

November 23, 2020

“Lead” by Mary Oliver

*Here is a story
to break your heart.
Are you willing?
This winter
the loons came to our harbor
and died, one by one,
of nothing we could see.
A friend told me
of one on the shore
that lifted its head and opened
the elegant beak and cried out
in the long, sweet savoring of its life
which, if you have heard it,
you know is a sacred thing,
and for which if you have not heard it,
you had better hurry to where
they still sing.
And believe me, tell no one
just where that is.
The next morning
this loon, speckled
and iridescent and with a plan
to fly home
to some hidden lake,
was dead on the shore.
I tell you this
to break your heart,
by which I mean only
that it break open and never close again
to the rest of the world.*

During the span of this week, this year will fade into history and will be replaced by a new church year when Advent begins on November 29. We are ready to see the violence that 2020 has inflicted on our souls fade into memory. But this week, as one year tumbles into the next, we are in the odd situation of offering our thanksgivings and gratitude for the past year.

In pondering a week of grateful transitions, this poem from the late Mary Oliver spoke to my heartbroken heart. This year has been difficult. But I pray that what we have experienced collectively and personally has broken our hearts open to the rest of the world. I pray that the experience of this year leaves us a people changed: more sensitive to the struggles of our neighbors, more grateful for our friends in Christ, more willing to share what we have, more open to the movement of the Holy Spirit in our souls. And, I pray *that* never changes.

At Hayes Barton UMC, we offer you the chance to gather on Wednesday evening or over the long weekend – in person or virtually – with your family to share a Love Feast in the Methodist tradition. Take time before you gather to contemplate and to pray about the ways that your heart has been broken open this year. How has that experience changed the way you exist in the world? How has it changed your soul? That could be the seat of your gratitude.

As we transition into the season of Advent – a season that moves from darkness towards the light of Christ, we will again have opportunities to consider what it means that our hearts have been opened. We will prepare our hearts during the Advent season to make room for Christ. Hayes Barton UMC will offer worship services for the Sundays of Advent, for the Longest Night of Year at the Winter Solstice, for Christmas Eve and Day; places to serve our community in mission and outreach and justice; a venue for sharing your financial gifts and talents; experiences that lift the soul through music and storytelling.

Our next year begins in the darkness, and there is a time for every season under heaven. May our broken hearts never close again.

Your sister in Christ,
Pastor Molly

Offering freely...Christ, Community, and Compassion

We are so thankful for all who pledged on October 25th, Commitment Sunday. Not being able to celebrate this stewardship season in person, your continued generosity and commitment to the Kingdom work here at HBUMC is needed. As families and as a community, we are hopeful in our prayers that 2021 will bring our communities, friends, church and work "together" again. As we plan, so does our church need to plan as well. Over the holiday, please prayerfully consider your pledge as we continue to develop a budget for how to grow, enhance and continue to accomplish the Lord's work here in 2021.

Looking ahead to 2021, we have high hopes for meeting again in person. So, in the meantime, your church will continue to offer the same excellent online options of study and worship. These are opportunities for children and youth in small groups, for our community Communion services, and of course for the Advent and Christmas traditions we love so much.

Thank you for offering Christ, Community, and Compassion in so many ways. Visit hbumc.org/give to learn more, or contact Russell Wilcox at rwilcox@hbumc.org or 919-832-6435 x1118.



Holiday Share 2020 - Details to be mailed soon

Alliance Medical Ministry
Daniel Center
The Encouraging Place
Family Promise
The Green Chair Project
Hearts and Hands for Haiti
Interfaith Food Shuttle
Meals on Wheels Wake County
Methodist Home for Children
Neighbor to Neighbor
Oak City Cares
A Place at the Table

Grace Home – Prison Aftercare Christian Ministries
Rise Against Hunger
Round Table of Pullen Baptist
SafeChild
Society of St. Andrew (SoSA)
Step Up Ministry
Urban Ministries of Wake County
Wee Care
Welcome Home CBF Advocates for Refugees
Wheels 4 Hope
The Women's Center
ZOE

RACE + FAITH CORNER

Registration for Racial Equity Institute (REI) workshops sponsored by Organizing Against Racism (OAR) is currently closed. However, if you are interested in one of the dates indicated as "closed," contact the registrar, Derrick Byrd, at oarraleigh@gmail.com or 919-749-4572 to be put on the waiting list because slots often open up closer to the date of the event. FYI: some 2021 events are currently indicated as closed because they are not yet open for registration pending confirmation from REI of their availability - so keep checking www.oaralliance.org/schedule

