Haymarket Herald

November 2023



The Gospel of Mark

Focus on Christian Musicians and Songwriters in November

For three of the Sundays in November, my sermons and the service music will focus our attention on the way that God has used Christian musicians and songwriters to bring all of us closer to God.

On November 5, we will sing hymns written by the contemporary Christian artist, **Michael W. Smith**, and I will preach a sermon entitled, "Overcoming Drugs to Devote His Music to God." That's right. As a young musician, Michael got involved in the drug scene, like a lot of young people in the 1970s. He started using drugs even though he had been raised by loving Christian parents in a Christian home. But God did not allow this sinful decision to define Michael's life. God reached out to him and got him back on track. Then Michael began to use his immense musical talent to write contemporary Christian hymns such as, "Great is the Lord," and "How Majestic is Your Name." He collaborated with Amy Grant to write, "Thy Word," a great hymn about the importance of the Bible. We will be blessed by his music and, hopefully, learn a lot about the ways God calls prodigal sons and daughters to come back to the flock and help one another.

Our **Laypeople** will lead worship on November 12, as Paul Sellers preaches and other men and women read scripture, pray, and turn our hearts to Christ.

Then on November 19, we'll learn about one of Ken's and my favorite composers, **Andrae Crouch**. Andrae grew up in a large, thriving black Pentecostal church, and at an early age began to compose music for God. To the consternation of some older church members, Andrae began to depart from traditional black hymnody and compose Christian songs that drew their inspiration from the contemporary Christian music wave of the late 1960s and early 1970s. He wrote short choruses like, "Through It All," and longer hymns like, "Soon and Very Soon." His hymns such as, "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power," and "My Tribute" (Ken's favorite!) reached both black and white Christians equally. God used Andrae to bring together Christians of all races through his music!

Finally, we will end November by considering the hymns and ministry of John Newton. If you met **John Newton** as a young adult, you would have despised him as a despicable person, a "wretch." He made a living as a slave-ship captain, sailing his ship to the coast of west Africa, buying slaves in port cities, then transporting them across the Atlantic and selling those human beings to anyone who offered a large sum in the Bahamas, Charleston, Alexandria, or any other port in the new world. Hundreds of slaves died, and thousands were treated brutally under his watch. But God won John Newton to Christ and transformed him into a Christian pastor who worked tirelessly to end the slave trade throughout the British Empire. He also wrote hymns, including, "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken," "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds," and most famously, his autobiographical classic, "Amazing Grace."

Throughout November, be blessed by these Christian musicians and songwriters who speak God's word to us through their powerful music.

In Christ, Pastor Mark



DEACONS BENCH

Following Jesus - Serving Him

hen we became Christians we accepted Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Jesus shed His blood to pay the sin debt of us all; He died to save us from our sins. He is our Savior. But let's not forget that Jesus is also our Lord. I like the term, "Jesus follower," to describe this aspect of our faith because it denotes action. You cannot follow someone without doing something. We must obey His commandments and follow His teachings. We are charged to love one another and to serve. James 4:14-26 explicitly links "deeds" with faith culminating in verse 26, "...faith without deeds is dead." (NIV)

At the Last Supper John 13:4-5 tells of Jesus washing His disciples' feet. In that culture, foot washing was a task assigned to the lowest-ranking household servant. In this example, our Lord and Master became the servant! If our Lord can serve others, can't we? Shouldn't we?

We know that God gives us everything that we have. At times we hear sermons on tithing our income to God-giving back 10% of what He has given us. Many people do that. God also gives us another valuable resource our time. We get 168 hours every week, every year of our lives. Have you ever thought about what portion of your time you have dedicated to God in prayer, Bible study and serving Him? Should we not use a portion of the time that God has given us in serving Him?

Participating on HBC committees and assisting in HBC-sponsored events are vital to the life of our church. HBC has many committees that need members and leadership. We have numerous events throughout the year that provide opportunities to serve. I'd like to encourage everyone to search their hearts and pray for guidance as to how you can serve God at Haymarket Baptist Church. Being a Christian is not a spectator sport. Jesus expects us to participate in His work when we elect to follow Him.

Opportunities for service also exist in our community. HBC has supported –

Boxes of Basics
(https://boxesofbasics.org/)
Crossroads Connection
(https://crossroads-connection.org/)
The Sweet Julia Grace Foundation
(https://www.sweetjuliagrace.org/)

Carried to Full Term
(https://www.carriedtofullterm.org/)
Haymarket Regional Food Pantry
(https://haymarketfoodpantry.org/)
Rainbow Therapeutic Riding Center
(https://www.rainbowriding.org/)

All of these organizations seek volunteers to help accomplish their mission. Check them out and see if one is a good fit for you. It's another way to serve our Lord.

