

The Hatcher Herald

Hatcher Church
Memorial Baptist

June 2024

Sharpe Insight...

Some of our members have asked me, “Pastor, what is a Transitional Pastor and now, what is going on at Hatcher Church?” On January 7, 2024, Pastor Sharpe submitted a **Letter of Request** for his **Pastoral Position** to be considered as that of “Transitional Pastor”. After considering this request, our church leadership accepted this proposal and substituted it for Hatcher’s approval in its regular business session. As Transitional Pastor, the pastoral work responsibilities would remain the same and in place for leadership, pastoral care, administrative support, with biblical, and spiritual guidance. The Pastor’s commitment and continued calling to our Church Family would remain as it is.

The Transitional Pastor continues to serve the church but allows the church to be informed of his decision to leave; but he will remain in place and continue to offer full pastoral leadership until the Search Committee is led to the new Pastor and the new Pastor accepts the call of our Lord to be our pastor.

The Hatcher Church family has addressed this request by planning an organized process to prepare for new and future pastoral leadership. Our Hatcher Church Family has elected a Pastoral Search Committee to begin the prayerful process of seeking the Lord’s leadership for Hatcher’s future pastor(s). Our Search Team covets our prayers as it has begun to work and organize for this new chapter for growth.

It is Pastor Sharpe’s desire to offer pastoral support during this period of transition and continue to offer stability and leadership until the Lord calls Hatcher’s New Pastor.

“As we enter into this new chapter of growth and change, please know how much Doris and I love and appreciate you as a church family and during the last six years the opportunity we have had in sharing the love of Jesus, our Lord.”

You are in our prayers,

Pastor Sharpe

June

Hatcher Happenings

June 2	10:45am 11am	Sunday School Worship Service Baptism
June 3	10am	Staff Meeting
June 5	11am 6:30pm	Bible Study Choir Rehearsal
June 9	10:45am 11am 12:00	Sunday School Worship Service Deacon's Meeting
June 10	10am	Staff Meeting
June 12	11am 6:30pm	Bible Study Choir Rehearsal
June 13	Lambs Basket Volunteer Day	
June 16	10:45am 11am	Sunday School Worship Service
June 17	10am 7pm	Staff Meeting Finance Committee Mtg
June 18	7pm	Church Council Mtg
June 19	11am 6:30pm	Bible Study Choir Rehearsal
June 20	10:30 am	Love & Fellowship
June 23	10:45am 11am	Sunday School Worship Service
June 24	10am	Staff Meeting
June 26	11am 6:30pm	Bible Study Choir Rehearsal
June 30	10:45am 11am	Sunday School Worship Service



Mid-Week Bible/Prayer Time

BIBLE STUDY IS SUSPENDED FOR THE SUMMER

Lamb's Basket Volunteers 2024

Our church supports the Lamb's Basket in supplying volunteers each month to go in and help sort/clean. Hatcher has one day each month designated to come help them out.

The hours are **10am-12pm** each volunteer day.

The dates for 2024 are:

June 13th, July 11th, August 8th, September 12th, October 10th, November 14th, and December 12th

Please join us in helping support the Lamb's Basket so they can continue to supply those in need with much needed food!

PRAISE FROM SUSAN DAWSON

I am writing to update the church on my 3rd cousin, Harry Smith. He has been on our prayer list under continued prayer for cancer treatment. Harry celebrated his last chemo treatment by ringing the bell! He has completed his course of treatments and he is cancer free. He was featured on CBS when he began his treatments and they did a really nice follow-up segment that aired this past week and again this morning. Now Harry can go about being a normal 12 year old and his family can breathe deeply again. Thank you to all of Hatcher prayer warriors who prayed for Harry.
God is so good!

Hatcher Happenings

COMMITTEES AT WORK

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Please keep your Personnel Committee in your prayers as it is diligently advertising, soliciting candidates for the Office–Ministry Administrator position, and making preparations for the future interviewing process to fill the open position.

PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Please keep the Pastor Search Committee in your prayers as we continue to seek God's will in finding our new pastor. We will be distributing two surveys regarding where you feel the church is currently and what you would like in a new pastor. Please return your surveys to church by June 23, 2024 via mail or place in the suggestion box in the foyer.

