



the weekly Window

August 27, 2021

Out to the life and ministry of Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church (USA)

Fellowship

Fall Kickoff - After Worship - August 29th

Hudson Memorial will Kick Off Fall with Lunch on the Lawn August 29, 2021!



We will have many round tables and chairs set up on the lawn so we can enjoy a meal together, but still be safe outdoors. There will be good spacing among the tables and at the tables. We will have some

tables on the pavement so those concerned with navigating around the yard, they will not have to!

We are having boxed lunches this year instead of our usual covered dish lunch. The lunches have been ordered from Jason's Deli and the cost is \$5 a box. Join Us!

Session Policy & The Pandemic

The Session recently instituted two new policies related to the pandemic:

1. To align with pandemic policies of the City of Raleigh and to protect vulnerable friends and members of HMPC, **masks are now required at all times inside the building of HMPC.**
2. **The church and preschool staff have been asked to verify their vaccination status with their supervisor.** If a staff member or teacher is unvaccinated they will be required to wear a mask at all time while on church property, both indoors and outdoors, and will need to show evidence of a negative test weekly to their supervisor.

Masks remain required in worship on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary. Hand sanitizer and disposable masks are available at every entrance to the sanctuary. Groups can continue to gather outside on church property where masks are optional. We simply ask that you would respect the social distancing needs of those around you.

Thank you for your continued patience and compliance.

Hunger Action

Share Your Bounty With Others

Calling all gardeners! Too many tomatoes, zucchini, etc.? Did you know that you can donate what you don't need to the Interfaith Food Shuttle through their Plant a Row for the Hungry program? Plant a Row for the Hungry encourages garden communities and individuals to donate fresh vegetables, fruit, and herbs to people in need. The Food Shuttle is the Plant a Row partner in the Triangle, distributing your home-grown produce to local food pantries, shelters, and other hunger-relief organizations.

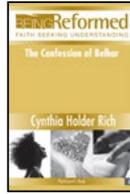
Just one pound of your fresh produce supplements four meals. We cannot accept produce grown with animal manure not composted to USDA Organic standards or sprayed with pesticides within two weeks of harvest. If you have food from your gardens to share, contact Andrea Mouw armouw@gmail.com You can drop your produce off at her home (near Carroll Middle School) Scott Mouw will take it to IFFS on Fridays.



Adult Faith Formation

Brown Bag with Pastor Mac

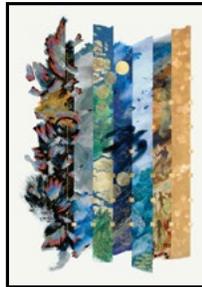
Brown Bag Lunch will begin a six session series on Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding, Confession of Belhar on Monday, September 13th at noon, location to be determined. The Belhar Confession emerged from South Africa as a witness of Christian faith against the sins of racism and focuses on major themes of unity, reconciliation, and justice in the context of the church's Trinitarian belief. Explore what it means to be a confessional Church and to meet and confess our faith in the face of racism in its various forms. This confession was added to the PC(USA) Book of Confessions just a few years ago. Mac has ordered the curriculum, [please let him know via email if you would like to participate in the study.](#)



Seeing the Word

This monthly small group comes together for bible study and discussion on the third Monday of the month. It is next meeting on Monday, September 20th at noon, location to be determined. This group uses the St. John's Illuminated Bible to discuss a scripture using a visual image.

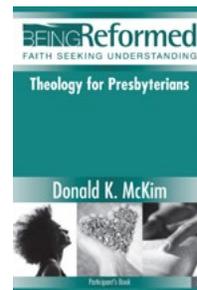
The Saint John's Bible is the first completely handwritten and illuminated Bible commissioned by a Benedictine abbey since the invention of the printing press. Beginning in 1970, master calligrapher Donald Jackson expressed in media interviews his lifelong dream of creating an illuminated Bible. Following a Saint John's University-sponsored calligraphy presentation at the Newberry Library in Chicago in 1995, Jackson discussed a handwritten Bible with Fr. Eric Hollas, former executive director of the Hill Museum & Manuscript Library at Saint John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota. Between 1996 and 1997, Saint John's explored the feasibility of the Bible project, Jackson created first samples, and theologians developed the illumination schema. The Saint John's Bible was officially commissioned in 1998 and funding opportunities were launched. The public was introduced to the project in 1999 and production was completed in 2011, with the final word penned in May 2011 and touch-up work completed by December 2011. The Saint John's Bible is divided into seven volumes and is two feet tall by three feet wide when open. The Bible is made of vellum, with 160 illuminations. Pastor Mac has just begun looking at New Testament Illuminations with the group. If new people would like to join the group this fall, all are welcome! [Please contact Pastor Mac if you'd like to be added to the distribution list.](#)



