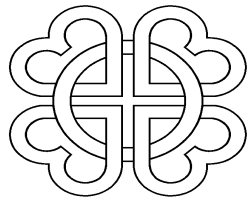


At the called business conference on July 12 the congregation approved the Properties Committee's recommendation for roof repair of the Fellowship Hall. Last week we received word that the roofing company has a tentative start date of August 24 (possibly a few days earlier depending on rain days). After the roof is repaired the Properties Committee will address the removal of the carpet and the replacing of several ceiling tiles. With this schedule we certainly are hopeful that the Fellowship Hall will be ready to use by the time it is safe for us to meet and eat in a large group, and to resume feeding students on Wednesdays nights.

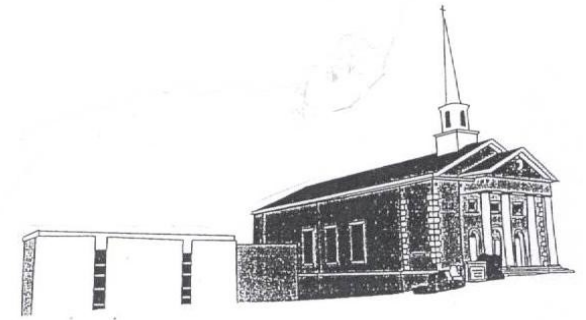
At the July deacons' meeting we discussed keeping an eye on our local schools. We will wait and discover the results of virus spread in the schools before we decide how to resume our bus ministry to children. In the meantime, as a congregation we commit to doing our part in listening to scientists and medical experts. We are called to be good stewards of all of God's gifts. In this case, God has gifted us with committed and educated professionals who are fulfilling their calling to love others by researching what will best enable us to navigate this pandemic. One way that we "love God with all our minds" is by acknowledging that God has gifted people in the area of science and medicine, which may not be the areas in which our minds are gifted. Whenever we visit a medical physician who advises us on our health, we should give thanks for the gift of that particular physician, and the manner in which we see God's love for us through that doctor's care. Similarly, we should realize that we are honoring God by paying attention to those who have dedicated their lives to using their God given gifts to deal with things such as an invisible virus and its spread. May God increase our gratitude for all of these good gifts God has bestowed upon us. And may we love our fellow man/woman enough to trust those who have dedicated themselves to using their gifts for the benefit of the world.

Love and Blessings from a distance—Doug



"One in the
Bond of Love"

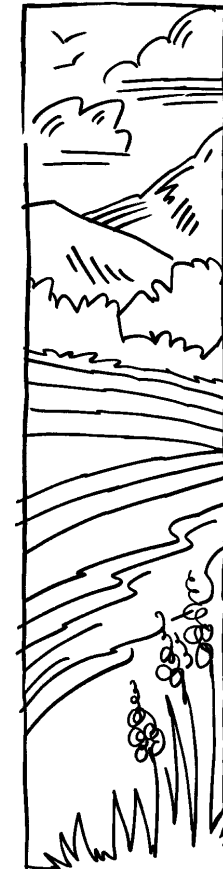
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*We know
that all
things work
together
for good for
those who
love God....*

Romans 8:28

Prayer List

Henry/Vivian Andrew	Marguerite Folendore
James Armstrong	Lamar Guy
Mack Atchison	Rider Hill
Kenneth Babb	Kenny Huff
Anne Bayne	Martha Huff
Joyce Blizzard	Jim Jennings
Scott Blizzard	Michael/Sharon Lord
Harriett & Henry Braddy	Nell Maddox
Gloria Burke	Jeff McMullen
John Cooper	Marcus McMullen
Josephine Davis	Marlene Peavy
Eugenia English	Danny Roberts
Sandra English	Bonnie Safford
Sharon Ezell	Ben/Jackie Watson

In Military Service: Rudy Webb



Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study

Doug will continue to conduct a Zoom meeting Bible Discussion each Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. The *Hardwick Baptist Weekly Scripture Readings for personal Prayer and Sunday Worship/Sharing* will come in handy.

**Scripture Reading for
July 26**
Psalms 119:199-136
I Kings 3:5-12
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

School Supplies for Children

Cindy English is leading our efforts to gather school supplies for the children who attend our church. She and her "summer elves" will be shopping for supplies. If you would like to contribute to this ministry effort during this time of physical distancing, you can either mail your contribution to the church office, place your check or cash in the offering plate on Sunday morning, or bring it by the church office (call first). If writing a check, please write "school supplies" on the memo line.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July 29: David Hooks
Aug 01: Garland Riner, Phyllis Peeler
Trevor Townsend

Deacon of the Week 7/26/2020

Danny Roberts

Thank You!

Dear HBC Family—Your prayers for me while I was a patient at Doctors' Hospital were so appreciated and so needed. My stay there seemed long and at times very lonely due to the visitation restrictions of the Covid-19 virus.

I am healing and my recovery is going well. I continue to need your prayer support, your texts, cards and calls that brighten my days. I look forward to the daily trips of our mail lady.

Thank you for the love of Christ shown through your blessings to me and as I mentioned in my little testimony that I was attempting to be a better witness and a more useful daughter of the King-Lord Jesus. I awake with a grateful heart and when more able to do more service for Him.

Feeling very blessed
Vivian Andrews

Backpacks for Appalachia

Now is the time for the Backpacks for Appalachia yearly project sponsored by Washington Baptist Association. Backpacks are now available for purchase through WBA at a cost of \$5.00. With each backpack a list of suggested supplies to pack in it will be available. You may contact the Association Office if you are interested in obtaining and filling one. We do not have them at HBC at this time, so you will need to call WBA (453-8111).

Calendar

Sunday, July 26th:

11:00 A.M.

Morning Worship

In-person worship in Sanctuary

(Live streamed for those who don't feel comfortable in a crowd setting yet.)

Note: We regret that we had technical difficulties last Sunday which prevented live streaming our worship service. Hopefully this can be resolved and the service aired this week.

Wednesday, July 29th:

7:00 P.M. - Bible Study via Zoom

Young Adults Zoom Meeting July 26, At 7:00 P.M.

This meeting is for checking in and Podcast Discussion. Doug will send the Zoom invitation



Thank you for your faithfulness during these uncertain times. You have supported this church by continuing to give online, by mail and by placing your offerings in the offering plates as you entered or departed in-person worship. You have prayed and checked on our members and HBC's special love and concern has been evident!

CDC precautions must continue as we come to worship together. Please remember to wear your mask and enter by the front doors, bring your personal hand sanitizer, and continue *physical distancing*. The building is cleaned thoroughly following each service and all touch points disinfected.

Our prayer is that the pandemic will slow and our entire church family can worship together again soon. Remember our Sunday morning worship service is live streamed on Facebook for those who cannot worship in person.

Wednesday Night Program For Children & Youth

We continue to monitor all updates on the COVID-19 pandemic and pray for the safety and well-being of all the children and youth we minister to. We look forward to the time we can resume this important ministry.

For Your Convenience

Disposable masks are available in the vestibule as you enter. You may pick up your bulletin in the vestibule as you enter as well.

Check out the HBC Website
www.hardwickbaptist.org

Annual Budget 2020.....	\$ 28,729.67
Needed Per Week to Meet Budget.....	\$ 5,533.27
Contributions July 19, 2020.....	\$ 2,531.00
Total Budget Contributions through July 19, 2020.....	\$110,576.31
Total Budget Expenses through July 19, 2020.....	\$107,632.52
Payroll Protection Program Loan May 1, 2020.....	\$ 18,685.00