WORSHIP THEMES FOR JUNE 2024 "HOW JESUS TOUCHES OUR LIVES TODAY"

June 2 Baptism, Communion, and Our Covenant
John 1: 29-34

June 9 Jesus Touches the Known and the Unknown
Luke 8:40-53

June 16 Jesus Touches the Life of Joseph
Luke 2:21-24

June 23 Jesus Touches the Life of Peter
John 21:4-19

June 30 Jesus Touches the Life of Pilate
John 18:28-19:4



In Our Prayers

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pastor Sharpe—hip

Barbara Burks (Kay Craig's Sister)

Bernie Pomfrey—ankle

Betty Weis (Betty Bancroft's daughter in law)

Bob Carlton

Burnley Johnson (Dottie Whitlock's nephew)

Carrie West-Bailey (Carol West's Daughter)

Cathy Carter

Charles Brammer

Cindy Rapp (Mother of Brandon Johnson) - Surgery

David & George (Lena Taylor's Brothers)

Debbie Cargo (Kay Craig's Niece)

Debbie Peak

Dolly Waller (Sister – In-Law of Betty Waller) surgery for cancer

Doris Sharpe

Dorothy Irwin

Dot Major

Eddie Harris

Gloria Tiller (Shirley Tuck's Sister In-Law)

Harriett Garnett—hip

Janet Henderson (Family of Susan Dawson)

Judy Williams (Sharon Bracken's Sister)

June Banes

Kathy Crone

Laverne Taylor

Margaret Carins (Friend of Cookie Martin)

Mike Davis (Cookie Martin's nephew)

Nancy Walker

Rick & Ann Haldeman (Vivian Huckstep's Family)

Scott Benton (Shirley Tuck's Son)

Scout Craig (Kay & Joe Craig's granddaughter)

Sharon Bracken—Encompass Rehab

Sharon & Johnnie Newcomb

Shut-Ins (see list)

Steve Gallahan (Charlie Brammer's Son In-Law)

Vivian Parks

Zachary Unroe (Jane Stanard's Grandson)

Zeke Noble (Step great grandson of Al & LaVerne Taylor)

ONGOING CANCER TREATMENT

Amanda Moore (Judy Moore's daughter-in-law)

Debra Truslow (daughter of Lena Taylor)

Taira Baudoin (girlfriend of Jerry Phaup)

LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY

Brian Fleet

Chris Haynes

Spencer Sharpe

Victor (Rip) Ripley III

**June 2 Jay Dawson
Ryan Mitchell
Jerry & Donna Myers***

**June 5 Adam Hughes
Robert Redden**

**June 6 Ethel Pockington
David Lynn**

June 7 Billie Martin

**June 8 Virginia Garrett
Jean Smith**

**June 11 Christina Fleet
Laurie Metzger
Kathy & Roy Ridenour***

June 12 Mary Dunston

**June 13 Christina Bazemore
Ethel Schenk**

June 14 Jane Stanard

June 16 Betty Waller

June 18 Daniel Atkinson

**June 22 Sally Baughan
Rose Bookman
Jewel Whitlock**

June 24 McKenzie Meador

June 25 Doris Sharpe

**June 26 Adam Truslow
Kevin Welch**

**June 28 Carol McCann
Rose Welch**

June 29 Collin Lassiter

June 30 Alaina Johnson

***Denotes Anniversary**

Our Deepest Sympathy To:

The family of Margaret Carneal in her passing on
May 24, 2024.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Paul and Sharon Vecchione on the birth of a new grandson, Rohit Anoop, born May 3.



**Welcome our New Financial Secretary
Ms. June Peters**

June comes to us with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Accounting and an Associate Degree in Business Administration. She has worked in the financial world for 30+ years including payroll, general ledger accounting, accounts receivable, accounts payable, bank reconciliation and book - keeping.

We welcome June's expertise to our Hatcher work family.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER
JENNIFER DEAN BUTLER**

Congratulations on your Baptism

We welcome Jennifer D. Butler into the Hatcher Church Family. Jennifer has been visiting with us in worship, in Bible Study with the Seekers Class, and participating in our times of fellowship. Jennifer came forward during the invitational hymn Sunday, May 12, 2024. We rejoice with Jennifer that Jesus has led her in making such a wonderful and life changing decision with her Lord. Jennifer wishes to thank those members who have loved her, prayed for her, and assisted her in her spiritual journey.

Jennifer accepts Jesus as her Savior and unites with Hatcher Church through baptism. Service of Baptism will be Sunday, June 2, 2024. We welcome Jennifer into not only the church family but into the loving kingdom of God.

Ministry

Love & Fellowship

We will be going to Joe and Kay Craig's home for a luncheon on Thursday, June 20. Come enjoy the beautiful view, delicious food and wonderful fellowship. If you need a ride, meet in the church parking lot at 10:30 am. The church bus will be taking us to their home.

