

*The HBC Weekly Forecast*  
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Our world loves to talk about compromise. “Just go with the flow,” is often the advice we receive when we face difficult issues and want to avoid conflict. But when it comes to standing for our convictions, compromise is the furthest thing from God’s plan.

Because when we stand for what we believe, the blessings are unbelievable!

In this Sunday’s message, Pastor Lynwood will continue our discovery of the Old Testament prophet Daniel. By studying Daniel’s refusal to compromise what he believed, we discover the focus isn’t about fighting against culture. Rather, it’s about being resolved to focus first and foremost on God. When we do that, we will experience the blessings of God no matter what happens in the world around us.

There so many issues that compete for our attention. So many causes and issues to distract our focus upon God and the good things he has planned for us. Wouldn’t you like to resolve whether the abundant life in Jesus is God’s plan for your life? Good news.... It Is!

***Join us live at HBC 10:00 am this Sunday for wonderful  
and safe worship – Or tune into Facebook Live and  
join in with our virtual worship experience –  
Either way - Invite a friend!***

## ***Alarmed... Yet Resolved!***

Do you ever look around at all that is happening in our world today, or even within the realm of your own life, and feel fear grip your heart? So, how do we navigate both our fears and our faith? How do we trust God when everything around us in the world today leaves us feeling quite alarmed?



One of my favorite kings to study over the last few years has been King Jehoshaphat. Although his story is only found in tucked-away parts of Scripture, what I really love is his absolute resolve to trust in the Lord.

Scripture teaches us that Jehoshaphat was a good king who walked in the ways of King David. Rather than seeking false gods, Jehoshaphat sought after the Lord; therefore, God was with him. (2 Chronicles 17:4) Of course, this doesn't mean Jehoshaphat never faced fear-inducing situations. In 2 Chronicles 20, we find that three countries have banded together, forming a massive army to attack Jehoshaphat's much smaller country of Judah. If ever there were a time for a king to feel alarmed, this would have been it. But Jehoshaphat didn't fall apart.

I am both inspired and challenged by how this king chose to react to his overwhelming circumstances: *"Alarmed, Jehoshaphat resolved to inquire of the LORD, and he proclaimed a fast for all Judah"* (2 Chronicles 20:3). He had both the feelings of alarm that are a natural human response to his threatening situation and a supernatural resolve to inquire of the Lord. The resolve was a predetermined pattern built over time that emerged as naturally as the feelings of alarm rose within him.

I want this for my life. I want my resolve to inquire of the Lord to be my first response, not my last resort when feelings of alarm arise with threatening situations. But to be honest with you, I think I still need some work in this area.

Though seeking the Lord doesn't always come naturally as my first response, it is the only way to infuse supernatural strength into my resolve. The more I turn to the Lord in daily struggles, the more natural it is to return to Him in times of unexpected trouble.

Does this mean I'll never wrestle with feelings of fear? Of course not. But I'm learning that while we can sometimes feel afraid, we don't have to live with being afraid.

We can be alarmed and resolved at the same time. We can let our declaration mirror Jehoshaphat's words to God in 2 Chronicles 20:12b, *"We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you..."*

*On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood*

# The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor

March 15, 2022

Budget \$4307.00

Annie Armstrong \$20.00

Cashin Cashout Journey Rent \$435.00

Cashin Cashout Sedgefield Snacks \$15.00

Cashin Cashout Sonshine Kids \$40.00

Cashin Cashout RR Doors \$70.00

Cashin Cashout Easter Egg Hunt \$15.00

Food Pantry \$35.00

Total Deposit \$4937.00



## Kids Easter Party & Egg Hunt



### Sonshine Kids Easter Egg Hunt and Party

Saturday, April 9th 11am– 2pm

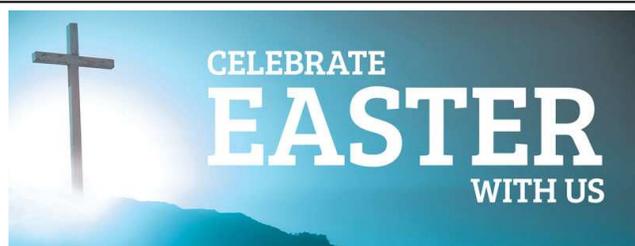
**REGISTER YOUR KIDS TODAY!**

#### WE NEED

- ◆ Individually wrapped candy that will fit in plastic eggs (yes it can be chocolate) Needed by March 27, we will be having a egg stuffing party on Thursday, March 31st at 6pm.
- ◆ People to help head up a table, kitchen workers, clean up and set up the sanctuary after the event, registration and greeters. If you can only help a hour, we have a place for you!
- ◆ People to spread the word about the Egg Hunt and Party

