

# Hatcher Church

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## Thoughts from Pastor Sharpe...

### HATCHER HAS.....

NEW LIFE

NEW FOCUS

NEW FUTURE

The futurist, Matt Thornhill of **the Institute of Tomorrow** gives us a quick snapshot capturing what Jesus teaches in that *tomorrow is made up of today's choices; therefore, we shape tomorrow by the choices we make today.*

Believers are to live in such a way as to reveal Jesus in our lifestyle. In Luke 9:23 (NLT) we read what Jesus said we must **Do To Become** his disciple: "Then he said to the crowd, 'If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me'." The crosses we must take up are the choices to deny self in order to reveal Jesus to others. **It is choosing to live the life Jesus tells us to live.**

By way of illustration, think of a person's transformation from being out of shape and overweight into getting back in shape and near to healthy weight. The idea is perhaps the starting point to a new "you," but many days and many consistent, purposeful, and disciplined decisions are required to get from here to there.

The problem with weight loss is not that it is impossible; it is that we must make consistent choices to get to our goals. We must choose what foods to eat and what foods not to eat, how much to eat, and when to eat. Also, we must accompany these decisions by making cardio exercise a

priority.

In the same way, believers in Jesus are expected to be in shape both physically and spiritually. A believer is a disciple of Jesus, so at the heart of the Christian faith is the word "discipline," which requires the making of choices and being a disciplined and dedicated follower of Christ.

*Believers are to live in such a way as to reveal Jesus in our lifestyle.*

Godliness means to be like Jesus. Actually, it requires inviting Jesus into our life so that Jesus can live in and through us by means of the indwelling Holy Spirit of God. It is not a shaping of our lives from the outside in, but rather making internal, conscious choices that will demonstrate an outward change in lifestyle, revealing a new character and values that Jesus is transforming our life.

Our tomorrows are comprised of the choices we make today. Discipline that works requires a "why" as well as a "what." Each decision impacts our life and becomes a building block in our tomorrow.

**Your choices today set the course for your tomorrow**



## Among Our Church Family

### SYMPATHY

- ♦ To our Financial Secretary, Jennifer Ramos, in the death of her aunt, Karen Dewitt, on Saturday, May 11, 2019.
- ♦ To Johnnie Pedigo and the children, Sharon, Dennis and Lisa, of Geraldine “Jerry” Thorsen who passed away Wednesday, May 22, 2019.
- ♦ To the McShin Foundation family in the sudden passing of Joseph Aaron Stephens, 39, of Fairfax, VA, on May 26th, 2019. Joey served on the McShin Staff.

## LAMB's Basket

Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church participates in LAMB'S Basket (Lakeside Area Ministries Board), a food access organization in Henrico, which serves as many as 75 hungry people each of the three days it is open each week.



### The ministry is in need of :

We always need the dry goods, i.e., pasta, pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, cereals, etc. Now that school is on the way out, lots of kids will be home again without school lunches. We try to get as much as we can in the way of “no cook” items like canned pasta, tuna, canned fruits, pop tarts, fruit/energy bars, etc.

Please put donations in the collection boxes just outside the sanctuary, and they will be picked up and delivered weekly.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Susan Haynes at 804-519-0497.

## Upcoming Events

### Thursday, June 6

7 p.m., Sanctuary

CDC Graduation

### Friday, June 7

5 p.m.

HIM Noah's Children Project

### Sunday, June 9

### Graduate Recognition

9 a.m., Chapel

New Day Service

10 a.m.

Sunday School for All Ages

11 a.m., Sanctuary

Traditional Worship Service

### Tuesday, June 11

10:30 a.m., Imperial Plaza

Women on Mission

### Wednesday, June 12

6 p.m., Conference Room

Bible Study

6:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

New Day Worship

Band Rehearsal

7 p.m., Sanctuary

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, June 13

6:15 p.m., Conference Room

Finance Committee Meeting

### Sunday, June 16

### Father's Day

9 a.m., Chapel

New Day Service

10 a.m.

Sunday School for All Ages

11 a.m., Sanctuary

Traditional Worship Service

### Wednesday, June 19

6 p.m., Conference Room

### Special Called

### Business Meeting

6:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

New Day Worship

Band Rehearsal

7 p.m., Sanctuary

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, June 20

9:15 a.m.

Love and Fellowship

### Sunday, June 23

### Ordination Service

9 a.m., Chapel

New Day Service

10 a.m.

