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Hatcher
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Sharpe Insight...

In recent conversations with our Deacons, Church Council, leaders, and members of Hatcher, it has been most interesting to dialogue concerning our understanding of worship and what helps one to feel most comfortable when participating in a

worship service. So everyone will understand about worship styles, music, and worship expectations, it is my purpose to explain a brief general format of the three basic forms of worship in today's spiritual culture, they are: **Liturgical, Traditional, and Contemporary.**

In general, **Liturgical Church** worship involves the use of prescribed lectionary readings and liturgy. Scripture holds a high place in liturgical churches, often with all four passages read from the lectionary. Clergy, as well as other functionaries in the worship service, often wear robes, stoles, and other vestments. In looking at the different services, every tradition, even non-liturgical worship will have their repeated worship elements that no Sunday service would or could do without. So every church actually has a form or liturgy for organized and good orderly worship.

Traditional Churches are more formal than contemporary congregations, yet less formal than liturgical ones. They represent a mid-ground in many ways. Traditional churches prefer less elaborate sanctuaries. Clergy and laity typically dress up for church, but ministers only wear robes for special occasions; traditional worship has brief scripture readings with music selected from a hymnal. The music is usually directed by a Minister of Music directing the congregation and a choir with the primary musical instruments being the piano and organ.

Contemporary Churches use a relaxed worship format compared to the other styles by using praise songs and choruses. This "come as you are" relaxed worship style, surprisingly, came out of the Liturgical and Traditional styles of worship for those desiring something different. A praise band usually leads the music using drums, guitars, and varied instruments with about 20-23 minutes of group singing and often concluding with a solo or a testimony of one's personal faith. The message is often 30-45 minutes. Contemporary churches are often new Church Starts and located in store front settings, old businesses, and often movie theaters.

The reason I am sharing this profile in worship with you, is that in evaluating all three worship styles there are three questions that come to mind, "Do all three worship styles attempt to worship, praise, and honor Jesus as God's one and only Son as the savior of the world?" And my answer is a Big YES! My second question is, "Are all three attempting to honor Jesus by sharing his redemptive love to a lost world?" And my answer is a Big YES! The final question is "Has God decided not to bless any of three Church Styles because of their style of worship?" And my answer is a Big NO!

God is blessing all three! Here is the memo to everyone: in reading John's Book of the Revelation, **in Heaven, God uses all three styles...**we better get use to it. The other two style may not be our "Cup of Tea" on Earth but when we get to Heaven life is going to be interesting and exciting!

May the blessings of Jesus be yours,

Pastor Sharpe

P.S. Hatcher uses a combination of all three

The Hatcher Herald

Hatcher Happenings

Thank You!

The Finance committee would like to thank everyone that has contributed to the 2023 Easter HVAC offering. You have reached deep into your pockets and we have almost \$30,000. We have never had an Easter offering that has been this large and many of you gave a lot to make this happen. Thank you all!

The Finance Committee



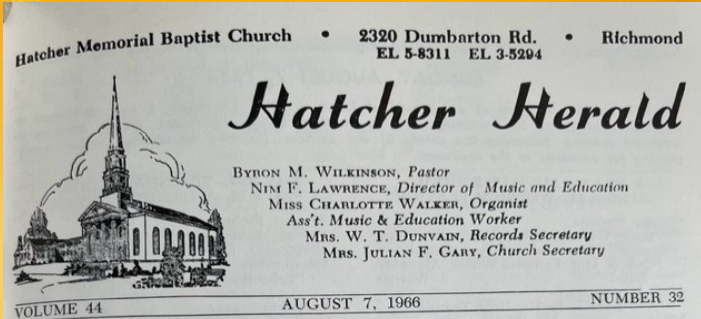
Fundraiser Coming Up!

McKenzie Meador is one of our kids from our Children's Ministry who is 7 years old and happens to be a very talented dancer.

She recently auditioned for her dance studio's competition team and made it! This was a very big accomplishment and she is so excited to represent her studio. She will be in three competitions this year performing two separate dances. These

competition/costume fees are quite costly and to help her raise the funds she has decided to hold a car wash, plant, & bake sale here in the Hatcher parking lot on **Saturday, August 12th from 10am-2pm**. We hope you can make it out that day to support her. A car wash will be \$10 per car and all bake goods/drinks will be available for \$1 a piece, there will also be select plants ranging from \$5-\$10. Her overall goal would be \$650 to cover all entry fees and costumes but as close as we can get her to that is a blessing in itself.

