

SEASON AFTER PENTECOST

September 4, 2022, 9:30 am



HAVEN LUTHERAN CHURCH

1035 Haven Road Hagerstown, MD 21742 (301) 733-5056

Worship with Communion: Sunday 9:30 a.m. (in-person & Haven's Facebook 'Live')
(<https://www.facebook.com/Haven-Lutheran-Church-134647913268366>)

Ministers: All God's People at Haven Pastor: Linda M. Alessandri

A warm welcome to each of you as we gather for worship today and a special welcome to our guests. As we offer God our praise, may you be richly blessed by God's gracious Word, Meal and community.

COME LET US WORSHIP
FIRST AND FOREMOST --- WELCOME!
HAVEN IS WORKING TO PROTECT EVERYONE'S HEALTH

Here are some precautions we ask you to honor:

- The air in Haven's sanctuary is circulated 24/7 through ionizing filtering system.
- We are following the latest CDC guidelines, masks are optional and left to your discretion.
- If you are feeling poorly or have a temperature, please join worship on-line. Call the church to be added to the prayer list or speak with the pastor.
- Hand sanitizing stations and masks are available at both entrances. There are also hand sanitizers in each pew. Please sanitize frequently.
- There are chairs for those who wish to social distance in the back of the church.
- Passing of the peace will be from your seat (wave, bow or fist bump).
- Communion will be distributed around the altar rail. Please follow the directions of your ushers to come forward. Communion can be brought to you if you prefer not to come forward.

Pass on the word that Haven is a good place to worship, with safeguards in place to combat COVID during these challenging times.

“I was glad when you said, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord.’” Psalm 122:1

GATHERING

GATHERING “The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing” (vs 2, 3) #531



1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is
2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the
3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,
peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;
poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.
he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.
the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.

Refrain

Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.

Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.

Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.

The feast is read - y to be - gin;

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A: Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

C: **Let the name of the LORD be blessed, from this time forth forevermore.**

(after the announcements)

A: From the rising of the sun to its going down

C: **let the name of the LORD be praised.**

(Ps. 113: 1-3)

PRELUDE

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

J.C. Bach

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,

who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

C: **Amen.**

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of mercy and forgiveness,

C: **we confess that sin still has a hold on us.**

We have harmed your good creation.

We have failed to do justice,

love kindness,

and walk humbly with you.

Turn us in a new direction.

Show us the path that leads to life.

Be our refuge and strength on the journey,

through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.

God points the way to new life in Christ,

who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God's abiding love

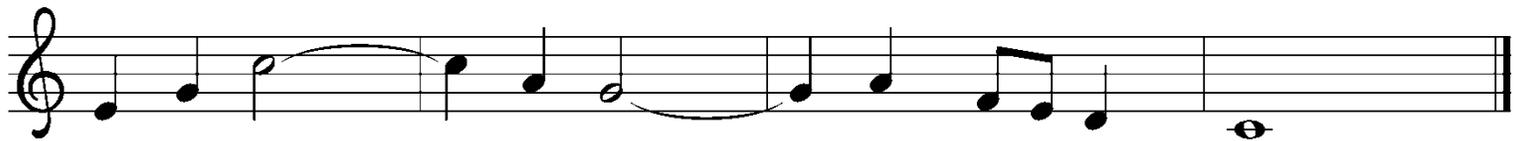
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN (*Please stand as you are able.*) "Lift High the Cross" (cont. p. 5) #660



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY C: **Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (*please be seated*) "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me" #860

I'm so glad Jesus lifted me. I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.

I'm so glad Jesus lifted me, singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18

¹ O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

² **You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
 you discern my thoughts from far away.**

³ You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

⁴ **Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.**

⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

⁶ **Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts;
 you knit me together in my mother's womb.

¹⁴ **I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
 Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.**

¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret,
 intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

¹⁶ **Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written
 all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.**

¹⁷ How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

¹⁸ **I try to count them they are more than the sand;
 I come to the end I am still with you.**

READING *(remain seated)*

Philemon 1-21

(Today we will hear an entire book of the New Testament - Philemon)

(after the reading)

