

Praise and Prayer Service

June 2, 2024



Teens and Family
June 9, 2024
After Sunday Service

Dinner and Talent Show!
July 13, 2024
6:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

Fundraising Benefiting Honduras Mission
Mark Your Calendar!

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Prayer Ministry Meeting

Monday, June 3, 2024
1:00PM—3:00 PM
Conference Room

Evan McGee—Ministry Leader



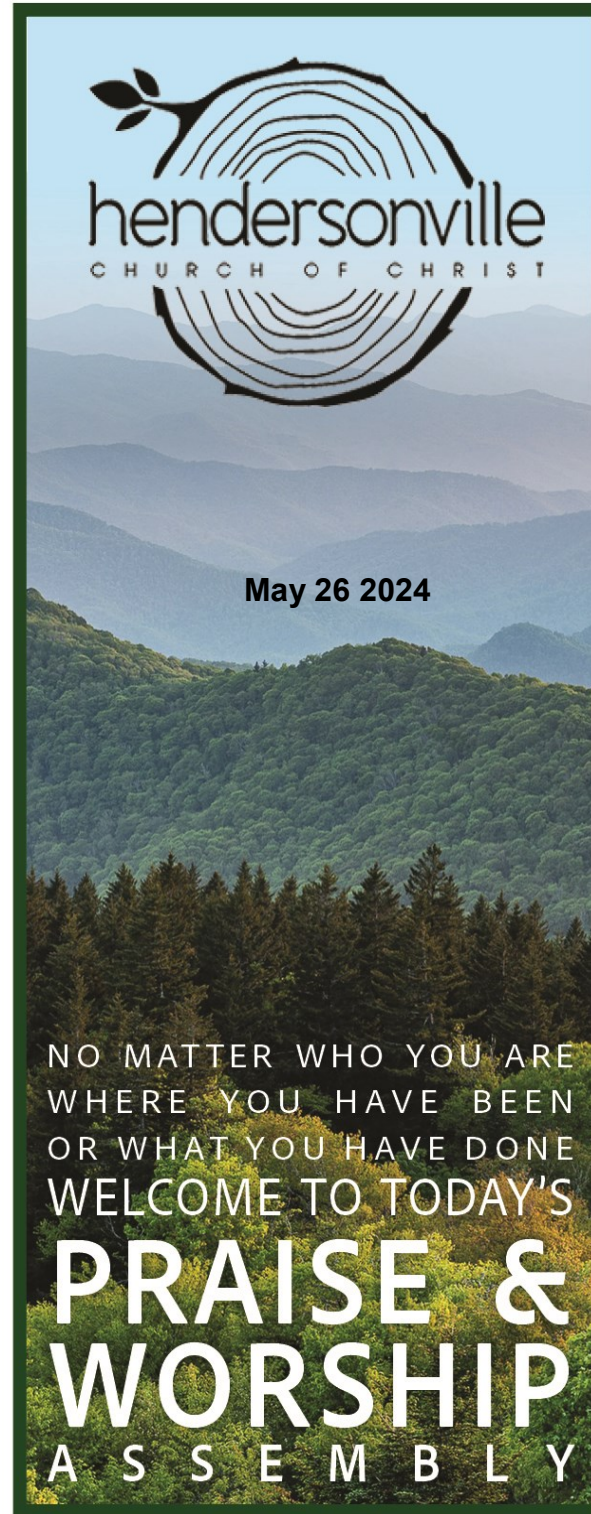
Volunteer needed! Please tell Katie Williams if you are able to help or if you have any questions.

Honduras Mission Team

COLLECTING Omeprazole, Tums and Vitamins for HONDURAS MISSION.

This can be for adults or children, but pills are preferred due to weight. The date should be past 9/24.

Please place them in the Blue Container in the foyer.



Welcome to our time of worship!

Attended Nursery for ages 0-3years available down the hallway.

Attendants: **Kylie and Abigail Cochran**

Order of Service

Song Leader ▪ Matt Carpenter

Faithful Love - 18

Welcome

*Oh! How Good It is
Open the Eyes of my Heart*

Opening Prayer ▪ Dan Heck

Nailed to the Cross - 361

Lord's Supper ▪ Fred Gore

Lord's Supper Attendants:
Glenn Elliott
Silas Williams
Charlie Pollard
Gary Stephenson

Build Your Kingdom Here

Children's Worship Dismissal
Ages 4 Years - 2nd Grade
Teachers ▪ Mark and Vicki Audia

Heaven is Like a Wedding ▪ Ethan Brown

All Things Are Ready, Come to the Feast

Closing Prayer/Announcement ▪ Evan McGee

Thank you for throwing away trash in cans in the lobby and recycling papers in table basket.

Weekly Bible Classes
In-Person for All Ages
9:30 AM Sundays
6:30 PM Wednesdays

Tomorrow

Memorial Day Fellowship

Everyone is Invited!

