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What God has in store
is even better than
what was promised.

Unlike
Before

Jeremiah 31:27-34; Matthew 20:1-16
“Unlike Before”

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

CEL=Celebration Hymnal

GTG=Glory to God Hymnal

OPENING SENTENCE

Luke 31:31 (CEB)

The time is coming, declares the LORD,
when I will make a new covenant with the
people of Israel and Judah.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

"We Are Called"

by Noah Melton

PRELUDE

"It Is Well With My Soul"

arr. J. Tonioli

CALL TO WORSHIP

When our sins guaranteed our death

God's grace changed the rules

*When our circumstances threaten to
overwhelm*

God's love reminds us we're not alone

*When our strength, hope and endurance all
seem bound to fail*

God's Spirit renews us

SING

"My Savior's Love"

GTG #348

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us begin with silent prayer...

**Lord God, You demand that we
love. But we complain against you
when we can't get love right. You
demand that we forgive. But we
complain against you when we find
it impossible to do so. You demand
we take responsibility for our sins.
But we complain against you for
honoring our choices and allowing
consequences to happen. Holy God,
we broke the covenant you made
with us. But we complain when you
write a new one, changing what we
thought were the limits of your
mercies. May we come to reflect
your generosity as enthusiastically
as we receive it. Thank you for
listening, God. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*God's love can change everything, even the
power of our sins over us. And it is God's will
that we have this power:*

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

The Peace of Christ be with you

And also with you.

SING

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father

and to the Son

And to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning.

It is now and ever shall be

world without end: Amen, amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*When the temptation and tendency to
overcomplicate God's will overtakes us, God's
Word is given, accessible and ready. By God's
Spirit, it can light up even the darkest recesses of
our hearts and minds and show us something
new. Let us be open to this gift of God and ask
for help to understand. Let us pray...*

PRAY/SING

"Make Me a Servant"

CEL #669

**Make me a servant, humble and
meek;**

**Lord, let me lift up those who are
weak.**

**And may the prayer of my heart
always be:**

**Make me a servant, make me a
servant,**

Make me a servant today.

*Listen closely to the Word of God to us all and
our ongoing place in God's story...*

READ: Jeremiah 31:27-34 (CEB)

God sets up a new covenant.

²⁷ The time is coming, declares the LORD,
when I will plant seeds in Israel and Judah,
and both people and animals will spring up.

²⁸ Just as I watched over them to dig up and
pull down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring
harm, so I will watch over them to build and
plant, declares the LORD. ²⁹ In those days,
people will no longer say: Sour grapes eaten
by parents leave a bitter taste in the mouths
of their children. ³⁰ Because everyone will
die for their own sins: whoever eats sour
grapes will have a bitter taste in their own

mouths.³¹ The time is coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah.³² It won't be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant with me even though I was their husband, declares the LORD.³³ No, this is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time, declares the LORD. I will put my Instructions within them and engrave them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.³⁴ They will no longer need to teach each other to say, "Know the LORD!" because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD; for I will forgive their wrongdoing and never again remember their sins.

READ: Matthew 20:1-16 (CEB)

Parable of the Workers and the Vineyard Owner.

¹ [Jesus said,] "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard.
² After he agreed with the workers to pay them a denarion, he sent them into his vineyard.
³ "Then he went out around nine in the morning and saw others standing around the marketplace doing nothing.
⁴ He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I'll pay you whatever is right.'
⁵ And they went. "Again around noon and then at three in the afternoon, he did the same thing.
⁶ Around five in the afternoon he went and found others standing around, and he said to them, 'Why are you just standing around here doing nothing all day long?'
⁷ "Because nobody has hired us,' they replied. "He responded, 'You also go into the vineyard.'
⁸ "When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the workers and give them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and moving on finally to the first.'
⁹ When those who were hired at five in the afternoon came, each one received a denarion.
¹⁰ Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more. But each of them also received a denarion.
¹¹ When they received it, they grumbled against the landowner,
¹² 'These who were hired last worked one hour, and they received the same pay as we did even though we had to work the whole day in the hot sun.'
¹³ "But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I did you no wrong. Didn't I agree to pay you a denarion?'
¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and

go. I want to give to this one who was hired last the same as I give to you.¹⁵ Don't I have the right to do what I want with what belongs to me? Or are you resentful because I'm generous?'¹⁶ So those who are last will be first. And those who are first will be last."

One: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us...

All: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S SERMON "Everybody"

ANTHEM arr. Earlene Rentz
"Standing In the Need of Prayer"

SERMON "Unlike Before"
Rev. David Ealy

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

SING "Amazing Grace"
GTG #649

OFFERING & OFFERTORY
"Softly and Tenderly" arr. J. Tonioli

DOXOLOGY
**Praise God from whom
all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: The Lord be with you.

All: and also with you.

Let us pray...