Living The Pledge to End Racism is a virtual workshop sponsored by the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Raleigh (UUFRL) held over the course of six different Saturdays (only two hours each day). There is no charge but due to the group format you must commit to attend all six days. The dates are Dec. 5, 12, 19, and Jan. 9, 16, 23. As of, 11/20, there were only two slots left. Register at:

www.uufr.org/arm/living-the-pledge-workshops/

Watch a documentary of the history of Oberlin Village (OV), the largest reconstruction era black settlement in Wake County. <https://friendsofberlinvillage.org/documentaries/>

Listen to oral histories of OV residents <https://friendsofberlinvillage.org/oral-narrative/>

Support efforts of Friends of Oberlin Village - an organization formed to preserve, honor and educate the public about Oberlin Village through the purchase of note cards of historic homes and churches at <https://friendsofberlinvillage.org/shop/>

If you have any questions about the above, please contact Lee Hoffman at phoffman4@nc.rr.com



Advent at Hayes Barton

hbumc.org/advent

Preschool: Wednesday night Advent candle lighting, prayer, and song sent to families

Elementary: Ongoing: Family Advent activities December 1-25; Daily Advent devotions

Youth: Ongoing: Study of C.S. Lewis' The Screwtape Letters; Weekly Advent online devotions
December 6: Day for Others; December 13: Secret Santa

Offering Christmas...giving and receiving the light of hope

Visit hbumc.org/advent for an updated listing of events,
our Advent 2020 Spotify playlist, and information about the Holiday Share Celebration,
an opportunity to donate to our partner community service organizations
in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Worship and formation

Pastors' Advent Study on Facebook Live each Sunday in Advent at 10am

Community Communion each Sunday in Advent at 11am on the patio,
sign up at hbumc.org/signups

Women's Advent Study with Pastor Molly, Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:00am,
sign up at hbumc.org/advent

Wednesday night online opportunities

Emailed each Wednesday evening

December 2: Community table blessing by church members

December 9: Elementary Christmas Story pageant

December 16: Light of Hope concert

December 23: Community table blessing by church members

Advent online

Emailed to you and on Facebook

December 13: Keyboards at Christmas with Stephen Aber - Messiah Excerpts

December 21: Longest Night Service

December 22: Keyboards at Christmas with Stephen Aber - Carols and Keyboards

Offering Christmas

December 20 and 21: Offering Christmas drive-by event with the pastors and church staff,
music, the stable of Bethlehem, and a Cradle Gift between 3 and 6pm each day
Please register for a time to participate at hbumc.org/advent

Christmas Eve: The Light of Hope

December 24: The Light of Hope Christmas Eve videos emailed and on Facebook
All-ages Celebration of the Christ Child and Candlelight Sanctuary Service

Christmas Day: Offering Christmas to one and all

December 25: brief meditation and music emailed and on Facebook

Thanksgiving Food Boxes - Thanks!

Hayes Barton UMC Family,

Many thanks to everyone for yet again rallying together to help neighbors in need! Even in the midst of a pandemic, we still were able to serve 352(!) local families.

Here is a “God moment” that speaks to the power of this ministry:

Toward the end of our food box distribution Sunday, a car cautiously turned down Stone Street. I went out to meet the car, unsure if the driver was lost or driving slowly because of all the activity happening around us.

A young woman lowered her window. “What are y’all selling?”

“We’re not selling anything,” I replied. “We’re giving out food boxes for Thanksgiving.”

She glanced in her rearview mirror at the child in the car seat. “How do you sign up for a food box?”

I could sense the uncertainty in her voice. “Would you like a food box?” I asked.

She paused and looked me squarely in the eye. “I could really use a food box.”

“Food box needed!” I called out, and instantly there appeared a whole turkey, a box full of canned goods, and another box full of fresh produce, milk, and eggs. The young mother hopped out of the car to clear space in the backseat next to her daughter.

The new recipient of the Thanksgiving bounty looked at all of us gathered around her. “You don’t understand how much this means to me. I have three kids...” she trailed off, holding back tears. “We were out walking dogs this morning to earn extra money. It’s just the kids and me. Thank you all, thank you all so much.” The emotion of that moment caused us all to tear up.

Jesus instructed Peter to feed his sheep. That is what our church did this week, with countless members donating food, giving money, sharing their time and effort, and desiring to make this holiday week special for our neighbors.

A single mother approached Hayes Barton, carrying with her anxiety and despair. She left filled with hope for the future, gratitude for the present, and the knowledge that God cares for all of His children.

Happy Thanksgiving, Matt and Laura Kirby



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25
SELECT A WARM BEVERAGE, A
SWEET SNACK, AND ENJOY OUR

*love feast
at home*

The service of words, meal, and music will
be emailed to you Wednesday evening.