Sunday School for All Ages

11 a.m., Sanctuary

Traditional Worship Service

### Friday, June 28

Jenkins—World Wedding Rehearsal

### Saturday, June 29

Jenkins—World Wedding

### Sunday, June 30

9 a.m., Chapel

New Day Service

10 a.m.

Sunday School for All Ages

11 a.m., Sanctuary

Traditional Worship Service

## Hatcher Church Deacons Offer Ordination Council

The Deacon Leadership, the Reverend Michael Robinson, Executive Director of the River City Faith Network, and the Reverend Doctor Maria Lynn will be offering an Ordination Council for Charles “Charlie” Fleet on Tuesday, June 4, 2019, at 7:00 pm in the Church Conference Room. The Academic Site Team will also be an integral part of this Council. With Charlie completing his academic work with his M-Div Degree in Theology and the work he has accomplished during the past five months in ministry service with Hatcher Church in his academic/internship as our Campus Pastor in Ministry and Administration, he has demonstrated the faith commitment and exceeds the requirements for Christian Ministry for Ordination. This Council will examine Charlie by allowing him to share what and how he has developed as a Christian, a leader, and share his Calling in a ministry life service in the love of Jesus. This is a time of affirmation and assurance. After the positive affirmation by the Council, Charlie will then be recommended to meet with the Deacons for their approval and then the Deacons would then ask the Church to approve the Ordination at a Special Called Business Meeting solely stated for this purpose.

Daniel Ripley is being asked to be a part of this Charlie’s Council so he can become ordained in the very near future. Daniel has also accomplished so very much with us in his service ministry for the last five months in his academic/internship as our Campus Pastor in Missions and Discipleship. As a Middler in the three year M-Div. Program, Daniel’s goal is to complete his degree as quickly as possible.



## Summer Sermon Series

### June 2

*Guest Preacher, Daniel Ripley*  
*Combined Service*

**Jesus Touches the Life of the Unclean**

Mark 1: 40-45

Communion Sunday

### June 9

*Graduate Recognition*  
*Combined Service*

**Jesus Touches the Life of the Unknown**

Luke 8: 40-53

### June 16

*Father's Day*

**Jesus Touches the Life of Joseph**

Luke 2: 21-24

### June 23

*Ordination of Charlie Fleet*

*Combined Service*

**Jesus Touches the Life of Peter**

John 21: 4-19

### June 30

**Jesus Touches the Life of Pilate**

John 18: 28—19:4

## Hearts in Motion

### June Projects:

#### Noah's Children

**Friday night, June 7**

We will be packing pool packs for Noah's Children starting at 5 p.m.; address is Medical Office North Building 5855 Breemo Road Suite 409. It's the entrance before St. Mary's Hospital Parking. (Note – this is a change of address)

#### ManorCare Bingo

**Tuesday night, June 11**

From 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. We will be helping Wayne Duke with Bingo at Manor Care (2125 Hilliard Road)

#### Standing Rock Collection

New Athletic shoes for children and teens, socks for children and teens, underwear for children and teens; \$25 Walmart gift cards, prizes for children playing games such as balls, matchbook cars, small stuffed animals, children's sun glasses, and Nylon drawstring bags• Items are due no later than July 10. Items may be placed in the elevator lobby outside of the sanctuary or given to Kathy or Sue. Please contact Sue (513-4086) or Kathy (840-9847) if you have questions.

## Women on Mission

**Tuesday, June 11th • 10:30 a.m.**  
**Imperial Plaza**

The Hatcher Memorial Imperial Plaza Women on Mission will meet on June 11th, in the Virginia Room at Imperial Plaza at 10:30 a.m. Our guest speaker is Ms. Corella Ricketson, retired missionary from the IMB. We will have an update of missionaries serving around the world, and devotion. We will also discuss our mission involvement project for the month of June and have a prayer time for the missionaries having a birthday on June 11th. Lunch and fellowship will follow. We would love for you to join us!

