

THE WEEKLY WINDOW

MAY 31, 2024

OUT TO THE LIFE
AND MINISTRY OF
HUDSON MEMORIAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



THIS SUNDAY

Two Worship Services on June 2

Our monthly 8:30am Chapel Worship service will be held this Sunday. Pastor Debbie will preach, and the 5-member Hudson Ensemble will provide the music. We will also have 10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary, where high school graduates will be recognized. The Lord's Supper will be served at both services.

FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

INTIMATE



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EARLY



SHORTER



8:30AM CHAPEL WORSHIP

It's Almost Time for HMPC ARTS CAMP!

June 19 - June 21 | 5:30pm-7:30pm



Join us as we explore and celebrate God's creation through drama, music, and visual art. Open to grades K-5. Use [this link](#) to register your child. There are only a few spots left!

SUMMER PROGRAMMING KICKS OFF THIS WEEK!

SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS

ADULT SUMMER SERIES

June 2 - August 18 at 9:30am Sundays

CHILDREN'S BEATITUDES SERIES

Sunday School - Begins June 2

SUMMER SUPPERS

June 12, July 10, August 14

FELLOWSHIP FRIDAYS

June 28, July 26, August 23

SUMMER SING

June 9 - September 1 at 9:45am Sundays

ARTS CAMP

June 19-21 - 5:30-7:30pm

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 5-9 - 9:00am-12:00pm

VARIOUS MISSION & ADULT ED OPPORTUNITIES

Throughout Summer

READ PAGES 2-6 FOR DETAILS!

June Tend My Sheep : Inter-Faith Food Shuttle

TWO WAYS TO DONATE



The organization the church is supporting during June is the Inter-Faith Food Shuttle, which seeks to ameliorate hunger in our state by recovering and distributing food, teaching how to grow food sustainably, and demonstrating how to shop and prepare it in ways that are affordable and healthy. The Inter-Faith Food Shuttle distributed 9 million pounds of food last year through its many programs, including Backpack Buddies for school-age children and a Senior Nutrition Program for older adults. **The requested items for this month are rice, pasta, and breakfast items.** The Mission Committee is introducing an alternative way to make food donations so that you can either bring items to the church and leave them in the collection bins as usual or donate through Benevolist, an online service that is available for this month's TMS for the Inter-Faith Food Shuttle. **The link for that drive is [HERE](#).** You may select and purchase the food options offered on the site, and Benevolist will automatically deliver your selections to the Food Shuttle at its address. There is no cost to use this way of donating and you can secure a receipt sufficient to support tax itemization. **If you do utilize this service, please email the number of items that you purchased – e.g., a package of four cans is a four count -- to oldygolden@aol.com.**

June Special Offering: Avery County Mission Trip



During June, the church is supporting the Avery County Adult Mission Trip, which will be underway in late July to aid Avery County Habitat for Humanity in its home builds. Eleven individuals (so far) have committed to joining the Mission Trip; and many of them will be contributing \$250 each to help defray the trip's expenses. Nonetheless, we need the assistance of the congregation to fully meet this year's costs and to provide the reserve needed to meet next year's advance reservation expenses. Today we have \$2,000 to meet our ultimate expected needs of about \$6,200. We look to and hope for your help in meeting that goal.

You can give by designating your donation on an envelope placed into the offering plate; mailing a check with "Avery County Trip" in the memo line to the church office; giving [online](https://www.hmhc.org) by visiting hmhc.org, or texting the donation amount with the word "Avery" to 888-906-0744. (Example text: 25 Avery)

Summer Project for the Food Bank



As we did last summer, the Mission Committee is making a hands-on project for the Food Bank open to members and friends. The Food Bank will bring us a very large spool of red mesh which will be cut and tied into produce bags. Each bag will be packed with 5 pounds of fresh produce which the Food Bank will make available to people across their service area through food pantries, such as the one at North Raleigh Ministries. Last year we made thousands of bags which were filled and distributed! This small project has a big impact and we invite everyone to participate as you are at the church enjoying fellowship, volunteering in the church office, etc. The Committee is going to pre-cut the bags so you can easily take a bunch home to do as well. The material will be available in Westminster Hall soon, so be on the lookout!



ADULT ED SUMMER SERIES

June 2 - August 18

9:30-10:20am Sundays in Westminster North

We all enjoy a change of pace in the summer! Our Adult Summer Sunday School Series, coordinated by the Adult Committee, gives our teachers and leaders a break, encourages fellowship among folks from the different classes, and provides the opportunity to hear from a variety of individuals from our congregation and community on various topics of interest. Highlights this year include three sessions hosted by our Mission Committee (on behalf of Hunger Action), including a popular hands-on packing event, as well as conversations on stewardship of the earth. Pastor Mac will share about his May walking adventure, and Pastor Debbie will facilitate as we watch and discuss David LaMotte's latest TED talk. Whether you are a regular Sunday School participant, teach elsewhere during the year, or don't usually attend an adult class, we encourage you to come any time you can, and bring friends!

