

The Hatcher Herald

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God
BLESS
IN THE
New Year
You

For surely I know the plans I have for you,
says the Lord, plans for your welfare
and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

JEREMIAH 29:11



Welcome Interim Pastor—Mark Holland



I am humbled to be serving alongside you as your pastor during this during this time of transition. As I have stated before, it is a coming home of sorts. Much has changed in the decades when we first served together. Regardless of how we have changed in appearance, our hearts remain loyal to our heavenly father.

I look forward to reestablishing relationships and forging new ones! I urge you to contact me with any needs or celebrations you have.

I have spent the last few years on a life changing journey. As you may know, I am a five year survivor of Pancreatic Cancer and 2 heart attacks. I am certain that God has a plan for each of us as he does Hatcher.

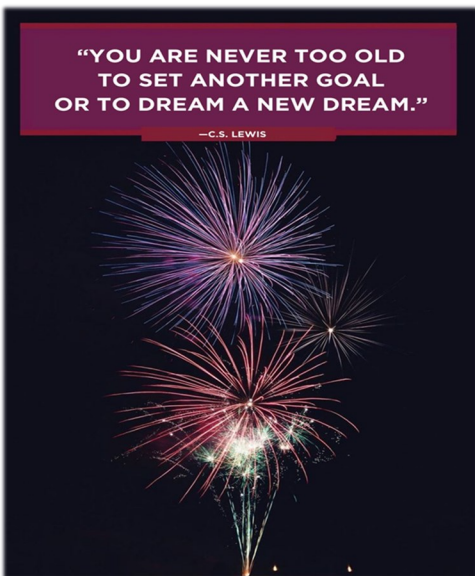
The church is God's people, united to bring His Kingdom here on earth. Led by His Spirit, we each serve a vital role in the day-to-day life of the Kingdom. I will be relying on you to fulfill your role as His servant. Our deacons will serve as first responders in times of illness and crisis. They will keep me informed as how I can best be of service. Our church support staff are God's servants as well. Together we will take God's love and grace to the community and beyond.

My phone number is Tel: (804)301-6536. If I do not answer, please leave a message. (Too many spam calls) I will be working from the church on Tuesday and Wednesday and remotely the rest of the week. If you would like to meet with me, please call and let us schedule a time and place.

I have been called to serve God in some pretty unique settings. From Shockoe Bottom, where I served as a pastor to tattoo shop owners and bar owners, (I still have those relationships today) to a congregation of indigenous Americans. Our journey continues together.

**"YOU ARE NEVER TOO OLD
TO SET ANOTHER GOAL
OR TO DREAM A NEW DREAM."**

—C.S. LEWIS



God's Word teaches to never underestimate the power we have to take our life in a new direction. Every moment is a fresh beginning and life is not about expecting, hoping, and wishing, it's about doing, being and becoming and our dreams of God's future are better than the history of our past.

Pastor Sharpe

ENDOWMENT FUND NEWS

The Endowment Fund has truly been blessed since its inception in 1983.

Contributions plus reinvestment of earnings from these contributions have enabled the fund to grow and provide resources and assistance for a number of authorized undertakings. In recent years, the Endowment Fund has received minimal contributions and the increase in value has been through investment earnings. Copies of the Endowment guidelines are available outside the Church office.

One of the permitted uses of Endowment funds is disaster assistance.

Recently Hatcher's Endowment Fund provided \$5,000 to the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV) designated for assistance in the recovery from Hurricane Helene in the Damascus, Virginia area. The BGAV currently has teams working in Damascus and other areas of western Virginia helping with recovery from disastrous flooding. They have teams scheduled through February 2025, initially helping with cleanup, and now rebuilding. The following is a list of Endowment Fund disbursements since inception. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Belinda Blanchard, Chair of the Endowment Committee.

2024	\$5,000	Hurricane Helene
2024	\$70,000	HVAC West Wing
2023	\$109,100	HVAC Sanctuary
2021	\$17,932	Oil Tanks
2019	\$2,349	Elevator
2018	\$28,369	Roof Repairs
2018	\$16,450	Windows
2015	\$57,970	Sanctuary Boiler
2014	\$28,705	HVAC Kitchen and Fellowship Hall
2014	\$3,648	CDC Windows
2014	\$4,368	Security System
2014	\$9,482	Doors and Hardware
2008	\$50,000	Kitchen Renovation
Numerous	\$23,000	BGAV- Disaster Relief
Numerous	\$40,000	Full-time Christian Ministry Edu. Assist.
TOTAL	\$466,373	