Paul Sellers Deacon of the Month



"Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God" Romans 15:7



Wanda Leap joined our church on Sunday, October 1st. She comes to us as a previously baptized believer in the Lord Jesus Christ.



Troye and Liz Payne joined our church on Sunday, October 15th. They come to us as previously baptized believers in the Lord Jesus Christ.



VBS DIRECTOR NEEDED

BC is looking for a VBS Director! In order for planning to begin, we need someone to step up to take the lead, work with our Children's Committee, and delegate the workload by establishing an expanded volunteer pool. This job cannot be done solo. Having a team to help carry the load is key. It takes a village, and our congregation is full of gifted individuals and untapped potential. There are also several people with experience that would be happy to assist the director. The Vacation Bible School (VBS) Director role needs to be filled no later than the end of this calendar year! Our children are worth the effort, and we need to make it happen!



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

all is beginning to show its colors and air is getting a little brisk. We enjoyed a German luncheon in Herndon this month to welcome Fall.

We will be concluding our studies of Paul's letters in a couple of weeks. Our next study after Paul's letters will be the Book of Daniel. A prophet who faced unbelievable pressure to compromise his faith — while living in evil times. Following the Book of Daniel, we will then study the Book of Revelation.

So, we have a busy Fall and Winter to dig into the study of these two books and become more familiar with prophecy and the end times.

On November 20th we WILL have Bible Study, but we WILL NOT have our luncheon due to that being Thanksgiving week.

Blessings from Bernie



WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OUTING

e will be taking a break from our luncheon for the month of November so that we can spend time with family and friends.

Our December luncheon will be on MONDAY, DECEMBER 4th. Please make note of this date since it is the first Monday of the month instead of our regular third Monday.

This is our Annual Christmas Party and it will be at my house! This luncheon is one you do not want to miss! It is potluck, games, prizes, festive attire, and white elephant gift exchange! Even if you don't attend our weekly Bible study but have been wanting to check us out...this would be a great way to get to know us!

Clear your calendar for that day and plan to have a wonderful time with us! The sign-up sheet is available now. Please sign up by November 27th so that I can plan accordingly. It's always a full house!

Carpooling is available. We will meet in the church parking lot immediately following Bible Study.

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It's time to start packing, shoeboxes that is! Since its inception in 1993, Samaritan's Purse has delivered over 209 million shoeboxes packed by people like us and provided them to children in over 170 countries and territories. This effort not only delivers joy at the gift received – often the first these children have ever gotten, but it also gives them a tangible expression of God's love.

Operation Christmas Child gift-filled shoeboxes go to some of the most difficult to reach places on earth. This includes areas that are hostile to the Gospel, places where whole people groups are yet unreached, and hundreds of remote Pacific islands. Shoeboxes are used by local churches to share the Good News of Jesus Christ in all kinds of environments, from densely populated inner cities to deserts and jungles—even in places where the name of Jesus has never been heard.

Information on how to pack a shoe box can be found at <u>samaritanspurse.org</u>. Gift suggestions can be found on the web site, too. Start with a quality "wow" item such as a stuffed animal or soccer ball with pump that will capture the child's attention the instant he or she opens the box. Operation Christmas Child has an <u>Amazon Storefront</u> with additional lists of quality items that are recommended for shoeboxes. As you shop, don't forget to ask God to lead you to what will particularly delight the heart of a child!

Please Do Not Include the following:

Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or

liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Haymarket Baptist Church helps with this mission by collecting shoeboxes that WE pack. Boxes are available in the <u>overflow</u> room at HBC. If you are attending in-person services, just pick up a box (or 2) and shipping labels. If you are not attending the church services in-person, simply go by the church during regular office hours to get your boxes and labels.

Packed boxes with a check/cash for collecting, processing, and shipping (\$10/box) are due back to the church <u>no later than</u> Sunday, November 19th. The easiest way to pay the \$10 is to do so online at https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/why-donation/. This will allow you to track your box. Alternatively, you can mail a check to Samaritan's Purse.

Please contact Paul Sellers if you have questions at pablova@comcast.net.



HAYMARKET DAY 2023

aymarket Baptist Church was well represented at this year's festivities. Our new tent, table covers and T-shirts with the church name and logo enhanced our visibility in the community. We had greeters telling others about our church, face painting, corn hole games, pumpkin tic tac toe, photo opportunities and gave out almost 300 bubble wands to wide-eyed children. A hearty THANKS to all of the volunteers who made our participation in Haymarket Day 2023 such a great success!

