

## From Pastor Matt

“Do you know the name of anyone living in poverty?” This was a question that one of my professors in Divinity School asked his class one day. This particular professor had served as the pastor of various sized churches throughout his career and had served three terms as a Bishop in the United Methodist Church. He remains one of the most formative people in my life of faith. My teacher wanted to make sure that when his seminary students went to serve in a local church, we did not forget the poor.

He continued his questioning: “Do you know the story of anyone experiencing homelessness or living on the margins of society? Are you on a first name basis with anyone who is incarcerated or transitioning back into society post-incarceration? How often do you invite a mother or father who is struggling to provide for her or his family to share her or his life story with you over a meal?” With his questioning, my pastoral teacher was planting seeds of what Old Testament scholar Walter Brueggemann calls “the Prophetic Imagination”, or reimagining the world through the lens of God’s compassion, mercy, and justice. A prophetic imagination leads to seeing people who are different than we are as God does. A prophetic imagination leads us to listen to the voices and stories of people different from the usual voices to which we listen. **A prophetic imagination leads to radical, transformative relationship.**

Over the past year, the Outreach Committee, our Being Boaz group (a missionally-minded team that responds to local outreach needs), and other outreach-focused church leaders have been asking deeper questions about how we, as a church, **are in relationship with the impoverished, the marginalized, the easily overlooked people in the Raleigh community.**

As a church, we will continue to support individuals and families through the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund (aiding families with utility bills, rent, food, etc.) and the Inasmuch Fund (a fund that addresses unexpected outreach needs that arise throughout the year). We will continue collecting food and basic living supplies for various local pantries. We will continue working with refugee families, women’s shelters, and agencies supporting those experiencing food or housing insecurities, and the list goes on.

During this past year, what has become clear to various Outreach leaders is that God is leading our church to find ways **to deepen our relationship with the impoverished and marginalized** through our Outreach ministries. In other words, God’s Spirit is prompting us to know those we serve by name, to listen to their stories, and thus to be transformed. Our Christian faith and Wesleyan heritage teach us that Jesus is present in these holy moments of outreach and service among the marginalized; and Jesus’s presence always transforms.

As we look to the fall, the Outreach Committee, Being Boaz, and other congregation leaders will be creating opportunities for engaging the needs in our community through outreach and service. Please join us in praying for the ways that we, as a church, might deepen our relationship with those we serve.

In His Service,

Matt Ashburn, Pastor of Outreach  
John Thomas, Outreach Committee Chair  
and Being Boaz Team Leader

## Welcome Our New Members from June 26

**George & Katherine Anderson**, 919-632-6727, 1604 Craig St, 27608, joined by transfer from Edenton Street UMC.

**Cecil & Julia Baldwin**, 478-951-6782, 8831 Cypress Lakes Dr Unit 206, 27615, joined by transfer from Vineville UMC, Macon GA,

**Stephen Dahlem**, 919-909-6725, 2556 Noble Rd, 27608, joined by transfer from Saint Ursula Roman Catholic Church, Parkville MD.

**Sam Jones**, 843-267-3307, 3101 Duraleigh Rd Apt 337, 27612, joined by transfer from First United Methodist, Myrtle Beach SC.

**Lindsay Lowenstein**, 919-612-8794, 2611 Kittrell Dr, 27608, joined by transfer from St. Michael the Archangel Roman Catholic Church, Cary.

**Jim & Sue Major**, 919-412-1664, 8581 Cypress Lakes Dr Unit 405, 27615, joined by transfer from Edenton Street UMC.

**Seth & Jami Britt Noble with Madeline**, 910-625-5663, 914 Athens Dr Apt A, 27606, joined by transfer from Edenton Street UMC.

**Elizabeth & Rusty Woodward with James & Bebe**, 706-513-7512, 1620 Scales St, 27608, joined by transfer from First Baptist Church, Louisville GA, and Vienna UMC, Vienna GA, respectively.



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 went live with KidCheck on Sunday, June 12.** 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](https://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

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!

