

FORWARD FOR FREEDOM

Monday Nights

RENEW YOUR MIND

Join us for a transformative evening experience in the fellowship with God and people.

08 JULY,
2024
6:00 PM

Fellowship Menu: BBQ Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad.

Enjoy some delicious desserts & drinks during the Freedom Café.



Collected through July 14th
See Karen Fitzpatrick for details.

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

Virginia Creeper Bike Trail Trip
Open to All-Ages



July 20, 2024



Teen Tubing Trip



NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE,
WHERE YOU HAVE BEEN,
OR WHAT YOU HAVE DONE,

WELCOME TO TODAY'S PRAISE & WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

WHERE IMPERFECT PEOPLE
SERVE THE PERFECT GOD

July 7 2024

Welcome to our time of worship!

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

Attendants: Kylie and Abigail Cochran

Order of Service

Welcome

Song Leader ▪ Josh Propst

*Hold to God's Unchanging Hand - 613
Be Still and Know - 31*

Opening Prayer ▪ Mark Leatherwood

*Deep Calls to Deep - (Slides)
How Deep the Father's Love - (Slides)*

Lord's Supper ▪ Jackie Gass

Lord's Supper Attendants:
Nathan Williams
Lucas Carpenter
Alex Carpenter
Charlie Pollard

I Know Whom I Have Believed – 524

In a Little While ▪ Ethan Brown

I Am Resolved - 948

Closing Prayer ▪ Gary Stephenson

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



Prayer Ministry Meeting

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

Evan McGee—Ministry Leader



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

Tomorrow

Forward for Freedom
6:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

This Week

Dinner and Talent Show
July 12th - Friday
6:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

Next Week

Prayer Ministry Meeting
July 15th - Monday
1:00 PM
Conference Room

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

Save The Date

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

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 full calendar & more!



Following Jesus can be confusing. Should anyone ever tell you that everything is going to make perfect sense to you as it is happening, you know you are talking to someone who has either lived a charmed life or has very little experience. Life offers so many perplexing challenges and strange experiences, we can wonder if we understand God at all.

But that shouldn't surprise us. When we face things that are hard to understand, we should remember that it has always been this way. Jesus's first followers didn't really understand him. They walked with him in the flesh, but they didn't grasp the truth of his approaching death, even when it was just hours away. When he died, they were scattered, running terrified into the dark to hide from the forces of darkness.

When Sunday came, and he broke the bonds of death, shed his tomb and walked among them again, it took them a while to figure it out. Shocked, stunned, amazed, with tears still drying on their cheeks, they had to laugh!

But even then, it took them a while to figure it out. They wouldn't be able to interpret and understand everything it meant for almost another two months. Jesus spent forty days with them, helping them understand how the Scriptures all pointed to what had happened. Then it took another ten days after he ascended into heaven before the Holy Spirit showed up to help them interpret it all for us. And all of that is after three years of walking with Jesus, and hearing him explicitly say that he was going to die and rise again.

Now, those guys were experts in Christian living. And the things I'm using as examples are not trivial things, but things that were very important for them to understand. But they did not. It took them a long time to understand what God was doing in their lives and through Jesus.

If these expert Christians had to struggle to understand the foundational truths of redemption and salvation, perhaps we should give ourselves a break when we struggle to understand. Maybe we shouldn't be surprised if sometimes, follow Jesus involves seasons when we just don't understand what God is doing or why he is letting things happen the way that they do.

This is something of which we can be absolutely certain: no matter how confusing things may be in the short term, in the long term God's plans always lead to joy. When compared with eternity, our whole lives on this broken world are really short term experiences. We cannot see the future, but we can know the promises: our grief will turn to joy.

When we pass through challenging seasons, we need to remind ourselves of these truths: 1) Jesus knows what we are doing, even when we don't; 2) Jesus is absolutely good in every way, and 3) while he will allow difficult times to come to us for a season, Jesus will not allow evil to last forever. The darkness will not last forever. Sorrow may come in the night, but joy comes in the morning.

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 hvlcoenc.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
06/30	—	—
06/23	80	102

Contribution Numbers

June Contribution	\$ 19,831	Place contributions in the boxes near the auditorium entrance, mail to the church office, or give online through HvlCoC Connect.
June Budget	\$ 32,149	
Contribution YTD	\$ 143,615	
Budget YTD	\$ 167,175	

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*
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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*
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