

# THE HATCHER HERALD

## HATCHER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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### OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

*Hatcher Memorial, a Baptist Church with a rich heritage of worshiping God through fellowship, music, and proclamation, is committed to reaching people for Christ and developing them through sustaining relationships, caring ministries, and Christian education supported by*

## Easter Sunday is April 24

9:00 a.m. Live OutLoud Service in the Chapel

10:00 a.m. Bible Fellowships


11:00 a.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary




## HOPE is coming to Richmond May 13—14 Hosted by Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church


# H.O.P.E.

## Helping Other People Everywhere Regional Training Event

 **HOPE** events are regional workshops designed to engage churches in new ministries that reach their communities, provide renewal for existing ministries, and to develop mission leadership.

 **HOPE** participants will leave with a renewed sense of purpose and energy to reach their communities for Christ!

 **HOPE** events begin with Friday night sessions for age-level mission leaders, associational leaders, men's ministry leaders, church leaders and anyone wanting to begin a missions program in their church.

 **HOPE** events conclude with Saturday morning sessions designed to provide training in a variety of mission and ministry opportunities led by experienced practitioners.

### SCHEDULE

#### Friday, May 13

6:00 p.m. Registration and Bookstore Open  
7:00 p.m. Welcome Session  
7:30—9:00 p.m. Mission Leadership and  
Age-Level Mission Education Sessions

#### Saturday, May 14

8:00 a.m. Registration and Bookstore Open  
9:00 a.m. Welcome Session  
9:30—12:00 Noon Mission/Ministry Sessions

### HOPE EVENT TOPICS

**Literacy** - BookNet - ESL

**Prayer** - First Day

**Encouragement** - Hope Builders

**Hunger** - Community Gardens-Cooperative Food Pantries

**Single Moms** - Fresh Start

**Evangelism** - More to Life-Chronological Bible Storying

**Health & Wellness** - Recovery Ministry

**Cross-Cultural Ministries** - Latino - Native American

**Missions Education** - Children -Students - Adults

Men's Ministry - World Missions Unlimited

To register for the Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church **H.O.P.E.**  
Event: email: [wmuvm@wmuvm.org](mailto:wmuvm@wmuvm.org) or call 800-255-2428  
ext. 8267. Go online to [www.wmuvm.org/hope](http://www.wmuvm.org/hope) for conference  
descriptions and additional event details.



## Palm/Passion Sunday – *And, He never said a mum-bal-in word*

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Last Sunday's Palm/Passion Service carried us from the Last Supper, into the Garden, before Pilate and then to Calvary. From there, we entered the Tomb with Jesus. We died with Him. In all the weeks leading up to Sunday, I couldn't stop thinking of Matthew 26, 1 Peter 2:23, and that old African American spiritual – "*and He never said a mum-bal-in' word.*"

Palm/Passion Sunday at Hatcher began with readings from the Gospels. We read about the Passover supper – now referred to as "*the last*" – in which Jesus lifts high the Bread, breaks it, extends his arms wide, "*THIS – FOR YOU.*" During the same meal, "*on the night which He was betrayed,*" Jesus takes the Cup and says, "*This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.*" Together, Jesus and friends sing a hymn.

Within hours, the "betrayers" kiss finds the cheek of our Lord. Powerful Roman guards grip His arms. Jesus remains calm. Unlike you and me, He knows who He is and what He should do. Perhaps His strongest words throughout the ordeal come when Simon Peter cuts off the ear of Malchus: "*Put that away! Don't you know that all who live by the sword also die by the sword!*" (paraphrase)

All through the night He is abused, mocked, spat upon, bruised and beaten without mercy. (It's Rome's way of telling the world to keep in line.) Nailed to the Cross, pierced by the sword, mourned by his mother, Jesus Christ finds expression through Psalm 22: "*My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?*" The sky darkens; the earth trembles.

In Solomon's Temple, a three feet thick leather wall separating the common space from the Holy of Holies is ripped from top to bottom. This signifies God's forever invitation for all to come "*boldly to the Throne of Grace and find help in the time of need*" (Hebrews 4.) A Roman soldier exclaims, "*Surely, this man is the Son of God.*"

The last verse of that wonderful African-American spiritual says, "*He hung His head and died; and, He never said a mum-bal-in' word.*" Jesus' answer to a hostile world raises the Cross above the sword. He chose to make it so. "*Don't you now know that I*

*could* ask and my Father would send twelve legions of angels?"

