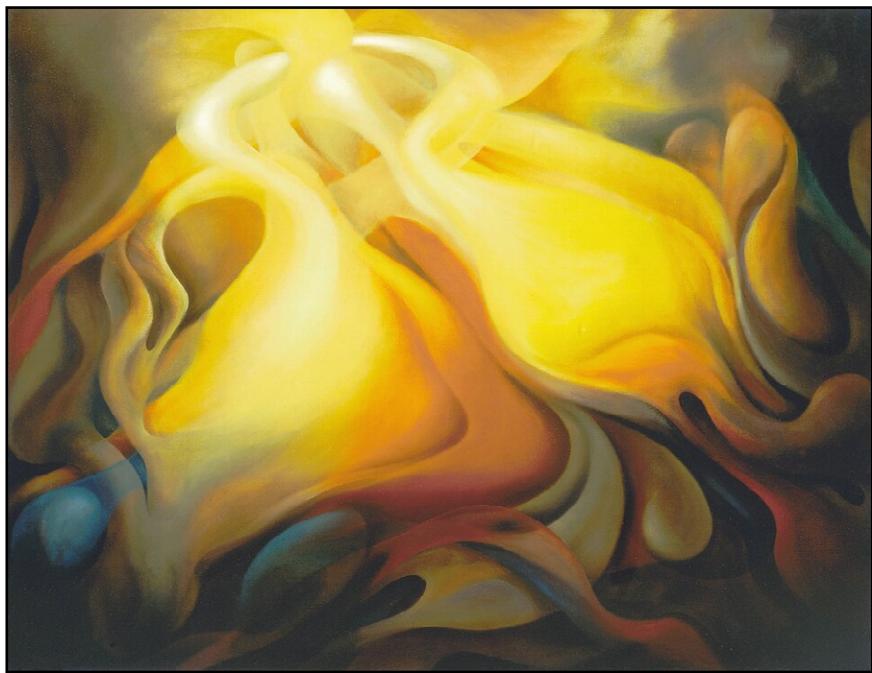




Welcome



February 15, 2026

Service for the Lord's Day

February 15, 2026

We Gather to Worship

People's Preparation

"Who can say if I've been changed for the better? I do believe I have been changed for the better; and because I knew you, because I knew you, I have been changed for good."

- Lyrics from the song "For Good," from the musical *Wicked* (2003)

Prelude

Arietta

S. C. Taylor

Welcome

Winter Fox

*Please sign the Friendship Pad, passing it down the pew and then back to the center aisle.
Guests, we invite you to share your contact information.*

Introit

Come By Here/Kum Ba Yah

Spiritual

Call to Worship*

Winter Fox

One: Behold, God is doing a new thing.

All: **Here, now, in the midst of our routines.**

One: The Holy One who created heaven and earth forms us fresh today.

All: **Let our spirits rise to meet our Maker! Amen!**

Opening Hymn #12*

Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise

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Children's Message

Monica Maxwell

Choral Response

It's Our Faith Makes Us Happy

Spiritual

We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

Call to Confession

Rev. Betty Berghaus

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ, you reveal the light of your glory. But we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that at times we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. At other times, we fail to speak and act when you call us to do so. Forgive us, Lord. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, in whose name we pray. Amen. (*Silence*)

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri #581*

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

Passing of the Peace*

Winter Fox

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

Please offer a sign of Christ's peace to those around you.

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson

Exodus 24:12-18; 2 Peter 1:16-21

Winter Fox

Anthem

Folk Hymn Suite

arr. MacDonald

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and I will still give thee aid.
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.”

I know that my Redeemer lives. (Glory, hallelujah!)
What comfort this sweet sentence gives. (Glory, hallelujah!)
Shout on, pray on! We're gaining ground.
The dead's alive and the lost is found.
Glory Hallelujah! Glory Hallelujah!

How wondrous great, how glorious bright must our Creator be,
Who dwells amidst the dazzling light of vast eternity.

While all the heavenly powers conspire eternal praise to bring,
Let faith in humble notes adore, the glorious Mystery sing.

Prayer of Illumination (Unison)

Rev. Betty Berghaus

God of shining splendor, your voice makes the earth tremble in wonder. Overshadow us with your Spirit so that we may hear your Word and live as faithful disciples and your covenant people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Second Lesson

Matthew 17:1-9

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Sermon

"Transformation!"