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

Pastor Linda M. Alessandri

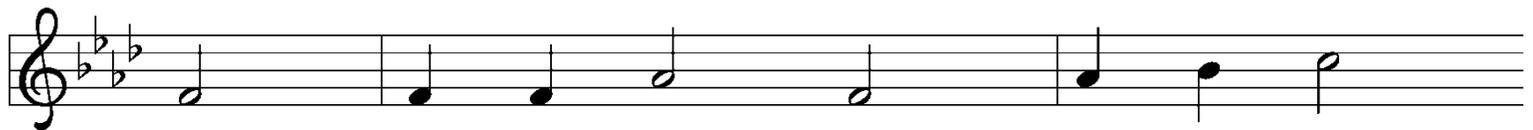
HYMN OF THE DAY *(Please stand as you are able.)*

“Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said”

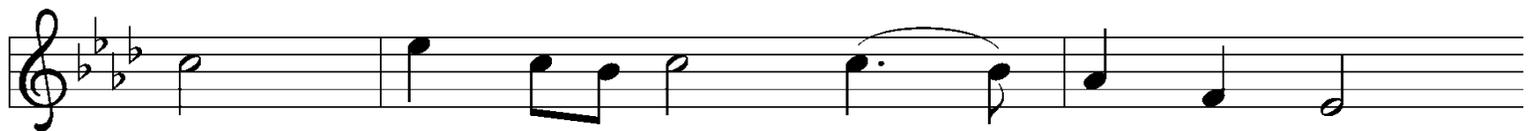
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1 “Take up your cross,” the Sav - ior said,
2 Take up your cross; let not its weight
3 Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,
4 Take up your cross and fol - low Christ,



“if you would my dis - ci - ple be;
per - vade your soul with vain a - larm;
nor let your fool - ish heart re - bel;
nor think till death to lay it down;



for - sake the past, and come this day,
his strength shall bear your spir - it up,
for you the Lord en - dured the cross
for those who hum - bly bear the cross



and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.”
sus - tain your heart, and nerve your arm.
to save your soul from death and hell.
one day will wear the glo - rious crown.

THE PRAYERS Each prayer ends: “God of grace,,” C: “**hear our prayer.**”

*When the petition is read that includes those listed in our prayer list, the congregation is invited to join in that prayer by reading aloud the names below. Read only the **bold** portion of the names, going down the columns. (*Friends & Family of Haven Members)*

... Protect those sent into harm’s way for the sake of peace especially **Gavin** Anderson, **Ben** Asbury, **Amanda** Bertucci, **Richard** Collins, **Cole** Conrad, **Nick** Graham, **Michael** McKenzie III, **Travis** Thompson, **Hunter** Wiles.

Carol Shull	* Teresa Hoover	Beth Johns
Harold Rice	* Linda Hollar	* Jay Morgan
* Edward Staley	Jim & Ann Conrad	Dot Zinkand
* Helen VanderHamm	* Gary Friese	* Mary Young
* Courtney Belmont	* John Morgan	* Vicky McKusker
* Caitlyn Battoe	* Rod & Patty Bonebrake	Bob Snyder
* Seth Battoe	* John Crafton	* Matthew Brumback
* Finn Battoe	* Tommy Davis	Jessica Kline
* Diana Grimes	* Paul & Denise Pizzini	* Weaver & Knode
* Brandi Allsop	* Brian Bell	Family
* Debora Daniels	Jim Hassinger	* Shives Family
* Amanda Cunningham	* Janice Lowry Hamilton	* Albert Family
Larry & Sharon Hartsock	and family	* Josenhans Family
* Ed Davis	* Jen	* Jayne Layman

THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

P: We safely share a sign of God’s peace with one another.

(Extend God’s peace to others from your seat for now. A wave, bow or fist bump is the safest. Include a wave to those participating at home. There is hand sanitizer in the pews.)

THE MEAL

THE OFFERING

P: It’s Offering time! C: **Praise God!**

(Offering plates are placed at entrances with the bulletins. Thank you for your faithful generosity. May God bless what we give and use it to bring wholeness, healing and hope to God's world. Amen.)

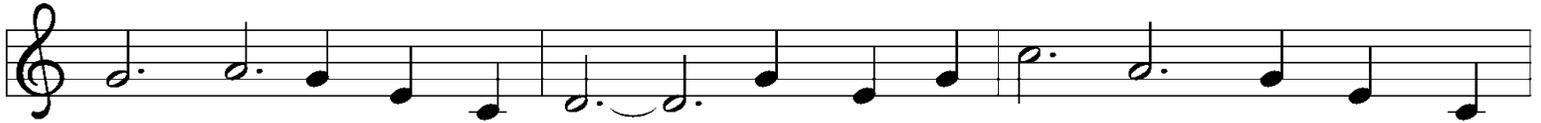
OFFERING HYMN

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

(vs. 1) #689



1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
 2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
 4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
 neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
 guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -
 fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
 with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
 joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.
 hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

THE OFFERING PRAYER

A: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs.