## Pastor Search Update

Your Pastor Search Committee has been diligently working over the past 15 months following the handbook provided by the BGAV to secure a new pastor for our church. We followed all the steps and procedures to be sure we did it by the book. We gradually reduced our pool of candidates to two. At that point we brought them in for separate face to face interviews along with their spouses. This proved to be very insightful as we socialized and interviewed these two candidates. Both couples are definitely called to ministry; however, in the end, the committee determined that neither was a “right fit” for our church. In fact, one candidate even asked to be removed from consideration after the face to face interview as he determined that a move to Hatcher was not a good fit for him. Needless to say, this was very disappointing to the committee as we had worked so hard to get to this point. But, isn't it better that this determination was made now rather than bring someone here who was not the right person for our church? The committee will start the process again in June. We took a few weeks off the latter part of May to refresh ourselves, graduate some of our members from seminary, rejoice in a marriage, and enjoy a week of vacation from the task assigned to us. Please know how seriously we consider the task assigned to us. Also, please continue to uphold this group in prayer. They are a great group who love Hatcher dearly, and take so seriously the task assigned. — Wayne Duke and PSC

*...I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert, to give  
drink to my chosen people...*



## Love and Fellowship

**A Day at the River**

**Thursday, June 20 • 9:15 a.m.**  
**Meet in the Hatcher Parking Lot**

The Love and Fellowship group will enjoy fun and fellowship at the river in Kilmarnock on June 20th. No need to bring anything, just be on time! Kay says, “Pray for good weather!” Please be in the church parking lot at 9:15 a.m. to board the bus and leave promptly at 9:30.



## CDC Graduation

Hatcher Child Development Center held Preschool Graduation Exercise on Thursday, May 6, 2019. They celebrate the 31 graduates as they begin their new adventures in learning. The graduates were presented with new bibles by Pastor Sharpe and reminded that Jesus loves them and so does Hatcher Church!



## THANK YOU HATCHER

I would like to thank the Hatcher family for all the prayers, monies, and help provided to me during my seminary career. Without support from Hatcher, I do not believe I would have been able to complete my course work and graduate. The sacred trust you had in me is something I will remember the rest of my life; giving me the opportunity to serve in multiple roles as your Associate Pastor of Visitation and Campus Pastor of Ministry and Administration. The graciousness extended to me during this time and the chance to try out my ministerial wings allowed me to experience what it means to be a pastor in a place of patience, support, and love. I am not exactly sure what God will call me to, now that I have graduated. It will be my turn to be patient and wait for God's time in calling me, however during this time I will look to continue supporting and loving Hatcher.

Sincerely,  
Charlie Fleet

## Next Steps for Daniel

Congratulations to Daniel Ripley on his acceptance to Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary! He will continue his academic pursuit of Master of Divinity in the Fall as relocates to the Raleigh, North Carolina area. In the last six months he has blessed Hatcher Church so richly as our Campus Pastor for Missions and Discipleship. Daniel would appreciate your prayer support

## CONGRATULATIONS

\* To Capt. Victor "Rip" and Parker Ripley who were married on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at Mt. Rainier, Washington

\* To Donna Myers on her retirement, May 31, after 20 years of service to Henrico County Public Libraries. Well done!



## Thank You!

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who contributed food and money toward the CDC Teacher Appreciation Dinner. It was a lovely dinner with lots of delicious food. Almost all of the staff attended and I know that they appreciated it very much. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to thank these hard workers with a memorable evening.

— Sharon Vecchione and the CDC Committee

## Hatcher Thanks June Banes and Otis Fugate



June has completed her first stage of ServSafe Certification and is in hopes of completing the final course in the very near future. June and Otis have served our church family so faithfully for the last five months by providing the meal preparation and kitchen management responsibilities for our Wednesday Evening Dinner Ministry. Hatcher and McShin wish to express deep gratitude to June and Otis for their faithfulness and commitment to the ministry of Jesus.

## Hatcher's Wednesday Evening Dinners will resume after Labor Day, Wednesday, September 4.

Although, our Wednesday Evening Dinner Ministry is suspended for the summer months... Be looking for special Cookout, Picnic and Home-made Ice Cream events being planned throughout the summer!

## Thank You, Jennifer!

Thank you to Jennifer Ramos for your faithful service at Hatcher Church for more than two and a half years! We appreciate your gentle, kind approach to handling our financial matters!

