

September 26, 2022

From Pastor Molly

Grace and Peace to you, Friends in Christ,

Three years ago, I took a wonderful three-week trip to England with a group of Methodists to learn about John and Charles Wesley and the early Methodist movement. Although I was part of a group, I didn't know anyone on the trip. I arrived in England a bit early and stayed a bit late on my own. I was by myself for several days. I learned as much about myself in the time I had alone as I learned about the Wesley brothers. The time alone stretched me beyond my comfort zone. On Sunday evening I'm headed off to England again, and I'll be on my own this time, too. I'm staying at the Wesley House at Cambridge University for a spiritual retreat (followed by some tourist time with the family in southern England). Alone for a week, I plan to soak up history, to be with my thoughts where there are nightly Evensong services and plentiful tea, to pray, and to rest my soul.

On the 2019 trip, Rev. Steve Manskar was one of our Wesley guides. In a book on covenant discipleship, Steve wrote this: *"One does not become a disciple by accident."* He is absolutely right. Becoming a disciple takes intentional effort – and, more often than not, becoming a disciple requires us to get outside of our comfort zone. Traveling alone helps me get outside of my comfort zone and allows me the time that I need to let my mind rest, wander, and wonder. I'm forced to face unknown situations and fears. I can embrace my curiosity, go down lovely rabbit holes, and rest well at night, having walked miles and miles exploring and pondering.

You don't need to travel abroad to get outside of your comfort zone. Taking on the challenge of stretching yourself toward purposeful and intentional discipleship is something that you can do here at your church home. As we've come back together as the Hayes Barton UMC community this fall, I have been so heartened by the number of people who have gotten outside of their comfort zones! Let me share some of the ways that people are being intentional – not accidental – disciples at Hayes Barton UMC in

our adult Spiritual Formation ministry this year.

- Some of our church lay leaders have joined together to form new covenant groups meeting weekly to get out of their comfort zones by sharing their faith journeys and by working on spiritual goals.
- We have large groups of adults on Wednesday nights challenging themselves by sharing the joys and heartaches of parenthood with one another, by working through middle-age together and searching for deeper meaning, by examining the retirement years and legacy issues, and by sharing the weight of grief and bearing one another's burdens.
- Our Sunday School classes are back together – including three new classes for young Adults, adults with young children, and for the adult JOY Class volunteers. Others are stretching their discipleship by volunteering with the Starnes Class on Sunday mornings.
- On Wednesday mornings and Sunday evenings we're wrestling with the Bible, asking questions about God, and looking at modern biblical scholarship that challenges old ideas.

And this is only the adult Spiritual Formation ministry! We have people challenging themselves and their discipleship by engaging in mission and justice ministries, by joining the choir, by agreeing to serve on administrative teams, by volunteering with Youth and Children's ministries, and by serving on the hospitality teams on Sunday mornings for worship. Friends, I invite you to be a disciple – on purpose! Explore a new way to worship, grow, or serve at Hayes Barton UMC that stretches you just beyond your comfort zone. I look forward to the hearing about the ways that the love of God and neighbor is growing in your life.

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become a disciple
by accident."***

Cheerio!
Pastor Molly

UMW Kickoff Update

The UMW kicked off another great year of service, fellowship, and friendship on September 12. Attendees brought supplies for Parkview Manor residents. In addition to this drive, speaker Maggie Kane from A Place at the Table Raleigh, and great food, the evening featured details for the upcoming Humble Heart Bazaar.

Save the dates! Silent Auction begins November 9, mini bake sale and more take place on November 15, and lunch and Marketplace are on November 16.



Save the dates for Bazaar!

♥ **Wednesday, November 9th**
• Silent Auction opens online for bidding

♥ **Tuesday, November 15**
• Corporate Lunch Delivery, Silent Auction, Mini Bake Sale, Marketplace

♥ **Wednesday, November 16**
• Traditional Bazaar Lunch, Silent Auction, Bake Sale, Marketplace

Lunch tickets on sale now!



Outreach's October Opportunities to Serve

More information and signups are online at hbumc.org/signups

Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event - 78 more volunteers needed

Help us with our goal of packaging 20,000 meals to address global hunger.

October 22 from 10:00am-12:00pm in the Fellowship Hall

Friends of Oberlin Village Cemetery Clean-up Day

October 22 from 9:00am-12:00pm

Oak City Cares Breakfast

Donate breakfast items and/or serve breakfast to neighbors experiencing homelessness.