2:00 PM - 6:45 PM

Pavilion

6:45 PM - 8:30 PM

(normal order of the night)

Fellowship Hall

Next Week

Praise and Prayer Service

June 2, 2024

Auditorium

Prayer Ministry Meeting

June 3, 2024

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Conference Room

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Teens and Family Hike

June 9, 2024

After Sunday Service

Vacation Bible School

June 12 - 14, 2024

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 calendar & more!



When the story starts, you might expect a romance. If you are willing to wait around long enough, it turns out that it is, in fact, a love story. But somewhere near the very beginning, the story makes some very strange, very unexpected turns.

The kingdom of heaven, Jesus says, could be compared to a wedding feast that a king threw for his son. How sweet, am I right? One can almost hear the birdsong side by side with laughter of two gathered families and the joyful shouts and screams of children playing. That's what heaven's like, right? A gathering of families making covenant together, promising to care for the young couple and help them make a family. The joyful, hopeful, dreaming promises of the young, loving couple. And don't we have a young girl marrying the son of a king and becoming a princess or a queen in waiting? Yeah, that sounds just like heaven.

Well, that may be the story we expect, but that isn't the story we get at all. I mean, really, it's not. Not even close.

Instead, in this story that's supposed to tell us about the kingdom of heaven, we get to eavesdrop on the king being rejected and dishonored, and we see his furious reaction. The king is understandably upset, but wow, does he ever get his vengeance: a whole city reduced to ashes! That is not the story we might have thought we were going to get.

It all hinges on the honor of the king's son. Our hero, the insulted, wrathful king, is not going to allow his son to be shamed or disrespected. If someone attempts to shame the prince, the king takes up the cause of making that right. No matter what he has to do, the king intends to have his son celebrated. No matter what, this wedding will happen!

And that's when this dark, blood-soaked story suddenly makes yet another unexpected turn: it returns to the love story we should have gotten all along. The king sends his people out to find people who are willing to come and help him honor his boy. Anyone is welcome. Everyone is welcome. No one earns his or her place at this feast - you just have to be willing to come and eat the food the king has prepared. You just have to be willing to come to the celebration of the beloved boy.

In the center of the kingdom of heaven - the actual Kingdom of Heaven - there is a king who is determined to find people who will love and honor his son. Some people won't take God seriously. Sadly, they find that life is like an action movie full of violence, and they have been cast as the villains! That's the warning of the smoke that rises over that destroyed city. The stakes are high. We really do need to figure out what life is all about, and we dishonor God at our peril.

On the other hand, some people do take God seriously. Some people will commit their lives to seeking his kingdom and his righteousness. These folks will find they are living in the wonder of a fairytale, one full of happy endings and the joy of being friends with the king. By the time it's done, the story does sound like heaven after all.

Ethan Brown



Pray and Care for Our Shut-Ins:

Pete Hunter
 Reba Haynes
 Carolyn Holland
 Sam Ruth
 Pat Jarvis
 Eva Watkins

Prayer Updates are listed on the back. Long-term prayer lists are on the Prayer Board in the lobby.

How to send prayer requests and praise reports

- ◆ Use the "Prayer Request" and "Praise Report" forms on HvlCoC Connect at hvlcocnc.churchtrac.com.
- ◆ Fill out a paper card and put on the board, give to an elder, or give to a member of the Prayer Ministry Team.
- ◆ Email the Prayer Ministry Team at prayerhvlcoc@gmail.com.

Coupons for Troops sends product coupons to military families. Please put coupons in the box in the lobby or give to the Farleys'.

Domestic

Palmetto Bible Camp (SC)
 Southeastern Children's Home (SC)



Foreign

Eastern European Missions—EEM
 Nekemte (Ethiopia)
 Samrit Kammanee (Thailand)
 Steve & Dianna Teel (Baxter Institute, Honduras)

Recent Sunday Attendance

Date	9:30AM Bible Class	10:30AM Service
05/19	69	116
05/12	67	116

Contribution Numbers

May Contribution	\$ 13,701
May Budget	\$ 25,720
Contribution YTD	\$ 110,080
Budget YTD	\$ 128,596

Place contributions in the basket, mail to the church office, or give online through HvlCoC Connect.

CHURCH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

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Our Mission Statement

As forgiven people who have been rescued by Jesus Christ, our calling is to:

- * *Proclaim the good news of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus*
- * *Praise and honor our Father by seeking to live as Jesus did and taught*
- * *Teach and equip one another for works of loving service*
- * *Reach out and share the love and saving grace of Jesus with all people*

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DEACONS

Blain Bice: *Communication and Technology*
 Jeremy Cochran: *Education*
 Josh Propst: *Missions*
 Jim Scott & Rod Price: *Facilities, Bus, and Trailer*

MINISTRY LEADERS

Bill Fitzpatrick: *Benevolence & Fellowship Supplies Ministry*
 Karen Fitzpatrick: *Stephen & Care Ministry*
 Jackie Gass: *Forward for Freedom Ministry*
 Evan & Karen McGee: *Prayer Ministry*
 Nancy McKelvey: *Children's Worship & Ladies Ministry*
 Gary Stephenson: *Hospitality Ministry*
 David Yelton: *Disaster Relief Ministry*