"Come, Bring Your Burdens to God" GTG #851
**Come, bring your burdens to God
Come, bring your burdens to God
Come, bring your burdens to God
For Jesus will never say no. (2X)**

**...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 debts as we forgive our
debtors. And lead us not into
temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

SONG OF SENDING GTG #553
"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

SENDING & BENEDICTION

Let us say together the Benediction...

What God has in store is even better than what was promised.

SING

"Show Me Your Ways" by Russell Forager

**Show me Your ways that I may walk with You,
Show me Your ways, I put my hope in You.
The cry of my heart is to love you more,
To live with the touch of your hand,
Stronger each day, show me Your ways.**

POSTLUDE

CEL #348
"My Savior's Love"

THIS WEEK WE ARE PRAYING FOR:



- Brodie & Lynn Covington
- Courtney Covington (Morgan)
- Fenton & Eva Covington

Be sure to check out our Linking Lives Podcast Link:

<https://hawfieldschurch.org/linking-lives-podcast>



PRAYER CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

The following are prayer concerns & celebrations given to us through email, Prayer Notebook at the entrance, by phone or word of mouth. Please use this list in your prayers through the week.

- Staff of the month: Mandy Ealy
- Amy Beck—recovering from cancer surgery and complications
- Avery Cooper—health concerns
- First Presbyterian Church, Pilot Mountain
- Government shut-down
- Tim Hatchel—recovering from kidney transplant (friend of Sandy Muller)
- Hawfields Child Care Center
- Emily Johnson—health concerns
- Janet Lewis—ICU @ Chapel Hill (sister of Ira Trollinger)
- The Family of Harold Oldham (friend of Norma Poole)
- Praise for the release of hostages
- Alice Ray—broken leg
- Susan Robinson—at home recovering from illness
- Penny Smith—health concerns
- Susan Steinbicker—prayers for healing
- Helen Thomas—at Brookdale Senior Living in Burlington, Room #67 Address: 3619 S. Mebane St., Burlington 27215
- Those working without pay and fear of being fired
- Vandalism in the Civitan restrooms

Our prayers continue for:

Cindy Atkins, Ron & Pat Baugus, Rose Boderck (Liberty Commons, Rm #103), Susan Loy (Alamance House), Kevin Monroe (White Oak Manor, Rm #306), Betty Sykes & Carol Thompson (Compass Health Rm #A19 & #F15), Danny Thompson and Pat Webster

THE 2025 SESSION



PUMPKIN PATCH—WEEK 2

Sales are going strong, even with inclement weather! We will be selling the lot in the hopes of not just raising funds, but also raising awareness of our congregation. You can help! You can help run the sale by taking a shift or two (or five). You can post one of the signs advertising the sale in your yard. You can make phone calls. Every effort adds up to a lot! You can sign up using the volunteer boards or contact Mandy Ealy, Nanette Pedelty, Chris Yow, Caroline Massey, Courtney Covington, Morgan Covington or Vicky MacLean for more information.

PUMPKIN PATCH SIGNS

We would love for you to take one and put it in your yard (or another place you think would be good!). If you would like to help offset the cost of these signs, you may donate \$9 per sign. This is not required! Pick one up after worship or from the church office during the week. Please plan to return it at the end of the pumpkin patch fundraiser.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE PROOF

If you could know the future, would you really want to? If you could know how a loved one was to die, but were powerless to prevent it, would you really want to know? If you could know what the lottery numbers were going to be, could you really guarantee that the money wouldn't change you? The truth is God made us to have to live in the present and to only be mindful of the future (and past). Given that, what can we really guarantee about life other than death and taxes? Any efforts we make to follow, as faithfully as we can, God's will and plan is a hedge against disaster. No, following God does not mean we'll never get hurt. But it does mean that God, who gave us life in the first place, has the last word on our futures. As you move through the week, consider the ways you try to keep God in your present and your past and future in perspective.

QUESTIONS AS YOU WORSHIP THIS WEEK

- What do you use to try and picture the future?
- How do you choose to mark time? What do you use to frame how your life is going?
- Is God allowed to change the rules, change how we are to understand something?
- What future do you think God has in mind for you?

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for all of the kindnesses and roasting last weekend for our anniversary here at Hawfields! It was very much fun and just lifted our spirits. Thanks to everyone who put together all the details and made it such a memorable event. Peace and Love, Mandy and David

THIRD SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL

The third Sunday of the month we host a fellowship meal the hour before the Faith@Night service. Starting at 5pm,

this meal is designed to give you an opportunity to sit with folks and share stories as a community. The October Fellowship Meal will be potluck so bring a favorite recipe and let's make the meal a great to start our worship of God together!

THE SCOUTS ARE SELLING POPCORN!

Our Scouts are in the season for selling popcorn of all kinds of varieties. They are selling at various locations including here in an effort to support their activities.