Please let me know if you want to help. There will be a meeting after morning worship March 27th for all workers. Please let me know as soon as possible so that way I know how to prepare. Dreama

***Serving our Community with the Love of Jesus!***



Good Friday Service April 15 7pm  
 Easter Celebration April 17 10am

**Happy Birthday In March**

- 3/17 Christy Kuhlne
- 3/18 Judy France
- 3/24 Brian Fries
- 3/31 Kirk Crippen



**Annie Armstrong**  
**Easter Offering**  
 Total to date \$70.00



If you know anyone in need of food, please tell them to contact the church office and we will be able to help them.



*We want to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Marva Jean Flowers who passed away this week. Please be in prayer for this family During this difficult time.*

**Calendar**

**Tuesday, March 15th**

1pm-2pm Food Distribution

**Wednesday, March 16th**

7pm Facebook Bible Study

**Thursday, March 17th**

Happy St. Patricks Day

1pm- 2pm Food Distribution

**Sunday, March 20th**

10am Live and Virtual Worship at HBC

10am Sunshine Kids

**Tuesday, March 22nd**

1pm-2pm Food Distribution

**Wednesday, March 23rd**

7pm Facebook Bible Study

**Thursday, March 24th**

1pm-2pm Food Distribution

**Sunday, March 27th**

10am Live and Virtual Worship at HBC

10am Sunshine Kids

-Meeting with Kids Easter Workers immediately following worship.

-Food Collection Sunday.

**Lock up/ Hall Monitor**

3/20 Robbie Ayscue

3/27 Don Moore

**Counter**

3/21 Kathy Caskie

3/28 Sue Monfalcone

**Kids Church Helper**

3/20 Tracy Venable

3/27 Youth

**Missions Outreach—Pam Cooke 660-4226**

**Sedgefield Elementary School Teacher/ Staff Outreach**

We once again have the awesome opportunity to reach out to the teachers and staff of Sedgefield Elementary School to encourage and bless them. There is stationary and names at the Mission Outreach table that you can pick up and write a note of encourage and support to a staff member of Sedgefield. Also you can bring individually wrapped snacks and we will be taking it to them when they come back from Spring Break. All cards and snacks are due back by April 3rd.

**Sedgefield Elementary Canstructure Team  
Needs Our Help!**

The 5th graders in the Engineering Club are having contest where they build structures with the canned foods and they asked if HBC could help with collecting canned goods for the project. Can you help by bringing some canned goods to HBC by April 17th? The competition is that week. After the competition all the donations will go to the Peninsula Food Bank.

Place your donations at the Mission Outreach Table.



**WMU Focus**

The WMU Focus project for the month of March is the Sonshine Kids.

**Food Pantry at HBC**

HBC gives food away on Tuesdays and Thursday. See Sue Monfalcone to volunteer and for more information on how you can help. Bring your non-perishable food to restock the pantry the last Sunday of every month.

**Aluminum Cans**

Recycle your cans at HBC and help Support missions! Bring them to HBC and place them in the gym or the church office. All money collected goes to missions!

**Pray for our Missionaries**

Stanley Clark, Sherry Cody, Robin Tinley, Audrey Tucker, (American People)

RE (Central Asian People) Donna Qualls (East Asian People) BK ,Terra Lindsey, Joy Price (European People) BC, CN (South Asian People) Jeff Thompson (British Columbia) Adam Muhtaseb (MD) Patrick Bryan (OK) Gary Floyd (OR)

**Serve The City**

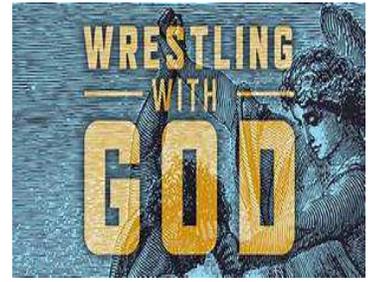
There are many ways you can serve. Go to the website [STCpeninsula.com](http://STCpeninsula.com) to see how you can serve. You don't have to build anything, there are so many ways to serve. Check it out!

**Community Dinner**

Friday, March 25th, We need you! See Pam Cooke on where you can serve!

## ***Wrestling With God***

This past week, I have been thinking about Jacob wrestling all night long with an angel. In some ways, I felt like I could identify with Jacob. Struggling through some nights in passionate prayer and feeling like God was silent.



