

THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OUT TO THE LIFE
AND MINISTRY OF
HUDSON MEMORIAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

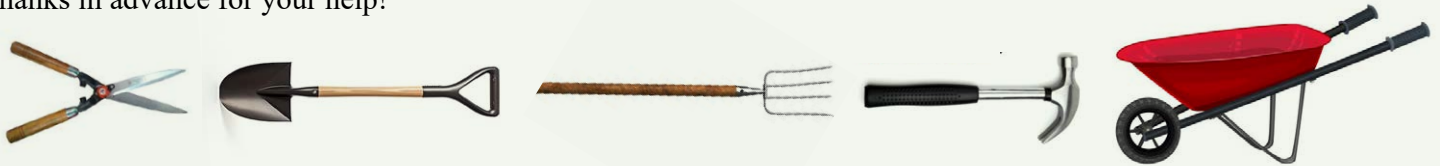


APRIL 26, 2024

HMPC CAMPUS WORK DAY THIS WEEKEND!

THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 27, AND SATURDAY, MAY 4 | 9:00am-12:00pm

Property Committee has scheduled work days for 4/27 and 5/4 from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Join us this weekend to help maintain and beautify our campus! Adults and high school youth are welcome to help with our many projects. Projects include: spreading mulch, working on the swale which needs some repairs, trimming bushes (please bring hedge clippers!). We also need strong backs, wheelbarrows, shovels and pitchforks that are good for spreading mulch. Thanks in advance for your help!



PW HONORARY LIFE MEMBER AWARD PRESENTATION THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 28



This week in worship we celebrate the Presbyterian Women's Honorary Life Member award for 2024! The Honorary Life Member award, established in 1912 by the Presbyterian Church, is conferred to honor faithful service to the church and to Presbyterian Women. The recipient receives the HLM butterfly pin which is a symbol of newness in Christ and represents the values held closely by PW: supportive hands building an inclusive community; a leaf to represent nurture and growth of personal faith; the dove indicates work for peace; the center cross represents Christ, who is at the center of our lives.

8:30AM CHAPEL WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, MAY 5 | INTIMATE. SACRAMENTAL. EARLY. SHORTER

In April, we started a Chapel Worship Service with communion, scheduled for the first Sunday of each month. On May 5th, former Hudson Director of Music, Phil Hayden, will be playing the harp and providing music for this service. Also, former member, the Reverend Matt Moorman, will be having a conversational sermon with Pastor Mac and serving his first communion at Hudson since he has been ordained. Rev. Moorman will also be participating in the 10:30am worship service that day.



Youth Project: Gaga Ball Pit

On Wednesday, April 17, the Confirmation Class and High School Youth helped Johannes van Die complete the Gaga Ball Pit, which was his Eagle Scout Project! It was a ton of fun! Below are some photos of the evening.

We congratulate Johannes for his Eagle Scout Project and we want to thank him and his dad, Johann, for their efforts in providing the church with this fun game!



Never heard of Gaga Ball? It's a game similar to dodgeball that uses an octagonal pit to play in.

We now have a great Gaga Pit on our campus, so come check it out!



SESSION

Confirmation Class & Reception

On Monday, April 22nd, the Session hosted a good ol' fashioned potluck in the Memorial Garden for the 2024 Confirmation Class. It was a beautiful night of fellowship where elders could talk to eighth and ninth graders of the church. After dinner, we moved inside to Westminster Hall South and the students shared their statements of faith. The whole group shared one item that represented their life in some special way. These items were placed in the middle of the room. (Pictured below)



Confirmation Sunday is May 5!

Come out and support our 2024 Confirmation Class and the Confirmation Ministry Team as we celebrate them through our liturgy and song.



HANDY HELPERS

Hudson Handy Helpers

Hudson Handy Helpers (HHH) was started about six years ago as a result of a member with cancer asking for help with her home repairs. The church was supplying meals and transportation.

Over the years, we have helped both church members and others supported by Hudson Memorial and have had outside requests from organizations, such as Step-Up Ministries and Rebuilding Together of the Triangle, and individual friends of our congregation.

We help people move into retirement communities, make donations to North Raleigh Ministries and ReStore, Déjà Vu Thrift Store, and make dump runs, help older members with their yards, do minor home repairs, and consult (if needed) where outside contractors are being hired.

