

Sharpe Insight...

What is All Saints Day a Special Time in Hatcher's Life?

All Saints Day, also known as All Hallows' Day, or Hallowmas, is a Christian celebration in honor of all the saints from Christian history. In Western Christianity, it is observed on November 1st by the Roman Catholic Church, the Methodist Church, the Lutheran Church, and other Protestant denominations. The Eastern Orthodox Church and associated Eastern Catholic churches observe All Saints Day on the first Sunday following Pentecost.

The Christian festival of All Saints Day comes from a conviction that there is a spiritual connection between those in Heaven and on Earth. In Catholic tradition, the holiday honors all those who have passed on to the Kingdom of Heaven. It is a national holiday in numerous historically Catholic countries. In Methodist tradition, All Saints Day relates to giving God earnest gratitude for the lives and deaths of his saints, remembering those who were well-known and not. Additionally, individuals throughout Christian history are celebrated, such as Peter the Apostle and Charles Wesley, as well as people who have personally guided one to faith in Jesus, such as one's relative or friend.

"All Saints Day" annually reminds us of our connectedness as Christians. It's commemorated every November 1st. Perhaps, you were taught to think of saints as statues in a church building. But the Bible teaches something completely different. Who is a saint? <u>You are</u>. That is if you're a follower of Jesus. God calls a "saint" anyone who trusts in Christ alone for salvation. See <u>Acts</u> <u>9:13</u>, <u>26:10</u>, <u>Romans 8:27</u>, and <u>1Corinthians 1:2</u>.

Sainthood isn't given by a group of religious leaders. It's granted by God Himself to any common, salt-of-the-earth person who simply trusts Christ (<u>1Corinthians 1:2</u>). Words matter. And sowing confusion about good, biblical words like "saint" is not from God. The gospel message is that God the Son came to earth, lived a perfectly obedient life, died on the cross to pay for our sins (<u>Romans 5:1</u>), and rose again proving His atoning work was complete (<u>Romans 4:22-25</u>). Saints are those who give up the *anti-faith* alternative of trying to please God by their good deeds and, instead, trust Christ alone. Scripture says that the person of faith actually becomes the very right-eousness of God (<u>2 Cor. 5:21</u>)!

Hatcher's All Saints Day will be celebrated in our Worship Service on Sunday, November 4, 2020. We have lost over twenty (20) of our members this year and will be pausing in prayer to celebrate the memories of their lives. In 2020 McShin lost over thirty (30) of its membership. This is a special time marked in our calendar year that gives us hope and strength for our future life with Jesus.

Blessings to our membership,

Pastor Sharpe

Church Happenings

CHURCH OFFICE PERSONNEL CHANGES

The Personnel Committee is happy to announce the arrival of Karen Cook to our church staff as Office Administrator/ Communications Coordinator. She trained under Dr. Carol McCann during the week of September 21, 2020 and has now sprouted wings and is flying on her own. She has over 15 years experience in administrative support, marketing and graphic design. She also has previous experience working in a church office. Karen and her husband Bob live in Chester, VA and they are parents to a son, daughter, and three grandchildren. As part of their family, they have three cats and a dog. Please give a Hatcher welcome to Karen the next time you talk on the phone to her, visit the office, or send an email.





Additionally, the Personnel Committee is grateful to Dr. Carol McCann for her hard work in the church office the past few months working in an interim capacity until a permanent person could be secured. We appreciate so much her willingness to jump into this arena even though it may not have been totally in her comfort zone. Thank you Carol for all you continue to do for our church with weekly devotionals, working in the Child Development Center, participating in worship leadership, and supporting the choir.

> Wayne Duke Chairman, Personnel Committee

May the Lord continue to grant us safety and good health during this pandemic. May we be vigilant in wearing our masks and social distancing.

Church Happenings

Trunk or Treat

Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church will be hosting Trunk or Treat on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 31^{st} from 3 – 5 p.m.



Because of COVID19, this will be a "Drive by" where the children will stay in the car with their parents. We

need LOTS of candy donations and people to fill their trunks as in the past. Candy donations can be placed on the bench on the 2nd floor between the conference room and Warren's office. You can dress up if you like but you will need to wear a cloth mask and plastic gloves . The children will hang their pumpkins/bags out the windows for you to fill so we need cars to be placed on both sides of path. Please contact the church office or Sue Mitchell

(<u>smitchell@parkerpollasr.com</u> or 804-513-4086) if you will "fill your trunk" and participate in the drive by. We will also need adults to direct traffic and distribute candy to the participating vehicles. (Please contact Sue Mitchell if you know where we can get some traffic cones to set up as needed for the path.)

