



Hudson Memorial
Presbyterian Church (USA)



To know, love, and serve God in Jesus Christ

Welcome



July 14, 2024

Service for the Lord's Day

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We Gather to Worship

People's Preparation

“We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ.” - *Confession of Belhar, 10.5 (based on 2 Corinthians 5:17-21)*

Welcome

Chimes

Prelude

Arioso

G.F. Handel

News of the Ministry of the Church

Introit

This Is the Day

Pablo Sosa

Call to Worship*

The Confession of Belhar, 10.1-10.2

One: We believe

Many: In the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

One: We believe

Many: In one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

One: Let us worship God!

Opening Hymn #307*

God of Grace and God of Glory

Moment of Friendship

Guests, we invite you to complete the tan card found in your pew racks. These can be placed in the offering plates or handed to an usher. Alternately, you can sign the virtual friendship pad using the QR code to the right.



Children's Message

Hope Parangi

Choral Response

God of the Ages

Carl F. Schalk

307 God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

Commissioning of Montreat Participants & Avery County Mission Trip Participants

One: We are called by God to be a church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind. Isaiah 40 says, ‘The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. God does not faint or grow weary, God’s understanding is unsearchable. God gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and the young shall fall exhausted—but those who hope in the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Many: The great ends of the church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

One: Do you the members and friends of Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church promise to support and encourage the Montreat group and Avery County Mission Team with prayers as they go forth in the upcoming week?

Many: We promise to hold you in prayer and urge each of you to be open to the great work of the Holy Spirit.

Passing of the Peace*

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

Please stand and offer a sign of Christ’s peace to those around you.

We Hear God’s Word

Anthem

Trust and Obey

Sammis, Towner, arr. DeVries

“When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word

What a glory He sheds on our way!

Let us do His good will; He abides with us still,

And with all who will trust and obey.”

Refrain: “Trust and obey, for there’s no other way

To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.”

“Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,

But our toil He doth richly repay;

Not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,

But is blest if we trust and obey.” (*refrain*)

“Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet

Or we’ll walk by His side in the way;

What He says we will do, where He sends we will go;

Never fear, only trust and obey.” (*refrain*)

Prayer of Illumination

The Lesson

Ephesians 2:11-22

NT p. 192

One: The word of the Lord,

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Finding Unity: The Confession of Belhar

Mac Schafer

We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)*

The Confession of Belhar, 10.3

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another.

We believe that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain. We believe that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

In The Garden

Charles Austin Miles

To make an online offering to HMPC, we invite you to use this QR code:



Doxology #609*

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Guide My Feet

741

1 Guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

Detailed description: This system contains the first two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody in the top staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by an eighth note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a half note C5. The bass line starts with a quarter note G2, followed by an eighth note A2, a quarter note B-flat2, and a half note C3. The lyrics '1 Guide my feet while I run this race;' are written below the top staff. The phrase '(yes, my Lord!)' is written below the bottom staff.

guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

Detailed description: This system contains the next two staves of music. The top staff continues the melody from the first system, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by an eighth note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a half note C5. The bass line continues with a quarter note G2, followed by an eighth note A2, a quarter note B-flat2, and a half note C3. The lyrics 'guide my feet while I run this race;' are written below the top staff. The phrase '(yes, my Lord!)' is written below the bottom staff.

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

Detailed description: This system contains the next two staves of music. The top staff continues the melody, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by an eighth note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a half note C5. The bass line continues with a quarter note G2, followed by an eighth note A2, a quarter note B-flat2, and a half note C3. The lyrics 'guide my feet while I run this race, for I' are written below the top staff.

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

Detailed description: This system contains the final two staves of music. The top staff continues the melody, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by an eighth note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a half note C5. The bass line continues with a quarter note G2, followed by an eighth note A2, a quarter note B-flat2, and a half note C3. The lyrics 'don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)' are written below the top staff.

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| 2 Hold my hand ... | 5 Search my heart ... |
| 3 Stand by me ... | 6 Guide my feet ... |
| 4 I'm your child ... | |

We Bear and Follow the Word into the World

Closing Hymn #741*

Guide My Feet (verses 1-4)

Benediction (Unison)*

The Confession of Belhar, 10.5 & 10.9

One: We believe that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world,

Many: That the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker,

One: That the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

Many: Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.

One: Amen.

Choral Response*

Amen

DANISH AMEN

Postlude

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

William Williams

**Rise, in body or spirit*

Join us in Westminster Hall for a time of fellowship after the worship service!

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today! If you are a guest, please stop at one of the entryway tables for a gift bag and information about the church.

Worship Notes

Blue prayer cards are available in the pew racks. If you are in need of prayer, you may fill out a card and put it in the offering plate.

Ushers today - Rick Melling, Kelly Boone, Nancy Eyre, Carol Clemens

Greeters today - Harry Bowles, Jeffrey Coonse, Hope Parangi

Soundboard Operator - Gil Graybill

Livestream Operator - Trevor Boone

Deacon on Call (DOC) for July is Billy Branch. If you are in need of prayer, comfort or assistance, please call the confidential Deacon Prayer line at 919-390-2688.

