some of their songs from the week and learn **more about Inter-Faith Food Shuttle's** programs and find ways to support their mission.



ASP (Appalachia Service Project) Commissioning

Carter County, Tennessee June 19-25, 2022

Team members will be commissioned at LightHouse on Sunday, June 12.

VBS (Vacation Bible School) Commissioning

Volunteers will be commissioned at all 3 services on Sunday, June 19.

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In Person Worship

8:30/11 am Traditional
9 am LightHouse

(11 am service live-streamed)

Nursery care for children from birth to age 4 available.

Sunday School at 10 am

JUNE 12
Trinity Sunday

Pastor Matt

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Psalm 8

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15

JUNE 19
2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor David

1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a

Isaiah 65:1-9

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 8:26-39

JUNE 26
3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor Laura