We have installed grab bars in bathrooms, built ramps and steps, replaced lights and faucets, picked up and delivered furniture and bedding.

Our congregation has been generous in supporting HHH and as a result, funds have been used by the Mission Committee and the church to fund local needs.

In 2024 we have 20+ men and women and teenagers in Handy Helpers on about 35-40 projects.

Please contact the church office, our ministers, and your deacons if you need assistance.

Thank you to our congregation for your donations to help others.

- Mike Law, coordinator



Children's Music News - A Note From Rich

Joyful Noise Choir Families,

What a WONDERFUL Sunday it was having the children lead in song and message for Preschool Sunday Worship! They really belted it out! The next opportunity to “belt it out” is **Sunday, May 19th** for “**Spring Music Worship Sunday**” where all parts of the music department are featured in musical leadership.



The two selections are *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah* and *Blessing* (they know them both already pretty well) and they will be playing shaker percussion instruments for *Halle*! **This Sunday, Barbara will lead Children’s Music after Sunday School.** Please have your children there so that they may learn coordination with their hands (shakers) and mouths (words and melody).

Vacation Bible School

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!



Join us for a week of camp fun as we learn to trust in God when we are afraid, challenged, or called to do God's work! Registration is currently open.

We also need volunteers to make this week a success. You can register to volunteer using the registration link below or on the homepage of hmpc.org. Please contact Cary Dickerson with any questions at cdickerson@hmpc.org.

DATES: August 5th-9th | **TIME:** 9:00am-12:00pm

OPEN TO: 4 year olds (must be four by 8/31/24) through rising 4th graders

COST: For Hudson members: \$35 for first child, \$30 for each additional sibling

For non-members: \$45 for first child, \$35 for each additional sibling

Tuition can be paid via cash or check delivered to the church office or online via the link below.

[REGISTER YOUR CHILD HERE](#)

[SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER HERE](#)

[PAY ONLINE HERE](#)



HMPC Arts Camp

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

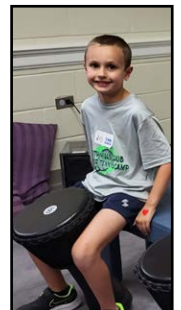
Space is filling up - Grab your spot today!



Our theme hymn for this year is “God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale.” Join us as we explore and celebrate God’s creation through drama, music and visual art.

Cost: \$30 for first child and \$25 for each additional sibling. Includes dinner each night. [Sign up HERE!](#)

This camp is open to children currently in Kindergarten through 5th grade for the 2023-2024 school year. This event is open to the public so invite a friend to join you! Dinner will be served each evening before we begin our art rotations.



BAPTISMS

Congratulations

**Rich and Lindsey Richards
on the baptism of your child on
Sunday, April 21!**



BIRTHDAYS



May Birthdays

- 1 - Carol Clemens, Sandy Geiger, Libby Rogers
- 2 - Morgan Dickinson, Nora Kelley
- 3 - Gene Brown, Caroline Cook
- 4 - Andrew Dudeck, Olene Franks
- 5 - Don Haydon
- 6 - Kelly D. Boone
- 7 - Pete Peterson, William Branch, Whitney Miller
- 8 - Allie Sharpe, Ellis Peterson, Marie Wallden, Angus Hinson
- 9 - Thomas Apple, Retta Crosson, Ace Ornt, Lesley Ash Jacobsen
- 10 - Paul Simson
- 11 - Jill Hovis, Jack McHenry
- 12 - Richard Skinner, Elaine Thomas, Nedda Parangi
- 13 - Tony Bedini, Holden Long, Theresa Ash, Linda Ornt, Owen Bevier, Robert Turnbull
- 15 - Maddie Graybill, Katie Bumgarner, Grayson Harris
- 16 - Jason Clemens, Colton Bowles, Sid Ward
- 17 - Bill Flueckinger, Ben Woodward, Orji Nduka
- 18 - Amanda Holser
- 19 - Ahn Ya, Lynne Duncan, Laura Perry, Katy Turnbull
- 20 - Debbie Kirk
- 21 - Jay Bowles, Scott Hanks, Sonia Allen
- 22 - Shawn Jackson, John James
- 23 - Cynthia Woodward, Rebecca Keen
- 24 - Andy Plyler, Charlotte Burch
- 26 - Greg Flueckinger, Don Jones
- 27 - Eva Peterson
- 28 - Jennine Dilger
- 29 - Tillie Tingen, Kate Griffin, Chip Magee, Dolores Ussery
- 30 - Zach Edmister
- 31 - Fran Betancourt, Sophie Carter

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Schedule Updates

No Youth Group This Sunday, April 28.