Thank you for supporting the dreams of one of our youngest members!



Happenings in Hatcher History

This month in 1966 Hatcher was lead by Pastor Byron Wilkinson. They were averaging 627 in attendance at Sunday School every Sunday. The average worship service tithing/offering per week was \$2,735.26. They had 3 worship services to accommodate their growing numbers. One at 9:30am, 11:00am, and 8:00 pm.

Budget Update

In June, the Church received \$25,405 for general funds offerings.

The June budget was \$27,567.

**See something?
Say something!**

Greetings from maintenance. As you may know this is a large building and we have a small maintenance staff of only myself (Brandon) and a very appreciated few volunteers. I try my hardest to see all issues with the building and handle them as soon as possible, but as big as this building is and focusing on all of the cleaning to get the building ready for your attendance on Sunday, I sometimes may overlook some things that might be obvious to a set of fresh eyes. I'm asking for your help to keep Hatcher clean and safe if you see something that isn't quite right like a leaky faucet, a slow flushing or clogged toilet, light bulbs burned out, forgotten trashcans, etc. Please fill out a work order and put it in one of my 2 mailboxes located in office or in the hallway next to the Sunday school office and I will take care of the issue within 3 business days. Work request forms have been placed in 5 locations throughout the building for your convenience.

We all love this building and want a clean and functioning place to worship our Lord. Your input with maintenance is the most efficient way to accomplish this goal. It is important to fill out the work request form because my memory isn't the best in the world and I may forget a conversation, but I cannot forget what is written down. Thank you for your help and understanding have a blessed day

Sincerely: Brandon/Maintenance



August

Hatcher Happenings

August 1	10:30 am	Bible Study
August 2	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
August 6	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship Service
	12:00 pm	Deacon's Meeting
August 7	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
August 8	10:30 am	Bible Study
August 9	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
August 13	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship Service
August 15	10:30 am	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Church Council
August 16	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
August 17	11:00 am	Love & Fellowship
August 20	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship Service
August 21	7:00 pm	Finance Meeting
August 22	10:30 am	Bible Study
August 23	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
August 27	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship Service
August 29	10:30 am	Bible Study
August 30	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal

Hearts In Motion

Per newsletter from River City Faith Network: Church Hill Christian Wellness Center is collecting filled backpacks and toiletry bags this summer. Hatcher is included on the list of churches for this particular center. The deadline for collection will be Sunday, Aug. 13th so that we can pack everything for delivery on Aug. 17th or 18th. (My Boston family will be staying with us Aug. 12th - 19th so I will need some help.)

They need these 11 items for toiletry bags: Shampoo, Comb & Brush, Deodorant, Soap, Washcloth, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Mouthwash, Floss, and Lotion.

Backpacks should include: 1 three-ring binder and divider tabs, 1 or 2 packs of loose-leaf paper (wide or standard rule), 4 black-and-white composition books, 2 One-subject spiral notebooks, 1 Three- or five-subject spiral notebooks, pack of No. 2 pencils (not mechanical), pack of Black or blue ink pens (no gel), Pocket folders (with or without brads) in solid colors, pack of red pens, Elmer's glue-4 oz. and/or glue sticks.

I have noticed some stores already advertising school supplies for sale. If we divide and conquer, I think we should be able to supply 10 filled backpacks and 10 toiletry bags.

Sue Mitchell

New Benevolence Structure and Procedures

The benevolence committee, according to the bylaws, comes under the oversight of the deacon board, and usually one or two people process the applications for assistance with advisement at times from others, usually being the pastor. Beginning in September, the benevolence committee will be formed by the deacon board with assistance from the nominating committee, and procedures for processing requests will be as decided by the board. Since I will be rotating off of the deacon board at the end of August, I will not be a part of this committee going forward but will be available for advisement.

Hatcher members have always given generously to this fund, and we have helped so many individuals and families because of your contributions. Many have especially struggled since the Covid pandemic, mostly because of losing their jobs and now because of the economy creating more hardships. It was especially during those years and also through today, that many recipients of our assistance shed tears and could not express their appreciation and thanks enough. A few have even offered to stand before the congregation and express their appreciation.

I pray that you will continue to contribute to this fund according to your ability so that Hatcher can continue to have the reputation of a loving and giving church family.

