

March 22, 2026

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

9:00 a.m. Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Worship
5:00 p.m. Worship

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

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FAMILY RETREAT

MAY 8-10

Shocco Springs Conference Center
Speaker: Jason Bybee



• Classes • Singing • Games • Campfires

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Worship Assignments

Elder to Contact in March for Needs: Steve Cotney

Sunday AM and PM

Greeters:

Connie Morrison (Handicap Entrance)
Rick & Brook Williams (Back Entrance)

Usher: Stephen King

Nursery: Jamie Starns

AM Singing: Kyle Wadley

Scripture Reading: Will Spurlin

AM Opening Prayer: Reggie Arnold

AM Sermon: Chuck Webster

AM Communion: Glenn Till

Announcements: Harold Rhodes

AM Closing Prayer: Daniel Warren

PM Song Leader: Paul Kirby

PM Opening Prayer: Wade Warren

PM Speaker: Bill Rayburn

PM Closing Prayer: Allen Taylor

Audio/Cameras: Grant Dalton/Brent Reaves

Video: Wes Blankenship

Security: Chad Blackmon/Norman Rutland

Bible Reading Plan for March 22-28

- **Sunday, March 22:** 1 Samuel 13-14; Psalm 81
- **Monday, March 23:** 1 Samuel 15-17; Psalm 82
- **Tuesday, March 24:** 1 Samuel 18-20; Psalm 83
- **Wednesday March 25:** 1 Samuel 21-24; Psalm 84
- **Thursday, March 26:** 1 Samuel 25-27; Psalm 85
- **Friday, March 27:** 1 Samuel 28-31; Psalm 86
- **Saturday, March 28:** 2 Samuel 1-3; Psalm 87

Today

Visitors, welcome to our worship service this morning—we're glad you're here! Please **scan the QR Code** on the card in the pews. We would like to know where you are from.

Adult Bible Classes: (1) **Auditorium: Wade Warren** is teaching on "Preparation of the World for the Messiah." (2) **Library: Chuck Webster** is teaching in the Library on "Learning to Read Scripture More Faithfully." This class is using thoughts from *Misreading Scripture with Western Eyes: Removing Cultural Blinders to Better Understand the Bible* by E. Randolph Richards and Brandon J. O'Brien, as well as other materials. (3) **Wednesday, Auditorium: Bill Rayburn** is teaching a class in March on "The Blessings That Come From Faith" (Romans 5:1-11). April and May will focus on biblical stewardship.

There will be a **service at the AHEPA III Apartments** this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. **Mark Lackey** will present the lesson.

This evening at 5:00, our Knit Together Groups will meet in homes to worship and fellowship. We will also have a lesson in the auditorium taught by **Bill Rayburn**.

News and Events

Please welcome **Jack and Lauren Grace Farley** and **Geordan Lewis** to our Hoover family. Jack was baptized on Friday, March 13, and they placed membership with us on Sunday, March 15. We are blessed to have them with us! Jack and Lauren Grace's address is 706 Eagle Ridge Drive, Birmingham, AL 35242, and their emails are: lggurganus@gmail.com (Lauren Grace) and jfarley274@gmail.com (Jack). Geordan Lewis' address is 2209 Kenley Way, Birmingham, AL 35242, and her email is gplewis1354@outlook.com.

Sisses and Misses are meeting for a Brunch on Sunday, March 29, after the morning worship service. Please contact **Lucy McKeown** with any questions.

The Hoover Ladies' Retreat is Friday-Sunday, April 17-19, at **Hargis Christian Camp** in Chelsea, AL. Join us for a weekend of encouragement, fellowship, and spiritual renewal as we focus on our theme, "Peace in His Presence." Our speaker is **Janet Wilson** (Kasey Guill's mom)—we look forward to the encouragement and wisdom she will share with us. If you have any questions, contact Lauren Warren or Suzanna Weimer.

Words of Gratitude

Dear Hoover Church family,
Thank you so much for the calls, cards, and especially the food during my recent illness and recovery. You are the most caring and loving family. Hope to see you soon.

Love,
Brigitte Doutre

Important Church-Wide Meeting— Sunday Evening, March 29

The elders met on Saturday, January 17, for an all-day planning session, and we're encouraged by where we believe the Hoover church is headed. We spent time in prayer and in honest conversation about our congregation—where we are, where we've been, and where God may be leading us.

One of our commitments as a new eldership is to communicate openly and regularly with the church. On Sunday evening, March 29, we plan to share some of the ideas and priorities that are taking shape as we think ahead to 2026 and beyond. This will be an opportunity to hear what we're discussing and how we're approaching the work God has given us.

We ask for your prayers as we seek wisdom and discernment, and we encourage everyone to attend if possible. We're grateful for this church family and hopeful about the future God has in store for us.

Happy Anniversary

Wes and Pam Blankenship March 26

Happy Birthday

Dale Baker March 22
Beckett Dalton March 22
Hampton Rock March 23

Youth

- **Friday-Monday, March 20-23:** Spring Retreat—the cost is \$50.
- **Sunday, March 29:** Fifth Sunday Funday.
- **Thursday-Sunday, April 2-5:** Lads to Leaders Convention in Nashville, TN.

