



The people of  
**Hinton Avenue United Methodist Church**

*Seek Christ, Serve Christ, Share Christ  
in Belmont and Beyond*

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October 3, 2021

World Communion Sunday

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude

**"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"**

Peter Scholtes

Vocalists: Bob Braden, Barbara Cassidy, Alyssa Marlowe, Lindsay Walton

Sacred Drummers: Cheryl Assaid, Jane Burnett, Ed Denham, Irene Dorrier, Mary Miller, Sue Woodson.

Call to Worship

Walk humbly before the Lord, even in hardship and pain.

We will live with integrity before God all the days of our lives.

Walk faithfully before our God, even when put to the test.

We will honor the Lord our God all the days of our lives.

Come! Let us worship.

Hymn (2221)

**In Unity We Lift Our Song**

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Opening Prayer

God, sometimes we do not understand why bad things happen to good people. Sometimes all we can do is lift up our eyes and hearts to heaven, and scream out loud, Why? Sometimes we do not want to persist in our integrity; we allow our suffering to lead us into despair. Yet wisdom comes from listening to your Word. Enable us to see the life you have given us through the laughter, joy, trial, and tribulation of your son Jesus Christ, who lived, suffered, died, and was raised for us. In his name we pray. Amen.

First Reading (756)

**Psalm 25**

Second Reading

**Job 1:1, 2:1-10**

Sermon

Rev. Lewis

Prayers of the People

Invitation

Confession and Pardon

God of steadfast love, we have ignored your many gifts; we have forgotten to give thanks in all things. We have taken for granted the air we breathe, the food that nourishes our bodies, even the love of family and friends. We have forgotten that all these gifts come from you. We have sinned with our lips and in our hearts. Unlike your

servant Job, when we are tested we do not say, “Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?” Forgive our selfish ways, and turn our hearts to you.

## Invitation to The Offering

### Offertory

#### “One Voice”

Ruth Moody

Ensemble: Cheryl Assaid, Jane Burnett, Alyssa Marlowe, Sue Woodson

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Receiving the Bread and Cup

### Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Hymn (620)

#### One Bread, One Body

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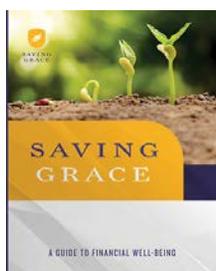
## Dismissal with Blessing

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## Announcements

Welcome to our guests! We hope that in worship, everyone will be able to experience the warmth of God’s love, the power of Jesus’ resurrection, and the gift of fellowship in the Holy Spirit. We invite you to visit us as often as you are able and to become part of our church family. We have many opportunities to worship, learn, grow, and serve, and encourage you to find the ones that are right for you. For more information on any of our ministries, or to discuss becoming a member of our church, please speak to our pastor or lay leader.

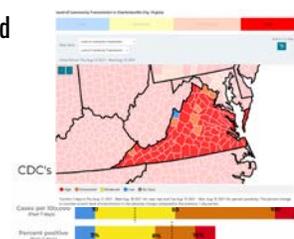
Feed Starving Students – During the Pandemic, the Wesley Foundation at UVA is ordering prepackaged meals and eating outside when they gather each week. Hinton Avenue is sponsoring a meal in October at a cost of about \$400. If you would like to contribute, please mark your check “Wesley Foundation Meals”



Money...is it good or is it bad? How do we, as people of faith, create healthy relationships with money and possessions? *Saving Grace: A Guide to Financial Well-Being* provides the text and tools you need to faithfully address the topics of saving, earning, giving, spending, and debt, along with helpful strategies for achieving a sustainable financial life. **The six-session course will meet on Zoom Tuesdays 6:30 – 8 from September 21 – October 26.** To register for a participant workbook and daily devotions, email, call or speak to Robert Lewis ([rdlewis@alumni.duke.edu](mailto:rdlewis@alumni.duke.edu)) / (804) 852-8476). To join the Zoom meeting visit

[www.hintonavenueumc.org](http://www.hintonavenueumc.org)

In-Person Worship has resumed but the pandemic continues to impact our community and people who are unvaccinated, especially children under 12. Charlottesville has been classified as an area of High Community Transmission by the CDC, prompting them to advise that everyone wear masks indoors in public. Therefore, our Church Council asks that everyone resume masking and social distancing in worship until community



transmission subsides. Asking fully vaccinated members to mask does not negate the efficacy of the vaccine. Instead, it shows how we need to continue loving and protecting everyone, and helps prevent vaccinated people from spreading the highly-contagious Delta variant unknowingly. We continue to encourage everyone eligible to be vaccinated to get the shot. Please continue to stay home if you are sick. We will continue to offer worship online through Zoom and Facebook. Check [www.hintonavenueumc.org](http://www.hintonavenueumc.org) for the latest details.

We prayerfully ask that you sustain your generosity so that Hinton Avenue can continue to be a blessing to others. You may want to consider making your offerings to the church through a **periodic automatic draft from your bank account**, as many members have already done. This relieves you of writing and mailing a check (banks will mail it free of charge for you) and assures the church of your ongoing support, even on those times when you cannot be with us in Sunday worship. You may also give via **PayPal** by using the “donate” buttons at <http://www.hintonavenueumc.org> or on our [FaceBook](#) page.

Hinton Avenue will take part in a Charlottesville Cluster Charge Conference will be held on Monday, October 18, 7pm, at Aldersgate United Methodist Church. We will be sharing with First, Wesley, and Aldersgate UMCs as we celebrate our ministry during this pandemic year and our sense of God’s invitation for the coming year. We will celebrate our ministry through the Pandemic and the Budget for 2022 will be approved. Please join us for this important gathering in our church’s life. A special called Church Conference will take place on Wednesday, October 27, 6:30 pm, at Hinton Avenue to formally adopt our new Leadership Team structure and elect team members.

Called to Serve? We are currently seeking nominations for the Leadership Team that will provide strategic direction and guidance as the congregation fulfills its mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Key qualifications are desire to grow in faith, willingness to be a servant leader, and openness to new ideas and approaches. If you think you or someone you know might be called to serve in this way, please complete the Nomination form enclosed.

### **Praying for One Another – Oct. 3, 2021**

**At Home**  
Donald Allen  
Mary Lambert  
Tom Goodman  
Sonny Mawyer  
Edith Coleman  
Lieu Lewis  
Kathy Miller

John Holmes  
Joanne Burruss  
Frances Walton  
Charles & Ruth Bankard  
Neil McLaughlin  
Debbie Stollings  
Vicki Shiflett  
The Wilkinson Family

Brenda Myers  
Virginia Dorrier  
  
**At Rosewood Village**  
Charlotte Blincoe  
  
**At The Laurels**  
W.E. Pittman

**If you would like Rev. Lewis to visit or bring home communion,  
please let him know at 804-852-8476.**

**It is important that we remain gathered in spirit**  
*Join us in person, by computer, mobile device, or telephone.*

**You can join us for Worship on Sundays at 11 am**

To join the Zoom meeting, visit <https://bit.ly/2JAKOGW>

or dial **1(646)876-9923** and enter: Meeting ID: **142 714 820#** Password: **436770**  
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