THE SUMMER LINE-UP:

THIS WEEK!

June 2: Hudson Session History with Race



Elder Joan Lester will share a summary of her extensive research on the history of our congregation as we have considered issues of race through the decades. Being informed is an important step as we consider our commitment as a Matthew 25 congregation.

June 9: Inter-Faith Food Shuttle

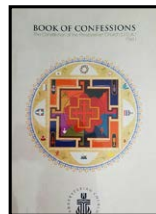


Nick Billman from Inter-Faith Food Shuttle will be leading our Sunday School hour. He will speak to us about this mission partner and their programs. Nick will highlight areas where our members are able to volunteer, including their farm and food recovery program.

After worship, the congregation is invited to join the Mission Committee at A Place At The Table for lunch. This local pay-what-you-can café is located downtown.

(June 9 Continued) We will have space reserved for members. Reservations are needed for this event so the café can plan accordingly. If interested in attending the lunch, contact Beth Billman bbillman@nc.rr.com

June 16: Book of Confessions



Mac Schafer is preaching a sermon series on one of our Confessions of Faith each week. Member Don Slater will offer a brief (but comprehensive) overview of the history and significance for us today.

June 23: Dive into the Hudson's Land

Come learn what we are uncovering about the land Hudson's physical property sits on. From hunting land to a county poor farm, to the intention to build a shopping center, there are many interesting things to honor and remember. Led by Elder Dottie Burch and Pastor Mac.



June 30: Holy Land Archeology



We will watch the National Geographic documentary *The Secret of Christ's Tomb*, followed by a conversation led by archaeologist Mary Glenn Krause.

July 14: Meals on Wheels packing event

We will be packing lunch bags for Meals on Wheels during the Sunday School hour. These bags will be delivered to the MOW clients as an extra meal. The Mission Committee will be purchasing the contents for these meal bags with Hunger Action budgeted funds. Join us for this hands-on, meaningful project!



ADULT SUMMER SERIES (Continued from previous page)

July 21: Celtic Christianity 101

St. Patrick, St. Columba, the Gospel of John, God's creation, the Isle of Iona, the Synod of Whitby, and more. What are the marks of Celtic Christianity? Come "scratch the surface" of this interesting topic that can impact your spiritual journey. Led by Pastor Mac.



July 28: St. Cuthbert & The Holy Island

St. Cuthbert is a 7th century saint who is buried in Durham Cathedral in England. He conducted ministry along the present day Scottish border and lived on the Holy Island of Lindisfarne. There are many interesting stories and legends about him, and today there is a 100 km pilgrims' path in his memory. Come join Pastor Mac to learn about Cuthbert.

August 4: David LaMotte TED Talk

Debbie Kirk will facilitate this class, watching David LaMotte's most recent TED talk and listening to some of his music as he encourages us to take small, practical steps to plant seeds of positive change.



August 11: Avery County Mission Trip Presentation

Our Mission Team will share their week building with Habitat for Humanity in Avery County in western NC. Not only do they work hard as the "hands and feet of Christ" but also they enjoy getting to know each other better through times of devotion, reflection and sharing at the end of each day.

August 18: Doves & Pigeons

Forget everything you know about pigeons. Pigeons are one of nature's most successful creatures. Pigeons and doves belong to the same family of birds, and Biblical Hebrew uses two words for these two species: usually translated as pigeon, but also as dove. Occasionally these words occur together. "Pigeon Dan", expert on pigeons, will wrap up our Summer Series on August 18. Come for a fascinating look into one of God's creatures as Dan takes us into a world of wonder and interaction with some of his sought-after companions he has raised and trained.



GET INVOLVED WITH MUSIC THIS SUMMER!

From Dr. Sanjay Gupta:

"Singing crosses the midline of the brain which not many other activities do. Just by singing a song you can activate so many different areas of your brain – left temporal lobe, right parietal lobe, cerebellum. Singing is super healthy and good for your brain. It is good for your physical health and even more so for your mental health."



Summer Sing

Sunday Mornings at 9:45am
June 9 - September 1 | Choir Loft

If you've wanted to experience the wonderful small group atmosphere of our friendly Chancel Choir with easier songs, no choir robes, and only a Sunday morning rehearsal, this Summer Sing program is perfect for you. In the summer we sing more familiar songs and only rehearse Sunday mornings – no Wednesday commitment! Come join the fun! Contact [Barbara Loehr-Fox](#) for questions.

Handbell Workshops

August 21 & 28 at 6:00 pm
in Westminster Hall South

Have you ever...



- wanted to learn more about bell ringing?
- wanted to try your hand at ringing a bell?
- rang in the past but are feeling rusty?