Creation Care Tips

- Having one or two rain barrels to catch roof runoff has several benefits. First, using it to spot water plant beds and flowers pots saves you money on your water bill. Second, if there is another severe drought as in the early 2000s you will have a supply. Third, it helps the community to slow down the runoff causing severe flooding in our streets and neighborhoods.
- Changing bulbs to LED. You will notice a drastic reduction in your electric bill!
- Don't peek in the oven while baking! Every time you peek, the temperature can drop 25°F making your oven use more energy to bring the temperature back up. Also, turn off the oven a few minutes before cooking time runs out. Your food will continue to cook without using the extra electricity.
- Set your thermometer to 78°F in the summer and 68°F in the winter – every degree of extra heating or cooling will increase energy usage 6% to 8%.

Look for upcoming tips and activities to care deeply for the world around you in publications, or contact Ruth Bryan to work with the evolving group: rhb465@bellsouth.net. Learn more about the UMC's efforts at umccreationcare.org

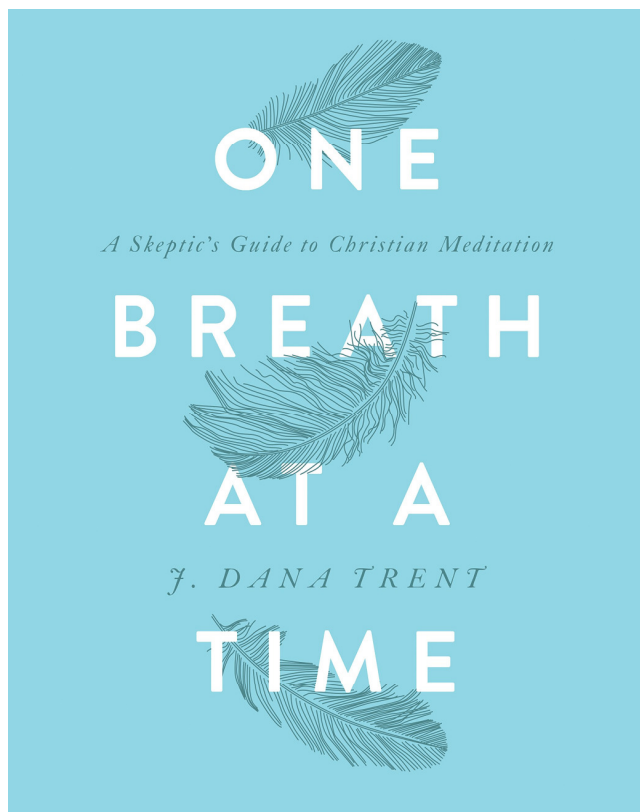
Bread of Life: Nourishment For The Lenten Journey

with Rev. J. Dana Trent, author of *One Breath at a Time:
A Skeptic's Guide to Christian Meditation*

Saturday, February 27, 2021

Zoom retreat from 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Details and sign-up information will be announced after
the first of the year



LOVE FEAST BUNS

adapted from the Old Salem recipe

Ingredients

- 1 c hot, dry, mashed potatoes, unseasoned
- 1/2 c scalded milk
- 1 c sugar
- 1/2 c butter, room temp
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 1/2 lbs flour (plus some for dusting)
- 1/4 tsp nutmeg
- 2 pkg yeast
- 1/2 c warm water
- 2 tbsp orange rind
- 2 tbsp grated lemon rind
- 2 tbsp fresh orange juice
- 1 tbs lemon juice
- 1/2 tsp mace

Directions

- Cream butter and sugar; add potatoes, mix well.
- Add lukewarm milk, then eggs, mix well.
- Dissolve yeast in warm water and add to mixture.
- Combine seasonings and rind, mix in.
- Add enough flour to make a soft dough.
- Knead on a well-floured table.
- Form into ball, place in a greased bowl.
- Cover with a cloth and let rise in a warm place until double in size.
- Punch down; let rise again 5-10 minutes.
- Flouring hands well (dough will be sticky) form in to small balls (about 3 oz.).
- Place on a cookie sheet.
- Slash tops with a razor blade (to release air).
- Cover. Let rise until double in size.
- Bake at 350 till golden brown all over, (15-20 mins.).
- Makes about 30 buns.



Save the Dates One-and-Done book gatherings of 2021!

The Book of Longings on January 12.

His Truth is Marching On on February 2.

Contact Pastor Molly for more details
at mwhite@hbumc.org or 919-832-6435 x1114!

Online Small Groups

Are you interested in being part of an online small group?

Join in an informational Zoom meeting
on Wednesday, December 9th, at 7:00pm.