Have you ever felt like at times in something with which you have struggled with God, that you have had a similar experience?

I must admit that I wrestle with God about a lot of things, but it seems I always come out better for it on the other side of the experience. I am talking about an active engagement of struggle with God - my will or His will, my desire or His better desire for my life.

In our microwave, drive-thru society today, this runs counterintuitive to what so many people expect from God and their religious experience. What a shame that so many people seem content to come to church, get a “touch” in their lives, and then simply try to go on living from touch, to touch, to touch.

I believe God wants to do more than merely touch us - God wants to change us – and to do so from the inside out!

In Genesis 32, Jacob got a hold of that angel of God with which he was wrestling, and the Bible says that the angel touched him on his hip. When he touched him on his hip, the result was actually that it became permanently disjointed. Then the angel said, now let me go, for the dawning of a new day is upon us.

But Jacob refused to let him go, until he was not only touched, but until he was changed. What I love about Jacob is that he said, *'I WILL NOT LET YOU GO, UNTIL YOU BLESS ME!'*

The angel stood back and said, alright, you have just moved from a touch to a change, and I am going to change your name and what people call you. No longer will you be called Jacob, but you shall be called Israel, for you are now a prince with God.

God changed a man's name, because he continued to wrestle to hold on to God for more. God changed his walk, his nature, and his future because Jacob said, I am not content with just being touched!

Think about it... Jacob could have lived the rest of his life with this, and bragged about how an angel touched him, but he pressed on until he got his change and became a prince with God known as Israel!

What could be the outcome of your wrestling with God today?

## *Peace*

There once was a King who offered a prize to the artist who would create a painting that best demonstrated peace. Many artists tried.

The King looked at all the paintings, but there were only two he really liked and he had to choose between them.

One painting was of a beautiful and calm lake scene. The lake was a mirror reflecting the towering snowcapped mountains all around it. Overhead was a blue sky with fluffy white clouds. Most who saw this painting thought that it was the perfect picture of peace.

The other painting had mountains too. But these were rugged and bare. Above was an angry sky from which rain fell, and lightning danced. Down the side of one mountain tumbled a turbulent waterfall.

When the King looked, he saw that behind the waterfall grew a tiny bush from a crack in the rock. Within the bush a bird had built a nest. There, in the midst of the rush of angry water, sat the mother bird in her nest.

The King chose this picture as the one best demonstrating peace.

People grumbled at the King's choice. The king responded to the people saying that he chose the second picture because peace did not mean being in a place where there is no noise, trouble, or hard work.

The King explained that true peace meant to be in the midst of all those things and yet still be calm in heart.

We live in a fast-paced world full of turmoil. Perhaps even now you are experiencing significant challenges that threaten to knock your world off balance and threaten to rob you of peace. Still, as the story points out, the absence of turmoil isn't the real meaning of peace.

Like the King in the story, our King, Jesus, knows the meaning of peace. He hasn't chosen to take us out of this world, or to remove all of the sources of trouble, but rather to protect us and offer us the peace that only He can give.

In John 16:33 Jesus says, *"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."*

Is your world feeling disrupted? Are you looking for peace? It is not in the easy times that we tend to look and find Christ, but usually the more turbulent ones. Turn to Jesus, who will be your shelter in times of storm.





## ***Giving Back To God***

The purpose of tithing is to teach us to always put God first in our lives. God doesn't need our money. He wants what it represents: our gratitude, our priorities and our faith. Look at these verses in **Proverbs 3**. Do you see where it says, '*Honor the Lord by giving him the leftovers of all your income*'. Now, you can see, that's **NOT** what it says at all.

It says, "*Honor the Lord with your possessions and with the first produce of your entire harvest*..". We give to God first, before anyone else, right off the top of our income. And here is the promise, "*Then your barns will be completely filled, and your vats will overflow with new wine*".

