

THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OUT TO THE LIFE
AND MINISTRY OF
HUDSON MEMORIAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



APRIL 19, 2024

APRIL 21 IS PRESCHOOL SUNDAY!



On Sunday, April 21st, we celebrate the ministry of early childhood education at Hudson. For over 50 years, Hudson has had a mission of providing nurture and education to families in our community with young children. Today, the preschool has over 150 students, infants to 4 year olds. We have 40 dedicated teachers. In worship this week we will celebrate this important mission of the church through Psalm 139, teachers sharing, children singing, and more. All preschool families and children are invited to worship and we'd love for former teachers, board members, and students to attend as well! There will be a reception to follow in Westminster Hall North.



HMPC Campus Work Days APRIL 27 & MAY 4 | 9:00am-12:00pm



Property Committee has tentatively scheduled work days for 4/27 and 5/4 from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Adults and high school youth are welcome to help with our many projects (weeding, mulching, trimming hedges, and more!)

**WE INVITE YOU
TO COME HELP
MAINTAIN AND
BEAUTIFY OUR
CAMPUS!**



Volunteer Opportunity for Children

FOOD BANK | SATURDAY, APRIL 27



Please join us for a family-friendly volunteer day at the Food Bank! This event is for children from 5 to 11 years old and guardians are required to attend. Projects include labeling donations and sorting produce.



Our next scheduled Kids' Day is April 27th from 1:00-3:00.

Please register both yourself and your child [HERE](#).

Habitat For Humanity Children's Baffle Painting Event

As a part of our Habitat Interfaith Build, Unity of the Triangle (5570 Munford Rd, Raleigh) is hosting two baffle painting sessions on Sunday, May 19th. Each child will be able to paint one baffle and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please wear old clothes and bring a water bottle. **Register using the links below:**



Shift 1 – 2:30pm – 4pm

Shift 2 – 4pm – 5:30pm



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.

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.



PLEASE NOTE:

Due to a staff event, the office church will be closed from 12:45 to 2:30pm on Tuesday, April 23.

HMPC OFFICE

Interested in Volunteering? CHURCH OFFICE LOOKING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN THE ROTATION!

The office staff is searching for volunteers who are available for a shift from 12-4pm, on one afternoon Mondays-Thursdays. If you cannot do afternoons, we would be glad to have some new morning volunteers as well! This can be on a weekly basis or less frequently if you have limited time.

Most days are quiet and the tasks are mostly:

- Signing for packages or opening the door for guests and vendors
- Answering the phone



Many volunteers bring a book or tablet and enjoy some quiet time while helping out!

If you like to do hands-on work, the office staff often has projects like:

- Stuffing envelopes
- Collating documents
- Cutting/stapling/folding cards, bulletin inserts, etc.

The tasks are usually simple but very helpful to the office staff! It's also a great way to connect with other church members.



If your heart is stirred to serve in this capacity, please contact Teri Morris at mouseymorris@aol.com so she can get you on the schedule.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome New Members!

3 NEW MEMBERS JOINED APRIL 7



Welcome, **Rolf Kolconay!** Rolf was born and raised on the northwest side of Chicago, and he lived in Charleston for the past 17 years before coming to Raleigh. He is a Master Gardener from Clemson, and currently works part time as a Gardener at Home Depot.



Welcome, **Karen & Joseph Cox!** Joe is a retired Mechanical Engineer (heavy equipment), born and raised in Ann Arbor, MI, and Ypsilanti, MI. He is a general handyman, and enjoys woodworking and carpentry. Joe is ordained and served as an Elder at a previous church in Cincinnati. Karen is a retired educator, originally from Erin Township, Michigan. Karen is passionate about teaching, social justice, and community action. She enjoys listening to classical music, reading, and taking care of her grandson, Ian-Callum. Their son is HMPC member, Malcolm Cox.

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.



MISSION

Avery County Mission Trip Informational Meeting THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 21 | LIBRARY



This year's mission trip to Avery County will occur July 21-26. If you are new and wish to learn more about the trip and what it entails, John Oldenburg will hold an informational meeting on April 21. The meeting will proceed shortly after the 10:30am service in the church library (Room 233, the next door beyond the entrance to the choir room).

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. They also accept personal care products and household items such as Clorox type wipes and dish soap.