Alice Phillips



Nominating Committee

Church Officers—1 Year Term

Moderator	Carol McCann
Assistant Moderator	VACANT
Treasurer	Jackie Matthews
Assistant Treasurers	Alice Phillips & Debbie Welch
Clerk	Debbie Welch
Assistant Clerk	Sharon Vecchione

Ministry Program Leaders— 1 Year Term

Hearts In Motion	Sue Mitchell & Kathy Ridenour
Love & Fellowship	Kay Craig

Sunday School—1 Year Term

Sunday School Director	Alice Phillips
Secretary	Alice Phillips
Infants-Kindergarten	Karen Stamey & Donna Myers
Grades 1-5	Julie Snyder & Ann Duke
Middle/High School	VACANT
Young Adults	Heather Stamey
Grateful Class	Wayne Duke, Janice Lynn, Cookie Martin, & Elsie Britton

Trust & Obey Class	Lena Taylor & Robert Hudgins
Pathfinders Class	Susan Dawson, VACANT
Seekers Class	Jim Blanchard, Paul Vecchione, & Peggy Ingram

Support Ministry Teams—1 Year Term

Audio/Visual/Lighting	Ray Clary, Jerry Welch Co-Chairs: Janice Conroy & Michael DiGaetano
Building & Grounds	David Dunston, Jim Blanchard
Flowers & Decorating	Betty Bancroft, Terry Hoover, & Angela Martin McDonnell
Kitchen	Carol McCann
Transportation	Ray Clary
Web Master	Jerry Myers
Wedding Coordinator	Terry Hoover
Ushers/Parking Hosts	Eddie Harris, Bill Moseley, David Dunston, Al Taylor, & John Roehm

2023—2024 Nominees

2023-2024 Nominees

Deacons—3 Year Term

2020-2023	Lena Taylor, Co-Chair Alice Phillips, Susan Haynes, Terry Hoover, Virginia Garrett*, & Janice Conroy*
2021-2024	Carol McCann, Co-Chair Frank Martin (Resigned Mid-Year) Karen Stamey (Finishing out Frank's term)
2022-2025	Wayne Duke, Cookie Martin, Tom Ingram, Michael DiGaetano (yoke 2022-2023)
2023-2026	Selection in progress *Serving an additional year

**Trustees—serve until resign.
Nominated by Finance
Committee, approved by church**

**Belinda Blanchard, Bob Llewellyn, Joe
Craig, Debbie Welch, & Jerry Myers**

Church Committees—3 year term

Audit—Minimum 3 members; may serve successive terms	TBD
Counting—Minimum 6 members; may serve successive terms	2023-2026 Nominees Mary Atwell: Chair, Brenda Loving, Jackie Matthews, Debbie Welch, & Ethel Schenk (sub)
Endowment/Scholarship—May serve successive terms	2023-2026 Nominees Belinda Blanchard: Chair, Joe Craig, Mary Dunston, Tom Ingram, Mary Atwell, & Gary Hoover
Finance/Stewardship 2023-2024	2023-2026 Nominees Jerry Myers: Chair , Judy Moore (2025), Mary Boegershausen

**Mary Atwell, Michael
DiGaetano, Brenda Loving, Sue
Mitchell, Jackie Matthews (Ex.
Off)**

CDC Transition

**Mary Dunston, Wayne Duke, Jerry
Myers, Brandon Johnson, Peggy
Ingram, Sharon Vecchione, Virginia
Hudgins (Ex. Off), Amanda Owens (Ex.
Off), Terry Sharpe (Ex. Off)**

Benevolence

Alice Phillips (Ex. Off), Brenda Mills

Personnel

2023-2026 Nominees

2023-2024
**Susan Haynes: Chair, Karen
Stamey, Mary Dunston, Ethel
Schenk, Wayne Duke**

Peggy Ingram & Gene Payne

McShin Partnership
**Monique Runge: McShin Rep.,
Joe Craig: Trustee, David
Dunston: Board Member**

New Members 2023

**Mary Dunston, Betty Bancroft, & Linda
Pomfrey**

Nominating—2 year term

2023-2025 Nominees

**Alice Phillips: Chair, Terry
Hoover, Brenda Loving, Karen
Stamey, & Bettie Zimmerman**

VACANT

Reminder that Wednesday evening Bible Studies are taking a break for the month of August

Worship & Discipleship

Growing into a Mature Faith

August 6

Service of Communion

“A Celebration or an Inventory”

What is this Invitation to the Table?