Our originally scheduled End-of-Year Cookout was rescheduled for **May 5th**. Hope to see you there!

SINGLE WAY

Single Way

Join us for our next meeting!



When:

May 7 at 11:30am

Where:

Lemongrass Thai Restaurant
8320 Litchford Rd, #142
Raleigh, NC 27615

Please call Dee Blackerby at 919-846-6241 by May 5 if you plan to attend. **New people are always welcome!** Hope to see you there!

April Tend My Sheep

NORTH RALEIGH MINISTRIES



This month's TMS offering is for North Raleigh Ministries Food Pantry. When donating, here are some important guidelines to remember:

Food items like peanut butter, pasta, canned soup, canned fish, canned beans, and canned vegetables are typically the best options to donate year-round.

Remember: all items should be in date, nonperishable, shelf-stable, factory-sealed in original packaging, in non-breakable containers, and easy to open (i.e. pop-top cans). Products that are single-serve should be left in the multi-pack. Due to food safety regulations, do not donate food items that are unsealed, loose items without ingredients listed, glass containers, or individual servings of baby food as these items must be discarded. If you are donating something that requires another item to prepare it like milk or oil, it is helpful to donate that as well.

Donations can be placed in the bins by Sanctuary entrances throughout the month of April.



Why is There A Pineapple Express Food Truck in Hudson's West Parking Lot?

As some of you may know the “pay what you can” ministry called A Place At the Table in downtown Raleigh is expanding their efforts! They have purchased a food truck and have asked if we can store their truck in our parking lot while they get ready to launch. This is a great way we can support their ministry with the use of our property.

PRESCHOOL

St. Jude's Trike-A-Thon

What fun our preschoolers had this past Wednesday at St. Jude's Trike-a-Thon! Children rode their bikes and scooters, played games with parachutes, blew bubbles, and decorated with sidewalk chalk. This event has been an HMP tradition since 1997. **This year, the preschool raised over \$7,400!**



Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Coalition Build

IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS FOR MAY 18

This year we will once again be building at Old Poole Place neighborhood. This 105-home neighborhood is going up near the intersection of Old Poole Road and New Hope Road in Southeast Raleigh, and will feature 60 single-family homes and 45 townhomes, all built by Habitat.

The Spring Old Poole Place Build is a building and advocacy campaign to advance a more beloved community with justice, equal opportunity, and love for all. We will start and finish 2 new homes and help to finish other homes underway in the Old Poole Place neighborhood.

TO REGISTER FOR A WORK DAY: Go to [this link](#) and sign in or create an account, scroll down to our assigned build dates (Our remaining date is Saturday, May 18) and choose your date. HMPC has 5-6 slots available. Contact Debbie Kirk for more information at dkirk@hmhc.org

A Discussion on The Gospel of John

Brown Bag Lunch - May 6 at Noon



Read the Gospel of John and join us at Brown Bag Lunch with Pastor Mac on Monday, May 6th, at 12:00pm in Westminster Hall South for an overview of the Gospel and discussion. The Brown Bag Lunch group has been reading through the gospels over the past four

months. You are invited to read the Gospel of John in April. If you have questions about specific passages please email them to Pastor Mac (mschafer@hmpc.org) by Monday, April 29th.

All are welcome! Bring your lunch--the church provides water, napkins, plates and cups!

Waking Up With The Word

Tuesday, April 30 | 6:30am | Zoom



This is an early morning men's Bible study. It meets in person and on 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. If you'd like to be added to the reminder list for the group please contact Pastor Mac at mschafer@hmpc.org.

INQUIRERS' CLASS

Interested in Membership?

