

We're so glad you're here!

Please **register your attendance** using the pad on your pew or the QR code on the bulletin cover.

Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Dr. Peter Booher by his family.

Are you free Sunday mornings during the 10 o'clock hour? Looking for community but not necessarily a class? Join us for a laid back time of **coffee and conversations** beginning today. Join us in Room 216 of the Wesley Worship Center.

Adult music ensemble rehearsals begin Wednesday.

We have a **Disciple III class** starting Thursday. It will focus on prophets as we remember who we are. Designed to establish the historical context in which the prophets spoke for God, daily reading assignments draw on the books of Deuteronomy through Chronicles. Visit our Events page to register.

UMCOR Christmas gift shoe boxes are located in the Clinton Avenue and Greene Street lobbies. There are two ways to participate: make a \$25 donation to UMCOR or fill a shoe box with items from the list attached to each box. The deadline is Friday.

Join us for **Leading@Hsv1st**, a six-week course to nurture and equip potential leaders. It begins Wednesday, August 27 from 6 to 8PM. Scan the QR Code to register.



HUNTSVILLE FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

called to influence our community to know the love of Christ

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Thursday 8:30AM - 4PM
Friday 8:30AM - Noon



Today

Nursery is open for children through age 3. Register children ages 4 (as of September 1) through second grade for Children's Church at the Welcome Desk in the Wesley Center. Sermon Notes for third through sixth graders are in the back of the sanctuary.

The **church library** is open from 9:20 to 10:50AM.

Wednesday

Music ensemble rehearsals: **First Family Singers**, 6-7PM, Room 220; **Heavenly Honkers**, 6-7PM, Room 212; **Sanctuary Choir**, 7-8:30PM, Room 204.

Thursday

The **church library** is open from 1 to 3PM.

Friday

Men's Breakfast Group, 7:30AM, Room 129. Cost is \$10. Email Dick Titus at rc Titus@cowboys.uwyo.edu for details.



SENIOR PASTOR

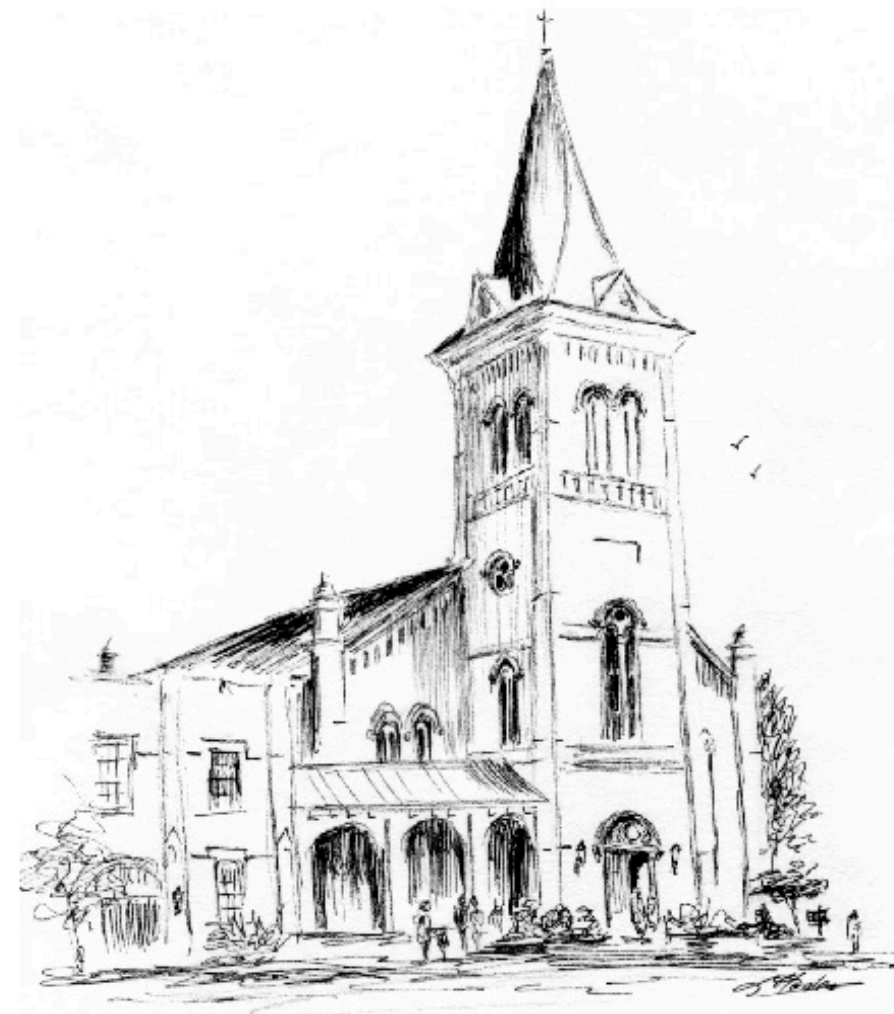
Rev. Byron Vance

ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Rev. Rachel McKelvy Boggs, Rev. Bill Crosby,
Rev. Coy Hallmark, Rev. Joe Vonderheide, Rev. June Wilson

HUNTSVILLE FIRST

United Methodist Church



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

10 AUGUST 2025 | 9 and 11AM

Using your smartphone camera, please scan the QR Code at right to register your attendance.

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Welcome to worship!

You are invited to read/sing the **bold print** appearing throughout the bulletin. Kindly silence all electronic devices.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal

FWS = The Faith We Sing

*please stand as able

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | Jason Payne

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 50*

Liturgist: The Lord, the Mighty One, God the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting!

People: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth!

Liturgist: Our God comes and does not keep silence,

**People: before him is a devouring fire,
and around him a mighty tempest.**

Liturgist: Let us be mindful of His presence
and offer our worship with grateful hearts,
for He is the righteous judge.

**People: Let us come before Him with reverence and humility,
acknowledging His majesty and power.**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | LOBE DEN HERREN

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 881

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 church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND CONCERNS

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.

OFFERTORY

Adagio on How Firm a Foundation | Hal Hopson

*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION and BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Children ages 4 through second grade are invited to come to the back of the sanctuary and go with a “Shepherd” to Children’s Church (Wesley Center, Room 208/210). Pick up children in the Wesley Center after the service.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION UMH 332

Spirit of Faith, Come Down | BEALOTH

*SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 2:1-14 (pew Bible, page 325, Old Testament)

11AM **ANTHEM** | SANCTUARY CHOIR

Be Thou My Vision | Dan Forrest

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
nought be all else to me, save that thou art,
thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great father, and I thy true son,
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor men’s empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always, t
hou and thou only, first in my heart,
high king of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High king of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s sun,
heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

SERMON | Rev. Byron Vance

*CLOSING HYMN UMH 529

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Vi. Final, Symphony 1 | Louis Vierne

As the music plays, you may depart or remain seated in prayerful meditation.

SERMON NOTES

**Clergy Assist
Director of Music & Organist
Acoltyes**

Ushers

Lay Liturgists

Rev. Bill Crosby
Jillian Gardner
9AM Delaney Canupp, Emory Shelor
11AM Davis Spradley, Russell Spradley
9AM Charlie Bishop, Jeff Jones, Joe Sutton
11AM John Bellis, Gene Bowman, Jim Green,
Lise Wilson
9AM Johnnie Hargrove
11AM Caroline Buncick