October 29 from 8:45-11:00am

Parkview Manor Secret Pals - 38 more volunteers needed

Provide simple monthly gifts (\$5-10) to a local senior living in subsidized housing from October – May.

Southeast Raleigh Promise Community Garden

Work alongside church members and residents to provide fresh foods to SE Raleigh neighbors.

Weekly on Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00am-12:00pm; Saturday from 8:30-10:30am

To sign up, contact John Thomas (jbthomas52@gmail.com).



Stephen Ministry Training

Our Stephen Ministry training continues this month. Trainees hear from our church pastoral staff, Stephen Leaders, and seasoned Stephen Ministers during our sessions. Recent classes have focused on helping people recognize, accept, and trust their feelings, learning the art of listening, and exploring the distinctly Christian caregiving model of Stephen Ministry. A motto within Stephen Ministry is "The Stephen Minister is the caregiver and God is the curegiver." Training continues through November 7. Thank you for praying for our trainees and leaders! Learn more at:

hbumc.org/support

“Home”

“They were gathered together in one place” (Acts 2)
Maya Angelou once said, “The ache for home lives in all of us.”

For many of us, the word ‘home’ is the most beautiful utterance in the English language. It is a word that reminds us that we are safe and we are loved. Over the next year, our church will celebrate this theme of “Home” as we reflect on the beauty of our Hayes Barton UMC community of faith. As you begin to plan for your areas of ministry this fall, we invite you to incorporate this powerful image into your programming. Perhaps this year you will choose to partner with local agencies working to address housing insecurity in our community? Or perhaps you will reflect on how Hayes Barton UMC has been your spiritual home throughout the years. If you would like help brainstorming potential ministry ideas, please let our staff know so we can work with you in the planning process. No matter how you creatively incorporate this theme into your ministry, we look forward to seeing how God will bless our efforts as we celebrate the ache of home that lives in all of us. - Pastor David

GOD'S HOUSE OUR HOME

Stewardship Season

They were gathered together in one place - Acts 2

We have gathered together for our Homecoming Sunday with worship, food, and fellowship. Sunday School classes are back in session. Wednesday nights are alive at church with children's activities, youth and adult book and Bible studies, and dinner together in the Fellowship Hall. As we worship, grow, and serve together in God's house, we feel a sense of home.

October is a time when we pray and plan for our commitment to the church: financially, yes, but also in the ways we serve our congregation, community, and world. You'll hear from your fellow members and our pastors this month on the importance of home and the resources we need to take care of this place and its people.

Commitment Sunday: October 30

Reverend Peter Storey

On Wednesday night, November 9, HBUMC welcomes Reverend Peter Storey, in conversation with church member John Drescher, contributing editor of *The Assembly*. Storey is a South African Methodist minister who is a former president of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa (MCSA), and of the South African Council of Churches (SACC), and Ruth W. and A. Morris Williams Distinguished Professor Emeritus of the Practice of Christian Ministry at Duke University Divinity School.

His 40-year ministry in South Africa was defined by sustained opposition to the infamous apartheid government and its oppressive racist policies, first in Cape Town during the forced removals of people of color and as chaplain to Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners on Robben Island. Later, as a Methodist and Ecumenical leader, he played a significant national role in the Church's anti-apartheid struggle. He and then Bishop Desmond Tutu were witnesses-in-chief for the SACC when the apartheid regime put the organization on trial.

Dinner reservations may be made beginning on November 3.

Reverend Storey and John Drescher will speak at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.



Homecoming 2022 - September 18



All Things Dementia Three Thursdays 11:30a-12:30p

9/8 Dementia 101: What is Dementia and Reducing the Risk
10/13 Dementia 102: Mechanics, Interaction, and Communication
11/10 Dementia 103: Caregiving for Dementia Patients and Their Caregivers



Register:
hbumc.org/signups



The Commissioner

38 More Parkview Manor Secret Pals Needed

Once again, HBUMC is sponsoring Secret Pals with the residents at the Parkview Manor senior living apartments. This is a wonderful and easy way to make someone feel very special and not forgotten!