Hearts In Motion

The lunch packing session was a huge success on Sat., May 11th. Hearts in Motion partnered with Moments of Hope and Restoration Church to help feed some of the homeless people in our community.

Hearts in Motion will be going to Chestnut Grove on Woodman Road Monday, June 10th, from 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. under the leadership of Wayne Duke.

Also, be on the lookout for school supplies sales in June. We will be collecting school supplies for the Baptist Center this summer. (More details to follow.)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATE

As of May 28, 2024, the following vacancies for service year 2024-2025 are as follows. In some cases these are close estimates, to be verified soon.

Moderator, Asst. Moderator, Personnel Com., 1 possibly 2; Finance Com., possibly 1; Nominating Com, Chair plus 3-4 more. The reason for so few vacancies on Personnel and Finance is because most of the members that were due to roll off in September have agreed to serve 1 more year, since in the last few years it has been difficult to acquire new members.

If anyone would like to serve on Personnel or Finance, perhaps a member or two would not have to extend their service. Notify Alice Phillips if you are interested or would like more information about these committees. Alice's contact information: Phone number is (804)677-0183 or email amwphil-lips62@gmail.com.



Would you be interested in taking a shift sitting with the kids during our
11am Worship Service?

Following the “Children’s Moment” in the service you take the kids back to
room 288 for some fun!

If you would be interested in taking a shift one Sunday please reach out to
either the Church Office or Terry Hoover and let us know what Sunday works
for your schedule!

Upcoming Children’s Church Schedule:

June 2	Mrs. Terry Hoover
June 9	Mrs. Belinda Blanchard
June 16	Mrs. Terry Hoover
June 23	Ms. Karen Stamey
June 30	Mrs. Debbie Welch

Books for Liberia Update:

This project was a huge success! We delivered 1,000 + books (43 crates) to the River City Faith Network office on two separate trips. The books were contributed from Hatcher’s children’s library and the former CDC.

We are so happy that these books are going to start a children’s library at a church in Liberia.. Calvin Birch, graduating senior at Randolph Macon College who spearheaded the leadership project and her father, Rev. Calvin Birch will be traveling to Liberia to assist in the set-up. This project also helped clean up and clear out Hatcher’s spaces for a very worthy cause. Selected books were retained for a smaller children’s library at Hatcher in RM 317 for our future children.

Many thanks go to J.R. Cox, Wayne Duke, David Dunston, Brandon Johnson, Alice Phillips, Debbie Welch, Craig Wilkins, others who offered and the McShin men for their help on preparing, crating, moving, blessing and delivering the books.

Mary Dunston

HATCHER CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOR 2024-2025

Deacons

Chair — Lena Taylor

Secretary—Susan Dawson

Treasurer—Wayne Duke

<u>2021-2024</u>	<u>2022-2025</u>	<u>2023-2026</u>
Karen Stamey	Wayne Duke	Susan Dawson
Lena Taylor	Cookie Martin	Peggy Ingram
	Michael DiGaetano	Bill Moseley
	Tom Ingram	Debbie Welch

Church Officers

Moderator:

Treasurer: Jackie Matthews

Clerk: Debbie Welch

Asst. Clerk: Sharon Vecchione

Committee Chairpersons

Counting: Mary Atwell

Endowment: Belinda Blanchard

Finance: Jerry Myers

McShin: David Dunston

Nominating: Alice Phillips

Personnel: Susan Haynes

Business: Rick Bancroft

Debbie Welch

Program Leaders

Outreach/ Mission Director: Sue Mitchell and
Kathy Ridenour

Sunday School Director: Alice Phillips

Love & Fellowship Coord.: Kay Craig

Team Leaders

Building & Grounds: David Dunston

Flower & Decorating: Betty Bancroft

Hostess: Kay Craig

Kitchen: Terry Hoover

Transportation: Ray Clary

Ushers: Eddie Harris

Communications: Jerry Myers

Audio/Visual: Ray Clary/Jerry Welch

Building Use Coordinator :	William Moseley
McShin Board Representative:	David Dunston
Wedding Coordinator:	Terry Hoover
LAMB'S Basket Representatives:	Susan Haynes, Paul & Sharon Vecchione
Benevolence Coordinator(s):	Karen Stamey & Susan Haynes

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J. Warren Mitchell, Jr., Minister of Music

Rev. Thomas Ingram, Minister of Music Emeritus

Ms. June Peters: Financial Secretary

Michael Gaines, Organist

Open: Office Administrator

J. Brandon Johnson, Maintenance

Jerry Myers, Webmaster

Kay Craig, Love & Fellowship Coordinator