



December 20, 2015
The Fourth Sunday of Advent - LOVE

Congregational Singing Harvest Praise Team
Angels We Have Heard on High

Welcome and Announcements Joel Bradberry

Advent Reading and Prayer Riley Family

Quiet and Worshipful Reflection Christie Stone, Henry Murphree
Emmanuel

Invocation/Prayer of Confession David Walker

Congregational Singing Harvest Praise Team
It's About the Cross
Jesus Thank You
By Faith

Children's Catechism – All children K-5 are invited to come forward.

Prayer & Worship through Giving Barry Taylor

Offertory/Congregational Singing Harvest Praise Team
Nothing but the Blood

If you are visiting with us today please do not feel compelled to give. If you filled out a visitor card feel free to put it in the offering basket.

Worship in the Word "The Mystery of Christmas" Joel Bradberry
I Timothy 3:14-16

Lottie Moon Offering

Closing Song Harvest Praise Team
It's About the Cross (reprise)

Benediction Alex Crain
Romans 15:13

Question/answer for this week's Children's Catechism – **What is the church?** A community elected for eternal life and united by faith, who love, follow, learn from and worship God together.

Our ingathering for the **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** is today.

HCF will have its annual **Christmas Eve Service** at 6:00pm this Thursday at CHES. Please make plans to join us as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Our next **Members' Meeting** will be January 10th at 7:00pm at Fairmount Christian Church. Please mark this date on your calendar.

Community Groups are underway! If you're a member at HCF it's not too late to sign up; in fact you're really encouraged to join in! If you'd like to sign up please talk with Alex Crain (441-1003).

New Theology@9 Classes begin on January 3rd:

Biblical Counseling - Counseling is the opportunity to give advice to someone who asks for it. What makes counseling different for Christians is that our advice is centered on God's wisdom, and not our own. We are not giving our own opinion; rather, we are trying to help people to view their situations from God's perspective.

Systematic Theology - Systematic Theology seeks to arrange the whole of Biblical teaching into logical, topical divisions. This, then, allows for the formulation of doctrine and helps us to construct an overall view of the nature of God, as He has revealed Himself in Scripture, and the manner in which He interacts with His creation.

The following two classes will be split as each one is 6 weeks:

Baptist Essentials - Can Christians do fine with God, and without the church? To answer that question, we need to think carefully about what the Bible says about the church; to think about the theology of the church. What we'll find is that far from being optional, the church is central to God's plan. Far from being something that is reserved for scholars in ivory towers, the theology of the church matters for you and me because God has spoken.

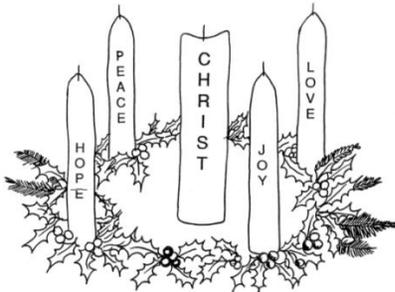
Christians in the Workplace - Americans spend more time working than any activity other than sleeping. For something so central to our daily lives, so central to our lives in general, it's important to ask the simple question, "Why do I work?"

Men's Bible Study – Our men's study will not meet the remainder of December and will resume on Friday, January 8th.

Women's Bible Study – Wednesdays at 10:30am to 12:00 noon at the home of Priscilla Riley, 3731 Horseshoe Drive, Quinton, VA. The ladies are currently studying the book of Romans.

Youth Worship Service – there will be no Youth Worship Christmas week (Dec. 23) or New Year's week (Dec. 30).

There will be an elder (Buddy Pritchard) available in the front office at the conclusion of worship to pray with you or attempt to answer any questions you have about HCF or the Christian faith.



On the fourth Sunday of Advent we place the banner of **Love**. This banner is said to represent **love** and the **presence** of the Savior.

HCF Elders

Buddy Pritchard, Buck Wicker, John Riley, Wesley Loveday, Joel Bradberry, and David Walker.

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**Sunday School & Theology @ 9 – 9:00A.M.
Worship Service - 10:15 A.M.**

"I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these things to you so that, if I delay, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth. Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness: He was manifested in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory."

I Timothy 3:14-16