## Preschool and Elementary Sunday School

Ms. Jami and Ms. Karen love tomatoes, okra, cucumbers, and all sorts of yummy vegetables! We also love flowers! Did you know flowers can help keep bugs away?



Join us Sunday mornings from 10-10:45 on the back patio for fun activities and learn about ways you can help with our new Garden!

How many different ways can YOU show Love for God's beautiful earth!

Sunday School for all ages 10:00-10:45 on the back patio  
(Clothes may get a little dirty!)

Nursery is still available from 8:15 to 12:00

Questions: Contact Jami at [jbrittnoble@hbumc.org](mailto:jbrittnoble@hbumc.org)

The Commissioner

## 2022-2023 Youth Leadership Team

Let's all welcome and be in prayer for our new Youth Leadership Team for the 2022-2023 school year! Officers will be voted on at our first in person meeting!

Carter Anderson  
Anne Louise Baddour  
Lauren Bolen  
Ben Brewer  
Ryan Burke  
Allie Camp  
Martha-Ann Cates  
Mary Douglas Cates  
Mac Cobb  
Mary Grace Fields  
Riley Fields

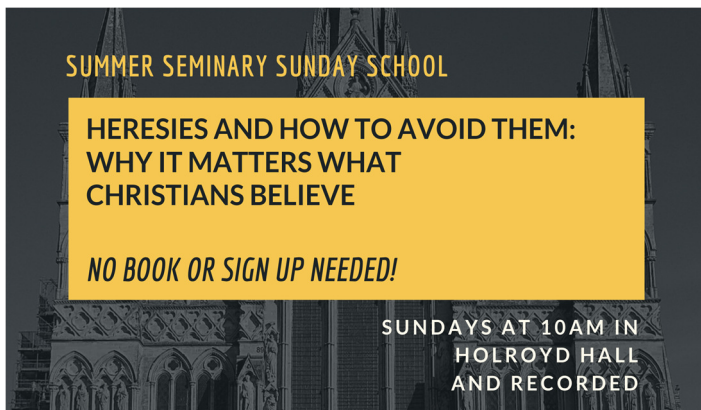
Anna Haywood  
Jack Kirby  
Miles Kirby  
Edwin Ledford  
Joshua Quezada  
Kate Ragsdale  
Andrew Rostick  
Addison Sherlin  
Austin Sherlin  
Sarah Stanziale

AMUSEMENT PARK DAY

July 20th

Water Park  
Day

August 3rd



## Summer Seminary: Heresy!

Combined Adult Sunday School Started June 12

Join us for our annual combined adult Sunday School 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: Started 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://www.hbumc.org/formation)

### The Revelation of St. John the Evangelist: Started 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 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](http://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](mailto:cfortineau@hbumc.org) to join the hybrid Zoom/in-person meeting.

### One-and-Done Book Study: Thursday, 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](http://www.hbumc.org/formation)

### One-and-Done Book Study: Thursday, 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](http://www.hbumc.org/formation)



## ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2022

As members of Hayes Barton Methodist Church, we participate in life and ministry through our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness, knowing we can make a greater impact when we join



Annual Conference 2022  
Graceful Justice: Rooted in Our Baptism  
June 15-18, 2022  
Greenville, NC

forces to serve and do good together. Similarly, our church is more effective because of our connection with other churches in eastern and central North Carolina that form the North Carolina Conference of the UMC. Representatives of HBUMC recently experienced the power of this “connectionalism” at the Annual Conference in Greenville, North Carolina, which took place on June 15-18, 2022. This was the first time the Annual Conference has taken place in person since 2019. Participants who met on Zoom the

prior two years – about 1600 in total, half clergy and half lay members – cherished the opportunity to rekindle friendships, pray, learn and conduct business together.

HBUMC was well-represented. All of your pastors and lay delegate Eric Stevens participated. Rev. Laura Fine Ledford, as Chair of the Board of Ordained Ministry, presented those who had been approved as ordained pastors and commissioned as part of the ordination process, while explaining how the Board works to support aspiring pastors during their ordination journeys. And Rev. Molly White gave an update on the work of the Board of Church and Society to support congregations in finding new ways to take action to make their communities more just, merciful and loving.

