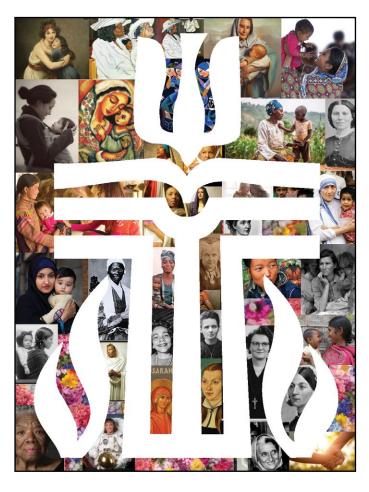


WELCOME



May 11, 2025

Service for the Lord's Day

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We Gather to Worship

People's Preparation

"Here are the two best prayers I know: 'Help me, help me, help me' and 'Thank you, thank you, thank you." - Anne Lamott

Prelude Allegro Maestoso Mendelssohn

Welcome Marguerite Sirrine

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 Aleluya Trad. Honduran tune, arr. J. Bell

Joyful Noise Music

Aleluya. El Señor resucito. Aleluya. Jesus Christ is with us now. Aleluya. Glory, love and praise to God.

Call to Worship*

Laura McHenry

One: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

Many: The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!
One: Blessings and honor is yours, O God.
Many: Glory to God forever. Alleluia!

Opening Hymn #32*

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

HYMNS CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT.

Children's Time & Sacrament of Baptism Alice Bennett Wombwell

Child of MaryMac & Burke Wombwell

Choral Response Baptized in Water Gaelic melody, arr. Grotenhuis

We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

Call to Confession Marguerite Sirrine

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace, and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation. We repent of these hurtful ways. Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace. Amen. (Silence.)

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri #581*

"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."

Passing of the Peace*

Laura McHenry

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 Psalm 23 OT p. 501, Laura McHenry

Anthem Now Let Me Fly Spiritual, arr. V. C. Johnson Hudson Men's Chorus

Way down yonder in the middle of the field, angels workin' at the chariot wheel. Not so partic'lar 'bout workin' at the wheel, but I just wanna see how that chariot feels.

Refrain: Now let me fly into Mount Zion, oh, Lord, oh, Lord.

I got a mother in the Promised Land, ain't gonna stop 'til I shake my mother's hand. Not so partic'lar 'bout shakin' her hand, but I just wanna see that Promised Land. (*refrain*)

One of these mornings and it won't be long, you'll look for me and I'll be gone. I'm goin' up to glory where I'll sing and shout, and no one there will put me out! (refrain)

Prayer of Illumination (Unison)

Shepherd of Souls, you call us to an abundant feast at the table of your word. Open our hearts to feed on your goodness, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we might dwell evermore deeply in you.

Second Lesson Revelation 7:9-17 NT p. 249

One: The Word of the Lord, **Many: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon The Comfort We Seek Marguerite Sirrine

We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)*

Laura McHenry

From A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

Invitation to the Offering

Laura McHenry

Offertory

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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!"

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Laura McHenry

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 #803*

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

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Benediction*

Choral Response*

Go with Us. Lord

TALLIS' CANON

Postlude

Echo Fantasia

Jan Sweelinck

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today!

Worship Notes

Blue prayer cards are available in the pew racks. If you are in need of prayer, you may fill out a card and put it in the offering plate.

Ushers today - Kelly Boone, Kessler Dickerson, Ruth Herpich, Rick Melling

Greeters today - Mary & Glenn Schindo, Keto Komono

Soundboard Operator - Davis Boone

Livestream Operator - Bob Stowe

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

The Memory Book today is open to Children's Bibles given July 2023 by Rose Barford, in honor of the children of HMPC; Given by Major & Lou Bond, in honor of Jason and Claire Bond; Given by Sandra Boyd, in honor of the children of HMPC.

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May "Tend My Sheep" Offering: Diaper Train

This month we are collecting diapers, pull-ups and wipes for Diaper Train. No family should have to worry about how they will afford their next diaper, yet this is the reality for 1 in 2 families. For more than 10 years, Diaper Train has been committed to improving the lives of children and families in Wake County by providing direct access to diapers, ultimately working to end diaper poverty.

Their greatest need is 4, 5, & 6 diapers, 3T/4T & 4T/5T pull ups, and wipes but they will accept any size diaper including opened packages (wipes must be unopened). Please bring your donations to church with you by Sunday, May 25th, or you may drop off your donation during the week to the church office throughout the month of May.

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 9:15–11:45. 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.
- Our Children's Worship area is open to children 1st grade and under. Children 2nd grade and older are asked to sit with their parents until the Children's Message. While your child is in the Children's Worship Area, parents should sit in nearby pews to supervise their children.

May Special Offering: Shelter Ministry

Your gifts this month to the Shelter Ministry Special Offering will go first to fulfill our commitment to the 2024 Interfaith Habitat Build — We currently have \$4,500 toward this year's project and are currently \$2,000 away from reaching the goal of \$6,500. Habitat works together with families, local communities, volunteers and partners from around the world so that more people are able to live in affordable and safe homes. Along with their home builds, their advocacy efforts focus on policy reform to remove systemic barriers preventing lowincome and historically underserved families from accessing adequate, affordable shelter. Building with the Interfaith Coalition is an important witness for our congregation as we are united in a common cause that builds the beloved community.

Donations received that exceed the Habitat goal will be used for other shelter ministries as needed including our own Hudson Handy Helpers and Raleigh Rebuild Together.



You may place your donation in the offering plate, mail it, <u>donate online (QR code to left)</u>, or text to give. Text donation amount with the word "Shelter" to 888-906-0744 (Example: 25 Shelter).



Our Mission Statement

To Know, Love and Serve God in Jesus Christ

Our Vision

A Community Enriched by Responding to the Wonder of God

Our Core Values

Worship, Generosity, Service, Nurture, Education & Gratitude

Session

Marguerite Sirrine, Moderator Glenn Schindo, Clerk

Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Dottie Burch	Ken Krause	Harry Bowles
Carol Cox	Caroline Smart	Steve Guy
Jay Cummins	Dan Vig	Don Haydon
Melinda Dickinson	John Williams	Grace Hutchinson

Deacons

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Billy Branch	Winter Fox	Jeffrey Coonse
Ruth Herpich	Judie Greenawalt	Gil Graybill
Joanna Hulsey	Jill Hovis	Caroline Rohs
Gretchen McDuffie	Linda Meeks	Lisa Williams
Carolyn Scott, Moderator	Mary Schindo	Fred Woodward

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32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God



With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need 803



The effectiveness of this beloved paraphrase of Psalm 23 owes much to the flowing shape note melody that serves as a "living stream" to carry the text, which in turn has been given a remarkable clarity and lightness through the poet's masterful use of single-syllable words.