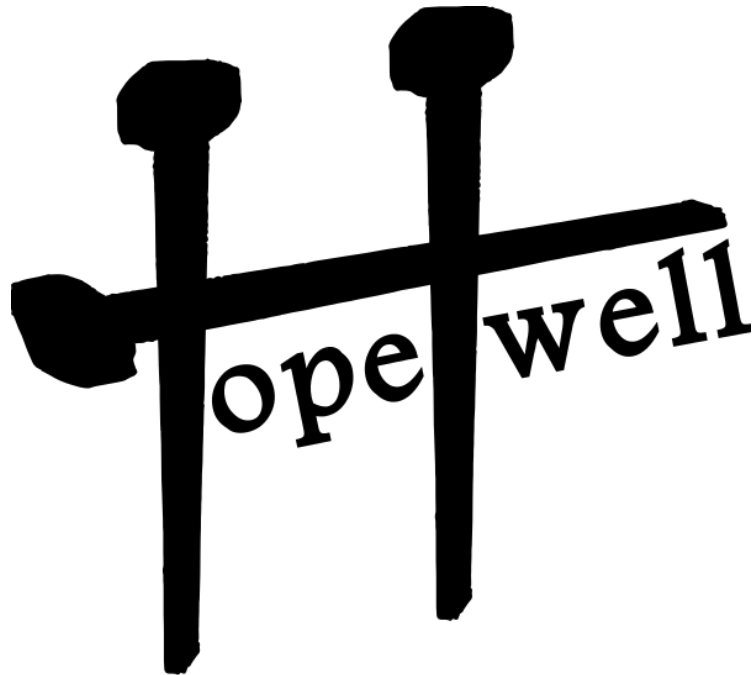


Hopewell United Methodist Church



Rev. Donald R. Brown, pastor
November 15, 2020

First Time Guest?

Text your name to 864-630-0164 to be contacted and greeted by our pastor during the week.

Church Calendar

Want to know what's going on at Hopewell?

Check out the calendar and announcements on the church webpage.

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NEW MAILING ADDRESS!

Hopewell United Methodist Church

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Simpsonville, SC 29680

ORDER OF WORSHIP

We are glad to have the opportunity to worship with you today!

The Welcome and Announcements

The Song of Centering

The Morning Prayer

The Song of Praise

The Prayer of Illumination

***The Reading of Scripture**

Matthew 25:14-30

The Parable of the Talents

14 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." ²¹His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." ²³His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." ²⁶But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

The Song of Preparation

The Message

"Is this my Talent?"

Brian Collins, Lay Leader

The Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic (*universal*) church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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. Amen.

The Song of Celebration

***The Benediction**

***The Music of Sending Forth**

Prayer Requests

The Gilstrap family, Marshall passed from Covid, his wife, Joan is recovering from Covid; Betty Kronberg, hospitalized with pneumonia; Chase family, Faith's grandmother passed; Barb's family, 5 members have Covid; Wanda & Mike Hamilton; Covid concern; Sherry Hogeboom; fluid on the brain and several tests being done

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Church

Children's Church will be held TODAY, Sunday, November 15th! Children's Church will be held once each month. All children K3- 5th grade are invited to Children's Church in the pavilion at the playground during the morning worship service. Please go straight to the playground when you arrive for church. Children are encouraged but not required to wear masks. Stay tuned for the monthly announcement of future dates. We cannot wait to see you all and have fun growing in our faith!

Two Ways to Participate in Worship

The church council has approved the following plan submitted by the worship committee for worship services **beginning November 1st**.

Worship Options: You may either choose to continue worshipping outside at the arbor or you may gather inside the sanctuary to watch the live Facebook feed of the worship service.

NOTE: *The pastor will be leading the worship service outside from the arbor.*

Seating: The worship held in the sanctuary will be by reserved seating as the chairs have been positioned to observe social distancing.

Reservations: To make a reservation to worship inside please contact the church office. Those choosing to worship outside may simply show up as usual.

Announcement from Worship Committee

The worship committee is pleased to announce the following steps in our "Re-Opening Hopewell" plan:

Through

November 22nd

Both outdoor and indoor live streaming worship will continue.

November 29th

ONLINE WORSHIP ONLY

Anticipating that families will be together for Thanksgiving we wanted to provide a span of time to be sure we are all safe before returning to worship together in person.

December 6th

Indoor Worship. Going forward, worship will be indoors only at 10:30 a.m. Reservations are required each week.

We will continue to livestream on Facebook Live at 10:30am.

Learning Center News

Our new addition to the playground will be delivered and installed next week! We are so thankful for the donation, from a Learning Center grandparent, that made this addition possible!!

Volunteers Needed to Operate the Sound & Video System for Services

We are in urgent need of volunteers to learn and operate the sound and video systems in our sanctuary during Sunday morning worship. Please contact Beth Lowe or the pastor for more information or to volunteer.

Update on James Monroe Mission House

JMMH is an ongoing mission opportunity that Hopewell has chosen to support. Please join with other members in supporting this important ministry to our community by checking the church website for items needed and donating what you can. You may bring your donations to church each Sunday and place them in the basket near the JMMH display table. Thank you for your continued support, for this important mission.

Did you know you can support Hopewell every time you shop?

AmazonSmile is a program that donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases on Amazon to a charity of your choice. (Hopewell United Methodist Church) The donation will be made at no extra cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection, and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to HUMC. To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to smile.amazon.com from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. Go to Your Account/Other Programs, select Change your Amazon Smile charity, type in Hopewell United Methodist Church, click the SELECT button corresponding to Hopewell in Simpsonville, SC.

Prayer Requests

We encourage you to submit prayer requests on the church website using the "Prayer" tab.

www.hopewellumcsimpsonville.com.

You may also call or text your prayer requests to Pastor Don directly at (864)630-0164.

Please note that prayer requests expire after two weeks.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Sun, 11/15 | 10:30 am | Worship |
| Tues, 11/17 | 5:30 pm | Ukulele Club |
| Wed, 11/18 | 9:30 am | Learning Center Chapel |
| | 10:10 am | Weekly Church wide Prayer Time |
| | 5:30 pm | Women's Bible Study Group |
| Thur, 11/19 | 10:00 am | Women's Bible Study Group |