

THE WEEKLY WINDOW

FEBRUARY 6, 2026

OUT TO THE LIFE
AND MINISTRY OF
HUDSON MEMORIAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Mission Study Report Completed



The Mission Study Team (MST) is pleased to announce that after eight months of effort, Hudson's Mission Study Report has been completed and approved by Session. It will be submitted to the Commission on Ministry (COM) of the Presbytery of New Hope for

their approval. COM's approval is the final step before a subcommittee of Session, just elected the evening of Monday, February 2, can begin forming a slate for the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC). More information about the nomination and election process for the PNC will be forthcoming. The MST is grateful for the prayers, support, and enthusiastic participation of the congregation in this process. Once the report is approved by COM we look forward to sharing it with you.

Lent Begins Soon!

FEBRUARY 25; MARCH 4, 11, 18, 25

Lenten suppers & services, 6:00pm

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00am-12:00pm

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

Palm Sunday - 10:30 Worship

APRIL 2 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:00pm - Communion & Tenebrae Service

APRIL 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 - Worship

8:00-10:30 - "Cancake" Breakfast

11:00 - Worship

Annual Congregational Meeting Set

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Our annual congregational meeting will take place on **Sunday, February 22, at 11:30am**. The agenda includes:

- A review of 2025 finances
- Presentation of the 2026 budget
- A report from the HMPC Foundation
- The annual meeting of the corporation
- Presbytery Commissioners Elected – The Session elected representatives to attend the first two 2026 Gatherings of the Presbytery, ensuring our church remains engaged in the broader work of the Presbyterian Church.

Ash Wednesday

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18



Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent with a public act of confession and contrition. Acknowledging that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God, we stand in solidarity as fellow creatures before our Creator, acutely aware of our mortality. In the face of our transience, we pledge ourselves anew to live unto God's Word in Jesus Christ, the eternal Word that remains forever. (PCUSA)

As in previous years, we begin the season of Lent with the opportunity for members and friends to drop in at Hudson for the Imposition of Ashes. Pastors and staff will be available for ashes and a prayer throughout the day at various locations around the church.

Schedule of Imposition of Ashes:

8:30-9:15am - Preschool entrance for student drop-off

12:00-1:00pm - Sanctuary

5:00-6:00pm - Chapel

7:00-8:00pm - Memorial Garden/Thomas Sayre Cross

Adult Ed on Sundays

Nine O'Clock Class

Sunday, Feb. 8 | 9:00 | Room 200

"Abraham's Journey"

Facilitated by Don Slater

We will be exploring Abraham's journey as he learned to walk with God. Join us for a full hour of learning and discussion!

The Seekers

9:30am | WH South

Sunday, February 8

"Growing Faith" Facilitated by Bob Stowe



Making Peace:

A Special Adult Sunday School
Series Feb. 8-March 15



What do you do when it seems impossible to have a free exchange of opinions with your neighbors, your coworkers or even the person in the pew next to you? When it feels like outrage is the new national pastime, how do you

find peace? When everyone is divided and everything is divisive, what can we do? Join us for a 6-week class focusing on navigating the negativity, finding common ground and disagreeing better.

In our first discussion we will look at Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, and see that the problem of disagreement in the church.... is as old as the church.

This series is open to the whole Hudson community. Join us this Sunday, February 8th at the 9:30 hour in Westminster Hall North. The class runs through March 15.

Waking Up With The Word

Men's Bible Study Every Tuesday at 6:30am

Meeting Location Alternates Weekly on Zoom
& In-person on the Westminster Hall Patio



This is an early morning men's Bible study. It meets via Zoom and in-person (on the WH Patio), alternating weekly.

WUWTW uses an ancient study method called *lectio divina*. We read the passage that is preached on for 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. On Zoom we invite you to use an online Bible or pull out your own hard copy and brew some joe at home. It's a great way to deepen your faith and develop friendships within the church! New participants are always welcome.

If you'd like to be added to the reminder list for the group, please contact Lesley at lash-jacobsen@hmpc.org. Contact Tripp Bradshaw with any questions about the group you might have.

Next meetings:

Tuesday, February 10, 6:30am - WH Patio

Tuesday, February 17, 6:30am - Zoom

Inquirers' Class

RESCHEDULED - NOW FEBRUARY 8



For those interested in joining Hudson or learning more about membership, please note our Inquirers' Class has moved to February 8, immediately following worship. For questions, contact Inquirers' Class coordinator Cary Dickerson (at cdickerson@hmpc.org).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



June 17, 18 & 19 | 5:30pm-7:30pm

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Join us as we explore and celebrate God's creation through drama, music and visual art. Our theme hymn for this year is *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*.

This camp is open to children currently in Kindergarten through 5th grade for the 2025-2026 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.

We look forward to a time of faith and fun with your children!

REGISTER HERE!



Sign up to Volunteer!

VBS

**9:00 - 12:00
AUGUST 3-7**

Our 5-day volunteers will get a 50% tuition discount AND will receive a pre-registration link to skip the line and register their kids now!

Vacation Bible School is coming, and we can't do it without YOU! Whether you love leading games, helping with crafts, serving snacks, or helping with Science, there is a place for all ages, abilities, and talents to serve! Whether you can serve 2, 3 or all 5 days, we would love to have you join us for a week of Snowball Mountain Challenge fun!

