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HAVE YOU CHOSEN YOUR NEXT BRACKET OF HYMN FAVORITES?

Check out the table by the sanctuary and grab a bracket sheet each week! Circle your pick from two hymns in each bracket. The hymn with the most votes from each match-up moves on to the next round the following week.

The winning hymn will be sung in worship on April 3rd!



We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, for the end of war, for the afflicted to be comforted, and for peace and justice to prevail. We give thanks to God for those who are giving hands on support to the Ukrainian people, including the churches of Ukraine and neighboring countries. Your gifts to date to the Ukrainian Refugee Offering of \$12,125.00 are already at work through our partners, Shane and Dianne McNary. The McNarys are grateful to be in a position to support the work of churches in Poland and Slovakia as they respond to those fleeing the war in Ukraine.

Give Online Here

Note "Ukraine Offering" with your gifts or give through Shelby Next and designate the Ukraine Offering.



Weekly Schedule at VHBC

Sunday	
8:45 am	Bible Studies for All Ages
10:00 am	Worship
5:00 pm	YOSE - Youth on Sunday Evening

Wednesday	/
7:00 am	Prayer Breakfast on ZOOM
4:45 pm	Fellowship Dinner until 5:45 pm
5:00 pm	Handbells
5:30 pm	Children's Choirs
6:00 pm	Youth Activities
6:15 pm	Mission Friends, Girls in Action, Royal
	Ambassadors
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir

Online Calendar at <u>vhbc.com</u>

Sundays at UHBC

Sunday Morning Bible Study begins at 8:45 am!

- Children's Sunday School meets in the Children's Building. Please sign your child in at the front reception desk.
- Find our Welcome Team in the main foyer if you need assistance looking for a class for you and your family.

Sunday Morning Worship begins at 10 am!

- Worship guides and hymn sheets are available at the sanctuary entrances.
- If you are unable to worship in person with us, please join us online or over the radio at 91.1 FM.

• Worship Care for babies through Kindergarten begins at 9:45 am.

COVID Response at VHBC

With the recent decreases in transmission and test positivity rates in our community, the COVID Response Committee is shifting its guidance to masks encouraged for activities at the church.
It's our hope that these trends continue as we experience this exciting time in the life of our church.

Vechesclays at VHBC

Wednesday Night Dinners

- Meet us in the Fellowship Hall starting at 4:45 every Wednesday.
- Register online weekly at <u>vhbc.com</u> to reserve your meal!

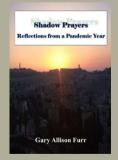
<u>Menu for March 23rd</u>

Adults/Youth: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Italian Green Beans, Spinach Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert Kids: Pizza, Fries, Dessert

No Meal on March 30th Enjoy Spring Break!

Wednesday Sessions for Adults

- **March 23rd** In the Fellowship Hall Foyer from 5-6 pm, Gary Furr will be speaking about his new book, <u>Shadow</u> <u>Prayers</u> and signing books.
- Contemplative Prayer with George Van Kirk continues in the Chapel and Kristie Chandler will begin a series entitled "Fixer Upper-Relationship Renovations" in the Fellowship Hall. Both seminars will continue until April 6th.
- March 30th No Wednesday Activities Scheduled



VHBC KIDS

MS. NANCY

Sunday Worship Care Schedule 3/21

Babies & Ones: Millie Ehrett, Sharon Hartzog Twos - K: Kevin Jaquess, Isabel Jaquess Reception Desk: LaRue Speights

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Babies & Ones: Laura Tadlock, Sara Taylor Twos - K: Dan & Gay Caldwell Reception Desk: Mel Crowder

Walk with JESUS

on Palm Sunday, April 10th at 8:45 am, participate in activities, and explore Holy Week, the week of Jesus' life before his resurrection. While exploring, pop by the children's kitchen for

GA, & RAS Second Sunday Pancakes Apr 10th at 8:45 am

For where your TREASURE is, there your HEART will

WEDNESDAYS

5:30 pm

Children's Choir

Rehearsal

Childcare for babies-35

6:15 pm

Mission Friends,





vbs coming soon! june 13-16, 2022 Help us stock the snack room for VBS! Drop off in the seminar room VBS week!



Sundays

Mondays

9 am Bible Study in the Student Building No YOSE on March 27th due to Spring Break, but will meet again on 4/3

4 pm 428 on April 4th

Wednesdays

6 pm Wednesday Night Live March 23rd No Wednesday activities on March 30th due to Spring Break

Special Events

Congrats to our VHBC Youth Basketball Team, who finished in 2nd place in this year's tournament. Great job, guys! Thanks for all of the wonderful support from our VHBC family!



PALM SUNDAY

Families are invited to a *Walk with Jesus* at the Children's Building at 8:45 am, where they will explore Jesus' life the week before his resurrection.