"He hung His head and died. And He never said a mum-bal-in' word." Peter writes, "*When He was reviled, He reviled not again; when He was accused, He returned not accusations, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously.*" Wow. Now that's a God I can believe in.

It's one thing to be arrested and subjected to torture when you have no choice, no way out; it's quite another to HAVE a defense – a sure "win," but to choose not to use it. THIS is what we see in Jesus Christ. "*He hung His head and died. And He never said a mum-bal-in' word.*"

What does it mean to give yourself to Jesus Christ? So many things should be said in response to that. But for the moment, think about one word – "death." It means dying. Symbolically, it means entering a dark, damp, smelly tomb. "*In baptism we are buried with Christ.*" (Romans 6) Paul says, "*I am crucified with Christ...*" (Galatians 2) All who enter the tomb with Jesus must surrender their swords. Whatever we would use for defense (or attack) must be abandoned. If we would have Easter with the Risen Lord, then anger, malice, greed, and all the meanness in our hearts must be laid aside... willingly. It's our choice.

Paul implores us,

*Let this mind be in you as also was in Christ, who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!*

This Sunday, we explore the rest of the story from John 20. The question we seek to answer is this: "*IS IT TRUE?*"

Bring a friend.

*Pastor Mike*



Among  
Our  
Church Family



### HOSPITAL

#### Bethesda Naval Hospital:

Katherine Robinson, Gerry's mother  
Hospital Address: 8901 Wisconsin  
Avenue Bethesda, MD 20889

Johnston Willis: Chappie Barbour,  
ICU, Mother of Shirley Smith

St. Mary's: Stephanie Robertson

#### Henrico Doctor's Parham:

Doris Henley, ICU

#### Henrico Doctor's Forest:

Steve Bishop, Kathy Ridenour's  
brother

MCV: June Banes, ICU 7, Rm 108

#### Hospital in Charlottesville:

Allen Wagner, ICU, Pastor Poole's  
cousin's husband

### UPCOMING SURGERIES

Cecilia Fleet, April 22 at St. Mary's  
Craig Weis, April 26 at  
Memorial Regional

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL

Sally Baughan—Home rehab  
Earl Phaup  
Charlotte Phaup  
Pat Patterson

### REHAB

Grace Taylor, Kay Craig's sister  
**Laurels of Bon Air:** Juanita Sequin,  
Carolyn Berry's sister



Many thanks to Mary Dunston and the Decorating Team for the extra work during the Lenten Season. Please remember to take your Easter Lilies with you this Sunday. The new decoration supply room has been relocated behind the stage in the Fellowship Hall. Special thanks to Mary and David Dunston along with John Shinholser for the construction and clean up.

### A WORD FROM OUR DEACONS...

The Deacons and our Pastor will be working closely together over the next few months to clarify the direction of Hatcher and to review the work of the Journey Leadership Community. These are important days for our church and its work in our community. Please pray as we find ways to keep you informed and involved during this process.

*Jimmy Dean, Chairman*

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

#### FAMILY DINNER

You can order whichever meals (Main or snack) by phoning the church office or by marking the back of the attendance cards in the pew racks. Main meal: \$6.00. Snack Menu Meals: \$3.00. Deadline for making or canceling reservations is Noon on Tuesdays.

#### April 27— Mexican Night

Main Menu: Chicken and beef, corn, lettuce and cheese, nacho chips with all the fix'ins, dessert, coffee or tea. Snack Menu: Same

#### May 4

Main Menu: Lasagna, tossed salad, bread, dessert, coffee or tea. Snack Menu: Pizza, tossed salad, dessert, drink

### *Spring Cleaning*

May 13 and 14, Hatcher will host the HOPE event, a large gathering of leaders from Central Virginia. Please help us ready our facilities and grounds. Many rooms will be needed for breakout sessions. All classes and groups are asked to "spring clean" your rooms and meeting spaces. Please clear tops and insides of all cabinets of clutter (things not used in the past 12 months.) Garbage bags are in the office. Fill them and leave them in the classroom. Please dust blinds and clean inside of windows if possible. Update the bulletin boards. Please take initiative to communicate with other groups that share your space. Thank you.