For three busy days the group, under Bishop Leonard Fairley’s leadership, worshiped, celebrated the past year’s accomplishments, took care of Conference business and more. Here are a few highlights of what the Conference has done recently:

- ✦ The Conference’s Disaster Ministries helped thousands of eastern North Carolina families get back on their feet after the hurricanes of recent years. More recently they have focused their efforts helping tornado victims in western North Carolina and Kentucky and hurricane victims in Louisiana.
- ✦ The Conference dispersed \$2.7 million in COVID-related grants to 635 churches.
- ✦ The Conference’s Center for Leadership Excellence provided 50 online training opportunities for church leaders that were attended by more than 3800 participants.
- ✦ The Conference provides training opportunities to assist churches in their efforts to be more welcoming to people of all races, cultures and backgrounds and encourages cross-racial and cross-cultural appointments.
- ✦ The Conference provides support for invaluable organizations such as the Methodist Home for Children and the North Carolina Camp and Retreat Ministries, which operates Camp Don Lee, Camp Chestnut Ridge, and Camp Rockfish.
- ✦ The Conference worked with the Duke Endowment to provide grants for several rural Conference churches to host summer literacy programs that help students who otherwise would have fallen behind due in school during the pandemic.

The work of the Conference is made possible through apportionments paid by member churches and accomplished in large part through bodies such as the Board of Trustees, the Council on Finance & Administration, Nominations, and the Board of Missions, with assistance from the Bishop’s office and Conference staff. These groups present recommendations to the Annual Conference, which holds votes to, among other things, approve the Conference budget and staff positions and salaries, provide health insurance and pensions for pastors, approve nominees for boards and committees, and respond to challenges such as establishing terms through which churches that no longer want to be a part of the UMC can “disaffiliate” and developing a new relationship agreement for churches that sponsor Boy Scout troops to enter with the Boy Scouts of America that better protects our youth from harm and our churches from liability risk. Ultimately, our church’s pastors were reappointed for another year and all important business was completed. The Conference is well-positioned to serve HBUMC and all of its member churches well into the future.

Eric Stevens, Lay Delegate

### Register Now for Virtual Racial Equity Institute Training

In 2019, HBUMC hosted training that was provided by the Racial Equity Institute (REI) and attended by about 30 HB members. REI provides training and consulting programs across the country “designed to help individuals, organizations, and communities grow their understanding and analysis of structural racism and its cultural and historic roots.” REI, in collaboration with ROAR, is currently providing Phase I training sessions in a virtual format. **Phase I training**, which is two full days, offers an in-depth curriculum focusing on “a historical, cultural, structural and institutional analysis of racism” and provides an opportunity for open discussion in a racially diverse group. Registration for the Phase I virtual training program is available at [www.oaralliance.org/schedule](http://www.oaralliance.org/schedule)

**Upcoming Phase 1 workshop dates are July 18-19, August 25-26, September 21-22, October 11-12, November 14-15, and December 1-2.** There is a fee to participate in the training, but scholarships are available upon request, as indicated on the registration site. To learn more, contact Lee Hoffman at [phoffman4@nc.rr.com](mailto:phoffman4@nc.rr.com) or 919-280-4841.

## Sympathy and Love to

- ✚ Becky Brown and family on the death of her sister, Kay Howard, on June 28. Her service was held on July 1 at Rosehaven's Chapel in Douglasville, GA.
- ✚ Cristin DeRonja & Angel Styres and Daniel Finch and family on the death of their brother and his brother-in-law, Philip Ogden Redwine, on June 18. His service was held on June 24 at Edenton Street United Methodist Church.
- ✚ Mary Jane Ellis and family on the death of her father, Hoke Bullard, on June 19. His service was held on July 1 at First United Methodist Church, Wilson.
- ✚ the family and friends of John Rose, who died on June 22.