Hatcher has Two new Automated External Defibrillators

An **AED**, or automated external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's a sophisticated, yet easy-to-use, medical device that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm.



The church now has two defibrillators located outside the Sanctuary

entrance on the second floor and a Pediatric Defibrillator in the main hallway in the CDC on the first floor.

Church Happenings

October WORSHIP THEME

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October 4 — "FACING MORAL ISSUES.... CLEANSING THE TEMPLE" Mark 11:12-19

OCTOBER 11 — "LIVING LIKE YOU HAVE FAITH....RAISING THE ROOF" Luke 5:17-26

OCTOBER 18 — "FACING REJECTION....RUN OUT OF JESUS' HOMETOWN" Luke 4:14-30

OCTOBER 25 — "UNBELIEVABLE STUFF....WHAT HAPPENED AT JESUS' DEATH" Matthew 27:45-54

OCTOBER, 2020

Wednesday Evening Bible Study Topics THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS JESUS IS THE SUPREME LORD OF THE UNIVERSE

Chapter 1

THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER1:1-14THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST1:15-23PAUL'S LABOR FOR THE CHURCH1:24-29

October 11

October 4

Chapter 2

FREEDOM FROM HUMAN REGULATIONS 2:1-23

October 18 Chapter 3 RULES FOR HOLY LIVING 3:1-17 RULES FOR CHRISTIAN HOUSEHOLDS 3:18-25

October 25 Paul's Special Instruction

Chapter 4

Paul's Special Instructions4:1-6Paul's Warm Greetings4:7-18



THE GOVERNOR'S GUIDELINES FOR SANCTUARY WORSHIP

HATCHER EDITION

- The Deacons are appointed and identified as the Leadership Committee for the Worship preparation and compliance as Hatcher begins its Sanctuary Worship Services. *The Deacons will begin seating every-one at 10:30.*
- 2. Everyone is encouraged to arrive early, prior to the 11 a.m. starting time of the worship service.
- 3. The Deacons will have tables at the ramp entrance *with face masks, gloves, and hand sanitizers to be distributed to those needing assistance.*
- 4. The Deacons will offer assistance as people enter the building to keep safe distancing.
- 5. The Deacons will provide *assistance in seating so as to maximize the seating number available* in the Sanctuary and Balcony.
- 6. The **Deacons will escort everyone into the Sanctuary through the center doors** down the center aisle.
- 7. After the service, the *Deacons will come to pew aisles and give direction for each pew to exit single file.* Beginning at the rear pew, everyone will be instructed to stand and exit left through the West door single file. The Deacons will be placed strategically to keep the exit file moving for 6' distancing.
- 8. The *Deacons will make themselves available to either the Balcony or the Fellowship Hall if* there is not enough room for them for worship in the Sanctuary area.
- 9. We will have *live streaming available for 45 people in the Fellowship Hall*. The service will be seen on the Plasma Television. An *additional viewing area* will be provided in the *newly renovated Parlor for those not able to safely wear face coverings.*
- 10. The *Deacons will offer face coverings (masks) to everyone* entering the service with explanations that unless everyone wears one we cannot have sanctuary worship. *Therefore, no face masks, no worship.*
- 11. No offering plates will be passed during the service. However, the plates will be placed near the entrance and exit doors so those wishing to give an offering may do so without touching anything.
- 12. No bulletins will be distributed; No hymnals will be handled or used in the service.
- 13. The worship services will have to meet the *Governor's Guidelines with social distancing and use of face masks.*
- 14. These *guidelines are being created to meet compliance* and exceed all restrictions as imposed on churches during phase 2 and 3 of the Covid-19 crisis of 2020.
- 15. These *new services are to be briefer than our normal Sunday worship to reduce restroom usage* and to reduce the amount of time we have to use our masks.

About the Church Family

October Birthdays

October 3	Honesty Liller
October 7	Phyllis Bolton
October 9	Jerry Myers
October 11	Sandy Taylor Gary Duke Sharon Vecchione
October 12	Rilton May
October 13	Katherine Gumbs David Dunston Edwina Hale
October 17	Gerry Robinson
October 19	Laverne Taylor Judy Varnier
October 20	Jo Mitchell
October 25	Johnnie Pedigo
October 26	Debbie Welch



October Anniversaries

October 20 Anne & Bill Zimmerman

Christian Sympathy to:

The family of **Marie Hill** who passed away 9/22/2020.





