

Devote yourselves to prayer . . .

Colossians 4:2a

To have someone listed on the prayer panel, please contact the Church Office.

At Home

Sharon Leggin—severe neck injury

Expectant Families

Rudy & Liz Gomes—April

Michael & Megan Cox—June

Daniel and Jessica Hadley—June

Kevin & Dani Siegers—August

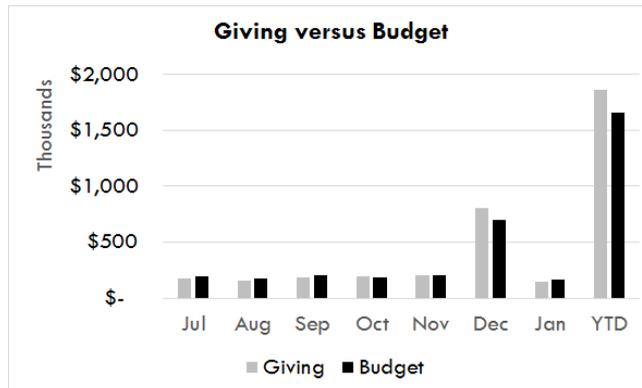
Missions Focus

Philemon Ministries

Leader Focus

Andy Horvath, Director of Ministries

Our Coming . . . Our Giving to Him



PRAYER CHAIN—Submit prayer requests on the Welcome Panel, by emailing Colleen (cgrammer@huntvalleychurch.org), calling Pat Phelps (410-870-0026) or clicking “Prayer Needs” on the home page of the Bridge. Include your contact information so we can confirm details, if necessary.

To donate online, text: [huntvalleychurch](https://www.huntvalleychurch.org) to 77977
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HVC In Community

COMMUNION & PRAYER NEEDS—Communion will be celebrated at all services next Sunday, February 25. Gluten-free communion bread is available at the Welcome Center. Elders will be available after each service to pray for special needs. This is also the time when we remind the congregation of our church’s Mercy Fund which goes to meet practical needs in our congregation and community. Gifts can be made through the HVC app, on our website, through the Bridge, or by check. Please mark “Mercy Fund” on your donation.

ELDER NOMINATIONS—Nominations for elder will be received from February 5—February 19. To learn more about the role elders play, the qualifications for those who serve, and the process by which they are elected, you may pick up information at the Welcome Centers or visit www.huntvalleychurch.org/nominate.

A NIGHT BEFORE THE THRONE—Join us Friday, March 9, from 7-8pm in the Main Campus building for an hour of music, scripture and prayer led by the HVC Music Team. All are welcome (including kids!)

LENTEN DEVOTIONS—Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, and lasts until the day before Easter. Lent is a time to ask God to help us acknowledge our own mortality and sinfulness; to ask Him to show us our need for grace; to grow in repentance; and, to reflect on the amazing truth of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

With such weighty topics, it is very worthwhile to have a guide. The resources below can help us be attentive to God’s work and experience his presence during this season. These are resources we’re familiar with and have found helpful:

- Tim Muldoon, *The Ignatian Workout for Lent*
- Henri Nouwen, *Show Me the Way*
- Emilie Griffin, *Small Surrenders*
- Alicia Britt Chole, *40 Days of Decrease*
- lentreading.wordpress.com/ incorporates Scripture, prayer, art and music.
- tinyurl.com/ntwrightlent N. T. Wright provides his own Scripture translation, brief reflection, and a prayer.
- tinyurl.com/biblegatewaylent includes a prayer, Scripture, quote by a Christian author, and a reflection question.
- ilent.org/ Read, hear, do, respond.



THE CROWN

“The Crown Rules Wisely”

February 18, 2018

Go ahead and submit to God’s authority and wisdom. There is no point in resisting, and why would you want to fight the will of the one who knows everything and loves you more than you can fathom? He may want you to stay where you are; he might take you somewhere you didn’t even know was on the map.

- Amy Simpson

“It’s a dangerous business, Frodo, going out your door. You step onto the road, and if you don’t keep your feet, there’s no knowing where you might be swept off to.”

— J.R.R. Tolkien, *The Lord of the Rings*

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Service Times
8:00am, 9:30am, and 11:00am
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New Message Series

THE CROWN – Perhaps you are intrigued by the current Netflix series on Queen Elizabeth, or just by royalty in general because it seems so exotic compared to our own country and culture. However, there is no greater crown than the one that currently rests on the head of the Christ, and many do not truly understand His authority or His splendor. Join us this Lenten Season for a unique study on the Old Testament Book of 1 Kings that will help us understand more deeply the implications of that crown and the true meaning of Easter.

Call to Worship

Prayer

Offering

Community Matters

Scripture Reading

Message

Frank Boswell

Closing

1 Kings 3:1–15 (NIV84)

1 Solomon made an alliance with Pharaoh king of Egypt and married his daughter. He brought her to the City of David until he finished building his palace and the temple of the Lord, and the wall around Jerusalem.

2 The people, however, were still sacrificing at the high places, because a temple had not yet been built for the Name of the Lord. **3** Solomon showed his love for the Lord by walking according to the statutes of his father David, except that he offered sacrifices and burned incense on the high places.

4 The king went to Gibeon to offer sacrifices, for that was the most important high place, and Solomon offered a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. **5** At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, “Ask for whatever you want me to give you.”

6 Solomon answered, “You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day.

7 “Now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. **8** Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. **9** So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?”

10 The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this. **11** So God said to him, “Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, **12** I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be. **13** Moreover, I will give you what you have not asked for—both riches and honor—so that in your lifetime you will have no equal among kings. **14** And if you walk in my ways and obey my statutes and commands as David your father did, I will give you a long life.” **15** Then Solomon awoke—and he realized it had been a dream.

He returned to Jerusalem, stood before the ark of the Lord’s covenant and sacrificed burnt offerings and fellowship offerings. Then he gave a feast for all his court.

SERMON NOTES:

Welcome

We would like to extend a very special welcome to all our guests and visitors. If you would like help with any personal needs or concerns or would like more information about HVC, please stop by the Welcome Center or fill out this Welcome Panel. It may be placed in the offering plate or handed in at the Welcome Center.

I would like to:

- learn more about what it means to be a follower of Christ
 know more about the next Vision Possible class for newcomers
 update my family’s information (see below)
 have Prayer Team pray about (name & phone# required):
 learn more about: Core Groups Children’s Ministries
 Middle School Ministries High School Ministries
 other _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

I am a: 1st time guest 2nd time guest attender member

Your Age (check): 18-24 25-34 35-54 55-69 70+

Number of Children Attending in each age group:

B-preK K-4th 5-8th 9-12th

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