1 Corinthians 11:23-29

August 13

“The Life Skills Faith Presents Us”

Options for the Living

Acts 15:36-41

August 20

“When God Confronts Us”

Life As We Have Known It, Is Never The Same

Mark 1:1-8

August 27

“Change in Latitude, Change in Attitude”

The View for Living Depends on Where We Are Standing

Matthew 5:3-10

Among Our Fellowship



August 1	Kirk Seither Kelsie Singleton
August 2	Phillip Taylor Jackie Brennan
August 4	Karen Stamey Martha Powers
August 5	Valerie Calogerakis
August 6	Marie Stewart
August 7	Merrienne Payne
August 8	Wayne Duke Billy Morris
August 11	Victor Ripley
August 12	Cecilia Satterwhite Destiny Weis
August 14	Walker Steffy
August 16	Scott Weis
August 17	Mark Bowles
August 18	Frank Martin Al & LaVerne Taylor*

August 19	Peggy Gary
August 20	Tricia Allen Dot Dunston Tim Singleton
August 21	William Moseley Jr.
August 22	Brenda HuYoung Grace Seither
August 23	Ann & Gary Duke*
August 25	Debbie & Jerry Welch*
August 26	Warren Mitchell
August 28	Betty Robinson Marsha Taylor Linda & Bernie Pomfrey* Jaclyn Wiltshire
August 29	Mary Boegershausen
August 31	Austin Taylor

**Denotes Wedding Anniversary*

On Sunday, July 30th after the worship service the Children's Ministry hosted a Lemonade Stand/Bake Sale to raise the necessary funds to cover their child they adopted through Compassion Ministries. The expense for this is \$38 a month and due to our amazing members generosity they were able to raise \$384! This is enough to cover a little over 10 months worth of expenses! Thank you all so much for your loving support of our Children's Ministry!!



Kid Spotlight

Meet Bishop Ayer! Bishop has been the most recent to join our Children's Ministry. However, much like his best friend, Alaina, he has also been named a "Junior Deacon" for his help in making bags for our Shut-In Members long before he started actually attending. Bishop is five years old and is set to start Kindergarten in the fall. He says he is most excited about eating lunch there. His favorite color is green. He loves superhero's and transformers. He also excels in Martial Arts!



He most recently earned his green stripe on his white belt. If you see Bishop this month let him know how much his church family loves him!

Hatcher Kids

VBS 2023



HATCHER CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOR 2023-2024

Deacons

Co-Chairs — Lena Taylor & Carol McCann

Secretary—Alice Phillips

Treasurer—Janice Conroy

<u>2020-2023</u>	<u>2021-2024</u>	<u>2022-2025</u>
Susan Haynes	Carol McCann	Wayne Duke
Terry Hoover	Frank Martin	Cookie Martin
Alice Phillips		Michael DiGaetano (yoke)
Lena Taylor		Tom Ingram

Church Officers

Moderator: Dr. Carol McCann
 Treasurer: Jackie Matthews
 Clerk: Debbie Welch
 Asst. Clerk: Sharon Vecchione

Committee Chairpersons

CDC: Sharon Vecchione*
 Counting: Mary Atwell
 Endowment: Belinda Blanchard
 Finance: Jerry Myers
 McShin: Phyllis Johnson
 Nominating: Alice Phillips
 Personnel: Susan Haynes

Program Leaders

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

Team Leaders

Audio/Visual: Ray Clary
 Building & Grounds: David Dunston
 Flower & Decorating: Betty Bancroft
 Hostess: Kay Craig
 Kitchen: June Banes
 Transportation: Ray Clary
 Ushers: Eddie Harris
 Communications: Jerry Myers

Building Use Coordinator :
 McShin Board Representative:
 Wedding Coordinator:
 LAMB'S Basket Representatives:
 Benevolence Coordinator:

William Moseley
 Phyllis Johnson
 Terry Hoover
 Susan Haynes, Paul & Sharon Vecchione
 Alice Phillips

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J. Warren Mitchell, Jr., Minister of Music

Virginia Hudgins, Financial Secretary

Michael Gaines, Organist

Heather Stamey, Office Administrator

J. Brandon Johnson, Maintenance

Jerry Myers, Webmaster

Kay Craig, Love & Fellowship Coordinator