These workshops are for you! You will have some hands-on ringing experiences and grow in your appreciation for this fun and meaningful music ministry. For more information, reach out to Barbara Loehr-Fox.

Adventures of Flat Jesus



"Flat Jesus" is a fun way to keep our church family connected as we enter into the summer traveling season. Color Flat Jesus and take him with you as you enjoy your summer activities. Take a picture of him out to dinner, at the pool, having fun at the beach, or anywhere else you go. Let him be a fun reminder that God is always with us, regardless of where we are! And it might

just spark a conversation with someone about what you are doing... and why!

We will put all of the pictures together to show where Flat Jesus has been as a way to share a bit about our summer.

Please submit photos in one of three ways:

- By emailing the photos to Cary Dickerson at cdickerson@hmpc.org.
- By uploading the photos to your social media accounts with the hashtag #hmpecflatjesus. Be sure to tag HMPC in your photo.
- By posting your picture in the HMPC Children and Family Ministries Facebook page.

Be sure to include your location if it is outside of Raleigh. All images may be reposted on the church's social media page. **You can find a Flat Jesus to color and cut out by the Sanctuary entrances or [HERE](#). Link can also be found on the homepage of hmpc.org.**

Summer Suppers

Delicious, healthy meals and fellowship!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

Westminster Hall
Doors open at 6:00pm
\$6 per person

RSVP to the church office
919-787-1086
or use [THIS FORM](#)

Friday, June 28

Fellowship Friday

Cafe Capistrano
& Altered State Brewery
5:30PM

These are side-by-side venues. Altered State is a local brewery and Cafe Capistrano is a low-key eatery serving California-style Mexican fare.



8471 Garvey Dr. Unit 113
(off of Durant Road)



Food and drink available for purchase.
This is a family-friendly gathering!
And dogs are welcome too!



Friday, July 26

Fellowship Friday

Stay tuned for details!

Friday, August 23

Fellowship Friday

BINGO NIGHT

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

Sean Cole will once again be our BINGO caller!



WEEKDAY ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Presbyterian Pint Summer Info



Men of the church are welcome to join us for fellowship and faith in a friendly environment. We discuss relevant questions of theology and culture. Contact [Pastor Mac](#) to be added to the distribution list.

We will meet on the following dates at
7:00pm at Mordecai Bev Co:

Thursday, June 27th
Thursday, July 25th Thursday, August 22nd

Seeing the Word Summer Dates



- No June Meeting
- July 15 at Noon - Chapel
The Book of Kells
- August 19 at Noon - Chapel
The Lindesfarne Gospel

Women at the Well Summer Info



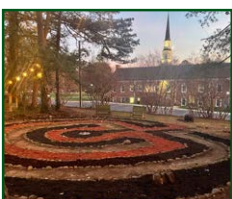
The summer monthly Women at the Well dates are **June 27, July 25 and August 22**. This group typically uses a podcast as the basis for discussion on various relevant topics of interest over dinner.

The weekly Women at the Well is taking a summer sabbath beginning in June. The fall semester begins on Wednesday, September 11. The book selection will be announced later in the summer.

For more information or to participate in the morning/weekly or evening/monthly group, contact [Debbie Kirk](#).

Walk the Labyrinths

Hudson has two labyrinths that we invite you to stop by and walk this summer. One is outside on the north end of our campus and one is off the first-floor hallway in the Chapel. The outdoor Labyrinth has recently been spruced up by some energetic member volunteers!



Labyrinths provide space for prayer, meditation and rest. Listen for God/ Speak with God; Take in nature; Ask for wisdom; Rest, relax and quiet yourself. Grab a [Labyrinth Walking Guide](#) from the brochure racks to

give you some ideas of what to think about on your walk.

Brown Bag Lunch with Pastor Mac Summer Dates



- No June Meeting
- Monday, July 1 at Noon - WH South
- Monday, Aug. 5 at Noon - WH South

Waking Up With The Word June Dates



This is an early morning men's Bible study. It meets in person on the WH Patio and via Zoom, alternating weekly. It uses an ancient study method called *lectio divina*. We read the passage that will be preached on the upcoming

Sunday four times, with interspersed questions: *What's a word or phrase that stands out to you? Allow that word or phrase to develop into a memory from your life, a thought you have on the passage, or a metaphor? What is Christ calling you to through the passage?*

No previous Bible study experience is necessary. At in-person meetings we provide coffee and Bibles. New participants are always welcome.

Upcoming Dates - 6:30am

June 4 - In-person	June 18- In-person
June 11 - Zoom	June 25 - Zoom

To be added to the distribution list, contact [Pastor Mac](#).