The Outreach Committee



BOXES OF BASICS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Doxes of Basics is in urgent need of boy's pants and girl's tops! They have close to 100 kids waiting for boxes and they need your help! Specifically, they are in desperate need of boy's pants in sizes 5T, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12 & 16 and girls long-sleeve tops in sizes 4T, 5T, 6 & 8.

Here's how you can support them:

- Donate gently worn clothes at your nearest donation location: <u>Boxes of Basics Donation</u> <u>Location</u>
- Shop from home from our Amazon wish list: Boxes of Basics Amazon Wish List
- Support Boxes of Basics financially and let us do the shopping! <u>Donate</u>
- Pick up some items on your next shopping trip! [Items can be dropped at the Haymarket Police Department]

Any questions can be sent to Brenda Sellers at besellers@hotmail.com; 703-862-4033.





WORSHIP FROM HOME

re you unable to make it to church because of illness, transportation, or something else? Are you aware that every Saturday we email the bulletin and prayer requests to everyone and supply a link so that you can watch the service from home on your computer?

If you aren't receiving the email, please contact the church office at (703) 754-8546, so that we can add you to our email list.

If you are unable to attend and would prefer a paper copy of the bulletin each week, please call the office and we would be happy to set that up for you.



NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

o you have a church article for the newsletter or photos you have taken at church events that you would like to share in the newsletter? Please let us know! You can contact Pastor Mark or Laura in the church office at (703) 754-8546 or you can submit your articles and/or photos by email to Laura at laura@my-hbc.org. All submissions need to be submitted by the 3rd Monday of the month for the following month.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PRE-SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN?

ear Church Family, It's time for Thankful November! Our school is super thankful for the blessing of Haymarket Baptist Church – our pastor, our council members, the facility, and the prayer support! We look forward to partnering with you once again with Operation Christmas Child this month!

We have a new banner in the hallway next to the women's restroom – announcing us as the 2023 winner of best preschool – stop by and see it!

This month is when we order Tana's Chicken Pot Pies. This is the very last year for these pies, as Tana is retiring! If you'd like to order some pies (I know many of you did last year!) we will have an order form in the church bulletin. The deadline to order is Monday, November 27th. Delivery to the school is Monday, December 11th.

We enjoyed a visit from local firefighters this past month, and we enjoyed our annual Harvest Hoedown with ponies and pumpkins! We had some successful fundraisers and a wonderful book fair and back to school night this month as well.

Our Kindergarten kiddos had a field trip, and they have just wrapped up memorizing all 66 books of the Bible.

Our preschoolers are all settled in, and now getting ready to learn about Thanksgiving, and prepare for their Thanksgiving program, festivities, and feasts! We will also have parent – teacher conferences this month a great chance to let parents know how well their little ones are doing.

Life is very busy at the preschool...the children are learning and growing in many ways, making friends, visiting the treasure box for good behavior, and making us smile with all they can do already!

May you enjoy a bountiful Thanksgiving, giving thanks with grateful hearts, like we do at your preschool! God is so good!

With Thanksgiving, Mrs. Laurie Frasz HBCPK Director















































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SERVING THE LORD THROUGH THE CHURCH IN NOVEMBER 2023

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CHURCH GREETERS	9:15 a.m. Sarah Martin 10:15 a.m. John Burke Ernestine Meyers	9:15 a.m. Dinah Thompson 10:15 a.m. Bernice Pearson Sherri Busick	9:15 a.m. Ruth Nagy 10:15 a.m. Susan Kaczmarek Madelyn Allen Carol Valentine	9:15 a.m. Melissa Baker 10:15 a.m. Bob Coffey Cyndy Coffey
FLOWER	Karen Frazier	Trudi Grab	Dinah Thompson	Cheryl Cox
NURSERY WORKERS	Heather Bayol Carol Valentine	Heather Bayol Carol Dixon	Heather Bayol Ty Arrington	Heather Bayol Amber Terrant
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS	Christy Wisor Leslie Pritcher	Joannie Duckett Amber Terrant	Taylor Lambert Jessenia Porras	Sarah Martin Susan Kaczmarek
USHERS	Brad Young (captain) Dan Valentine Wayne Pritcher	John Burke (captain) Keenan Bayol Jason Hudson Bernice Pearson	Jan Gray (captain) Jim Hardin Bob Coffey Jed Atkinson	Marvin Gray (captain) Paul Sellers Johno Cain
SECURITY OFFICERS	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА
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DEACON OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER Paul Sellers (703) 862-4051

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