Rev. Betty Berghaus

We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)*Winter Fox; From *A Declaration of Faith*

Jesus was God in the flesh. Jesus Christ overthrew evil powers that enslaved and degraded people, yet he made no use of power to protect himself. He healed those who were sick in body and mind, yet he did not avoid pain and suffering himself. He commanded his followers to place loyalty to him above family and country, yet he lived among them as a servant. Jesus taught with authority, challenging many time-honored customs and ideas, yet he submitted to humiliation and death without a word on his own behalf. He forgave sinners, yet he was counted among sinners. We recognize the work of God in Jesus' power and authority. He did what only God can do. We also recognize the work of God in Jesus' lowliness. When he lived as a servant and went humbly to his death, the greatness that belongs only to God was manifest. In both his majesty and lowliness, Jesus is the eternal Son of God, God himself with us.

Invitation to the Offering

Winter Fox

Offertory*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

arr. Martha Mier

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

**Doxology #609***

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

“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!”

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Winter Fox

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.

We Bear and Follow the Word into the World

Closing Hymn #192* *Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining*

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Benediction*

Rev. Betty Berghaus

Choral Response*

Amen

Spiritual, arr. Nelsie T. Johnson

Postlude

Postlude in A major

Louis Lefebure-Wely

**Rise, in body or spirit*

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today!

Worship Notes

Chancel flowers today are given by the Bond family to the glory of God and in honor of Harry Bond on his birthday.

The flowers in the narthex are given in loving memory of Tom Bradshaw, by his family.

Liturgist today - Deacon Winter Fox

Ushers today - Carol Clemens, Kelly Boone, Ace & Linda Ornt

Greeters today - Steve & Libbie Toth, Tony Bedini, Tripp Bradshaw

Soundboard Operator - John Oldenburg | **Livestream Operator** - Lucille Nicholas

Deacon on Call (DOC) for February is Iva Stowe. 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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Come By Here/Kum Ba Yah: Spiritual, *Glory to God* Hymnal #472 | *It's Our Faith Makes Us Happy* - Spiritual, *Glory to God* Hymnal | Folk Hymn Suite: Tunes: FOUNDATION; SHOUT ON, PRAY ON; AWFUL MAJESTY, Arranged by: Mary MacDonald, © 2010 Word Music, LLC. | *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*, arr. Martha Mier, Alfred Publishing 2010

The Memory Book today is open to Memorials given February 28, 2024: In memory of Nancy Sinicki by Nancy Appleby Brenner.

Bulletin Cover - *The Transfiguration of Jesus*, Painting by Armando Alemdar Ara

Children & Their Families: Worship, Education & Helpful Hints

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

- **Nursery for infants, toddlers, and twos** is located on the north end of the first floor and is available from 9:15-12:15 today. 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.
- **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.

Welcome to Our New Director of Youth Ministry!

The Youth Director Search Committee is excited to announce that we have concluded our search for our new Director of Youth Ministry. We believe everyone will be as thrilled as we are to see a familiar face among our ranks again. Please welcome Merritt Liebman as the newest staff member of HMPC. Merritt comes to us from Wake Forest Presbyterian, where she has served for a year and a half as the Director of Youth Ministries. Please see Merritt's bio below to read more about her history with Hudson and how she was called to youth ministry.

Merritt's first day will be Monday, March 16. Please join us in welcoming Merritt back to HMPC into this important leadership role!

Hi all! I'm Merritt Liebman, and I am thrilled to serve in the role of Youth Director here at Hudson. I grew up at HMPC and am so excited to return in a staff position. My faith has been deeply nurtured by the people of this church, through my time serving on the New Hope Youth Council, through working at conferences at Massanetta Springs and Montreat Conference Center, and through participating in Presbyterian campus ministry at NC State.

My husband, Paul, and I are members of HMPC, and we have two dogs who are not church members but have participated in a pet blessing. For the past few years I have served as Director of Youth Ministries at Wake Forest Presbyterian Church, where my love for youth ministry and sense of calling were affirmed. Prior to that role, I was actively involved here at Hudson as a youth advisor, youth committee member, and chair.

I believe that the youth of our church are the living church right now - not some future version of it. I feel deeply called to nurture their faith, build meaningful relationships, and point out God's presence whenever and however I see God working in their lives. I am incredibly grateful for the opportunity to serve alongside our youth and their families, and come home to this church.