Birthdays

January 2	June Banes, Deborah Barefoot
January 3	Randy Earley
January 5	Ann Duke , Cecilia Fleet, Craig Wilcox
January 7	Chris Weis
January 9	Shirley Day
January 15	Ellen Hicks, Lee Rettig
January 16	Ronnie Moore, Sandra Wiltshire
January 17	Sarah Truslow, Russell Goodwin,
January 18	Peggy Goodwin, Paula Hu Young
January 19	Dee Bowles
January 21	Janice Lynn
January 22	Johnnie Newcomb, John Roehm, Paul Sadler
January 23	Robert Winecoff
January 24	Raymond Tuck
January 27	Joe Mills
January 28	Jerry Welch, Jane Gillen
January 29	Dianne Rife
January 30	Terry Sharpe
January 31	Terry Hoover

Please call the office to update any birthdays.

Tel: (804) 266-9696

Prayers

Doris Sharpe and Pastor Sharpe

Barbara Burks (Kay Craig's Sister)

Barbara & Billy Lucord

Betty Weis (Betty Bancroft's daughter in law)

Betty Leeson Family

Billie Riston

Carrie West-Bailey (Carol West's Daughter)

Charles Brammer

Claude & Carrie Dickerson

David & George (Lena Taylor's Brothers)

Debbie Cargo (Kay Craig's Niece)

Debbie Peak

Diane Wert

Dolly Waller (sister-in-law of Betty Waller) cancer surgery

Dorothy Irwin

Earl Phaup— Vincent Car Accident

Edith Greaner Family

Gloria Tiller (Shirley Tuck's sister in-law)

Harriett Garnett

Howard Everett

Prayers cont.....

Howard Everett

Janet Henderson (Family of Susan Dawson)

Jean Smith Family

Jennifer & Lauren Ramos

June Banes - At Home

Kathy Crone

Margaret Carins (Friend of Cookie Martin) Heart Issues

Mary Bottoms- (Friend of Lena's)

Mary Dunston— special prayers needed for the family and daughter Angie & Matt son-in-law

Mike Davis (Cookie Martin's nephew)

Nancy Walker

Rick & Ann Haldeman (Vivian Hucksteps family)

Sandy Branson-brain cancer

Scott Benton (Shirley Tuck's son)- surgery and in rehab now at HDH

Scout Craig (Kay & Joe Craig's granddaughter)

Sharon & Johnnie Newcomb

Shut-Ins (see list)

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

Tamara Wilkinson— Spl. concern

Trisha Pedersen (step-daughter of Mary Boegershausen)

Vivian Parks

Winky Martin

Zachary Unroe (Jane Stanard's Grandson)

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

Our Deepest Sympathy to:

The family of **Betty Leeson** who passed away December 14th. A service to celebrate Betty's life will be held on Saturday, December 28, 2024 at 11:00 am at the Newcomb Allgood Funeral Home Chapel in Chase City, Virginia. She will be laid to rest at Woodland Cemetery in Chase City.

The family of **Jean Smith** who sadly passed away peacefully December 24 at 11:00 pm at Westminster Canterbury. There will be a memorial service here at Hatcher Church January 10, 2:00 pm.

*Update

The family of **Edith Greaner**, who sadly passed away recently in FL. Services will now be held **Friday January 17th.**

Beginning at 10:30 a.m. in the Hatcher Sanctuary Receiving of Friends... Memorial Service in the Sanctuary 11:30- 12:30 pm. Reception in the Fellowship Hall, 12:30 -1:30 pm. Interment (private) at Hollywood Cemetery after services (2pm).



Happy New Year!

January 4
9:30 am Moments of Hope

January 5
10:00 am Bible Study
11:00 am Worship Service
Interim Pastor Mark Hol-
land

January 6
10:30 am Zoom Staff Meeting

January 7
10:30 am Memorial Service Edith Greaner

January 8
6:30 pm Choir Practice

January 9
11:00 am Interim Pastor Mark Bible Study
6:00 pm PSC Meet-
ing

January 10
2:00 pm Memorial Service Jean Smith

January 11
9:30 am Moments of Hope

January 12
10:00 am Bible Study
11:00 am Worship Service
Deacons meeting after service

January 13

January 14

January 15
6:30pm Choir Practice

January 16
11:00 am Love & Fellowship Meeting
BBQ & Bingo

January 17

January 18
9:30 am Moments of Hope

January 19
10:00 am Bible Study
11:00 am Worship Services

January 20
7:00 pm Finance Meeting

January 21
11:30 am Music Meeting
7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

January 22
6:30 pm Choir Practice

January 23

January 24

January 25
9:30 am Moments of Hope
NA Private Event

January 26
10:00 am Bible Study
11:00 am Worship Services

January 28
6:30 pm Choir Practice

January 29

January 30

January 31

Lambs Basket Tuesdays
& Thursdays,
10:00 am
8419 Oakview Avenue,
Henrico VA 23228



Ministry

Please welcome our new Deacon board co-chairs:

Debbie Welch Terry Hoover

Treasurer - Wayne Duke Secretary- Susan Dawson



Love & Fellowship

Join us Thursday January 16th at 11:00 am.

