



Hoover Church of Christ

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Matthew 6:21

May 7, 2023

You are mindful of us

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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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Our world is unfathomably huge.

The sun's light that bathes the earth today left the sun 8 minutes and 20 seconds ago traveling at about 186,000 miles per second.

The distance it traveled—93 million miles— isn't really that far, though, at least not when talking about the universe. Our little galaxy is just one of millions.

I doubt David knew too much about astronomy, but he had looked up into the sky at night enough to know how incredible it is that in this great big old universe, God cares about us.

Maybe David wrote this psalm by candlelight on a clear night as he gazed toward the sky:

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger. When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! (Psalm 8:1-9)

It's really amazing when you think about it.

More than 8 billion people live on this planet, and about 330 million of them live in the US. We're all different—different ethnicities, languages, interests, cultures.

We're tall, short, bald, big, and small.

And God knows every single one.

He knows your concerns, your hopes and dreams, your problems.

And he cares about them all.

It's easy sometimes to get lost in the crowd, to think you're just a number, that nobody really cares.

But God does.

Go outside tonight and look at the sky. Let it remind you of David's gazing at those same stars and reflecting on God's interest in every single person.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

—Chuck

Worship Assignments

Elder to Contact in May for Needs:
Jimmy Lyles

Sunday AM and PM

Greeters: Front Lobby: Bill Laughmiller

Handicap Lobby: Nancy Griner

Back Lobby: Clint & Abby Richey

Usher, AM: Jeff Church

Call to Worship: Nic Weymouth

Scripture Reading: Allen Taylor

Singing:

AM: Kyle Wadley

PM: Matthew Cicero

Opening Prayer:

AM: Mark Lackey

PM: Drew Spivey

AM Sermon: Nic Weymouth

Communion:

AM: Grant Dalton

Announcements: Harold Rhodes

Closing Prayer:

AM: Daniel Warren

PM: Aidan McQuillan

Audio/Cameras: Rick Williams

Alternate: David Naylor

Video: Will Spurlin

Security: Jim Petruzella

Alternate: George Faison

Bible Reading Plan for May 7-14

Sunday, May 7: 2 Samuel 6-7;
1 Chronicles 17

Monday, May 8: Psalms 25, 29, 33, 36, 39

Tuesday, May 9: 2 Samuel 8-9;
1 Chronicles 18

Wednesday, May 10: Psalms 50, 53, 60,
75

Thursday, May 11: 2 Samuel 10;
1 Chronicles 19; Psalm 20

Friday, May 12: Psalms 65-67, 69, 70

Saturday, May 13: 2 Samuel 11-12;
1 Chronicles 20

Sunday, May 14: Psalms 32, 51, 86, 122

Today

Visitors, welcome to our worship service this morning—we're glad you're here. Please fill out a visitor's card that is located in the pew. We would like to know where you're visiting from.

Sunday Bible Classes for Adults meet in the Auditorium and the Library. **Bible Class for the Young Professionals and College Students (Millennials and Gen Z)** is in the fellowship hall downstairs.

Sunday worship services will be at the **AHEPA 3 Apartments** today at 3:30pm.

We will meet in the auditorium at 5:00pm for a class taught by **Wade Warren**.

News and Events

Dads and Kids: Mark your calendars for the **Barons Game** on Tuesday, May 9—the cost is \$10. If you plan to attend, please sign the sheet that is on the back rail in the auditorium. Also, see **Rick Williams** with any questions.

We will have a luncheon for our Lads to Leaders in the fellowship hall on Sunday, May 21, immediately following our morning worship service. The lunch is Potluck, so please bring plenty of food to share.

You are invited to help us celebrate our two Graduating Seniors, Carson Church and Ian Fantroy. We will be having a banquet on Sunday, May 28, immediately following the morning services. We will provide the meal that day, so you must sign up if you would like to attend. Please sign up by Wednesday, May 17. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FA8A62BA3F5C16-class>.

There will be a **Men's Cards Night** at the building on Friday, June 9.

In an effort to build relationships between the youth and adults of the Hoover congregation, we are asking for volunteers to host one of our monthly youth devotionals in their home on the first Sunday night of each month after our regular evening services. Please sign up at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FA8A62BA3F5C16-inhome>.

Youth

- **Saturday, May 20:** Youth Group 101 (Welcoming Incoming 6th Graders)
- **Sunday, May 21:** Lads to Leaders Luncheon for Hoover
- **Sunday, May 28:** Graduation Celebration
- **Tuesday-Thursday, May 30-June 1:** Graduation Trip to the Ark in KY
- **Sunday, June 4:** Summer Kick-off

Happy Anniversary

Kyle & Emily Bedgood May 12

Happy Birthday

C.T. Dodd	May 7
Brenda Warren	May 8
Austin Weimer	May 10
Marc Handley	May 11
Micah Long	May 11
Norman Rutland	May 12

The Ten Commandments Exodus 20:3-17

- 1) "Thou shalt have no other gods before me."
- 2) "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image."
- 3) "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain."
- 4) "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy."
- 5) "Honor thy father and thy mother."
- 6) "Thou shalt not kill."
- 7) "Thou shalt not commit adultery."
- 8) "Thou shalt not steal."
- 9) "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."
- 10) "Thou shalt not covet."