Celebrate Palm Sunday during worship with our children's choirs at 10 am.

ap-ril 14th

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Join us on Thursday instead of Wednesday for our observance of Maundy Thursday at VHBC. Dinner will be served from 4:45–5:45 pm, followed by Communion service with families at 6 pm. Childcare will be provided for babies – K.



GOOD FRIDAY

Join us for lunch on April 15th at 11 am, followed by a Good Friday service at noon in the sanctuary. All are welcome.



HOLY SATURDAY

Families are invited to participate in an Egg Hunt on the VHBC grounds at 10 am.

Stay Connected

FIND US ONLINE at <u>vhbc.com</u>

WATCH RECENT SERVICES and other updates on <u>YouTube</u>

STAY UPDATED ON our <u>Facebook</u> page

connect with US on Instagram

LISTEN TO OUR PODCAST In Tune with VHBC

GIVE ONLINE on the ShelbyNext app or <u>vhbc.com</u>

> DR. ERIC SPIVEY, OUR NEW SENIOR PASTOR WILL BE LEADING WORSHIP ON EASTER MORNING, APRIL 17TH.

MEMBERS IN THE HOSPITAL

David Towns - STVHS, 322-S

UPCOMING PROCEDURES OR SURGERIES

Janice Fleming - Outpatient Surgery 3/25 Bonnie Perez - Back surgery 4/6 Christine Pridgen - surgery 4/6

MEMBERS IN RECOVERY & ONGOING TREATMENTS

Linda Anderson Chriss Doss Don Baker Barbara Pri John Bell Eddi Riley Jenna Cassese Charles Se Jason Cooper Linda Whitt

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Maxine Ammons	Sandy Gillis	Leon Nix
Juanita Blackburn	Bob & Mavis Hardy	Margaret Northrup
Libby Brown	Ruford Hodges	Gaynell Pinson
Ann Bush	Peggy Jones	Jerry & Lorelle Singleton
Carolyn Cain	Charlotte Kyser	Alicia Stigler
Esther Evans	Dot Lowe	Hazel Turner
Milton Fullman	Al Lowery	Bobbye Weaver
Natalie Garland	Samson Mathangani	Doris Wilson
Pat Gillespie	Kitty Newell	

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO:

Gwen Roxburgh and family in the death of her sister, Joan Cottingham, in England on March 20th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Hayley and Zach Seanor in the birth of their son, Thomas on March 19th.

PLEASE SEND UPDATES TO THE CONTACTS BELOW

\$205–979–5920 ≥ Martha@vhbc.com

DAILY UPDATES CAN BE FOUND AT VHBC.COM/PRAYER-LIST

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RECOGNITION DURING WORSHIP ON APRIL 3RD

Join us Sunday during worship as we recognize Mary Dubose Knight and her service to VHBC. Reception in foyer to follow.

DEACON CONSIDERATION

Place your Deacon suggestions in the basket in the foyer or submit online at <u>vhbc.com</u>.

LENTEN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Continuing through April, join us for Women's Bible Study as we journey together through Lent toward Easter. Groups will meet Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am and Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm. We will use Tsh Oxenreider's book *Bitter and Sweet* as our devotion and guide.

CELEBRATE BILL OWEN ON APRIL 10TH!

Join us after worship for a reception in the foyer honoring Bill Owen who tirelessly worked with our transition team and Pastor Search Committee and lead us in worship this past year during our Senior Pastor search. We're so thankful to him!

A love offering is being collected. Individuals wishing to give can make contributions to the church office.

EASTER FLOWERS!

You are invited to help us adorn the sanctuary with beautiful hydrangea plants for Easter Sunday.

Each plant is \$20. Please contact Martha (martha@vhbc.com) or 205-979-5920 by April 10th to reserve a hydrangea.

BLOOD DRIVE IN APRIL

VHBC is hosting a Blood Drive with the Red Cross on April 3, 2022 from 9 am - 2 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All Blood Types Needed! Click the link <u>here</u> to schedule your appointment.

SHEPHERD CONCERT

Sunday, April 24th at 4 pm. Visit vhbc.com for more details.

UHBC Ministry Team

NANCY AKINS, MINISTER TO PRESCHOOL & CHILDREN TYLER JOHNSON, MINISTER TO STUDENTS MIKE MCBRAYER, ADMINISTRATIVE PASTOR BILL OWEN, TRANSITIONAL PASTOR MARTY WATTS, MINISTER OF MUSIC & WORSHIP

VHSC GIVING

MARCH BUDGET NEEDED: 14 MARCH OFFERING TO DATE: 6 YTD BUDGET NEEDED: 4 YTD OFFERING TO DATE: 4

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