Carelines

We extend our heartfelt condolences to **Rex Anderson and his family** on the passing of his wife, **Jeanne Anderson**. Jeanne and Rex were former members of Hoover for many years, and she will be deeply missed by all who knew her. A funeral service for Jeanne will be held on Saturday, April 18, at the Hoover Church of Christ. Visitation will take place from 12:00-2:00 p.m., with the service to follow at 2:00.

Please pray for **Linda Graham**; she is having some health problems.

Gail Powell is at home now recovering from an extended stay in the hospital and rehab center. She is on bed rest and therapy for a while, but she is much stronger. Gail and Bill send their thanks to everyone for the good wishes, kind thoughts, and especially the prayers.

Merv Prince is having hip replacement surgery on Monday, April 6, at UAB Medical West.

Sondra Moss is recovering from rotator cuff surgery and is feeling better. She is waiting to have three other procedures.

Scarlette Smith, JoAnn McDonald's daughter, is undergoing chemotherapy for ovarian cancer. JoAnn appreciates the prayers from the congregation.

Jeremy Schopper, Alyssa Long's cousin, is at a long-term care facility and continues to need our prayers.

Lila Destito, the grandmother of Sarah Destito (a frequent visitor at Hoover), broke her shoulder in three places and is in a lot of pain.

Remember our shut-ins: Nancy Griner, Joyce Baker, and Sylvia Huffman.

Remember our church family: Emily Bedgood, Judy Smith, Betty Crawford, Diann Tippins, and Tyler Tippins.

Remember our family and friends: Andre Oliver (Melinda Richardson's friend), Jayvion (Jayne Ivy's friend's son), Ali Tutak's sister, Jim and Marie Bryers (Giana Kidwell's cousins), Sue Adams (Jim & Denia Petruzella's aunt), Don Cicero (Matthew Cicero's father), Moranda Garrett (Jayne Ivy's friend), Rex and Jeanne Anderson (former members of Hoover), Kathy Culbertson (former member of Hoover), Doug & Cathy Abbott (Joel Abbott's parents), Richard Lawson (Alyssa Long's dad), and Charlie Pflueger (Tom Kidwell's dad).

A Note from the Eldership Regarding New Deacons

We are thankful to share that the following men have now been appointed and are serving as deacons, helping coordinate specific ministries within our congregation (these assignments will be discussed on Sunday evening, March 29):

- Sid Aultman
- Wes Blankenship
- Nathan Guill
- Christian Harris
- Mark Lackey
- Micah Long
- Jason McKeown
- Tom McQuillan
- Bill Rayburn
- Brent Reaves
- Clint Richey
- Jonathan Weimer

We're grateful for the willingness of these men and their families to serve, and we appreciate the encouragement and support shown by our church family throughout this process. Please keep these men in your prayers as they begin this work, and continue to support them as we serve Christ together.

Persistence Prayer

Dear God, thank You for teaching us the power of persistent prayer. We know that You are always listening, even when it seems like our prayers are unanswered. Help us to remain faithful and patient, trusting that Your timing is perfect. Strengthen our hearts to keep asking, seeking, and knocking, knowing that You are good and faithful. Teach us to depend on You in every situation, and give us the courage to persist in prayer, even when answers seem delayed. May our hearts be steadfast in faith, and may we never lose hope. Amen.

Persistent prayer strengthens our trust in God. It reminds us that He is faithful, and our prayers matter. As we persist in prayer, our faith grows, and we become more attuned to God's will for our lives. Keep praying, and keep trusting.

Attendance and Offering March 15, 2026

Attendance

Bible Study: 189

AM Worship: 284

PM Worship: 85

Wednesday: 187

Contribution: \$13,266.98

Weekly Budget:

Weekly Average: \$15,954.07

Contribution to Date: \$175,494.73

Hoover Supported Works

- *Childhaven, Cullman, AL*
- *Churches of Christ Disaster Relief*
- *Clothing Closet*
- *Food Pantry*
- *Tanzania*
- *Philippines*

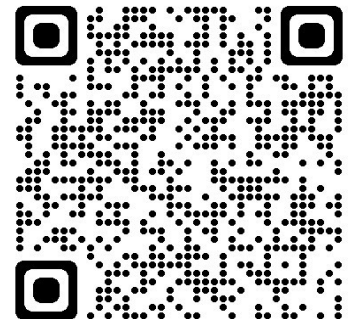
Mission Trips

- *Tanzania*
- *Philippines*
- *Peru*

Oversight

- *Christ Happy Childhaven, Philippines*
- *Tanzania Missions*

Visitors and members, please scan the QR Code below to log your attendance.



**Closer Than You Think
(Mark 12:28-34)**

A _____ Question (v. 28)

A _____ Answer (v. 29-31)

A _____ Commendation (v. 32-34)

GriefShare Class

Any of our members who have struggled with loss are invited to participate in our **GriefShare** class. If you have friends who might benefit, please let them know about this class as well. We will meet on the following Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for a Grief Share Orientation: **June 13 and December 13.**

So many people in the world have experienced significant losses in their lives, so we're thankful to be able to offer this GriefShare Ministry. It is organized around a thirteen-week small-group program where participants meet together for around two hours each week and watch professionally-designed videos featuring professional grief counselors and also people who are grieving. These presentations are coupled with discussions that are designed to internalize what participants learn in the videos. This class will be in August.

We have additional information for Griefshare Sessions offered on other days and times in the Birmingham area. Please see **Harold or Donna Rhodes** if you have any questions regarding GriefShare. You can also find additional information at <https://www.griefshare.org/>.



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