God wants us to feel good. He gave us commandments, or rules, to follow so we can live happier lives.

Carelines

Shawn Troughton is recovering from gallbladder surgery.

Marlon Crow is recovering from a car accident and is at his son's home in Chattanooga.

Sharon Houghton, Jennifer Lackey's mom, is recovering from surgery due to cancer. She is slowly improving but still has a lot of work ahead of her. Please send cards of encouragement to her at 4338 Crossroads Road, Fairview, WV 26570.

Jane Spivey, Rex Anderson's sister, is doing well from her surgery.

Ashley Williams, a former member of Hoover, is recovering at home from a blood clot and stroke.

Brigitte Doutre is recovering from surgery on her ankle. Cards can be sent to her at 3320 Old Columbiana Road, Apt. 108, Hoover, AL 35226.

Lajuana Logan is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Eddie Williams, Leah Covington's stepdad, received good news from his PET Scan. The cancer is all gone except for a small spot on his right lung. Thanks for all the thoughts and prayers.

Darren Brooks, Bob and Joy Brooks' son, is undergoing cancer treatments. He appreciates the cards and prayers—his address is 114 South Knights Crossings Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77382.

Chris Hethcox, Markie Jones' dad, is taking cancer medication. Send cards to him at 1928 Grier Road, Wetumpka, AL 36092.

Reid Harkey, Jim and Denia Petruzella's longtime friend, had cancer five years ago, and it has returned.

Louise Clifton, Mike Clelland's aunt, is undergoing tests at Grandview Medical Center.

Remember our shut-ins: Lynne Nichols, Dennis & Nancy Williams, and Joyce Baker.

Remember our church family: Helen Reinhardt, Jeanne Anderson, Dick Smith, Edward Curry, and Gail Powell.

Remember our families and friends: Amanda Farrell (former member of Hoover), Joy Jones (Jennifer Dalton's mom), Doug Abbott (Joel Abbott's dad), Richard Lawson (Alyssa Long's dad), Denise Hillis (Melody Warbington's sister), and Jo Clelland (Mike Clelland's aunt).

When the Lord Returns . . .

When something is important to us, we will often do a lot to prepare beforehand. For instance, going to an Auburn football game is a lot of fun to me. I usually think about it for several days before the game. I talk to other people about it. Then, on game day, I get ready and leave in time to get there well before kickoff, so that I won't miss the atmosphere before the game, the eagle making its loops around the stadium, or one second of the game. And then, when I get there, I act like someone who is anticipating something great. It's this way with most things that are important to us. But I have to admit, I don't always live with this kind of excitement about the coming of our Lord and Savior.

When Jesus left the earth after being raised from the dead, he made a big promise: "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. And where I go you know, and the way you know" (John 14:1-4).

When He comes again, it will be sudden, with a shout, and it will happen at a time that we do not expect. "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first" (1 Thessalonians 4:16). "For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night" (1 Thessalonians 5:2). "Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him . . ." (Revelation 1:7).

On that day, all the dead will be raised: "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth—those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation" (John 5:28-29). And all people will be judged according to the works that they have done: "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad" (2 Corinthians 5:10).

Are you preparing for this day . . . the last day . . . like you do the other things that are important to you? When others are around you, can they tell that you are anticipating something great? —Darrell

Attendance and Offering April 30, 2023

Attendance:

Bible Study: 176

AM Worship: 268

PM Worship: 127

Wednesday: 179

Contribution: \$16,638.99

Weekly Budget: \$14,280.00

Weekly Average: \$15,492.10

Contribution to Date: \$278,857.85

Hoover Supported Works

- *Childhaven, Cullman, AL*
- *Rainbow Omega, Eastaboga, AL*
- *Churches of Christ Disaster Relief*
- *Cy Walker, Guyana*
- *Clothing Closet*
- *Food Pantry*
- *Guyana*
- *Tanzania*
- *Philippines*

Mission Trips

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

Oversight

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

Philippians 1:27

"Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;"

GriefShare Ministry

GriefShare Ministry: So many people in our congregation (and beyond) have experienced significant losses in their lives, so we're thankful to be able to offer GriefShare Ministry. This ministry 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. If you think this ministry might help you process your loss, please reach out to Harold Rhodes, Kyle Wadley, or Chuck Webster for more information, or you can visit <https://www.griefshare.org/>.



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