Contact Pastor Molly for details
at mwhite@hbumc.org or 919-832-6435 x1114!



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Four ways to connect with your church.

Fall for Formation!

Visit hbumc.org/formation for:

- Full list of Sunday School classes
- Special 5-week Sunday Pop Up classes on anti-racism and Peter's epistles
- Pastors Lectionary at 10a and 7p Thursdays
- Breathing and Stillness with Mary June
- UMC's Social Principles with Adam
- How to Read the Bible and a pre-Advent study with Molly

Memorial Gifts Processed by November 19

In Memory of **Dale Benson** to the Music Fund by Clymer & Patty Cease and Mary Anne Lane.

In Honor of **Kermit Braswell** by Mary Anne Lane.

In Memory of **Elly Cherry** by Mary Craven & Dennis Poteat.

In Memory of **Louise Dail:**

- by Betty Angell and Mary Craven & Dennis Poteat.

- to Music Fund by Mary Anne Lane.

In Memory of **Bill Donaldson** by Beth & Chris Harrell.

In Memory of **Betty Debnam Hunt** to the Wee Care Fund by Bell Family Foundation, Mary Owens Fitzgerald, Cheryl B. Hall, Page & Ed Kizer, Jr., and John L. Williamson.

In Memory of **Walter Leach:**

- by Les & Virginia Tharrington.

- to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Mary Anne Lane.

In Memory of **Walter & Lib Leach**

by Mary Craven & Dennis Poteat.

In Memory of **Janie Leonard** by Mary Craven & Dennis Poteat.

In Memory of **Lee Noell:**

- by Betty Angell and Mary Craven & Dennis Poteat.

- to Music Ministry by Robert W.

Morrison, Jr.

In Memory of **Joe Parker:**

- by Wes & Janet Chesson and William & Ann Collins.

- to the Music Fund by Frank & Becky Brown, Annette & Malcolm Cass, Crabtree

Rotary Foundation, Joe & Patsy Donaldson, Wilson & Jennie Hayman, Robert W. Morrison, Jr., Katherine & Keith Parker-Lowe, and William & Thalia Shelton, Triangle Securities Wealth Management, and Clara Wade.

- to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Bill & Gloria Coe and Mary Anne Lane.

In Memory of **Lauretta & Joe Parker** by Mary Craven & Dennis Poteat.

In Memory of **Mike Peterson:**

- by Betty Angell and Ron & Brenda Gibson.

- to the Nursery Fund by Daniel & Ellen Byrum and Lin & Mary Ellen Jordan.

In Memory of **Mike Peterson** on behalf of his mother, **Ethel Peterson**, to the Nursery Fund by Ronnie Bagwell, Denny Bupp and Family, Mary Dimney & Peter Davis, Phyllis Kline and Family, Regina McLaurin, Michael & Mary Moore, Jim & Nancy Nemeth, Jr., and Debbie Wood.

In Memory of **Don Preiss** to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund by Mary Anne Lane.

In Memory of **Carol Smith:**

- to the Music Fund by Annette & Malcolm Cass and Mary Anne Lane.

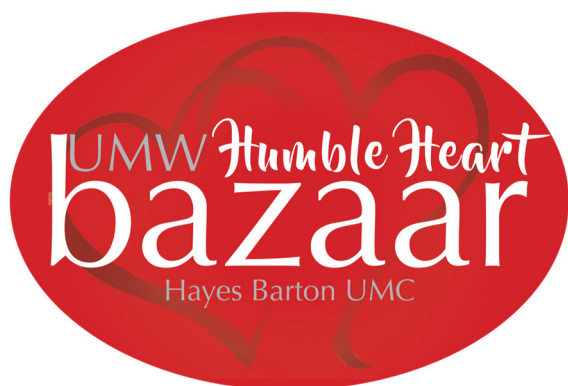
- by Betty Angell, Mary Craven & Dennis Poteat, and Leslie & Virginia Tharrington.

Sympathy and Love to

- ✝ Sandy Chappell and family on the death of her husband, Jesse Chappell, on November 11. A private service was held on November 16 at Raleigh Memorial Park
- ✝ the family and friends of Judge Robert Leon Farmer, who died on November 17. A graveside service will be held at 1 pm on Friday, November 27, in Smithfield.
- ✝ Mike Palmer and family on the death of his brother, Patrick Palmer, on November 7. His service will be held at Cleveland Memorial Park in Shelby at a later date.

Congratulations to

- ✝ Danielle Evanko and Scott Carruth on their marriage at HBUMC on November 14, 2020.
- ✝ Kasey Briggs and Austin Nagy on their marriage at HBUMC on November 21, 2020.