Faith Formation for Men

Presbyterian Pint

Presbyterian Pint will begin a six session series on Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding, Theology For Presbyterians. This study focuses on what the Reformed and Presbyterian traditions have believed in the past and ways key theological understandings matter in our Christian



lives in the church today. Theological issues include the Bible, God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding is a series of biblically based mini-courses that provides adults with a foundational understanding of the Reformed faith. Each six-session study--written by well-known and respected scholars--features Scripture, prayer, in-depth commentary, and questions for reflection. Each study addresses its subject from a Reformed theological perspective. This series will begin on Thursday, September 23rd at 7 p.m., location to be determined Pastor Mac has ordered the study guide. [Please let him know if you'd like to participate and he will get you the study guide](#)

Waking Up with the Word

Waking Up with the Word is a long running bible study for men. Two Tuesdays a month it meets by ZOOM and two Tuesdays it meets in-person on the Westminster Hall Patio. The group uses an ancient bible study process called Lectio Divina. We look at the passage that will be preached on the upcoming Sunday. The study revolves around three questions:

- *What is a word or phrase that stands out to you?*
- *Allow that word or phrase to develop into a memory from your life, a thought on the passage or metaphor*
- *What is Christ calling you to through the passage?*

No previous bible study experience is needed. It is a great group of guys who are welcoming and wise in their comments. For our in-person meetings coffee and bibles are provided. [If you have questions or would like to be added to the email distribution list, please contact Pastor Mac.](#)



Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation Opportunities (aka The Gathering) Sundays 9:30-10:20am begin September 12

We are grateful for the many virtual faith formation opportunities that are ongoing and we are also excited about the long awaited return to some in person offerings, especially on Sunday mornings! All adults who would like to gather in person for fellowship, consideration of Christian discipleship grounded in the teachings of scripture, and discussion of current events are invited to join one of the three available offerings. Topics and formats will vary depending on the participants and leadership. As we gauge your interest and availability we will add to/amend these offerings accordingly for the fall semester.

- Offering 1 (aka the John Knox Class) will meet in the south end of Westminster Hall, masks required. Nancy Law will lead a weekly study of favorite Psalms suggested by participants as the basis for discussion of their application to our daily lives and how they guide us in challenging times. Coordinators: [Mike](#) and [Nancy Law](#)
- Offering 2 (aka the Mixed Adults Class) will meet in the Parlor, masks required. This group has lively conversations based in Scripture, about various books, and using media sources that challenges us and is led by a team who will present either a series or one off topics to help explore and understand our faith in our daily life. Coordinators/Leaders: [Ron Ash](#), [Jimmy Hulsey](#), and [Susan Grigg](#)
- Offering 3 will meet outside at the Labyrinth/Fire Pit area on the north end of our campus. Those who would like join others for his informal time of reconnecting over coffee (provided) will want to bring a lawn chair, masks are not required outdoors. Coordinators [Susan Bradshaw](#) and [Lindsey Crone](#).

Office

Notary

Pat Cash, Church Business Administrator, is a Notary Public. If you have a need for a Notary, [please contact her](#), or give her a call at 919-787-1086 to set up a time to have your document notarized. We will follow Hudson's guidelines to safely distance.

Director of Music Ministries

A Note from Barbara Loehr-Fox



I am very happy to begin my time walking beside you in ministry. My first week was full of meetings, visiting and music. I am excited to get to know you all and make some beautiful music together.

I plan to take a few weeks to give you a snapshot of who I am. I was born and raised in

Gainesville, Fl. and am a big Gator fan. My elderly mother is the only remaining family member there. My father passed away 2 years ago. I have two older brothers. One lives in Pensacola, Fl, and my oldest brother lives here in the Raleigh area. My younger sister lives in suburban D.C. So, I'm now closer to two of my siblings!

I grew up in a little Methodist church and participated in every program offered there as a child, youth and young adult. My mom took my religious education very seriously and volunteered heavily at the church. I have always loved music and vividly remember singing in church at a young age and in programs in my elementary school.

Next week I'll tell you about the revelation that brought me to a profession in music. In the meantime, I hope you will consider joining the music ministry in some way during the beginning of my time with you. Together we can share our faith and love of the Triune God through music.