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.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations!



Hudson Preschool teacher, Charline Vick, married Joël Sousa on Sunday, April 14th. The wedding was officiated by Pastor Mac.



MISSION

Join the 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. The Spring Old Poole Place Build began on March 9, and will continue through June 1. 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 (Saturday, April 27 and Saturday, May 18) and choose your date. HMPC has 5-6 slots available each day. **April 27 is full but space often becomes available, so keep checking if you wish to work on that date! May 18 has many spots open.**

Contact Debbie Kirk for more information at dkirk@hmhc.org

Presbyterian Pint

7:00pm | Thursday, April 25
Mordecai Beverage Co



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. Join us this Thursday!

Sunday Adult Education

Nine O'Clock Class

9:00-10:00am | Room 200

Continuing The Sermon Series

The 9:00 Class will explore different sermons throughout the spring, and have time for discussion afterwards. You'll have a chance to reflect on what the message means to you, or just listen to the discussion afterwards.

Read the Gospel of John in April!

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!



The Seekers

9:30-10:20am | WH South

April 21: "Inspiration"- Biblical and non-Biblical sources of inspiration which help shape our lives will be discussed. Those attending are encouraged to share personal stories of inspiration (persons, events, scriptures).

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.

Waking Up With The Word

Tuesday, April 23 | 6:30am | Patio



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.



Presbyterian Ponderings

9:30-10:20am | WH North

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

Eastertide 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.

4/21 - Your Works Testify to Jesus

4/28 - Having the Love of God Shed Abroad in Their Hearts

5/5 - Guided by The Holy Spirit

This Week at HMPC

Sunday, April 21

- 9:00am - Nine O'Clock Class - Room 200
- 9:30am - The Seekers - WH South
- 9:30am - Presbyterian Ponderings - WH North
- 10:00am - Children's Music Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 10:30am - Worship - Sanctuary
- 10:45am - Children's Sunday School - Geneva Hall
- 11:30am - Mission Trip Meeting - Library (upstairs)
- 5:00pm - David LaMotte Book Study - Room 200
- 5:00pm - Youth Sabbath Sunday

Monday, April 22

- 5:30pm - Session - WH South & Memorial Garden
- 8:00pm - Al-Anon/Alateen - Geneva Rm 226, 234, 235

Tuesday, April 23

- 6:30am - Waking Up With The Word - Patio
- 9:30am - Staff Meeting - Welcome Lounge
- 1:00pm - Staff Lunch - Offsite
- 5:45pm - ACA Support Group - Room 200
- 6:00pm - Elder Training - Mem. Garden Patio
- 7:00pm - Deacon-elect Orientation - Room 200
- 7:30pm - Boy Scouts - Geneva Hall

Wednesday, April 24

- 9:00-12:00 - St. Jude's Trike-A-Thon - HMPC Campus
- 9:15am - Women at the Well - Chapel/Zoom
- 6:15pm - Hudson Handbells - WH South
- 7:30pm - Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

Thursday, April 25

- 7:00pm - Presbyterian Pint- Mordecai Bev. Co.

Friday, April 26

- 5:45pm - ACA Support Group - Room 200

Saturday, April 27

- 9:00am - Habitat Build Date
- 1:00pm - Kids Day at the Food Bank

Boy Scouts at HMPC

Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church has sponsored Troop 376 "Building Boys into Men" since 1961.



Boy Scouts of America Troop 376 is recruiting young men ages 11-17 to join the Scouting program. Scouting emphasizes duty to God and country, helping others, and self-improvement by learning first aid, leadership, honesty, self-reliance, respect,

outdoor skills of camping and hiking, and personal fitness. Scouting has more than 135 merit badges to learn about sports, crafts, science, trades, business, and future careers.

"Let's get outdoors and let the adventure begin. Let's do it!"

For information, attend a scout meeting on Tuesdays 7:15-8:45pm at Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church in Geneva Hall (2nd floor) or contact Scoutmaster Ray Kelling at 919-630-8933 rkelling1@nc.rr.com or Asst. Scoutmaster Richard Rogers at rrogersjr85@gmail.com.

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) in the church office.

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All of our services are available on our [YouTube channel!](#) Once you go to our channel, go to "Live" and you will see all of our previous worship services!