

Devote yourselves to prayer . . .

Colossians 4:2a

To have someone listed on the Prayer Panel, please contact the Church Office.

At Home

Victor Covington—battling cancer
Joy Fox—recuperating from throat surgery
Steve Gudeman—recuperating from heart surgery
Jim & Ellen Meranda—health concerns

Expectant Families

Ben & Elena Mentzer—October 2011
Josh & Rachelle Ranck—October 2011
Michael & Christal Shelly—November 2011
Mark & Dana Devenney—November 2011
Tom & Tamara Watson—December 2011
Josh & Gretchen Soirez—December 2011

Missions Focus

Jason & Liz Polk, HIV/AIDS Care & Treatment Project, Ethiopia

Leader Focus

Colleen Grammer, Administrative Assistant

Your Giving...

	9/11 Week:	September Total:
Budgeted	\$35,612	\$142,448
Remaining:	\$616	\$75,560
Given	\$34,996	\$66,888

Budget Goal to date: (July 2011—September 2011) \$429,898

Giving to Date: (July 1st—September 11th) \$303,321

Did you know? We were a bit crowded last week at the church and the Point. We had about 80 middle school students in our Student Ministry! What a great challenge, please keep our Student Ministry leaders in your prayers as they lead these students toward Christ.

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY—You are encouraged to submit prayer requests on the Welcome Panel, by calling the Church Office, emailing Colleen (cgrammer@huntvalleychurch.org) or by calling Pat Phelps (410-870-0026); please provide a detailed message and include your contact information so we can contact you, if necessary.

HVC In Community

A VERY SPECIAL WELCOME to all of our guests. If you would like help with any personal needs or concerns, please stop by the Information Center in the Foyer or speak to one of our ushers.

SYMPATHY—We extend our sympathy in the Lord to the family of Emil “Buzzy” Budnitz, who passed away on Monday, September 12, 2011, after a battle with cancer.

COMMUNION & PRAYER NEEDS—Communion will be celebrated at both services on Sunday, September 25. Elders will also be available *after* each service to pray for special needs. Elders are set apart in scripture to “give [their] attention to prayer and the ministry of the word” (Acts 6:4; cf. James 5:14).

WELCOME—This morning we welcome Jason & Liz Polk, our newly supported missionaries to Ethiopia. Jason & Liz are long-term missionaries to Addis Ababa with the HIV/AIDS Care & Treatment Project, which cares for profound physical, spiritual and emotional needs of nearly 550 families struggling with HIV and urban poverty in this region. The Polks have been married for five years, have a 17-month old son, Nathan, and are expecting their 2nd child in December. If you would like to hear more about what the Polks are doing in Ethiopia, but cannot make it to the GO Team luncheon scheduled for today, there will be an informal dessert at the Pete & Alison Merani’s home on Wednesday, September 21st from 7-9pm. Call 410-296-1125 if you are interested in attending.

BAPTISM ORIENTATION—For parents wishing to have their children baptized, an orientation meeting with the pastor is scheduled for Monday, October 3, beginning at 7:15pm at the Point. This orientation provides an opportunity to clarify the significance of baptism for children and to answer questions so that it is as meaningful as possible. Both parents are asked to attend (without children; we are unable to provide childcare). Please RSVP to Colleen Grammer in the Church Office (cgrammer@huntvalleychurch.org or 410-771-0690).

HVC³ SERVICE OPPORTUNITY—A few good men, women or couples are needed to serve behind the scenes on the Secret Service Team to act as building closers for a few Sunday evenings monthly. If you plan on attending the HVC3 service and are looking for a way to serve, this could be for you. Training provided. Call Joyce Ruckman (410-771-0690 or joyce@huntvalleychurch.org).



BECOMING THE FUTURE “Redeeming a Dirty Word”

September 18, 2011

But all shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well.

- Julian of Norwich

Message Series

Becoming The Future—The church that Jesus established is like no other organization or movement on earth. It stands as totally unique in history because its origin and destiny are *beyond* history. What does that mean for our church today and our individual involvement in it? What are we supposed to look like? How is it possible to be people of the *future today*?! What are the traps that prevent us from accessing the fullness and freedom that is supposed to be ours? This year's summer series is an in-depth look at how Paul's letter to the Colossian church demonstrates that there is no need to look elsewhere for what we need, than to what we've already been given! Next Week: "Grace Gallery" (Col. 4:7-18)

BECOMING THE FUTURE "Redeeming a Dirty Word"

Colossians 4:2-6

2 Be persevering in your prayers and be thankful as you stay awake to pray. **3** Pray for us especially, asking God to throw open a door for us to announce the message and proclaim the mystery of Christ, for the sake of which I am in chains; **4** pray that I may proclaim it as clearly as I ought. **5** Act wisely with outsiders, making the best of the present time. **6** Always talk pleasantly and with a flavour of wit but be sensitive to the kind of answer each one requires.

New Jerusalem Bible

SERMON NOTES:

BECOMING THE FUTURE "Redeeming a Dirty Word"

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Call To Worship

Songs Of Worship

Community Matters

Prayer

Scripture Reading

News from the Front Lines

Message
Frank Boswell

Offering of Gifts

Closing Prayer

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 Information Center. We invite you to fill out a First-Impression Post Card and this Welcome Panel. These can be put in the offering plate or handed in at the Information Center.

I would like to:

- receive, as a first time visitor, a CD of today's message
- learn more about what it means to be a follower of Christ
- know more about the next Vision Possible class for newcomers
- receive 2011 offering envelopes
- learn more about ___ Impact Groups or ___ Youth Ministries
- update my family's information (see below)
- have Prayer Team pray about (name & phone# required):
- other _____



**Starts Sunday, Oct 2nd
5:30pm
We have a seat for you!**

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
E-mail: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
I am a: ___ 1st time guest ___ 2nd time guest ___ attender ___ member
Your Age Group (check): ___ 12-17 ___ 18-30 ___ 31-50 ___ over 50
Number of Children Attending: _____
Age Groups of Children (check): ___ B-preK ___ K-4th ___ 5-8th ___ 9-12th
Service You Most Regularly Attend: ___ 9am ___ 10:45pm