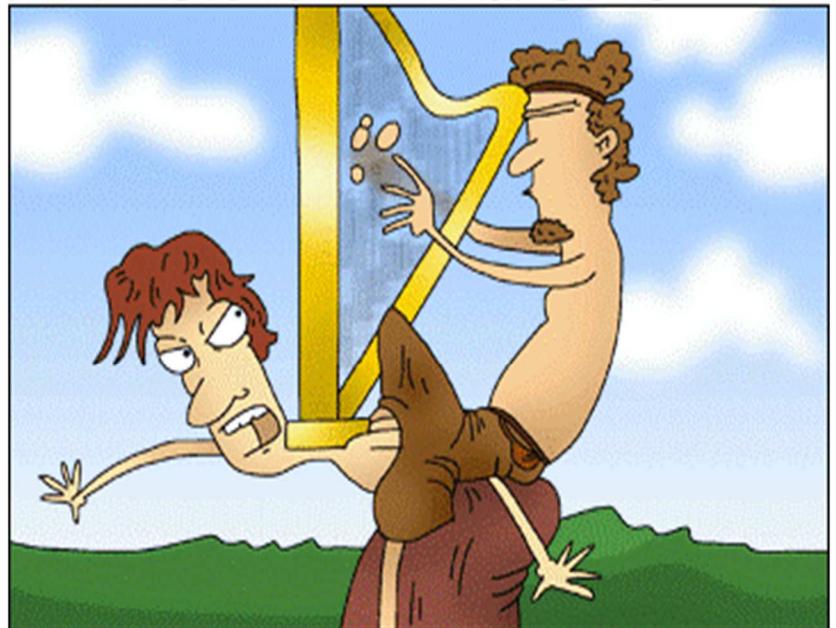
As committed believers, we are called to give the first 10% to God. If we're going to be in debt, we will be in debt to other people, but should not be in debt to God. You and I are called to give back to God in gratitude, but also as a demonstration of our priorities. And, it is a demonstration of our faith in his promises.

In **Malachi 3:10**, God says, "*Bring all the tithes into the storehouse* ...". That means the place where you worship. Then God says, "*Put me to the test!*" In a sense, "Test me and see how I will bless you for your obedience". God says he will provide all that you need. He doesn't say he'll provide all that we greed, but all that we need.

***God is doing some exciting  
new and powerful things  
through the faithful people  
of God at HBC...***

***Please remember  
your commitments and giving  
and be part  
of the  
miracle!***

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SERIOUSLY, DAVID ... WHY DO YOU  
ALWAYS HAVE TO BE HARPING ON ME



## ***A Calm and Quiet Soul***

*“LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor my eyes lofty. Neither do I concern myself with great matters, nor with things too profound for me. Surely I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with his mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me. O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forever.” – Psalm 131*

Facing an uncertain future, our minds can easily become overwhelmed with speculation and worry. Then, after an event has taken place, we can be plagued by a different kind of turmoil: Looking backward, we can become obsessed with the past, wondering if we did the right thing.

Facing these choices, is there any hope? How can you know the gift of peace for your past and the promise of blessing in your future?

David learned how to have peace when faced with such problems. First, he learned the importance of being humble before God and submitting his mind and heart to Him. When he made mistakes, he knew he must confess them to Him.

Our human thinking can assume we must carry all the burdens ourselves. But humility and trust in God are keys to having a calm mind. As we commit our ways to the Lord, we should recognize that He's the Creator and our Father. He cares for us and is watching over us.

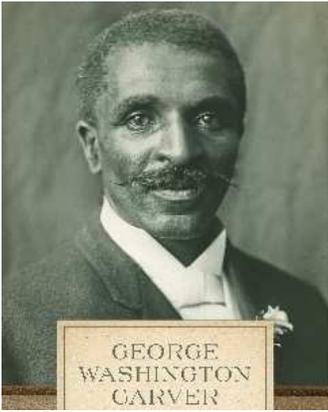
David also said he calmed and quieted his soul “like a weaned child.” This presents a powerful picture, for children like this can be confident, knowing their mothers always are near, ready to help and comfort.

If you find yourself filled with turmoil and anxiety, start focusing on God. Commit your needs to Him. Speak His promises. Turn every problem over to Him, just as weaned children trust in their mothers.

Humble yourself in the presence of the Lord, and submit your life and every issue you face to Him. Then start praising Him and thanking Him for His answers.

Right now, calm and quiet your soul, and receive His peace. Place your hope in Him!

*“Father, I humble myself before You. I commit release the chaos of my situations to the calmness of your Spirit. I hear you speak “Peace!” to my spirit and serenity to my soul. Thank You for Your peace and Your answers. I trust in You. In Jesus’ name. Amen”*



## ***All Things Are Possible!***

*"Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'" – Matthew 19:26*

The future must have seemed hopeless for George Washington Carver. He lived during a time when there were few opportunities and overwhelming obstacles for African-Americans.