1. The Church's telephone, computer, and Wi-Fi systems had not been touched or evaluated since 2004. It was discovered the three systems were antiquated and very obsolete. Our systems had served us well but were lacking for the functionality to meet the current needs for the CDC, as well as for the church.

2. With the Covid-19 concerns and realizing the importance for a seamless virtual learning environment In our CDC Learning Center, Hatcher immediately moved as quickly as possible in addressing the above issues. Contacting the most qualified vendor to install our new Computer System and Wi-Fi, **Top Notch**, installed Xfinity with the capability for download speed to 2,000Mbps. Their engineers contacted Verizon's engineers to install internal and external digital Com-Switches in our building to interface with our new Digital Telephone equipment and the High Speed internet with the capability of now hosting up to 300 students at a time, working at full capacity. This necessary equipment was on order for 4.5 weeks due to the lack of production and shipment delays as a result to the Covid-19 restrictions. This was accomplished within a six week time frame so the High Speed Internet would be up and running before the starting of school.

3. The new VOIP telephone system is completely digital...we encountered a little intermittent difficulty with the Lack of phones service in the CDC and it was directly related to Verizon's old analog cables. Top Notch's engineers contacted Verizon's engineering department to replace the interior and external Com-switches (at no cost to us) to interface with the new digital communication system.

4. Hatcher has upgraded and installed a new digital security system with Sonitrol. This system will now provide the best care and security of our children, staff, and teachers. This system is fully digital with power backup, and controlled with our own App.

5. We had Sonitrol move the main entrance for the church on the first floor by the elevator entrance. When people entered through this entrance they had to enter through the CDC hallway and pass several classrooms. This was unacceptable for our safety standards. The main entrance for adults, members, workmen, vendors, and etc. now enter on the other side of the church at the Ramp Door on the west side of the sanctuary.

Mission Projects

Notes from Lamb's Basket

The Lamb's Basket is in need of:

Canned meats: tuna, chicken, spam, Vienna sausages, potted meat

Dried Pasta: spaghetti, egg noodles, rice, macaroni noodle



HATCHER CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOR 2019-2020

• indicates serving one additional year & rotates off in 2020

Deacons

Chair — Mitch Wilhelm* Vice Chair — Karen Stamey

> **Rick Bancroft** Jackie Matthews

Sharon Vecchione

Mary Atwell

Cecilia Fleet

Susan Haynes*

Bob Llewellyn

<u>2017-2020</u>

Mary Dunston Eddie Harris Debbie Welch Jerry Welch Susan Dawson* Mitch Wilhelm*

Moderator:

Treasurer: Clerk:

CDC:

Counting:

Finance:

McShin:

Endowment:

Nominating:

Personnel:

Church Officers

Committee Chairpersons

2018-2021 Virginia Garrett Bill Mosely **Karen Stamey**

Secretary: Susan Dawson* Treasurer: Mary Dunston

<u>2019-2022</u>

Janice Conroy Jackie Matthews Stuart Matthews Donna Myers Jerry Myers Sharon Vecchione

Program Leaders

Outreach/ Mission Director:	Sue Mitchell and
	Kathy Ridenour
Sunday School Director:	Alice Phillips
Love & Fellowship Coord.:	Kay Craig
Backpack Ministry Coord.:	Towneley Gordon

Team Leaders

Sharon Vecchione* Audio/Visual: Ray Clary Building & Grounds: Jimmy Blanchard Flower & Decorating: **Betty Bancroft** Belinda Blanchard Hostess: Kay Craig Kitchen: June Banes Sandra Wiltshire **Ray Clary** Transportation: **Eddie Harris** Ushers: Building Use Coordinator : William Moseley Wedding Coordinator: Margie Pugh

McShin Board Representative: Phyllis Johnson LAMB'S Basket Representatives: Susan Haynes, Paul & Sharon Vecchione

Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church

Rev. Terry Sharpe, Pastor Daniel Ripley, Associate Minister for Communication and Outreach J. Warren Mitchell, Jr., Minister of Music Amanda Owen, Director, Child Development Center *Stuart Joerg*, Organist Sharon McNanee, Financial Secretary Karen Cook, Office Administrator/Communications Coordinator Kay Craig, Love & Fellowship Coordinator

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