**C: Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,
 and make us ready to share with all in need;
 through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.**

DIALOGUE AND EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
 you have brought us this far along the way.

In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,

but guided us into the path of love and light.
In every age you sent prophets
to make known your loving will for all humanity.
The cry of the poor has become your own cry;
our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.
In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant
to preach good news to the afflicted,
to break bread with the outcast and despised,
and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we await the day when Jesus shall return
to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.
Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.
Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,
that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,
we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Christ invites you to this table where all are welcome

C: Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

For those communing in their homes: Please have your communion set(s) ready, removing the protective film on the host and grape juice. Pastor will then say, "Body of Christ, given for you." Please consume the host. Pastor will say, "Blood of Christ, shed for you." Please drink the grape juice. As your brothers and sisters in Christ in the church receive communion, please pray for them and/or sing the communion songs on their behalf.

For those communing in the church: Please come forward at the direction of the ushers to receive our Lord's gift. Holy Communion will be offered in bread and wine. If preferred, let pastor know if you want a gluten-free host. Grape juice is also available in the center of the communion tray offered by the assisting minister. At the parent's discretion, children may receive a blessing or communion. Parents please let pastor know your preference for your children.

For those communing in the church at the altar rail: You may choose to stand or kneel. Masks are optional. The usher will invite your row to go to the rail using one aisle. Please place your used communion cup in the basket offered by the acolyte. Use the aisle on the other side of your section to return to your seat.

For those communing at their place: Pastor and the assisting minister will come to you. If an usher does not come to stand beside you so the pastor knows to come, please raise your hand as pastor looks around the sanctuary for any who still are to receive the sacrament.



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”

#817



1 Tú has ve - ni - do a lao - ri - lla, nohas bus -
 1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing
 2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther
 3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing
 4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the



ca - do nia sa - bios nia ri - cos; tan só - lo
 nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly
 trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my
 love for the rest of the wea - ry— a love that's
 long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing



quie - res que yo te si - ga.
 ask - ing for me to fol - low.
 fish - nets and will for work - ing.
 will - ing to go on lov - ing.
 Friend, you have come to call me.

Refrain / Estribillo



Se - ñor, mehas mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,
 Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom - bre. En laa - re - na he de - ja - do mi
 you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a - ban - doned my



bar - ca; jun - toa ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.
 small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

“I Come with Joy”

#482



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

#488



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, leave the gloom - y
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and
 3 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der o - ver this sur -
 4 Je - sus, source of last - ing plea - sure, tru - est friend, and



haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's splen - dor,
 glad - ly greet him. There he stands al - read - y knock - ing;
 pass - ing won - der that the bread of life is bound - less
 dear - est trea - sure, peace be - yond all un - der - stand - ing,



there with joy your prais - es ren - der. Bless the one whose grace un -
 quick - ly, now, your gate un - lock - ing, o - pen wide the fast - closed
 though the souls it feeds are count - less; with the choic - est wine of
 joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing: hum - bly now, I bow be -



bound - ed this a - maz - ing ban - quet found - ed; Christ, though heav' n - ly,
 por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im - mor - tal: “Come, and leave your
 heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious
 fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you; wor - thi - ly let



high, and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 loved one nev - er; dwell with - in my heart for - ev - er.”
 con - so - la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.
 me re - ceive you, and, so fa - vored, nev - er leave you.

TABLE BLESSING

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey.

C: **Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with truth and peace
and guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

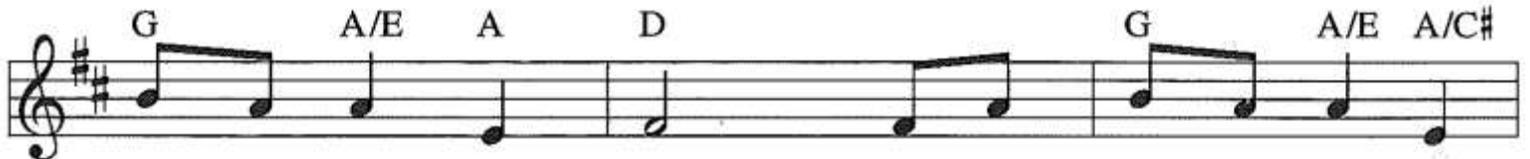
C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN (Please stand as you are able.) "We Will Glorify"