The Inquirers' Class, for those interested in membership, will be held after worship on May 19th in Room 200. The class covers what it means to be a Christian, a Presbyterian, and a member of Hudson Memorial. [RSVP for the class here.](#) Please RSVP by May 14. Contact [Debbie Kirk](#) with any questions.

Sunday Adult Education

Nine O'Clock Class

9:00-10:00am | Room 200

Secrets of Jerusalem's Holiest Sites



This week the 9:00 Class will watch National Geographic's documentary *Secrets of Jerusalem's Holiest Sites*. Join us as we watch and discuss this video!

The Seekers

9:30-10:20am | WH South

April 28: Rev. Aleta Ash will give an update on Milner Commons and the "new thing" that God is doing at the property on New Bern Avenue (formerly Milner Memorial Presbyterian Church). We will think about resurrection, new ways of doing ministry, and the importance of the connectional church.



May 5: "Land Acknowledgment & Why It's Important: The Parish Grove Poor Farm" - A taste of what we're finding out about the land the church is on and some Biblical roots of why it's important.

Presbyterian Ponderings

9:30-10:20am | WH North

Facilitated by Fred Woodward, John Oldenburg, John James, Gil Graybill

Easter tide is the period of time between Easter and Pentecost. It is a time to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, but also a time of new and renewed discipleship, to prepare our hearts and minds for our own ministries in the name of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. Join us for scripture, conversation, and mutual support as we explore this time together.

4/28 - Having the Love of God Shed Abroad in Their Hearts
5/5 - Guided by The Holy Spirit

CALENDAR

This Week at HMPC

Sunday, April 28

9:00am - Nine O'Clock Class - Room 200
9:30am - The Seekers - WH South
9:30am - Presbyterian Ponderings - WH North
10:30am - Worship - Sanctuary
10:45am - Children's Sunday School - Geneva Hall
11:30am - Fellowship - Outside
11:30am - Children's Music - Geneva Hall
11:30am - Youth Sunday School - Youth SS Room
5:00pm - David LaMotte Book Study - Room 200

Monday, April 29

PRESCHOOL CLOSED - TEACHER WORK DAY
8:00pm - Al-Anon/Alateen - Geneva Rm 226, 234, 235

Tuesday, April 30

6:30am - Waking Up With The Word - Zoom
9:30am - Staff Meeting - Welcome Lounge
5:45pm - ACA Support Group - Room 200
6:00pm - Elder Training - Memorial Garden/Chapel
7:00pm - Deacon-Elect Orientation/Training - Rm 200
7:30pm - Boy Scouts - Geneva Hall

Wednesday, May 1

9:00am - Parent Meeting - Westminster Hall
9:15am - Women at the Well - Chapel/Zoom
6:15pm - Hudson Handbells - WH South
7:30pm - Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

Friday, May 3

5:45pm - ACA Support Group - Room 200

Saturday, May 4

9:00am-12:00pm - Campus Work Day

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Community!*



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GRADUATIONS

College Graduations

If you are or have a member of your family who is graduating from college this spring, please send the below information to [Lesley Ash Jacobsen](mailto:Lesley.Ash.Jacobsen@hudsonmpc.org).

Let us know the...

- Name
- Degree
- Institution
- Honors
- Anything else you think might be helpful.



These will be published in the Weekly Window towards the beginning of June.

MISSION

Adult Mission Trip JULY 21-26 | AVERY COUNTY



**Habitat
for Humanity®**

This summer, a group of Hudson members will travel to Banner Elk, NC, to work on a home for Avery County Habitat for Humanity. The group will go to Banner Elk on July 21 through July 26. Banner Elk is close enough that part-week participation is easily possible. Please consider joining us on this Mission in the Mountains. No

specific skills are necessary, and inexperience is not a barrier. Teens and friends are welcome too!

If you missed the informational meeting or would like more info, please contact John Oldenburg, 901-210-3701, oldygolden@aol.com

CHANCEL FLOWERS

2024 Chancel Flowers SUMMER & FALL DATES AVAILABLE!



Secure a date to honor or remember someone with a floral arrangement. To sign up for a 2024 date, or for more information, refer to the flowers bulletin board outside Room 103, or contact [Hannah Woodcock](mailto:Hannah.Woodcock@hudsonmpc.org) in the church office.