We will be playing Bingo and having Barbeque for lunch.



Hearts In Motion

We will be visiting Lakeside House on Saturday January 25th for crafting with residents. We will also play bingo with prizes and have snacks.



Hatcher Kid's Happenings



Upcoming Children's Church Schedule

January 5—Belinda Blanchard

January 12— Kathy Ridenour

January 19—Debbie Welch

January 26 — Terry Hoover

Weather

January weather is expected to be very cold, please make sure to dress warm, have extra blankets, and prepare.

Store some soups, and non perishable foods incase of emergencies. Keep your phones charged , and have extra batteries on hand for those emergency lights should you need them.

Remember to check on your neighbors and friends.



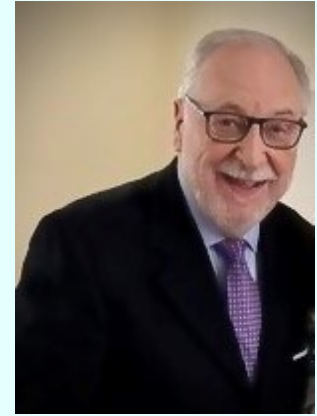


JANUARY

Hatcher Happenings

CONGRATULATIONS, PASTOR SHARPE!!

The Hatcher family would like to extend warm congratulations to our beloved Pastor Terry Sharpe on his well-deserved retirement.



We are so very grateful to Terry and to Doris for their service over the last seven years. You have both been such a blessing in so many ways and have touched so many lives during your ministry here. You have left an indelible mark in each of our hearts! We cannot imagine the lives you have impacted during your fifty six years of ministry...what an accomplishment!!!

We are so grateful for your dedicated service, your spiritual guidance, and your support through the good times and the tough times. You consistently have gone above and beyond the call of duty in your service to this church family and to many others. You exemplify the love of Jesus in all that you do.

We are confident that you will continue to stay busy and active, but we do hope that you will take some time to relax and simply enjoy this next chapter called retirement. As you enter this new phase of life, may you experience the abundant blessings of God's goodness, find rest for your soul, and find fulfillment in the knowledge that you have planted seeds of faith that will bear fruit for years to come.

Terry and Doris, please know that we appreciate you both so very much. May your retirement be filled with joy, peace, and the knowledge that you are deeply loved by the Hatcher family. You will both be in our prayers as you move forward in this next chapter of life.

As Joel Osteen once said, "As you retire, remember that God has more amazing plans in store for you."



Thank you from the office staff, Jane, June & Brandon for our lovely Christmas gifts, we appreciate you.

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday with your family, friends and loved ones.

Also we wish the best for Pastor Sharpe, we will miss him, but we know he will do God's work wherever he goes.

HATCHER CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOR 2024 -2025

* indicates serving one additional year & rotates off in 2023

Deacons

Co-Chairs — Debbie Welch and Terry Hoover

Secretary—Susan Dawson

Treasurer—Wayne Duke

<u>2022-2025</u>	2023—2026	2024—2027	
Wayne Duke	Susan Dawson	Belinda Blanchard	Jim Blanchard
Cookie Martin	Peggy Ingram	Jerry Myers	Donna Myers
Michael DiGaetano (yoke)	Bill Mosseley	Terry Hoover	Sharon Gayness (Yoke)
Tom Ingram	Debbie Welch	Mary Boegershausen (Yoke)	

Church Officers

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

Program Leaders

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

Committee Chairpersons

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

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 :	William Moseley
McShin Board Representative:	Phyllis Johnson
Wedding Coordinator:	Terry Hoover
LAMB'S Basket Representatives:	Susan Haynes, Paul & Sharon Vecchione
Benevolence Coordinator:	Karen Stamey & Susan Haynes

Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church

Interim Pastor Mark Holland

J. Warren Mitchell, Jr., Minister of Music

June Peters Financial Secretary

Michael Gaines, Organist

Jane Gillen, Office Administrator

Kay Craig, Love & Fellowship Coordinator

Jerry Myers, Finance Chairman