Many blessings,
Barbara

Missions

August Special Offering

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Your gifts to this offering provide core funding for the work of PDA, enabling immediate response to national and international disasters and strengthening ongoing work such as training and development, refugee ministry, and response to disasters that do not receive media attention.

Funds are divided among Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Self-Development of People, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. You may mail your donations to the church, [donate online](#), or text to give (text amount PDA) example (25 PDA to 888-906-0744).

Youth Ministry

Youth Programs

Sunday Mornings

- The Explorers (grades 5-7) Sunday School Class will begin after Labor Day on Sunday, September 12 during our regular church education hour. (9:30-10:20am) We will meet in the Explorers Class Room! See you there.
- 2022 Confirmation Class Kick-Off (8th Grade and Older) – The Confirmation Class will gather for their first Sunday morning gathering on Sunday, September 12 in the Confirmation Class Room. If you plan on participating in Confirmation, and have not contacted us, please do so this week. Confirmands should start thinking about who you might want to be your Confirmation Mentor! This can be any adult who is a part of the HMPC family. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Rich Richards
- Rising Fifth Grade Youth and Parent E-mail Information Needed – The Explorers 5-6-7 Sunday School Class (for grades 5-7) and the Middle School Youth Group (grades 5-8) are excited about the rising fifth grade youth that will be moving into the church's youth program this fall. If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please e-mail the following information to Rich Richards: the youth's name, school, and e-mail address, and parent's name, telephone number, address, and e-mail address.

Sunday Evenings:

- Fall Kick-off for Middle School and High School Youth Group is Sunday, September 12 at the church. Start looking in your inbox for information about details regarding this event along with a Fall Calendar of events.

[Contact Rich Richards here](#)

Children's Ministry

Music for Children



On Sunday, August 29th, our children will praise God through music by participating in Joyful Noise during the normal 10:30 Sunday school hour. Children will still be signed in to the Sanctuary and will

head to Joyful Noise after the Children's message. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to be reintroduced to our children's music program before we officially kick off on September 12th at the 9:30 hour!

Hudson Memorial Preschool

Back to school...we are very excited to welcoming the children back to preschool on Monday, August 30th. We had a busy week preparing our classrooms for the children, it is always fun to begin a new school year. Our main goal is to provide a safe, healthy and nurturing environment for the children and we remain committed to make the 2021-22 school year just that! A big thank you to John Hall, Mike Law, Harry Bowles and John Whisler for their skills in building and delivering new cabinetry for our three year old classroom. These gentleman are always ready to step up and lend a hand when needed.



Deacon Ministry

Prayers for Households



Prayer is foundational to the ministry of the Deacons and we consider it a privilege to pray with and for our church family.

The Deacons are praying for member households each week,

with the goal of praying for each and every member of our congregation. These households are listed below so the congregation can join in praying for them as well. Each household will receive a positive note of encouragement from the Deacons in the mail. If you have a specific request for prayer, you can submit a prayer request at HMPC.org or you may call 919-787-1086 and press 2 for the Deacon's Prayer Line. Tony Bedini is the Deacon on Call for August. Please keep these families in your prayers:

- *Tiffany & Dan Wheeler*
- *John Whisler & Carolyn Scott*
- *Kathy & Ed White*
- *Lisa, John and Matthew Williams*
- *Malcolm Williams*
- *Cindy and Amanda Wolf*

Birthdays

Happy Birthday

September

1. BJ Parangi, Jennie Spell, Susie Bradshaw
2. Kathy Sharpe, Emerson Fitzgerald, Erik Jacobsen
4. Mitchell Puryear, Sara Martin
5. Daniel Dickerson, Nancy Eyre
6. Caroline Bradshaw
7. Carol Mims, Jared Sanspree
8. Markos Ya, Sam Hague, Joshua Frelich, Pat Hedrick
9. C. Stephens, Nolan Coppedge, Corey Atkinson, Caleb Bowles
10. Reese Allen, Jolene Allard, Renee Crawford, Lauren Llewellyn, Caroline Rohs, Graham Burch
11. Hunter Rogers, Sam Duncan
12. Sarah Sandlin, Holly Sandlin, Veda Capps, Hannah Bever
13. Wendy Nellis
14. Kelly R. Boone, Jeffrey Coonse
15. Skye Schafer, Kessler Dickerson, David Hanks
17. Nikki Melling, Tripp Madden, Sara Beth Hague, Claire Bond
18. Jean Macomber
19. Evelyn Bartow, Barton Meeks, Alison Keever
20. Harry Bowles, Steve Huth, Coleman Bumgardner, Jamie Julian
21. Kim Hanchette, Christina Billman, Katherine Magee
22. Elizabeth Rankin, William Bradshaw, Delinda Eubanks
23. Lauren Conder
24. Morgan Jackson, Shirley Hall, Caroline Keever
25. Jean Glaub Maskonen
26. Matt Bowles, Henry Apple, Grace Hutchinson
27. Cindy Wolf
28. Margaret Lockard, Julia Powell, Judie Greenawalt
29. Beau Sanchez, William Stephens
30. Ann Tice, Ashley Edmister, Julia Duncan