W & P #154



1 We will glo - ri - fy the King of kings, we will
2 Lord Je - ho - vah reigns in maj - es - ty, we will
3 He is Lord of heav - en, Lord of earth, he is
4 Hal - le - lu - jah to the King of kings, hal - le -



glo - ri - fy the Lamb; we will glo - ri - fy the
bow be - fore his throne; we will wor - ship him in
Lord of all who live; he is Lord a - bove the
lu - jah to the Lamb; hal - le - lu - jah to the



Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.
righ - teous - ness, we will wor - ship him a - lone.
u - ni - verse, all praise to him we give.
Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

POSTLUDE (*Please be seated.*) “*Lift High the Cross*” arr. Larry Shackley
(*As we listen to the postlude, we reflect on what we have heard, learned and received
from our Lord during worship and offer God our thanks and prayers.*)

DISMISSAL

A: With Christ beside you, go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: We will! Thanks be to God.

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Serving God’s People this Sunday Morning: September 4

Presiding Minister	Pastor Linda Alessandri
Assisting Minister	Aura Neikirk
Lay Reader	Abigail Andrews
Organist	Stephen Pastena
Acolyte	Ethan Rhodes
Ushers	Will Seilhamer, Kim Pile, NEEDED
Securing the Building	Sandy Powell, Nancy Newkirk

We also Remember in Prayer:

Our homebound members: *Irene Giffin, Beth Johns, Phyllis Meyers and Dorothy Zinkand.*

Military personnel serving in harm’s way: *Gavin Anderson, Ben Asbury, Amanda Bertucci, Richard Collins, Cole Conrad, Nick Graham, Michael McKenzie III, Travis Thompson, Hunter Wiles.*

Hospital Admissions: *PLEASE call Haven’s church office (301-733-5056) or Pastor Alessandri (301-745-4216) if you or a loved one have a planned or emergency admission to the hospital. We also want to add you or your loved one to our prayer list so our congregation can lift you up in prayer.*

*Prayers for all those who mourn the loss of **John Crist, Tyler Josenhans, Kannon Shives and Clayton Knode.***

*Readings for next week: **September 11, 2022** – Exodus 32:7-14, Psalm 51:1-10,
1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-10*

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Acolyte	Austin Suchy

Ushers Susan Strobl, Elaine Michael, NEEDED
 Altar Flowers Dick & June Hess
 Securing the Building Sandy Powell, Nancy Newkirk

 FINANCIAL HEALTH	Year to Date Actual Ending July, 2022	Year to Date Budget	Year To Date (over/behind budget-)
	\$122,560.20	\$117,455.00	\$5,105.20



FAITH BUILDING TOGETHER – WOW! WOW! WOW! As of August 28, **\$100,793.90** has been donated toward our \$100,000 building loan. CAN YOU BELIEVE IT!? BUT HOLD ON --- There's more news to come!

COMING UP THIS WEEK:

- September 5 **LABOR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED**
7:00 Property Team meeting
- September 6 7:00 Choir
- September 8 10:00 Washington Co. Conference Clergy Meeting (Gathering Room)
- September 11 9:30 Worship (in-person/FB Live)
(Special Congregational Meeting immediately following Worship)
11:00 God Squad

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING AFTER WORSHIP TODAY TO PLAN SEPTEMBER LUNCH FOR POTOMAC TOWERS *(See article under Discipleship Opportunities)*

FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS

- September 6** - Team 4 – Sue Strobl, Millie Strange, Valerie Wills, Sandy Powell
- September 9** - Team 3 – Joan Schupp, Kathy Wright, Linda Clark, Kris Fignar

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday, September 11 immediately after worship

The Council is seeking the congregation's approval of a MOTION to contract with the Happy Home Roofer Company to replace the gutters on the original church building for up to \$3,700.00 with funds to come from the Special Gifts Building Fund. There will also be a brief update on the Faith Building Together Campaign. Please make plans to attend in-person or online. Join Zoom Meeting on-line at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89682674351?pwd=RmlxMkVIOWJvb01qNWlxWkFjTWJrdz09> Meeting ID: 896 8267 4351 ; Passcode: 031538 Join meeting by phone by calling +1 301 715 8592 Meeting ID: 896 8267 4351 Passcode: 031538

CALLING ALL GOD SQUAD EXPLORERS on **NEXT SUNDAY, September 11** we will start a new year of adventures! Come down to the Explorer's indoor campsite at **11:00 am**. We are so excited to be together again! Who are "God Squad Explorers"? Any child from preschool (with parent or grandparent) thru 5th graders who want to know more about the Lord who loves us.

WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY RESUMES SEPTEMBER 14, 10 AM

Everyone welcome. Whether you are new to Bible Study or a veteran you will be blessed by the fellowship and the dive into God's Word. We'll be starting by looking at some of the shorter, less read books of the Bible. It's always an adventure and usually a great deal of fun!

HAVEN'S BOOK CLUB – On **Thursday, Sept. 15 at 2:00 pm** we will meet in the Parlor to discuss **THE LAST DAYS OF NIGHT** by Graham Moore. It is New York, 1888. Thomas Edison & George Westinghouse are competitors in the invention & production of electric light. Plan now to join us to review this fascinating tale as told by a young lawyer who is intimately involved. Any questions, contact Joan Schupp.

IT'S BACK!

OUTDOOR WORSHIP AND CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

September 18, 10:30 am

Doub's Woods, South Pavilion

(F.Y.I. The pavilion IS handicap accessible.)

After a two-year postponement, we will finally come together at Doub's Woods to share worship, fellowship, food and play. Ready the lawn chairs and games! This year there will be a hotdog and sausage bar, with a variety of each. Try something new or stick to your favorite.

So we can plan for enough food, please SIGN-UP in the church narthex and let us know what side dish you will bring to help complete the feast.

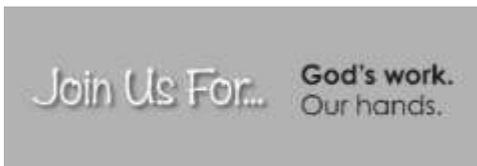
Bring your family. Bring a friend or neighbor. All are welcome.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PHOTOSHOOT/RETAKES will be on **Sunday, September 25th** immediately following the **Worship Service**. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet or the Sign-Up Central board so we can plan appropriately. Thank you!

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

MEETING TODAY TO PLAN LUNCH FOR POTOMAC TOWERS Our congregation is again providing lunch for the residents of Potomac Towers on Thursday, September 29. All who are curious about and interested in this outreach ministry are

welcome to be part of a meeting this morning following worship. Bring your questions and suggestions to the Gathering Room as we decide on our September menu and plan for our return to serving our brothers and sisters in person. "God's work. Our hands!"



GOD'S WORK... OUR HANDS OPPORTUNITY



Are you ready and willing to show Haven's willingness to serve as well as have some fun?

Haven has been penciled in to participate with United Way's **Day of Caring** this year by painting several offices at the ReStore on **Thursday, September 15**. I'm hoping that at least 10 Haven members will be part of this. The day starts off with a Kickoff Breakfast at 7:00 AM at Hagerstown Community College's The Athletic, Recreation, and Community Center (ARCC) and then we will move onto the ReStore around 8:00. If you want to skip breakfast, that's OK. I have no idea how long this will take, but I would expect we will be working to mid-afternoon. We will be asked to bring our own brushes, rollers, ladders, etc. The paint will be provided by the ReStore. If interested, please contact Doug Wright at dwright@gsimages.com or (301) 991-0921 as soon as possible. We started out a little late on this but that shouldn't stop us from using Our Hands to do God's Work.

DONATIONS FOR HAVEN'S BLESSING BOX are always welcome and needed. If you are able when visiting the grocery store, pick up a few items for our hungry neighbors.

KENTUCKY FLOOD RELIEF PROJECT Pastor Shane Wilt and West End Baptist Chapel are spearheading relief efforts for flood victims in Kentucky. They are partnering with the Happy Church in Jackson, Kentucky to distribute items to flood victims.

Here's how you can help:

Drop off items at West End Baptist Chapel, 59 Winter Street, Hagerstown on September 3 or 10 from 9:00-12:00 noon. They will be loading the collected items on a tractor trailer for delivery to Kentucky.

Here are the items needed:

School supplies	Tents	Mops	Moldex
Microwaves	Laundry	Brooms	Shampoo
Crock Pots	Detergent	Shovels	Body Wash
Fans	Dish Soap	Rakes	Storage Totes
Dehumidifiers	Bleach	Paper Towels	

Any supplies can be delivered to West End on the dates and times listed above.

Haven Mission Statement:

“To honor God, to reach out with love to our members and the community and to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.”

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