Dates: August 3rd-7th

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm



Sign up by scanning the QR code on the left or clicking [HERE](#).

Participant Info:

Registration dates are as follows:

March 1st for HMPC families

March 12th for currently enrolled Preschool families

March 16th for the public

Tuition rates are:

\$40 for HMPC members/\$35 for each additional sibling

\$50 for non-HMPC members/\$45 for each additional sibling

January & February Special Offerings THE FOOD BANK



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 [HERE](#) or scanning the QR code to the left. **For our Tend My Sheep Physical**

Collection, you are invited to bring oatmeal or cereal and place it in the bins located by the Sanctuary doors during the months of January & February.



**Collecting
oatmeal &
cereal
for the
Food Bank!**



Hudson Handy Helpers



Handy Helpers are still active and available to help! We respond to requests from members and outside friends to help them with household maintenance, moving to new locations, hauling furniture or donations to NRM or ReStore, and the dump. We can handle repairs such as

minor plumbing repairs, replacing electrical switches and minor appliance repairs, and building ramps or attaching handle rails, and installing grab bars in bathrooms or entrance ways. We also will consult for you with outside contractors.

If you would like to volunteer for Handy Helpers or need help, please let us know. Contact your Deacon, the church office, or Mike Law (ddelaw1965@verizon.net or 717-439-0677).

DEACONS' BENCH

By February
Deacon-on-Call
Iva Stowe



The book, *Somehow*, by Anne Lamott, relates a story about tree roots, and particularly the redwood trees. She writes, "Redwood roots spread in shallow, interlaced webs barely under the surface, keeping any single tree straight against the wind. If one tree gets sick or



harmed, other trees send it their nutrients and supplies." This is a great illustration of what we, as deacons at Hudson, desire that our ministry achieves.

Your deacon ministry is available to the congregation. We pray daily for specified needs and then again within our monthly meetings we share the joys and the sorrows (*The Message* - Romans 12:15: "Laugh with your happy friends when they're happy; share tears when they're down.") May we be of service to and with you and may the peace of the Lord be with you. - Iva Stowe

GET INVOLVED!

Volunteers Needed! SACRISTY TEAM

Looking for an easy way to volunteer at Hudson? Join the Sacristy Team and help prepare the Lord's Supper a few times a year.

Time commitment: approximately 1 hour on Saturday morning and 1 hour on Sunday following church, 3-4 times per year.



Skills required: ability to pour juice, dry dishes and chat with committee members.

For more info, Contact Elizabeth Peeler elizabeth.peeler@mindspring.com or Carol Cox bchcox@gmail.com.

FAT TUESDAY

Join us for traditional Fat Tuesday food (Gumbo, Jambalaya, rice, and more), crafts, and fellowship on February 17th at 6:00pm in Westminster Hall. \$6 per person.



Young-ish Adult Outing

Saturday, February 21st

5:00-7:00pm

Edit Beer Company

(1911 Sego Ct Suite 101, Raleigh, NC 27616)

Food can be ordered from Scooter's Bar and Grill.

As always, if you are unable to find childcare please do not let



that deter you from coming. This place is family friendly with activities for kids. Contact Christine Bond (cnoldenburg@gmail.com) with any questions you may have.

Sunday, February 8

9:00 am - Nine O'Clock Class - Room 200
 9:30 am - Making Peace SS class - Westminster North
 9:30 am - The Seekers - Westminster South
 10:30 am - Worship - Sanctuary
 10:45 am - Children's Sunday School - Geneva Hall
 11:30 am - Inquirer's Class - Karl Hudson Room
 11:30 am - Fellowship - Westminster North
 11:30 am - Joyful Noise Music - Geneva Hall
 11:45 am - Coffee and Conversation - Chapel
 11:45 am - Youth Bells - Westminster South
 2:30 pm - Spanish for Pilgrims - Room 200

Monday, February 9

9:30 am - HMP Chapel
 6:45 pm - Deacons (Small Group) - Welcome Lounge
 7:00 pm - Finance Committee - Zoom
 8:00 pm - Al-Anon/Alateen - Geneva

Tuesday, February 10

6:30 am - Waking Up with the Word - WH Patio
 11:00 am - Elizabeth/Esther Circle - Chapel
 11:30 am - Hannah Circle - Room 200
 6:45 pm - Preschool Board - WH South
 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts Troop 376 - Geneva Hall
 7:00 pm - Adult Ed Committee - Zoom
 7:00 pm - Miriam Circle - Off site

Wednesday, February 11

Preschool Staff Birthday Celebration
 9:15 am - Women at the Well - Chapel/Zoom
 6:00 pm - Youth Director Search Committee - Rm 200
 6:15 pm - Hudson Handbells - WH South
 6:30 pm - Youth 4C - Chipotle, Captain Cookie
 7:30 pm - Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

Thursday, February 12

10:45 am - Staff Meeting - Welcome Lounge
 6:30 pm - Mission Committee - WH South

Saturday, February 14

11:00 am - Celebration of Life Service for Tom Bradshaw in the Sanctuary.

A reception will immediately follow at North Ridge Country Club, 6612 Falls of Neuse Rd., Raleigh, NC. For those unable to attend in person, the livestream can be found [HERE](#).