Worship & The Arts

Live-Streaming Sunday Worship

For those unable to attend worship in person, we will be live streaming the services. Please know that the live streams will also be recorded and posted on the church YouTube channel, as well as the church website.

[Click here to live-stream this Sunday's 10:30 am service.](#)

Sound Technicians Needed - We are in great need of people to help run our sound system and stream our service. All that is required are good ears and a willingness to learn. If interested, contact Pepper or someone at the soundboard. We so appreciate our present sound team: John Whisler, Barton Meeks, plus new streamers, Sarah Bedini, Erik Jacobsen, Tiya Komono, Mia Komono.

Nursery is Open on Sundays!



Our nursery is open during worship. Your children from birth to 3 years old will be safely taken care of by our compassionate, trained, and responsible childcare workers. [Contact Cary Dickerson, Interim Director of Children's Ministries if you have any questions.](#)

Chancel Guild

Flower Donations

Secure a date to honor or remember someone with a floral arrangement. To sign up, or for more information, refer to the flowers bulletin board outside room #103 or call Pat Cash at 919-787-1086.



From the HMPC Staff

Staff Email Addresses

When you receive an email from one of Hudson's staff members, please verify that the email address is their first initial then last name @hmpc.org - examples - mschafer@hmpc.org, dkirk@hmpc.org.

There have been some spam emails being sent, making them look like they are coming from the church. In those cases, the "from" email address is not correct. If you receive those, please do not respond or click on any links.

Online Community

Stay in community with us. We can be found online at:

- facebook (HudsonMPC)
- Twitter (Hudson Memorial PC)
- Instagram (hudsonmemorialpc)



Follow us and like us!

Calendar

Sunday, August 29

- 10:30 am - Worship
- 10:45 am - Children's SS - Playgarden
- 11:30 am - Lunch on the Lawn

Monday, August 30

- 8 pm - Alanon, AlaTeen, AlaKid - GH, 227, 236

Tuesday, August 31

- 6:30 am - Waking Up With the Word - Zoom
- 7:30 pm - Boy Scouts - GH, 234

Wednesday, September 1

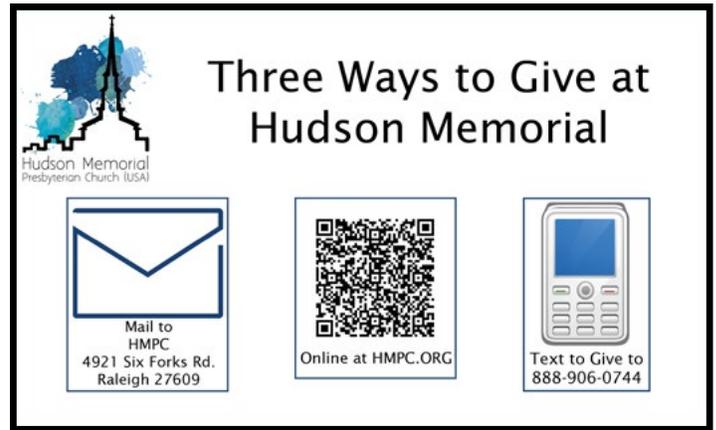
- 9:15 am - Women at the Well - Parlor
- 6:15 pm - Handbells
- 7:30 pm - Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 2

- 6 pm - Women at the Well - Zoom
- 7 pm - Presbyterian Pint - Mac Schafer's Backyard

Sunday, September 5

- 10:30 am - Worship
- 10:45 am - Children's SS - Playgarden
- 11:30 am - Fellowship



Three Ways to Give at Hudson Memorial

Mail to HMPC
4921 Six Forks Rd.
Raleigh 27609

Online at HMPC.ORG

Text to Give to
888-906-0744

Fellowship

Amazing Grays First Thursday Lunch

Our fellowship time at lunch out the past three months has been great to see, eat, and share a meal with everyone. However, with the most recent surge in COVID-19 variants, we would not like any of our members to become infected.

After much consideration, we are putting our lunch out on hold. We look forward to the time we can resume our lunch out and other Amazing Grays programs at our church.

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