Please continue to pray for Jeanie Grindstaff for speedy and smooth recovery. She had a successful quadrupole heart bypass on Thursday. The family are requesting no visitors at this time. Pray also for Kevin and Robert as they care Floyd.



• Lifting **Esperanza Harrington**, in our prayers as she continue to recover from her hip surgery and **David Harrington** as he cares for her.

Please send updates to prayerhvlcoc@gmail.com or fill out a form on HvlCoC Connect (link & QR code inside).

Prayer Ministry Meeting

Monday, July 15, 2024 1:00PM—3:00 PM Conference Room



Evan McGee-Ministry Leader



Virginia Creeper Bike Trail Trip
Open to All-Ages



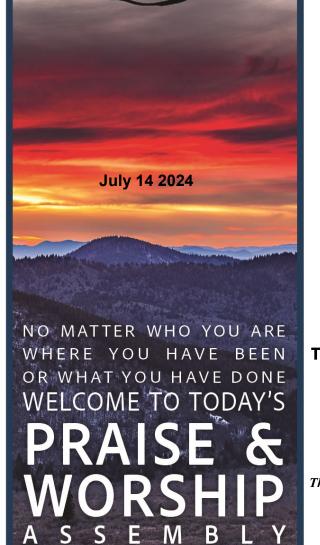
July 20, 2024

All the details are available in the foyer. Please get in touch with **Monty Carter** if you have any questions.

1975 Haywood Road Hendersonville, NC 28791 828-692-0306 (office) www.hvlcoc.org Submit Bulletin Entry to: Vith Gass on or before Wednesday @ 12NN office@hvlcoc.org 828-692-0306







Welcome to our time of worship!

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

Attendants: To Be Determined

Order of Service

Song Leader • Glenn Elliott

Precious Lord Take My Hand - 786 My Only Hope Is You (Slides)

Opening Prayer • Jim Scott

Lead Me Gently Home, Father - 823 In Need (Slides)

Lord's Supper • Sam Williams

Lord's Supper Attendants:
Fred Gore
Evan McGee
Bill Fitzpatrick
Harry Hudson

No Not One - 396

Children's Worship Dismissal
Ages 4 Years - 2nd Grade
Teachers • Greg and Patricia Grooms

Take Heart: I have Overcome the World

Ethan Brown

Walking Alone at Eve - 874

Closing Prayer - Bob Huff

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

Prayer Ministry Meeting 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Conference Room

Forward for Freedom 6:00 PM Fellowship Hall

This Week

Bike Ride
July 20th - Saturday
All-Day Event
Virginia Creeper Trail

Coming Soon!

Honduras Team Trip July 31st - August 7th Honduras

Mark Your Calendar

Teen Tubing Trip
August 25th - Sunday
After Sunday Service
Green River Cove Tubing

Join HvlCoC Connect!

hvlcocnc.churchtrac.com or use the QR code for full calendar & more!



In John's gospel, he spends three chapters on Jesus's discipleship teachings. The other gospels will focus on *what* a disciple is supposed to do: the ethics of discipleship life, our relationship to the Law of Moses, and the better righteousness of the Kingdom. But what we see in John's gospel is Jesus teaching us *how* the disciple is supposed to live that way: trust in Jesus and in the Helper, the Holy Spirit whom he will send to us.

The way John tells us, the goal of discipleship is to become a person capable of loving the way that God loves. Jesus begins his teaching by washing the disciples' feet and letting them know that self-sacrificial love expressing itself in service is the mark of a mature disciple. If they grow into this and do it, everyone will know that they belong to him.

But of course, a human being cannot do this on our own. We are not like God. We were created to be like him, but we are not like him. He is a self-giving person, but we are selfish. He is an inexhaustible source of love, but we have unquenchable desires. He is whole, but we are broken. He is entirely good, but our poor twisted hearts know evil.

So Jesus announces that after the cross will come the Helper, the Holy Spirit whom Jesus will give to his disciples. He will teach us and lead us to fix our minds on the Christ. It's the Spirit who will empower us to live the way Jesus teaches us to live. We become capable of love because the Spirit *is* love and He has been poured into our hearts. As Jesus promised the woman beside Jacob's well, the Spirit has become a spring of living water in us, welling up to eternal life. In this Water, our selfishness is drowned, and our unquenchable desire is satisfied. We learn to love because Jesus loved us first, gave himself for us, and has given us the Spirit as our helper and guide into new life.

But it's important to remember that we cannot do this ourselves. What we produce on our own is failure and hate. It is only by depending on God that we are empowered to love. There is a powerful reminder of this truth found at the conclusion of Jesus's discipleship teaching in John's gospel. The disciples tell Jesus that they at last believe that he has been sent by God. That is when Jesus tells them plainly that they will all abandon him and leave him alone.

Why end such a hopeful teaching with such a sad and terrifying prediction? Why would Jesus tell them in this context that they are about to fail?

It's because our own fallibility is part of what He is teaching His disciples. The moment we try to put our trust exclusively in our own ability to live Christianly is the moment we will abandon Christ. Though Jesus will be with the Father, we won't be with him or with the Father. It is desperately important that we remember that Christianity is not a do-it-yourself religion. If we are to become people capable of selfless love, we must be people who trust Jesus and the Helper he has sent to us.

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 prayerhylcoc@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	
07/07	85	_	
06/30	_	_	

Contribution Numbers

July Contribution	\$ 7,329	Place contributions in the boxes near the auditorium entrance, mail to the church office, or give online through HvlCoC Connect.
July Budget	\$ 25,720	
Contribution YTD	\$ 150,944	
Budget YTD	\$ 173,605	

CHURCH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Vith Gass Office: 828-692-0306 office@hvlcoc.org

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

ELDERS

Bill Fitzpatrick: 828-779-0749 Tim Godley: 828-329-3397 Fred Gore: 828-606-8752 Evan McGee: 336-260-5216 Bill McKelvey: 828-891-4787 Sam Williams: 828-748-3263

MINISTER

Dr. Ethan Brown: 806-789-3606

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