We are looking for volunteers to purchase a gift bag (\$5-\$10) each month for one or two Parkview residents from October 2022 to May 2023. Volunteers should deliver their monthly gifts no later than the second Saturday of each month to either:

1. THE BUCKET at HBUMC - located in the closet in Room 250 (formally the "Future Kitchen" just off The Well).
2. Home of Sheila Lee-Carr - 1109 Hemmingway Dr (919-819-4777)
3. Home of Janet Gruchacz - 1909 Sunset Dr. (919-482-9559)

Each volunteer will receive a questionnaire filled out by a Parkview resident. The sheet will provide information about the resident and a wish list of items. Choose something from their list or surprise your Secret Pal with a gift of your choosing.

Please sign up at hbumc.org/signups

Memorial Gifts Processed by September 22

In Memory of **Judy Anderson** to the Seekers' Benevolent Fund by Marlene & Ronnie Batchelor.

In Memory of **Betty Brock**, grandmother of Pastor Molly White, to Alliance Aides by Julia & Cecil Baldwin.

In Memory of **Kate Hershey**, mother of Kathy Davis, by Robert & Becky Littleton.

In Memory of **Rives Mann** to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Ann & Dan Bowers.

In Memory of **Mac Newsom** to the Seekers' Benevolent Fund by Mr. & Mrs. John Jernigan.

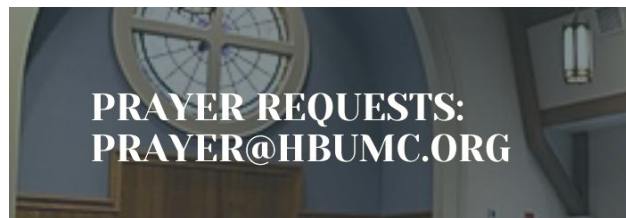


Please Create Your KidCheck Account Now

Our top priority in the Children's Department at HBUMC is the safety and security of all children. We have partnered with KidCheck, which is a secure check-in system that makes dropping off your child easy and fast. Once you arrive at the church parking lot, you can notify the app and your child's name tag is printed and ready as soon as you walk inside.

You can download the KidCheck app for free from the AppStore and follow the steps for plugging in your information.

If you need tutorials, you can visit hbumc.org/children and watch the videos.



Prayer Bookmarks: 09-18-22 & 09-25-22

Health Concerns

Barbara Dickey
Todd Holder
Teeny Massey

Andy Fowler
Dottie Honeycutt
Beth Russell

Ongoing Concerns

Betty Angell
Dianne Beattie
Dorothy Caldwell
Malcolm Cass
Jerry Carter,
father of Rebecca Phillips
Mary Lou Goodrich
Pat Gore
Finlay Carter Green
Vera Holshouser
Diane Jarman
Sheila Lee-Carr
Martha Lowrance

John & Shirley Phillips
Jane Preiss
Jim Riggins
Gladys Rose
Rhumell Ross
Barbara Smith
Nancy Stamey
Mark Stamper
Elvey Thomas
Bill Ulmer
Eleanor Underwood
Olin Wilson

Deployed

William Stephenson, Jr.,
grandson of Susanne Stephenson
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 6.53M who have died from COVID worldwide and the over 1056K in the US

Our Leaders at All Levels of the Government

Pray for peace
and a Russian withdrawal from Ukraine

Stephen Ministry Training Participants

Those Affected by Natural Disasters



Soul Care Prayer

Wednesday, October 5
6-6:40 in our Sanctuary

led by Anissa Ferris
music by Diane Petteway

STILLNESS. MUSIC. AND QUIET PRAYER



PLAY PICKLEBALL

Thursdays
6-9pm
Holroyd Hall

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Meal Packaging Event
Saturday, October 22
9am-12noon

Sign up at
hbumc.org/signups

 **RISE AGAINST HUNGER®**



Trunk or Treat!

Wednesday, October 26
Hayes Barton Youth fundraiser dinner
5:30-6:30
Trunk or treating
6:30-7

Host a trunk! Details coming soon.



In Person Worship
8:30/11 am Traditional
9 am LightHouse
(9 & 11 am services live-streamed)
Nursery care for children from birth
to age 4 available.
Sunday School at 10 am

OCTOBER 2
17th Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor David
Lam. 1:1-6; 3:19-26 or Psalm 137
Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4; Psalm 37:1-9
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10

OCTOBER 9
18th Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor Matt
Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalm 66:1-12
2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c; Psalm 111
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19

OCTOBER 16
19th Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor David