



Hawkins United Methodist Church

3736 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, MS

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River 101

<http://www.iheart.com/live/river-101-6582/>

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<http://www.iheart.com/live/khits-1045-6584/>

Dear Church Family,

I wanted to take a few moments to share some thoughts regarding the importance and value of attending a local church. You may know of more reasons, but for now here are a few.

1. A place to call “home” – “Home” is usually where the “rubber meets the road”. We get to know our “family” and they get to know our strengths and weaknesses, and as “iron sharpens iron”, we become stronger both in the short and long term.
2. Accountability and Encouragement – A home church becomes a place for accountability, (continuing the thought from the previous point), and also is a great place for receiving encouragement from brothers and sisters in our family.
3. Pastoral Care – We all encounter times of crisis such as sickness, deaths, divorce, family events, as well as times of joy such as marriages, job promotions, etc. It’s wonderful to share these events with our families, and of course, it’s always so comforting to have the local family of God surrounding you with prayers and support.
4. A Storehouse for regular Tithes/Offerings – Where would the local church be without regular Tithes and Offerings from its members and adherents? Basically, wasting time with fundraiser after fundraiser to fund the church ministries. Tithing was commanded “before” the giving of the law and was never stopped at the time of Christ even though the opportunity was there. Any media ministry that encourages the sending of tithes to them instead of the local church is doing a disservice to God and His people.
5. A place to get involved with a ministry on a consistent basis – As part of a community of believers, there is something powerful about having the faithful, consistent witness of a person in ministry not only in the good times, but also in the tough times. Impressionable children and youth often look up to those in ministry as examples for their own lives as they are young, and to be remembered and followed as they grow older.
6. Respectability and Acceptance in ministry endeavors – Most Pastors want to know what home church a person attends when they are asking for a place to minister in the church or community. To most pastors, this shows a teachable and servant spirit. In watching over the flock under their care, they are careful who speaks into the lives of the congregation.
7. Gives the local Church stability for more effective and impactful ministry – The church knows who can be depended upon for financial and ministry support. If everyone moved from church to church, there would be no opportunity for effective ministry whatsoever, and churches would have to close the doors due to lack of faithful attendees.

Well, these are just a few reasons for the value of attending a local church and no doubt there are many more. I trust these will be of assistance to you as some may ask you this question I often am asked!

And, of course...there's always this powerful scripture from the Word in Hebrews 10:25 (NKJV) not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

Blessings in Christ,
Rev. Harrell Moore



Mallory Pickering looks forward to joining the staff of Hawkins United Methodist Church in October as the Director of Music/Accompanist. She comes to Hawkins from Forest United Methodist Church, where she served as Music Minister for the past year and a half. Prior to her time in Forest, Mallory served as Music Director/Pianist at Ridgeland First United Methodist Church for close to seven years. Mallory’s experience in music ministry includes directing congregational and choral music, working with all ages and across genres of sacred music, and providing musical accompaniment by way of piano as needed. Her goal is to help congregants connect to God, to one another, and to a sense of identity that aligns with the Christian faith, the United Methodist tradition, and the unique experience of their congregation.

Mallory graduated *summa cum laude* with a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from Mississippi College in 2007 and with a Master of Arts in Theological Studies from Wesley Biblical Seminary in 2010. A lifelong United Methodist, she is currently pursuing the Order of the Deacon and finds herself drawn to work in areas of compassion and justice. Mallory currently works in a hybrid position as the Community Relations Manager for the Mississippi Coalition Against Human Trafficking (MCAHT). Prior to her work at MCAHT, Mallory spent almost seven beautiful years serving as a hospice chaplain.

Mallory lives in Brandon with her 11-year-old son Brennan and their cat Penny. Brennan is a student at Brandon Middle School, who also enjoys music (especially jazz) and is learning to play the trumpet and piano. Thus far, Penny shows no interest in music.

Mallory’s first Sunday with us will be October 6th.



- 1 - Sandy Berry
- 2 - Judy Nasif
Lanz Dorrell
Rick Graham
Shirley Martin
- 3 - Kimberly Passman
- 4 - Cheryl Montgomery
- 11 - Elizabeth Ballard
Linda McGowan
- 12 - Tommy Miller
Will Carruth
- 14 - Jack Killgore
Larry Holman
- 16 - Johnny Mims
- 17 - Debby Miller
Sandra Price
- 18 - Chuck Tate
Joe Tom
- 22 - Karen Miller
- 23 - Skylar Pitzer
- 24 - Lucy Young
- 28 - Anna Kate Tarver



WOW (Word on Wednesday) starts back Wednesday, September 4th at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall.

Handbells will meet at 4:00 PM each Wednesday beginning on September 4th.

Thursday Morning Bible study starts back Thursday, September 5th at 9:30 AM.

Son-Lighters will start back Tuesday, September 10th at 12:30 PM.

Dessert Theater Coming Soon



We are having a church-wide potluck on Sunday, August 25th after the worship service. We are honoring our new members and kicking off our small groups that will begin in September. The meat and tea will be provided so bring a side dish or dessert. Come enjoy the fellowship with your Hawkins Family!

Oh Brother Why Art Thou?

A CHRISTIAN COMEDY TELLING THE STORY OF JACOB AND ESAU

OH BROTHER WHY ART THOU?

Dear Brother,
let's bury the hatchet.

PERFORMANCES
SEPTEMBER 27 & 28TH AT 7PM,
SEPTEMBER 29TH AT 2PM
AT HAWKINS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
3736 HALLS FERRY ROAD
(601) 636-2242

\$10.00 — INCLUDES DESSERT, SILENT AUCTION, AND SHOW

PRESENTED BY THE HAWKINS MISSION TEAM
WRITTEN BY — RICHARD VAN DEN AKKER & DIRECTED BY — SARA DIONNE
ALL PROCEEDS TO LOCAL MISSIONS:
BEAUTIFUL DELIVERANCE, HAVEN HOUSE, AND WARREN COUNTY CHILDREN'S SHELTER

Our Missions Committee is presenting an original play written by Richard Van Den Akker On September 27th, 28th, & 29th. Mark your calendar and plan to have a great time all while helping our local missions: Beautiful Deliverance, Haven House and Warren County Children's Shelter.

Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased from the cast members or the church office.



The church directories are almost complete. I want to extend a special thank you to Shelley Plett, Cheryl Lloyd, Becky Berger and to all of the congregation. Without your help and participation, it would have been impossible. It never ceases to amaze me how much we accomplish when we all work together for a common goal.

We will be asking for a \$5 donation per book to help offset the cost of printing the directories. As soon as they are available we will let everyone know. There will be a limit of one printed book per family until every family receives one and then we can give out additional copies.

The directory will be available online to everyone.

Thank you again for your help!
Teresa



**Promotion Sunday, Presentation of 3rd Grade
Bibles & Teacher Appreciation will be
September 8th!**

Our kids being promoted are:

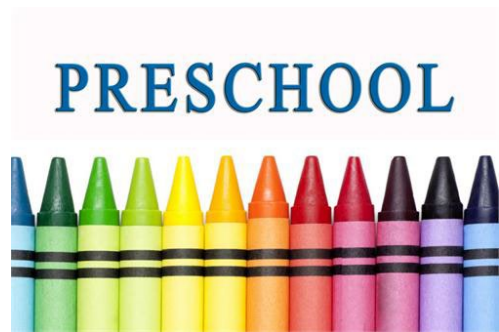
**Josie Lambiotte & Russell Carruth to
Elementary**

**Mary Passman, Kalindi Sibal & Henry Bell
to Youth**

Receiving 3rd Grade Bibles are:

Finley McAlpin & Madyson Berry

**All of our Sunday School & Small Group
Teachers and Leaders will be recognized.**



We have had a great start to Preschool! It is great seeing all of the smiling faces of our new students as well as our returning students. The preschoolers will be learning all about themselves and their classmates this month. The teachers will be practicing their class routines with them and helping them adjust to preschool. The teachers and staff appreciate all the support and the help with Open House provided by church members. We cannot be successful without all of you. Thank you!! Hope everyone has a great September!!!



Administrative Council will meet Monday,
September 9th at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall.

CHICKEN BBQ



In 2026 Hawkins will celebrate our 75th anniversary! Although this seems like a long time off, it will be here before we know it. If you

would like to serve on the planning committee, or if you have ideas or memories to share, please contact the chair of this committee, Nancy Renfroe at 601-529-1921.



**The Fall Barbecue and Garage Sale will be
Saturday, October 5th!**

**You may begin bringing your garage sale
items the week of September 30th.
No clothes please!**



2024 Health Fair

The Retired Education Personnel of Vicksburg Warren County in conjunction with the Hawkins United Methodist Church Mission Team cordially invite everyone to attend the 2024 Community Health Fair. This event is designed to promote health, wellness and connections with Vicksburg's local health and wellness resources. This Health Fair is open to everyone in Vicksburg and Warren County.

Our health fair vendors will come from a wide range of health interests, needs and opportunities available in our community.

Please make plans to attend this fun and informative 2024 Health Fair on Thursday, September 19 from 1:00 to 3:00 at Hawkins UMC in the Abundant Life Center.

Vendors and Information Available

- Merit Health River Region Senior Services
- Vicksburg Police Department
- Nutrition Information
- Hinds Community College Nursing Program
- Vicksburg Fire Department
- YMCA Senior Programs
- Community Council of Warren County
- United Way
- Dermatology
- Hospice
- Medgar and Angela Scott Foundation
- Grace Christian Counseling
- Good Shepherd Community Center
- Warren County Sheriff's Department
- AARP – Scam and Fraud Protection
- NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) of Vicksburg
- Planet Fitness
- Murry Chiropractic and Disc
- The Secret Garden Spa – Chair Yoga
- Home Health
- Pain Management
- Dental
- Vision

Prayer **Partners** *Supporting Others with Prayer*

Attention Adults! Now is the time to volunteer to be a 2024-2025 prayer partner. Don't miss out on this blessing. Let Elizabeth Ballard, Mary McCraine or Teresa know you want to participate no later than September 11.

WOW (Word On Wednesday)

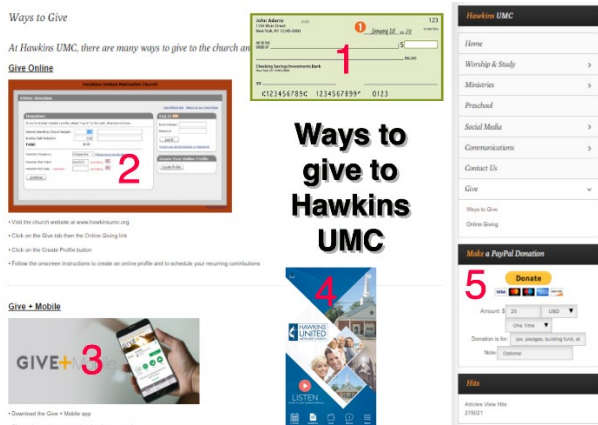
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Thank you to all of the Sunday school classes that will once again be helping with meals for WOW this year. We couldn't do this without you! There is a schedule posted on the refrigerator in the kitchen at church. If you have any questions, please call Teresa in the church office or on her cell (601) 642-5276.



July Stewardship
Income: \$28,806.57
Expenses: \$32,051.16
-3,244.59

Ways to Give to Hawkins UMC



There are several ways to continue to give your tithes and offerings to Hawkins UMC

You can:

- 1 - Write a check and mail it to the church at 3736 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, MS 39180.
- 2 - Give online. Visit www.hawkinsumc.org and click on Give then Ways to Give.
- 3 - Give via mobile app. Download the "Give + Plus" app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.
- 4 - Give via Hawkins' mobile app. Click Give at the bottom of the screen.
- 5 - Give via PayPal located on the right half way down the [hawkinsumc.org](http://www.hawkinsumc.org) web page.

Hawkins UMC on the Radio

Sundays at 10:30 am

Hawkins UMC is on the radio! Listen from 10:30 to 11:00 am each Sunday morning on

River 101.3 or K-Hits 104.5.

Or listen with iheart radio!

Live Stream Sermons Visit Hawkins' YouTube Channel

Visit and subscribe to Hawkins' YouTube channel to view live streamed sermons online at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWONhu8Ro98Tzzvpe_CI2Ng

Visit Hawkins' Facebook Page

Visit and LIKE Hawkins' Facebook Page to view live streamed sermons online at

<https://www.facebook.com/hawkinsumc/>

Visit Hawkins' Facebook Group

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September 2024

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