### RESULTS FROM OUR R.A. PINE CAR DERBY ON APRIL 13



#### *Congratulations Hatcher RA Derby Winners!*

*First Place: Max Moore*

*Second Place:*

*Trevor Andrews*

*Third Place: Colin Lassiter*

*Best Design: Jerrod Scholz*

*All racers were fantastic  
and fun was had by  
everyone - racers and  
spectators.*

### GIRLS IN ACTION PROJECT

Easter Card Update:

Thank you church for supporting the GA.s in their project to sell Easter cards for Annie Armstrong missions. Due to your generosity in wishing your Hatcher friends "Happy Easter", we raised \$190 for this Easter Mission! Good work GA.s - a special thank you to Josie and Sophie Lynn, Kayla Trent, and Rachel Gentry who sold the Easter Cards. *Vickie Mattox*

### GOSPEL JAIL MINISTRY FUNDRAISING CONCERT Saturday, April 30, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., in Hatcher's Sanctuary.

Everyone is invited to an evening of worshipping the Lord together with the *True Faith Gospel Singers* and *New Beginnings*. There is no charge for the concert but a love offering will be collected with all the proceeds going to help support the Gospel Jail Ministry.

### Great news for College Students!

We will have a new College Sunday School Class starting Sunday, May 15. Class will be held upstairs in the White House starting around 10:00 a.m., after the Live Out Loud Service. Danny and Kelley Denton will be leading the class. You can reach them, [dannydenton@comcast.net](mailto:dannydenton@comcast.net), or call Danny at 405-2290. The class is open to all College and College bound students.

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Administrative Assistant

### THE EARL MOORE



### ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

At The Crossings Golf Course  
Virginia Center Parkway  
**Saturday, April 30, 8:00 a.m.**  
Captain's Choice four-man,  
Shotgun start. Cost: \$47.50  
per person or \$190 a four-  
some. Price includes green fee,  
cart, box lunch, drinks,  
range balls, trophies,  
prizes and a good time.  
Also, Mulligan's will be  
on sale the day of the event.  
To sign up contact  
Danny Denton, 405-2290,  
[dannydenton@comcast.net](mailto:dannydenton@comcast.net).

### ATTENTION HATCHER SOFTBALL FANS AND PLAYERS!

Welcome to another great season!  
All games will be at Laurel Field.



### HATCHER'S MEN'S SOFTBALL 2011 SCHEDULE

Monday, May 2, 6:30 & 7:20 p.m.  
Thursday, May 5, 6:30 & 7:20 p.m.  
Monday, May 9, 8:10 & 9:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 & 7:20 p.m.  
Monday, May 23, 8:10 & 9:00 p.m.  
Monday, June 6, 8:10 & 9:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, June 14, 6:30 & 7:20 p.m.  
Tuesday, June 21, 8:10 & 9:00 p.m.  
Monday, June 27, 6:30 & 7:20 p.m.  
Thursday, June 29, 6:30 & 7:20p.m.

Contact Coach Mitch, 873-5686 or  
email: [mitchwilhelm1@cavtel.net](mailto:mitchwilhelm1@cavtel.net).



### EASTER OFFERING STEEPLE REFURBISHMENT AND FIXING SANCTUARY WINDOWS

Looking upwards for angels at Hatcher? I'm sure they are over us, but when you looked up you've probably noticed peeling sanctuary window frames and the steeple, that need a coat of paint. This year's Easter Offering will be used to scrape and paint as many of these windows as possible. Your offerings toward this project will be appreciated. *Thank you from your Finance Committee,*  
Al Azzarone, Chair

#### VISIBLE RESULTS

LOL attendance for 1/2 - 4/17 100  
Bible Study Fellowships 1/2-4/17 82  
Traditional Worship 1/2-4/17 137

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Projected Budget Needs per Week  
\$ 12,891.37  
Receipts 4/17/11 \$ 11,412.92  
Annie Armstrong YTD \$ 931.50  
Easter Offering \$ 2,295.00  
All other receipts \$ 2,118.00



### Richmond Baptist Association Annual Spring Celebration

Sunday, May 1, 3:00 p.m. Westhampton Baptist Church, 6112 Three Chopt Rd.

THEME: "Celebrating Faithfulness"

#### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

Election of Associational Officers, Commissioning of Sojourners, and Director of Mission's Report  
*Retirement Celebration for Margaret Allen, Community Missionary,*  
*South Richmond Baptist Center. A Reception featuring heavy hors d'oeuvres will follow meeting.*  
*If you would like to be elected as a Messenger, please call the Church Office at 266-9696.*

Margaret Allen