I am looking forward to meeting those of you I do not know, and reconnecting with those I have missed! Thanks be to God for this opportunity, and this place.

Upcoming at Hudson



February 17th - Fat Tuesday Celebration

6:00pm in Westminster Hall - RSVP using the link in the Weekly Window or by scanning the QR code to the left



February 18th - Ash Wednesday

Ashes will be available the following times: 8:30-9:30 (preschool entrances for student drop-off), 12-1pm (Sanctuary), 5-6pm (Chapel), 7-8pm (Memorial Garden)



February 22nd - Annual Meeting of the Congregation - Following worship



February 25th; March 4, 11, 18, 25 - Lenten Suppers & Services - 6:00pm



March 14th - Easter Egg Hunt

10:00-12:00 - HMPC Campus - No RSVP needed.



March 15th - Youth Arts Worship - 10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary



March 29th - Palm Sunday - 10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary



April 2nd - Maundy Thursday - 7:00pm Worship in the Sanctuary



April 5th - Easter Sunday - 9:00 and 11:00am Worship in the Sanctuary

February Special Offerings

This month's Special Offering and Tend My Sheep Physical Collection will both support the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina. One of the largest anti-hunger organizations in the United States, the Food Bank works daily to provide food to those in need while also pursuing long-term solutions to end hunger in our communities.



You may give a monetary donation by placing it in the offering plate (designated "Food"), or by giving online at hmpc.org or scanning the QR code to the left.

For a physical donation, you are invited to bring **oatmeal and cereal** and place it in the bins located by the Sanctuary doors during the month of February.

Our Mission Statement

To Know, Love and Serve God in Jesus Christ

Our Vision

We seek to welcome with the love of Christ, trust in the grace of Christ, and grow with the help of Christ.

Our Core Values

Worship, Generosity, Service, Nurture, Education & Gratitude

Session

Glenn Schindo, Clerk

Marguerite Sirrine, Moderator

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Ken Krause

Caroline Smart

Dan Vig

John Williams

Class of 2027

Harry Bowles

Steve Guy

Don Haydon

Grace Hutchinson

Class of 2028

Barry Cobb

Jay Cummins

John James

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Deacons

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Lisa Williams

Fred Woodward

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Nancy Eyre

Joanna Hulsey

Hope Parangi

Iva Stowe

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Hunter Cox.....	Organist
Cary Dickerson.....	Director of Children's Ministry & Staff Liaison to Youth Ministry
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Lesley Ash Jacobsen.....	Communications Manager
Barbara Loehr-Fox.....	Director of Music Ministries
Hope Parangi	Church Hostess
Dorothy Roche	Preschool Director
Hannah Woodcock.....	Administrative Coordinator



Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice, like moun-tains high soar - ing a - bove;
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.

192 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining Shine, Jesus, Shine

Capo 2: (G) (C) (G) (D) (G)

A D A E A

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the
 2 Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence, from the
 3 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our

(C) (G) (D) (C) (D)

D A E D E

midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, Light of the
 shad - ows in - to your ra - diance; by the blood I may
 fac - es dis - play your like - ness; ev - er chang-ing from

(Bm7) (Em7) (C) (D) (Bm7)

C♯m7 F♯m7 D E C♯m7

World, shine up - on us; set us free by the truth you now
 en - ter your bright-ness. Search me; try me; con - sume all my
 glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell your

(Em7) (F) (Dsus)(D) (F) (Dsus)(D)

F♯m7 G Esus E G Esus E

bring us. Shine on me; shine on me.
 dark - ness. Shine on me; shine on me.
 sto - ry. Shine on me; shine on me.

Refrain

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)

A E F♯m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

Shine, Je - sus, shine; fill this land with the Fa-ther's glo - ry.

While the reference to Jesus as the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) can be understood generally, this hymn is perhaps best understood as a response to the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8/Mark 9:2-8/Luke 9:28-36). This is the most popular of the author/composer's many songs.

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (Am/G) (F) (D7sus) (D7)
A E F♯m D A Bm Bm/A G E7sus E7

Blaze, Spir - it, blaze; set our hearts on fire.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)
A E F♯m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

Flow, riv - er, flow; flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (D7) (G)
A E F♯m D A Bm E7 A

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.