

Welcome to
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Harrisonburg Baptist Church

In the Beginning: Genesis in Scripture, Prayer and Song

A Service of Song, Prayer and Scripture
by Carolyn Gillette

SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025

10:30 AM

Welcome

Rev. Matt Winters

Introduction

Reader

Ron Smith

Creation

Call to Worship

Genesis 1:1-5

Rev. Eli Withers

Leader: In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

People: Then God said, "Let there be light" and there was light,

Leader: And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness.

People: God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Leader: Let us worship God, the creator of heaven and earth!

***Hymn** *At the Dawn of Your Creation*

Reader Cindy Skelley

Hymn *The Earth is the Lord's*

Sabbath

Readers Ethann Anye and Trace Belcher

Hymn *O God, You Made the Sabbath Day*

Sin

Reader Debbie Dail

Call to Confession Randy Dail

Sung Prayer of Confession *One Person's Sin Changed Every Life*
Char Turner, autoharp; Gabrielle Schofield, solo; Congregation

Silent Prayer

*Please stand as you are able.

Assurance of Forgiveness and Singing our Praises to God

Reader

Karen Burke

Hymn

One Person's Sin Changed Every Life (continued)
Char Turner, autoharp; Gabrielle Schofield, solo; Congregation

Sharing the Peace

Please stand and greet one another with the words
“*The peace of Christ be with you.*” “*And also with you.*”

Promise

Children’s Message

Zoe Moser and Brittany Bowman

Hymn

Shades of Purple, Shades of Blue

Unison Prayer

Gary Ritcher

Creator God, we hear the biblical story of an environmental disaster, brought on by the sins of people and nations. May it remind us that our actions have consequences. When we sin against you and harm your beautiful creation, we threaten the planet you have placed in our care. Yet the rainbow reminds us of your promise. You want what is best for the world. Since you love this world so much, help us to love it, too. Help us to take care of what you have made. Amen.

Call

Readers

Lee & Marie Grieco

***Hymn**

Abraham Journeyed to a New Country

Prayer

Heidi Ruiz

Stargazing

Reader

Don Cude

Hymn

Old Abram Was Blest

Sacrifice

Reader

Christian Esleck

Hymn

When Abraham Went Up
HBC Choir

Everyone

Readers

Ashlynn Lilly, Erin Northen
and Leigha Winters

Hymn

O God of Truth & Glory

*Help
Minute for Mission*

Reader

Anne Wright

The Offering

Offertory Prayer

Lyn Weaver

Anthem

For Everyone Born
HBC Choir

Trenney

Hymn

Abraham Journeyed (continued)

Congregational Prayer Concerns

Reader

Tom Smith

Litany of Intercession

We Pray for Others

Rev. Katelyn Belcher

Bread

Readers

Bud Branch, David Hayes
and Phil Hoskins

Hymn

Joseph Was His Father's Favorite

Reader

Ron Smith

***Hymn**

We're Children of God

Benediction and Blessing

Rev. Matt Winters

Postlude

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
Kathy Northen, organ

arr. Wolz

We Greet One Another

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IF YOU ARE A GUEST with us today, we'd love to get to know you. Please take a moment after the service to visit the Info Desk to meet a staff member and receive a gift from HBC, or fill out a communication card to be added to our mailing list.

THIS WEEK AT HBC

For more information on these activities, speak to one of the pastors or contact the church office at 540.433.2456 or office@hbcalive.org.

TODAY 11:45am College & Young Adult Lunch
5:30pm Youth Dinner & Bible Study

MONDAY 7:00am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Mr. J's Bagels, E. Market St.)

TUESDAY 10:30am Tuesdays Together (B4)
4:00pm Jubellation Bell Practice

WEDNESDAY 10:00am Ladies' Prayer Group (B4)
6:00pm Youth Clothes Closet
6:00pm Ash Wednesday Dinner & Pastor Eli's Sabbatical Presentation
7:30pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY 2:00pm Phone & Internet Security for Senior Adults

SATURDAY 10:30am Community Bag Lunch

NEXT SUNDAY **Daylight Saving Time begins!**
9:15am Sunday School classes
10:30am Community Worship
11:45am College & Young Adult Lunch
5:30pm Youth Dinner & Bible Study

HBC MINISTRY STAFF

Rev. Dr. Matt Winters, Senior Pastor
Rev. Eli Withers, Associate Pastor
Rev. Katelyn Belcher, Youth Pastor
Dr. Gary Ritcher, Director of Music & Worship
Erin Waddell, Praise Team Leader
Rosemary Lonberger, Organist
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