UMW Bazaar In-Person Shopping Opportunities

If you are interested in shopping in person, check out a few local Pop Up Shopping Events.

15% of your purchase will also be donated to UMW Missions.

The Flourish Market Pop Up Porch Party, 1215 Currituck Dr,
Monday, November 30, 12p - 6p

The Fab Foo, 1846 Wake Forest Rd,
Tuesday, December 1, 11a - 5p

For Your Convenience, 1700 Glenwood Ave #100,
Wednesday, December 2, 11a - 6p

Have Mercy Gifts, 901 Yarmouth Rd,
Thursday, December 3, 9a - 5p



Prayer Bookmarks: 11-15-20 & 11-22-20

Deaths

Jesse Chappell
Judge Robert Leon Farmer
Patrick Palmer, brother of Mike Palmer

Weddings

Kasey Briggs and Austin Nagy
Danielle Evanko & Scott Carruth

Baptisms and Confirmations

Harriet "Hattie" Anne Jones - baptism
Daughter of Hannah and Owen Jones, sister of Fielding

Thomas Lenon Jones - baptism
Son of Natalie and Cameron Jones

Mason Cooper Kelley - confirmation
Lucas Michael West - baptism and confirmation

Ongoing Concerns

Mark Angelo	Robert Earl Phyllian
Richard Birtch	Jane Preiss
Kermit Braswell	David Robertson
Kent Burns	Rhumell Ross
Kim Collins	Barbara Smith
Mary Lou Goodrich	Nancy Stamey
David Hesmer	Phil Templeton
Finlay Carter Judy	Elvey Thomas
Margaret Lucas	Susan Wagner
Jo Ann Moore	Georgia Webb
John Phillips	

Our Church Leaders

Pastors Rick, Adam & Molly; D.S. Southern; Bishop Ward

Stephen Ministry Trainees

Our In-Crowd Members

Those Affected by Hurricanes and Wildfires

Church members who have suffered from COVID
or are caring for those with the virus

Those grieving the over 250K
who have died from COVID in the US

Our Leaders at All Levels of the Government



Community Communion: Now on Sunday Mornings

We are offering in-person Community Communion services on Sunday mornings at 11 am on the patio (or in the Fellowship Hall if inclement weather). Masks are required. Attendance is limited to 20 Hayes Barton members - each person must be registered. We are requesting no guests at this time. We ask folks to limit their attendance to one Communion service per month so others have the chance to participate. If you are unable to attend, please delete your registration or email Janey Hunter at jhunter@hbumc.org. We will be using single-serve communion kits, and the pastor will be masked and gloved.

Please register at www.hbumc.org/signups

Stewardship Commitment: 3 Ways to Pledge

- 1) Pledge cards have been mailed. Complete your pledge card and mail or deliver it to Hayes Barton.
- 2) Email your pledge intention (amount & general fund designation) to rwilcox@hbumc.org
- 3) Pledge online at www.hbumc.org/give

Questions: Russell Wilcox, 919-832-6435 x1118

Combined Adult Sunday School for Advent: Offering Christ!

For five Sundays beginning November 29, the pastors at Hayes Barton UMC will host Combined Adult Sunday School from 10:00-10:50am on Facebook Live. A recording of the lesson will be available after the lesson has aired. We will be using *Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas* by Adam Hamilton to guide our time together. If you would like to read along with the book, it is available online at Cokesbury and Amazon in both print and digital formats. Beginning with Chapter One, we will read one chapter per week for each of the Sundays of Advent and continuing with the Epilogue for the Sunday following Christmas. Please contact Pastor Molly at mwhite@hbumc.org for more details or with questions.

POINSETTIAS

While we have reduced the quantity of our beautiful live poinsettias for the Advent season, we have ordered enough to beautify our sanctuary and lobby. With the purchase of each poinsettia, we are helping Soroptimist International with their "Live Your Dream" program to help end violence against women and girls.

If anyone would like to add to the beauty of the church while honoring your loved one, send in your check for \$15 Each to the "Altar Guild Poinsettia Fund" by **December 10**. Please include the following:

Donor Name(s): _____

Donor Phone Number: _____ Amount Enclosed. _____

In Memory/Honor Of: _____

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NOVEMBER 29: 1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 12:24-37

DECEMBER 6: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-11
Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 1:1-8

WEEKEND WORSHIP ON VIMEO

Each weekend, the service will be available at noon on Saturday so that you can worship at a convenient time for you and your family.

Go to vimeo.com/hbumc to view the service, or previous archived services. For questions, contact Susan at:

919-832-6435 x1135
or sbaldwin@hbumc.org