## Births

- ✚ Cecilia "Cece" Faedo Ashburn, daughter of Elena & Matt Ashburn was born on July 1.
- ✚ Enzo Maxwell Dieudonne, son of Laura & Patrick Dieudonne, grandson of Sherry & John Thomas, was born on June 23.

## Memorial Gifts Processed by June 30

In Memory of **Judy Anderson** to the Seekers' Benevolent Fund by Ruth & Bill Barnett, Tom & Marie Best, Frank & Becky Brown, Paul & Carolyn Carruth, Janet & Wes Chesson, Mike & Lori Constantino, Sarah Ellington, Mary-Owens Fitzgerald, Dick & Andy Fowler, Sallie & Gordon Grubb, Cheryl B. Hall, HBUMC Seekers Class, Lee & Phillip Hoffman, Rebecca Johnson, Mary June & Henry Jones, Mary Ruth Martin, Sandi MacDonald, Bill & Mary Moss, Rex Hospital Guild, Inc., Harold & Gladys Rose, Eve & Sherwood H. Smith, Jr., Les & Gini Tharrington

In Memory of **Tom Blalock**:

- to Ms. Laurie's Wee Care School by Kerney & Beverly Peoples.
- to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Jack & Ginny Geurin and The Birthday Group (correction).

In Memory of **Mary Gatton** by Jack & Ginny Geurin.

In Memory of **Paul Johnson** to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Kerney & Beverly Peoples.

In Memory of **Lin Jordan** by Jack & Ginny Geurin.

In Memory of **June Watkins**:

- to the Library Fund by Rachel Crawford.
- to the Growing In Love Fund by Mary June & Henry Jones.

## Bereavement Care at HBUMC

HBUMC'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. 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!

## PRAYER REQUESTS: PRAYER@HBUMC.ORG

## Prayer Bookmarks: 06-26-22 & 07-03-22

### Deaths

Hoke Bullard, father of Mary Jane Ellis  
Kay Howard, sister of Becky Brown  
Philip Ogden Redwine, brother of Cristin DeRonja  
& Angel Styres, brother-in-law of Daniel Finch  
John Rose

### Births

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Dieudonne, grandson of Sherry & John Thomas

### Health Concerns

Betty Angell	Dan Bowers
Pat Gore	Cheryl Hall
John & Shirley Phillips	Brad Stimmel
Bill Ulmer	

### Ongoing Concerns

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

### Deployed

William Wampler, fiancé of Ellie Dannenberg

### Our Church Leaders

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

### Our In-Crowd Members

**Those grieving the over 6.33M  
who have died from COVID worldwide  
and the over 1017K in the US**

**Our Leaders  
at All Levels of the Government**

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



### Starting July 13 & Wednesdays This Summer

- ✦ Gym is open for preschool and elementary kids free play from 10-11am with Ms. Jami and Ms. Karen.
- ✦ Gym time for Middle and High School students before and after Lunch Bunch on Wednesdays - check [hbumcyouth.com](http://hbumcyouth.com) for dates.

(Due to other activities, no gym time is scheduled yet for July 20 or August 17.)

### Pickleball

We are currently planning to resume the pickleball league; stay tuned for details!



### UMW Scholarship Apply by July 31

Are you interested in a scholarship opportunity? Each year, the Hayes Barton UMW offers one \$1000 scholarship to an HBUMC woman member who is a college sophomore or above. This scholarship is paid directly to the learning institution of the recipient's choice; deadline to apply is July 31.

Find the application at [hbumc.org/signups](http://hbumc.org/signups) and direct any questions to Andrea Mace at [andimace@aol.com](mailto:andimace@aol.com) or Charlene Hay at [cnhay1125@gmail.com](mailto:cnhay1125@gmail.com).



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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

### JULY 10

5th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor David

Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82

Deuteronomy 30:9-14; Psalm 25:1-10

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

### JULY 17

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor David

Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52

Genesis 18:1-10a; Psalm 15

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

### JULY 24

7th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor Molly