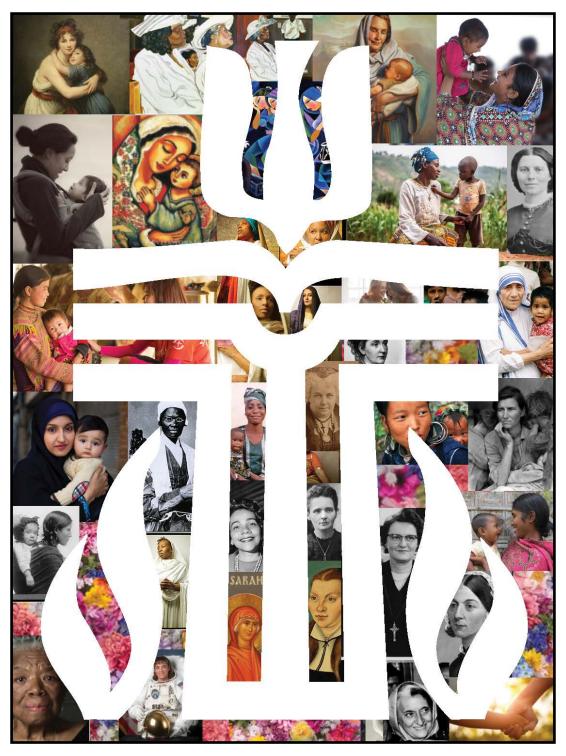
# HUDSON MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



# Service for the Lord's Day

May 12, 2024

# We Gather to Worship

## **People's Preparation**

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen. - PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith. 11.5 & 11.6

Prelude

## Fanfare

Lemmens

Welcome

Introit

Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us

Bechtel, Rowan

PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith, 11.1

## Call to Worship (Unison)\*

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. Let us worship God!

**Opening Hymn #645\*** Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

## **Moment of Friendship**

Guests, we invite you to complete the tan card found in your pew racks. These can be placed in the offering plates or handed to an usher. Alternately, you can sign the virtual friendship pad using the OR code to the right.



**Children's Message** 

**Choral Response** 

Though as Children We Have Wandered

Bechtel, Rowan

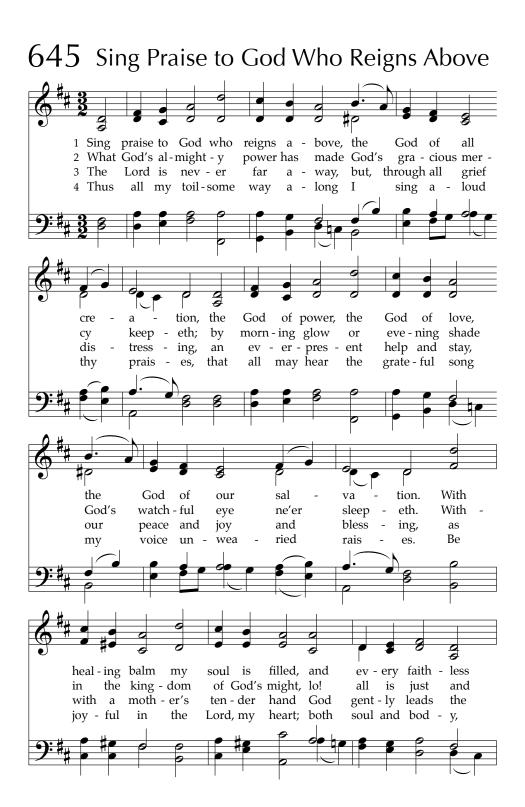
Matt Carlisle

# We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

## **Call to Confession**

#### **Praver of Confession (Unison)**

PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith, 11.3 We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. (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. Amen."

#### **Passing of the Peace\***

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

#### Many: And also with you.

Please stand and offer a sign of Christ's peace to those around you.

# We Hear God's Word

### **Affirmation of Faith**

PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith, 11.2

#### Anthem

Standing on the Promises Hudson Memorial Men's Chorus R. Delson Carter

"Standing on the promises of Christ my king, through eternal ages let his praises ring; Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God."

*Refrain:* "Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior; Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God."

"Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, By the living Word of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God." (Refrain)

"Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to him eternally by love's strong cord, Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, standing on the promises of God." (*Refrain*)

"Standing on the promises I cannot fall, listening every moment to the Spirit's call, Resting in my Savior as my all in all, standing on the promises of God." (Refrain)

#### **Prayer of Illumination**

The Lessons	Romans 8:31-39 2 Corinthians 13:13	NT p. 158 NT p. 186
Sermon	The Book of Order: The Brief Statement of Faith	Mac Schafer

*The Book of Order: The Brief Statement of Faith* 

Mac Schafer

# We Respond in Faith

**Affirmation of Faith\*** 

PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith, 11.4

One: We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

Many: 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.

One: The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles

Many: Rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

One: Engages us through the Word proclaimed,

Many: Claims us in the waters of baptism,

One: Feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

All: And calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

# Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Bach

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

Doxology #609\*

"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!"

# Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

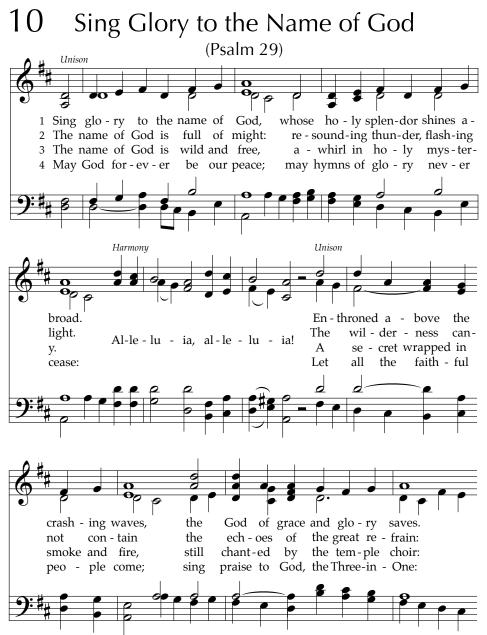
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

# We Bear and Follow the Word into the World

Closing Hymn #10\*

Sing Glory to the Name of God





## **Benediction (Unison)\***

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

## Postlude

Psalm XX

Marcello

\*Rise, in body or spirit

Join us in Westminster Hall for a time of fellowship after the worship service!

# Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today! If you are a guest, please stop at one of the entryway tables for a gift bag and information about the church.

# **Worship Notes**

**Chancel Flowers** today are given by Peg Simone in memory of Gertrude H. Schafer, and in honor of MacHenry G. Schafer

**The rose today** is in honor of Camille (Millie) Shelburne Glenn, born on March 17, 2024. Congratulations to William and Rachel Glenn!

Guest organist - Iva Stowe

**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.

Ushers today - Harry Bond, Allie Maples, Kelly & Trevor Boone, Dan Vig

Greeters today - Phil James, Mary Mac Bradshaw, Tony Bedini

Soundboard Operator - Davis Boone | Livestream Operator - Bob Stowe

**Deacon on Call (DOC)** for May is Winter Fox. 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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PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith, 11.4

# **Children and Their Families: Worship, Education & Helpful Hints**

We enthusiastically welcome all children to HMPC!

• 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. Members and guests participating in Worship can leave children with confidence, knowing they will be contacted by text message should it become necessary. The comfort and security of children is our highest priority.

• 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.

• There is NO Children's Music or Coffee & Conversation today!

May Special Offering is for HMPC's Shelter Ministry. Your gifts this month will go first to fulfill our commitment to the 2024 Interfaith Habitat Build. 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 low-income and historically under-served 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, donate online (QR code to left), or text to give. Text donation amount with the word "Shelter" to 888-906-0744 (Example: 25 Shelter).

# **Upcoming at Hudson**

Friday-Saturday, May 17-18 - Middle School Youth Lock-in HMPC Campus

Saturday, May 18 - Final Work Date - Interfaith Habitat Build Contact Debbie Kirk for more information.

Sunday, May 19 - Spring Music Sunday 10:30am - Music-centered Worship Service - Sanctuary

## Sunday, May 19 - Inquirers' Class Will be held in Room 200 after worship. Contact Debbie Kirk if interested, or fill out the RSVP form on our website.

Sunday, May 19 - Habitat for Humanity Children's Project Baffle-painting event at Unity of the Triangle. Shifts from 2:30-4:00 or 4:00-5:30. Contact Cary Dickerson for more information.

> June 12 - First Summer Supper of the Season! Westminster Hall | Doors open at 6:00pm Delicious, healthy meals and fellowship! RSVP to the church office by June 10

June 19-21 - Arts Camp (current K-5th graders) Register your child using the link in the Weekly Window or on the homepage of hmpc.org

> June 25-28 - Middle School Conference Massanetta Springs, VA Contact Rich Richards for more information.

June 28 - First Fellowship Friday of the Season! 5:30pm | Cafe Capistrano/Altered State Food and drink available for purchase. This is a family-friendly gathering! Dogs are welcome too!

# **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** Mac Schafer, Moderator

Glenn Schindo, Clerk

# Class of 2025

Class of 2024 Tom Bradshaw

Cary Dickerson Roger Howard Joan Lester

## Dottie Burch Carol Cox Jay Cummins Melinda Dickinson

## Deacons

#### Class of 2025

Ron Ash Tony Bedini Martha Chapman Susan Krause Elizabeth Rankin

Class of 2024

Billy Branch Ruth Herpich Joanna Hulsey Gretchen McDuffie, Moderator Carolyn Scott Debbie Kirk

#### Class of 2026

Ken Krause Caroline Smart Dan Vig John Williams

### Class of 2026

Winter Fox Judie Greenawalt Jill Hovis Linda Meeks Mary Schindo

# **Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation**

Mac Schafer	Pastor, Head of Staff
Debbie Kirk	Associate Pastor, Spiritual Growth & Nurture
Aleta Ash	Minister of Visitation
Rich Richards	Director of Youth Ministries & Children's Music
Cary Dickerson	Director of Children's Ministries
Barbara Loehr-Fox	Director of Music Ministries
Al Hyde	Organist
Erica Hairston	
Hannah Woodcock	
Lesley Ash Jacobsen	Communications Coordinator
Dorothy Roche	Preschool Director
Joyce Hawkins	Assistant Preschool Director
Hope Parangi	Church Hostess

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