



Hudson Memorial  
Presbyterian Church (USA)



*To know, love, and serve God in Jesus Christ*

March 22, 2026



Fifth Sunday of Lent

# Service for the Lord's Day

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## We Gather to Worship

### People's Preparation

"No matter how difficult and painful it may be, nothing sounds as good to the soul as the truth."  
- Martha Beck

### Prelude

*Chorale Prelude on "Alas Did My Savior Bleed"*

C. Hubert Parry

### Welcome

Marguerite Serrine

*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

*God Shall Fulfill the Promise*

Perry, Hopson

### Call to Worship\*

Gil Graybill

One: O mortal, can these bones live?

Many: **Only the Lord God knows.**

One: O people, hope in the Lord.

Many: **With the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redeem.**

### Opening Hymn #804\*

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!*

**HYMNS CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THE DOCUMENT.**

### Children's Message

Matt Carlisle

### Choral Response

*A Little Child Shall Lead Them All*

Daw, Perry, Webb

## We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

### Call to Confession

Marguerite Serrine

### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live, who could stand? We seem to have more faith in death than hope in your promise of life. We seek peace through war and find security in weapons. We abandon the hungry, sick, and dying, and pursue wealth by making others poor. And even so, you love us; still there is forgiveness with you! Therefore we worship you; for you alone, O Lord, can save us from death and redeem us from our sin. 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\*

Gil Graybill

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

Ezekiel 37:1-14

OT p. 806; Gil Graybill

### Anthem

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

arr. Billingham

I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me;  
All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
When the shades of life are falling, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my sorrows, Lord, walk with me, in my sorrows, Lord, walk with me;  
When my heart within is aching, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

### Prayer of Illumination

Marguerite Sirrinc

### Second Lesson

John 11:1-45

NT p. 104

### Sermon

"The Best of All"

Marguerite Sirrinc

## We Respond in Faith

### Affirmation of Faith (Unison)\*

Gil Graybill; Adapted from *The Confession of 1967*

God's redeeming work in Jesus Christ embraces the whole of life: social and cultural, economic and political, scientific and technological, individual and corporate. It includes our natural environment as exploited and despoiled by sin. It is the will of God that his purpose for human life shall be fulfilled under the rule of Christ and all evil be banished from God's creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption. With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

**Invitation to the Offering**

Gil Graybill

**Offertory**

*The Lord's My Shepherd*  
Hudson Handbell Ringers

arr. Linda R. Lamb

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

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**Doxology #606\***

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Prayer & Lord's Prayer**

Gil Graybill

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 #213\***

*In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

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**Benediction\***

Marguerite Sirrinc

**Choral Response\***

*Take Thou Ourselves, O Lord*

Foulkes, Laufer

**Postlude**

*Little Prelude in A minor*

J.S. Bach

*\*Rise, in body or spirit*

# Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today!

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## Worship Notes

**Chancel flowers today** are given in honor of Jason Bond by his family. Happy 11th Birthday, Jason!

**Ushers today** - Tricia Brouwer, Wilson Cheeley, Kelly Boone, Jill Hovis

**Greeters today** - Allie Maples, Libbie & Steve Toth

**Soundboard Operator** - John Whisler

**Livestream Operator** - Erik Jacobsen

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

**The Memorial Book today** is open to memorial gifts given March 11, 2024: In memory of Lucy Rhame by Durban Rhame; In memory of Nancy Sinicki by Melissa Westland.

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## Easter Lilies Available to Order!



Lilies may be dedicated in honor or in memory of a loved one. Each plant is \$15. Order forms are available at Sanctuary entrances or by scanning the QR code. You can put your order slip in the offering plate or in the mailbox of Lesley Ash Jacobsen in the Karl Hudson Room. The lilies may be picked up after the worship service on Easter Sunday. Final date to order is March 29.

## Upcoming at Hudson

### **Wednesday, March 25 - FINAL Lenten Supper & Service**

6:00 supper in Westminster North | 6:30 service in the Chapel  
Hosted by the Deacons with Pastor Marguerite serving communion.

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

**April 2 - Maundy Thursday Communion & Tenebrae Service** - 7:00pm Sanctuary

### **April 5 - Easter Sunday**

**7:00am** - Ecumenical Sunrise Service at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

**9:00am** and **11:00am** - Easter Worship Services in the Sanctuary

**8:00am-10:30am** - "Cancake" Breakfast in Westminster Hall

**April 18 - Property Work Day** - 8:00am-11:00am - HMPC Campus

**April 19 - Preschool Sunday** - 10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary

**April 25 - Habitat Build Work Day** - More details in the Weekly Window

**April 26 - HMPC Spring Concert** - 3:00pm in Westminster Hall

**May 3 - Inquirers' Class** - Following worship in the Karl Hudson Room

## March Special Offerings - Presbyterian Campus Ministries

For March and April, our Special Offering and Tend My Sheep collection will support Presbyterian Campus Ministries (PCM). HMPC is a partner congregation of PCM, and we are proud to help sustain their vital outreach to students at NC State.



PCM provides a welcoming community where students gather for weekly meals, fellowship, and meaningful connection - offering both spiritual support and a safe place to belong. You can make a monetary donation by scanning the QR code, or going to [hmpc.org](http://hmpc.org).

For **Tend My Sheep**, we will be collecting gas cards and snacks for the PCM student lounge. Their most requested items include peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, Gatorade, fruit snacks, pretzels, Capri Sun pouches, and individual iced coffees.

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## 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*

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## Session

Glenn Schindo, Clerk

Marguerite Serrine, Moderator

### Class of 2026

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  
Elizabeth Peeler

## Deacons

### Class of 2026

Winter Fox  
Judie Greenawalt  
Jill Hovis  
Linda Meeks, Moderator  
Mary Schindo

### Class of 2027

Jeffrey Coonse  
Gil Graybill  
Caroline Rohs  
Lisa Williams  
Fred Woodward

### Class of 2028

Jenn Autry  
Nancy Eyre  
Joanna Hulsey  
Hope Parangi  
Iva Stowe

## HMPC Staff

Marguerite Serrine..... Transitional Pastor & Head of Staff  
Aleta Ash ..... Minister of Visitation  
Hunter Cox..... Organist  
Cary Dickerson..... Director of Children & Family Ministries  
Erica Hairston..... Business Manager  
Joyce Hawkins ..... Assistant Preschool Director  
Lesley Ash Jacobsen..... Communications Manager  
Merritt Liebman..... Director of Youth Ministry  
Barbara Loehr-Fox..... Director of Music Ministries  
Hope Parangi ..... Church Hostess  
Dorothy Roche ..... Preschool Director  
Hannah Woodcock..... Administrative Coordinator



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# 804 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

1 Re - joi - ce, ye pure in heart! Re - joi - ce, give thanks, and sing!  
 2 With voice as full and strong as o - cean's sur - ing praise,  
 3 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go,  
 4 At last the march shall end; the wea - ried ones shall rest;  
 5 Then on, ye pure in heart! Re - joi - ce, give thanks, and sing!

Your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.  
 send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.  
 from youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe:  
 the pil - grims find their home at last, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.  
 Your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

*Refrain*

Re - joi - ce! Re - joi - ce! Re - joi - ce, give thanks, and sing!  
 Re - joi - ce! Re - joi - ce!

# In the Cross of Christ I Glory 213

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing  
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -  
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and  
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the  
 5 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing

o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sa - cred  
 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the cross for -  
 love up - on my way, from the cross the ra - diance  
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that knows no  
 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sa - cred

sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
 sake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
 stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.  
 mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.  
 sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.