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Avery County Mission Trip Participants

Theresa Ash, Harry Bowles, Ron Cole, Sandy Cole, Bill Flueckinger,
Gil Graybill, Ken Krause, John Oldenburg, Kirk Richardson, Dan Vig, Zach Vig

Youth Montreat Trip Participants

Hayes Atkinson, Jackson Autry, Davis Boone, Ford Carlisle, Hudson Carlisle, Hollie Cole, Kessler
Dickerson, Colby Guy, Scarlett Maxwell, Allie Sharpe, Maggie Waugh, Johannes van Die
Merritt Dickinson, Rich Richards

Children and Their Families: Worship, Education & Helpful Hints

We enthusiastically welcome all children to HMPC! The comfort and security of children is our highest priority.

- **Nursery for infants, toddlers, and twos** is located on the north end of the first floor and is available from 9:15–11:45. Please sign in your child with one of our childcare workers. Staff are HMPC employees and experienced childcare professionals, and our nursery wing has its own security system. Members and guests participating in Worship can leave children with confidence, knowing they will be contacted by text message should it become necessary.
 - We welcome all families to begin Worship together in the Sanctuary. **Please sign in children** at the back of the Sanctuary near the Children’s Worship Area and ensure each child is wearing his/her lanyard or a nametag. Following the Children’s Message, all children age 3 years through 4th grade are welcome to go with the Children’s Ministry volunteers to Sunday School.
 - **Our Children’s Worship area** is open to children 1st grade and under. Children 2nd grade and older are asked to sit with their parents until the Children’s Message. While your child is in the Children’s Worship Area, parents should sit in nearby pews to supervise their children.
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July Special Offering - Hunger Action



This month we are collecting for our Hunger Action fund. Hudson Memorial is a certified Hunger Action congregation which means our primary mission focus is to address food insecurity in our community and around the world. When famine or other events contribute to food insecurity, we can use these funds to help get food to those in need.

You can give by designating your donation on an envelope placed into the offering plate; mailing a check with “Hunger Action” in the memo line to the church office; giving online by visiting hmpc.org (scan QR code to left), or texting the donation amount with the word “Hunger” to 888-906-0744. *Example text: 25 Hunger*

Adult Summer Series - Upcoming

Sundays at 9:30 in Westminster Hall

July 21: “Celtic Christianity 101” with Pastor Mac

July 28: *Lectio Divina* (Latin for “Divine Reading”) with Fred Woodward

Fellowship Friday on July 26!

*Join us as we watch the Olympics Opening Ceremony
and enjoy an ice cream sundae bar!*

Friday, July 26

Westminster Hall | 6:00-8:00pm

RSVP to the church office by July 23
RSVP using the QR code to the right
or let the church office know.



Upcoming Events

July 14-20 - Montreat Youth Conference

July 21-26 - Avery County Habitat for Humanity Mission Trip

July 21 - Zoom Inquirers' Class

Contact Debbie Kirk if interested, or RSVP using the link on hmpc.org by July 16

August 5-9 - Vacation Bible School

August 9-11 - Montreat Women's Connection Conference

Wednesday, August 14 - Summer Supper

Westminster Hall | 6:00pm

RSVP to the church office by August 12

Friday, August 23 - Fellowship Friday: Bingo Night!

Doors open at 6:00pm | Bingo begins at 6:30pm

Sunday, August 25 - Fall Kick-off Lunch

Fellowship lunch following Worship

Our Mission Statement

To Know, Love and Serve God in Jesus Christ

Our Vision

A Community Enriched by Responding to the Wonder of God

Our Core Values

Worship, Generosity, Service, Nurture, Education & Gratitude

Session

Glenn Schindo, Clerk

Mac Schafer, Moderator

Debbie Kirk

Class of 2025

Dottie Burch

Carol Cox

Jay Cummins

Melinda Dickinson

Class of 2026

Ken Krause

Caroline Smart

Dan Vig

John Williams

Class of 2027

Harry Bowles

Steve Guy

Don Haydon

Grace Hutchinson

Deacons

Class of 2025

Billy Branch

Ruth Herpich

Joanna Hulsey

Gretchen McDuffie

Carolyn Scott, Moderator

Class of 2026

Winter Fox

Judie Greenawalt

Jill Hovis

Linda Meeks

Mary Schindo

Class of 2027

Jeffrey Coonse

Gil Graybill

Caroline Rohs

Lisa Williams

Fred Woodward

Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation

Mac Schafer	Pastor, Head of Staff
Debbie Kirk	Associate Pastor, Spiritual Growth & Nurture
Aleta Ash	Minister of Visitation
Rich Richards.....	Director of Youth Ministries & Children's Music
Cary Dickerson.....	Director of Children's Ministries
Barbara Loehr-Fox.....	Director of Music Ministries
Al Hyde.....	Organist
Erica Hairston.....	Business Manager
Hannah Woodcock.....	Administrative Coordinator
Lesley Ash Jacobsen.....	Communications Coordinator
Dorothy Roche	Preschool Director
Joyce Hawkins	Assistant Preschool Director
Hope Parangi	Church Hostess



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