YOUTH GROUP MEALS FOR FALL

If you are available to help provide meals for youth group meetings through the fall, please enter the below link into your browser to sign up. A few of our favorite meals include chicken nuggets, pizza, Bojangles, taco bar & subs.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D49AEA82EABFA7-58095792-fall>

IS GOD CALLING YOU? THEN ANSWER!

As we put efforts into rebuilding Faith@Night, our evening worship service, we are trying to be mindful of the gifts already in our midst. Anyone who plays an instrument, sings, or may be otherwise interested in the Worship Team, please do come to a service and check it out. Then talk to Danny Yancey, David Ealy or anyone who attends the evening service for more information.

TRUNK OR TREAT IS COMING! OCTOBER 25TH; 2PM TO 4PM

This is a fun afternoon where we welcome the children of the community to come trick or treat with us. We need folks to decorate their trunks and hand out candy and we need candy donations. If you can decorate your trunk, please let Carol Phillips know. If you can donate candy, please bring it to

the vestibule or the church office no later than **October 23rd**.

THE STORY OF OUR CHURCH IS WRITTEN IN OUR CONNECTIONS



Whether we're talking about history or our ever-emerging present, God's goal has always been to connect us with God's Spirit and each other. A big way this

happens is through our stories. *Linking Lives* is an opportunity for folks to share their stories and in so doing help link us together with each other. Over the next 12 months, there will be opportunities for us to learn more about and, most importantly, *pray* for every family in our congregation. We will feature profiles and have times for personal prayer and chatting as well as bi-monthly opportunities for a podcast featuring faith stories (1st week of the month) and/or burning faith questions or theology (3rd week of the month). Invitation letters have already started going out. You can view/listen to the podcasts on our church YouTube channel or from our website.

12 YEARS OF HEALING WORK!

Believe it or not, 12 years ago Alcoholics Anonymous partnered with us to host a local meeting, regional gatherings, and celebrations here at Hawfields. Every year, our group celebrates their anniversary with us with a Halloween bash potluck. To put plainly, we are invited to attend! Costumes are welcome. Books for jails and prisons are welcome and being collected. Hosted on **October 30th** (Thursday), the meal starts at 6:30pm and the guest speaker begins at 7:30pm. come be a part of the celebration!

QUART JARS NEEDED

The Youth Group is in need of quart jars and/or lids for an upcoming fundraiser. If you have jars you would like to donate, please leave them with Mandy Ealy.

NURSERY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

We're seeking some volunteers to lend a hand in our nursery! If interested, please reach out to Mandy.

Sunday, October 19th:

AM: 1 - _____

PM: 1 - _____

2 - _____

Sunday, October 26th:

AM: 1 - _____

PM: 1 - _____

2 - _____

TOYS FOR TOTS

Once again this year Presbyterian Women is partnering With Toys for Tots for our angel tree. All donations will be used for children in our area. Collection boxes are located in the vestibule of the sanctuary and in the fellowship hall. Donations of unwrapped toys for all ages are accepted, (no clothing, please)! The areas that they have the greatest need are toys for ages 0-2 and 9-11 but nothing is turned down. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, the youth will use that money to shop for the toys. Money can be placed in the offering box or delivered to the church office. All checks should be made to Hawfields Presbyterian Women. Toys need to be in by **November 30th** and money in by **November 16th**. Let's make this our most successful angel tree ever!!!!

BLANKETS AVAILABLE

Our Busy Bees have made some warm blankets for you to enjoy during the services located in the Sanctuary and Fellowship hall.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:00 AM Youth Sunday School
9:15 AM Coffee & Treats (F. Hall)
10:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
11:00 AM Youth—Pumpkin Patch
3:00 PM Girl Scout Meeting
5:00 PM Hawfields Community Meal
6:00 PM Faith @ Night Service

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

11:00 AM Staff Meeting & Prayer
4:00 PM Manna Market
7:00 PM Boy Scouts Meeting (F. Hall)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

10:00 AM Busy Bees Workshop
1:30 PM Hawfields Jammers
5:00 PM Linking Lives Prayer Chat
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal
6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous (Fleming)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fleming Room)
10:00 AM Session Meeting

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

4:30 PM Youth Prep for Brunswick Stew

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:00 AM Walking Group (church track)
8:00 AM Youth—Brunswick Stew
2:00 PM Trunk or Treat

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

9:00 AM Youth Sunday School
9:15 AM Coffee & Treats (F. Hall)
10:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
10:00 AM Hymnal Dedication
6:00 PM Faith @ Night Service

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BY THE NUMBERS _____ 10/12/25

Giving Budget 2025 \$346,202.00

Gen. Fund YTD \$168,097.20

Needed monthly \$28,850.17

G.F. Month to Date \$5,425.52

Needed weekly \$6,657.73

Gen. Fund Last Week \$1,787.51

Building Fund \$110.00

Youth \$0.00

Helping Hands Balance \$2,989.07