

Welcome



February 22, 2026

Service for the Lord's Day

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We Gather to Worship

People's Preparation

"I can resist everything except temptation." - Oscar Wilde

Prelude

Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child

arr. Coleridge

Welcome

Judie Greenawalt

*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*

Judie Greenawalt

One: People of God, on this wilderness journey, what will you eat?

Many: The word of the Lord is our daily bread.

One: People of God, in this time of temptation, how will you live?

Many: Our faith is in the faithfulness of God.

One: People of God, at this kingdom crossroad, whom will you serve?

Many: We worship the Lord our God alone.

Opening Hymn #166*

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

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Children's Message

Cary Dickerson

Choral Response

It's Our Faith Makes Us Happy

Spiritual

We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

Call to Confession

Marguerite Sirrine

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord God, you know the ways of good and evil. You know the things that tempt us and the things that give us life. You know our nakedness, and you know our sin. We confess that we have disobeyed your word, denying your providence and care and relying on our own cleverness. Have mercy on us, we pray: cover us with your grace, feed us with the bread of life, and re-create us in your image; through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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.

Reception of New Members

Congregational Response* *Blest Be The Tie That Binds (v. 1)*

Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

Passing of the Peace*

Judie Greenawalt

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

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

OT p. 2; Judie Greenawalt

Anthem

Give Me Jesus

arr. Courtney

In the morning, when I rise . . . give me Jesus.

And when I am alone . . . give me Jesus

Chorus: Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.

You may have all this world, give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry . . . give me Jesus. (*Chorus*)

And when I come to die . . . give me Jesus. (*Chorus*)

Prayer of Illumination

Marguerite Sirrine

Second Lesson

Matthew 4:1-11

NT p. 3

Sermon

"It's Tempting"

Marguerite Sirrine

We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed (Unison)*

Judie Greenawalt

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Judie Greenawalt

Offertory

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

arr. Cathy Moklebust

Hudson Handbell Ringers

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



Doxology #606*

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Judie Greenawalt

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 #757* *Today We All Are Called to be Disciples*

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Benediction*

Marguerite Sirrine

Choral Response*

Amen

Spiritual, arr. N. T. Johnson

Postlude

Toccata in E minor

Pachelbel

**Rise, in body or spirit*

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today! Following the service, we invite members to stay for the **congregational meeting**.

If you are a guest, we invite you to stop at one of the entryway tables for a gift bag and information about the church.

Worship Notes

Chancel flowers today are given by Mike and Nancy Law to the glory of God and in celebration of their wedding anniversary and birthdays.

Liturgist today - Deacon Judie Greenawalt

Ushers today - Reed Cummins, Kessler Dickerson, Nancy Eyre, Ruth Herpich

Greeters today - Davis Bradshaw, Carol Cox, Davis Jennings

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.

For those sitting in the chairs at the front of the Sanctuary - Hymnals and Bibles are located under your seat.

Soundboard Operator - John Whisler | **Livestream Operator** - Erik Jacobsen

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* | *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* - arr. Cathy Moklebust, © 1999 Choristers Guild | *Give Me Jesus*: Words and music: Traditional Spiritual, arr. Craig Courtney, © 2001 – Beckenhorst Press

The Memory Book today is open to Memorials given March 3, 2024: In memory of Georgia Towns by Sharon Cole.

Bulletin Cover - *The Mind of Christ (Temptation Story)*, Frank Wesley, 1950

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.
- **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.
- **Our Children's music program** "Joyful Noise" will be held today at 11:30-12:15 in Geneva Hall, immediately following Sunday School.

Lenten Prayer Services

Wednesdays During Lent - First Service is This Wednesday

Simple Supper: 6:00pm in WH North | Service: 6:30pm in the Chapel

HMPC Deacons invite you to join them on Wednesdays for supper and worship during Lent. These services are based on practices that began with the early Christians who gathered to share a meal and fellowship, then worshiped together where the rites of anointing with oil and communion were offered. Your participation may be a regular part of your Lent commitment or you can attend as you are able. **Dates for these services are February 25; March 4, 11, 18, 25.**

Each week we provide healthy, delicious, simple suppers and a time of fellowship around the tables in Westminster North. There is no cost for these meals. Following the meal, the services of evening prayer take place in the Chapel. These are contemplative, reflective times that include scripture, liturgy, several forms of prayer, music, and the opportunity to be anointed with oil for yourself or on behalf of someone else. The services conclude with the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

What's Happening at Hudson



TODAY - 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.

food  **bank**
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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

Session

Glenn Schindo, Clerk

Marguerite Sirrine, 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

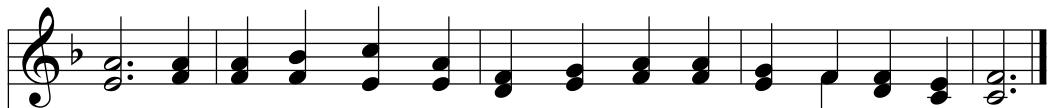
Marguerite Sirrine.....	Transitional Pastor & Head of Staff
Aleta Ash	Minister of Visitation
Hunter Cox.....	Organist
Cary Dickerson.....	Director of Children's Ministry & Staff Liaison to Youth Ministry
Erica Hairston.....	Business Manager
Joyce Hawkins	Assistant Preschool Director
Lesley Ash Jacobsen.....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



Lord, Who throughout These 166 Forty Days



1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us did fast and
 2 As you with Sa - tan did con-tend and did the vic - tory
 3 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through this Pas-sion-
 4 A - bide with us, till when this life of suf - fering shall be



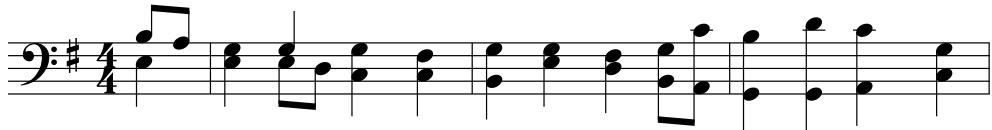
pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.
 win, O give us strength to per - se - vere, in you to con-quer sin.
 tide, yes, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
 past, an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last.



757 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples



1 To - day we all are called to be dis - ci - ples of the
 2 God made the world and at its birth or - dained our hu - man
 3 Pray jus - tice may come roll - ing down as in a might - y
 4 May we in ser - vice to our God act out the liv - ing



Lord, to help to set the cap - tive free, make
 race to live as stew - ards of the earth, re -
 stream, with righ - teous - ness in field and town to
 word, and walk the road the saints have trod till



plow - share out of sword, to feed the hun - gry, quench their
 spond - ing to God's grace. But we are vain and sad - ly
 cleanse us and re - deem. For God is long - ing to re -
 all have seen and heard. As stew - ards of the earth may





thirst, make love and peace our fast, to serve the
proud; we sow not peace but strife. Our dis - cord
store an earth where con - flicts cease, a world that
we give thanks in one ac - cord to God who



poor and home - less first, our ease and com - fort last.
spreads a dead - ly cloud that threat - ens all of life.
was cre - at - ed for a har - mo - ny of peace.
calls us all to be dis - ci - ples of the Lord.