ADULT EDUCATION

New Hope Presbytery's 1st Semi-Annual Matthew 25 Mini-Conference

"CONNECTING WITH THE
COMMUNITY"

JULY 22 | 9:30AM-3:30PM
WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH, DURHAM



Hudson is one of 18 congregations that have committed to Matthew 25 in the Presbytery. Consider attending this conference to learn more about issues and ideas related to Matthew 25. The conference is made up of two sets of three workshops with a joint registration/reception time beforehand and a joint debrief afterwards. Hosted

by the NHP Matthew 25 task force. Learn more [HERE](#).

Workshop 1 - 10:00am

Rev. Rebecca Barnes – “Hunger Issues in Eastern NC, Food Deserts in Rural Communities”

Rev. Jerry L. Cannon – “Sustainable Ministry: Using the Shared Ministry Approach”

Rev. Edwin Gonzalez Castillo – “PDA: not just Public Displays of Affection”

Workshop 2 - 1:30pm

Rev. Alonzo Johnson – “Anchored in the Current Shift: Exploring Ways to Activate and Engage your Community in the Work of Discipleship and Effective Mission”

Natarsha Sanders – “Both Human & Divine: How leaders can EQUIP for max impact”

Rev. Jimmy Hawkins – “Jesus and Justice: Advocacy as a Spiritual Discipline”



MEMORIALS

Service of Witness to the Resurrection BILL BIGGER



Hudson member Bill Bigger entered God's everlasting kingdom on Friday, May 10, 2024. There will be a memorial service at Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church, 4921 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC, on **Saturday, June 1st at 2:00 pm**. If you are unable

to attend in person, you can livestream the service [here](#). The link can also be found on the homepage of [hmpc.org](#). In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the HMPC Foundation.

Please keep the Bigger family in your prayers. Thanks be to God for Bill.

THIS WEEK AT HUDSON

Sunday, June 2

8:30am - Early Chapel Worship

9:30am - Adult Summer Series - WH North

10:30am - Worship - Sanctuary

10:45am - Children's Sunday School - Geneva Hall

11:30am - Fellowship - WH North

Monday, June 3

5:30pm - HMPC Foundation - WH South

6:00pm - Personnel - Zoom

8:00pm - Al-Anon/Alateen - Geneva Rm 226, 234, 235

Tuesday, June 4

6:30am - Waking Up With The Word - Patio

9:30am - Staff Meeting - Welcome Lounge

11:30am - Single Way - Milton's

5:45pm - ACA Support Group - Room 200

7:30pm - Boy Scouts - Geneva Hall

Wednesday, June 5

7:30pm - Chancel Choir - Choir Loft

Friday, June 7

5:45pm - ACA Support Group - Room 200

SINGLE WAY

Single Way

Join us for our next meeting!



When:

June 4 at 11:30am

Where:

Milton's Pizza and Pasta
8853 Six Forks Road
Raleigh, NC

Please call Dee Blackerby at 919-846-6241 by June 2 if you plan to attend. **New people are always welcome!** Hope to see you there!

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BIRTHDAYS

June Birthdays



- 1 - JB Babson, Carole Burchanan
- 2 - Merrick Carlisle
- 3 - Steve Parker, Kate Hoffman, Katherine Edmister, Barbara Loehr-Fox
- 6 - Karen Gaither, Carol Reece, Arline Seaman, Linda Meeks
- 7 - Carlin Potter, William Carter
- 8 - Mary Ann Greenoe, Drake Sharpe, Owen Bartow
- 9 - Tim Hoffman, Jerrilyn Jennings, Bill Glaub
- 10 - Morgan Stafford, Parker Woolley, Jason Bevier
- 11 - Susan Grigg
- 12 - Dave Bentlage, Jacob Mouw
- 13 - Sarah Edge
- 14 - Jennifer Guy
- 15 - Ford Carlisle
- 16 - David Keen, Blanche Wenge, Charlie Hoffman, Caroline Onaya, Christopher Sturgis, Bogen Richards
- 17 - Matt Moorman, Joanna Hulsey, Nancy Brenner
- 18 - Candy Griffin, Maggie Waugh, Chuck McDougal
- 19 - Jim Rutherford, Billie Isenberg, Malcolm Williams
- 20 - Betsy Bedini
- 22 - Gil Graybill, Kristi Plyler, Anne Kelley
- 23 - Liza Coonse
- 24 - Zach Vig, Fred Woodward, Diane Austin, Doug Ford
- 25 - Hudson Carlisle, Dan Ya, Lynne Dawkins, Carol Cox, Bob Davis, Glenn Grigg
- 26 - Elin Allard, Evan Fitzgerald, Johan van Die, Clara Turnbull, Steve Jeseph
- 27 - Denise Crosson
- 28 - Maya Parikh, Alexandra Hatcher
- 29 - Conor McHenry
- 30 - Steven Feingold, Leslie Baker, Jennifer Sykes