## Thank You, Warren!

Warren has been dedicated, faithful, hard working and in the most recent, a "jack of all trades" with filling in as choir director for the Traditional Service. He teaches; he leads; he follows; and does it all with honoring God first in his music. We are most thankful for his sense of humor as well. Even when Warren had his wing clipped (rotator cuff surgery), we couldn't hardly keep him still in his exuberance of wanting to lead in music and share the message of God in song and praise. Thank you Warren for all of the beautiful messages you have brought to Hatcher in your organ music, piano music and choir music. We are very privileged to have a God given talent as yours. Thank you, Personnel Committee



## Congratulations, Jo Mitchell !

15 years. Picture it: keeping up with all those energetic, busy, excited, growing, curious and I'm sure a couple of mischievous bundles of joy! Oh, their parents too and the employees as well. Just imagine how many little hands and hearts have had Jo's guidance and love and energy and teaching. Jo has done this faithfully for 15 years. Always with a positive attitude; major sense of humor; and long, long, long hours. Jo's love of children and teaching them of her love of God as well has been such a blessing. Jo's family must be as patient as she is. We hope that her husband Bruce, their three children and two grandchildren know how much Jo's talents with loving the children and their families is more than appreciated by Hatcher and the CDC. Thank you is such a small phrase but is meant with all the love we can give for Jo, her family, and her CDC family. We love you Jo! — Personnel Committee

## MS. EMILY ROSE BOOKMAN



Emily received her Bachelor of Science degree in Mass Communications and Public Relations from VCU. Emily is using the skills she learned at US Electric Co., Inc.

## MR. DANIEL JAMES RIPLEY



Daniel received his Certificate of Theological Studies from Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond. Daniel will continue his theological studies this Fall.

## Congratulations Class of 2019

## GABRIEL WHITTEN

Received his Bachelor of Science degree in Health Science and a minor in Occupational Therapy from JMU. Gabriel will work for Trustcare Home Medical Equipment. Gabriel is the son of Michael and Charlotte Whitten and grandson of Dottie Whitlock

## MR. CHARLES PORTER FLEET



Charlie completed his Master of Divinity degree at Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond. Charlie will take some time off and begin discerning where God will use him next.

## REV. DR. MARIA ELLIS LYNN



Maria completed her Doctor of Ministry degree in Cultural Intelligence at Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond. Maria is discerning where God will use her next.



## MCOSHIN RECOVERY/SUPPORT MEETINGS

All meetings in the West Wing

Sun	12 – 5 Office Open	6:00 NA		
Mon	12:00 Noon AA	5:30 Wom- en's NA	7:00 NA	
Tues	12:00 Noon AA	5:30 NA 6:30 Yoga	7:00 AA 7:00 YPNA	7:00 Grief Support
Wed	12:00 Noon AA	7:00 NA	7:00 Families Anon	7:00 Siblings for Hope
Thurs	12:00 Noon AA	6:00 NA	7:15 SMART Recovery	
Fri	12:00 Noon AA	3:30 Bible Study	7:00 NA	8:15 YPNA
Sat	8:30 a.m. CoDA	9:30 SA 9:30 S-Anon 9:45 OEA	11:00 Debtors Anon	8:00 NA

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*Rev. Terry Sharpe*, Pastor  
*Charlie Fleet*, Campus Pastor,  
Ministry and Administration  
*Daniel Ripley*, Campus Pastor,  
Missions and Discipleship  
*Chris and Tom Patch*, Interim Worship Leaders,  
New Day Service  
*J. Warren Mitchell*, Church Organist  
*Maria Lynn*, Ministry Coordinator  
*Jo Mitchell*, Director,  
Child Development Center  
*Jennifer Ramos*, Financial Secretary  
*Kay Craig*, Love & Fellowship Coordinator

## **HATCHER CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOR 2018—2019**

### **Deacons**

Chair — David Dunston  
Co-Vice Chairs — Mitch Wilhelm, Lena Taylor

Susan Dawson	Cookie Martin
Mary Dunston	Bill Mosely
Virginia Garrett	Lena Taylor
Eddie Harris	Debbie Welch
Susan Haynes	Jerry Welch
Karen Stamey (Yoke)	

### **Church Officers**

Moderator:	Rick Bancroft
Treasurer:	Jackie Matthews
Clerk:	Sharon Vecchione

### **Program Leaders:**

Outreach /Mission Dir:	Cecilia Fleet
Sunday School Director:	Alice Phillips
Love & Fellowship:	Kay Craig

### **Church Committee Chairpersons and Team Leaders:**

Audio/Visual/Lighting:	Ray Clary
Building and Grounds:	Jim Blanchard
Child Development Center:	Sharon Vecchione
Counting:	Mary Atwell
Endowment:	Bob Llewellyn
Finance:	Belinda Blanchard
Flower & Decorating:	Betty Bancroft
Hostess:	Kay Craig
Kitchen:	
Personnel:	Susan Haynes
Transportation:	Ray Clary
Ushers:	Janice Conroy, Bubba Garnett, Eddie Harris, Paul Vecchione, and Jerry Welch