Born on a farm in Missouri around 1864, he had a difficult childhood. His body was frail, and he often was sick. He never really knew his natural father. While still an infant, Carver – along with his sisters and mother – was kidnapped by raiders. Although he was rescued, the others died or disappeared.

Yet Carver did not allow these obstacles to stand in his way. He demonstrated determination and a drive to learn. He eventually graduated from Iowa Agricultural College where he taught before moving on to Tuskegee College in Alabama.

In spite of what seemed like impossible barriers, Carver went on to make many amazing discoveries, including hundreds of innovative uses for peanuts, soybeans, pecans, and sweet potatoes. He also developed a crop rotation method that revolutionized agriculture.

What was his secret? Faith in God. He prayed, “those whom He has redeemed learn to walk with Him not only daily or hourly,” but moment by moment. He asked God for wisdom “to do His will.” Carver simply believed that all things were possible.

Think about your life. Whatever you face, trust in God. Don't limit Him. Fill your mind with His Word, and be ready to step out in faith. Believe that He will answer your prayers. If you ask, all things are possible.

## ***The Last Laugh...***

### ***“Bubba’s Hearing And The Pastor”***

“What’s wrong, Bubba?” asked the pastor.

“I need you to pray for my hearing,” said Bubba.

The pastor put his hands on Bubba’s ears and prayed.

When he was done, he asked, “So how’s your hearing?”

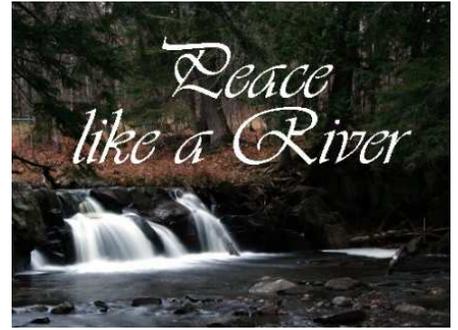
“I don’t know,” said Bubba. “It isn’t until next Tuesday!”



## *When You Know Peace Like A River*

What's the one thing you need most in your life right now? Less stress? Fewer fears? A clearer mind? A sense of security?

I keep telling myself, if I had all of the above, I would finally have what I want most: peace. No fretful thoughts, no nagging worries. Now God is showing me how this really works.



When His peace flows through us, our stress eases, our fears fade, our minds clear, and our sense of security becomes firmly rooted in Him. This exchange takes place when we are filled with the Holy Spirit of God.

So, peace is where we start, not where we land.

Peace has one Source: *“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid” (John 14:27).* Peace is a gift, pure and simple, placed in our hands by a loving Savior, who assures us it's *“the kind of peace that only I can give.”*

The word in Greek—eiréné—means “peace, quietness, rest.” Just the sound of those words can calm our anxious hearts. Like taking a long, deep breath, then slowly exhaling. It reflects the Hebrew word, shalom, a common farewell in Israel.

Peace. Quietness. Rest. Shalom.

Guess what else eiréné means? It can be translated, “One, wholeness.” It's everything that truly matters, all joined together.

*Apart from God? No peace.*

*With God? Peace like a river!*

Even in the midst of heartache and loss? Yes, especially then. In the loss of loved ones to know they are immediately with God. What greater peace could we ask for or assurance could we know?

“The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:7). Transcend means we don't get it and won't get it. It's far above our comprehension and way beyond our intellectual reach.

This is a good thing. If we could manufacture peace on our own, we might not turn to God. Instead, we need Him every hour.



## ***What's On The Other Side?***

A sick man turned to his doctor, as he was leaving the room after paying a visit, and said, "Doctor, I am afraid to die. Tell me what lies on the other side."

Very quietly the doctor said, "I don't know."

"You don't know? You, a Christian man, do not know what is on the other side?"

The doctor was holding the handle of the door, on the other side of which came a sound of scratching and whining, and as he opened the door a dog sprang into the room and leaped on him with an eager show of gladness.

Turning to the patient, the doctor said, "Did you notice that dog? He had never been in this room before. He did not know what was inside. He knew nothing except that his master was here, and when the door opened he sprang in without fear.

I know little of what is on the other side of death, but I do know one thing: I know my Master is there, and that is enough. And when the door opens, I shall pass through with no fear, but gladness."

## ***One Last Laugh...***

A pastor had had a bad week. On Sunday he was very frustrated, and he began his sermon, "All members of this church are going to hell if they don't change their ways."

One man in the back began to laugh.

So the pastor said it again louder.

The man continued to laugh.

The pastor went back to him and asked him why he was laughing.

He answered, "Because I don't belong to this church!"



