

the weekly Window

May 2, 2021

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

Fellowship

Zinco de Mayo

Wednesday, May 5

The Fellowship Committee invites you to a “Zinco de Mayo” social hour at 5 p.m. Since we are unable to gather in person for a Cinco de Mayo celebration we are gathering via Zoom. Get it?

You are invited to fix yourself a snack and a favorite beverage and join us for a time to catch up with our church family. You may want to dress in something bright and colorful, and if you have any authentic Mexican attire please wear it! [Register by contacting Pat Cash](#). All ages are welcome. You only need to register one e-mail address for your household.

You will receive the Zoom link to participate Monday, May 3rd. For more information contact [Susan Bradshaw](#) or [Debbie Kirk](#)



Hunger Action Team

Volunteer at the Food Bank

Saturday, May 8th 9 am to Noon

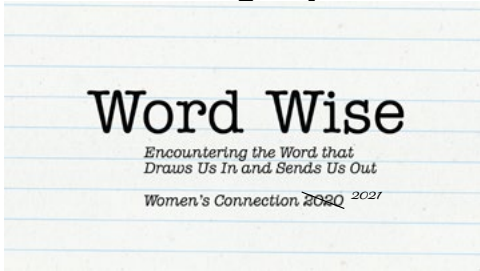
The Hunger Action Team is holding an in-person volunteer shift at the Food Bank on Saturday, May 8th from 9 am to Noon. [Please click here to register](#) as spots are limited. Volunteers must be 16-60 years of age to participate due to the Food Bank’s COVID-19 restrictions.

Please contact [Beth Billman](#) with any questions.



Montreat Women's Connection 2021

You Can Still Sign Up!



Word Wise: Encountering the Word that Draws Us In and Sends Us Out”

August 13-15 2021 Montreat is looking forward to welcoming back the events that were postponed from 2020 with accommodations, meals and programing under the COVID-19 appropriate guidelines. We had a wonderful group attend in 2019 and many of us planned to participate last year. Women who are interested in attending should register as soon as possible. <https://montreat.org/events/wc2021> Our group is staying in Assembly Inn. If you have any questions about our group and the registration process contact [Debbie Kirk](#)

Waking Up with the Word



May 4 - 6:30 am

Waking Up with the Word will meet at 6:30 am at the WH Patio. The group studies the scripture text that will be preached on the following Sunday. No previous Bible study experience is needed. The group centers their study around three questions - 1. What is a word or phrase that stands out to you in the text? 2. Allow that word or phrase to prompt a memory from your life, a thought on the passage or a metaphor. 3. What is Christ calling you to through the scripture text? [Contact Mac Schafer](#) for more information.

Brown Bag with Pastor Mac

May 3rd 12:00 Noon



Brown Bag Lunch with Pastor Mac Monday, May 3rd. The group is doing the Presbyterian Church (USA) Matthew 25 Initiative Bible Study. In their upcoming session they will

be studying The Parable of the Talents. [If you are interested in joining the study please contact Mac Schafer](#)



Missions

Special Offering

North Raleigh Ministries

Special Offering for May

We are receiving a Special Offering for North Raleigh Ministries in May. Money raised for this offering supports the Thrift Shoppe, Food Pantry and the Crisis and Development Center. You may mail or bring your offering by the church or [donate online](#) or text to give. **Here is how to text to give:** Text amount 'nrm' to 888-906-0744 (example: 25 nrm). If you have not done this before, you will only need to enter your information once.

HMPC Foundation

Foundation Birthday Gifts

The following members and friends have donated to the Foundation Birthday Fund:

Ed White

Nnenna Nduka

Holly Burge, Corey & Morgan Stafford

Shirley Bennett

Richard Rodgers

John, Lisa and Matt Williams

Lynn, E.J. and Reed Cummins

Amy Tennant

Nancy & Mike Law

Caroline Smart

Chris Simson

Sonia Parikh

Barry Cobb

Grace Hutchinson & John Oldenburg

Georgia Towns

Tend My Sheep

May 22nd 11am-1pm

Our Tend My Sheep collection for May will be collecting donations of body wash, shampoo and conditioner, Loofahs, Toilet paper, Tissues, Paper towels and Hand sanitizer for the Capital Towers' residents. Donations will be collected at the church on Saturday, May 22nd from 11 am to 1pm and at worship on Sunday, May 23rd.



Inquirer's Class



**Sunday,
May 16**

1 - 2 pm

The Inquirers Class, for those interested in membership, will be held via Zoom on Sunday, May 16th from 1-2 pm. The class covers what it means to be a Christian, a Presbyterian, and a member of Hudson Memorial. [New Member Information Forms are available here](#). Please submit the forms no later than Friday, May 14th. [Please contact Debbie Kirk if you would like to receive the Zoom invitation.](#)

Pepper Chopin to Serve as Interim Director of Music



Composer, conductor and humorist Pepper Chopin has agreed to serve as Interim Director of Hudson's music ministry department while the Music Director

Search Committee continues their search for the next permanent Director of Music. Pepper is known nationally for his creative writing in church music. His published works include over 300 anthems for church and school choirs. The chancel choir has had a long standing relationship with Pepper and we are excited to welcome him to Hudson for the upcoming interim period. Pepper will begin his interim work at the end of May.

[You can learn more about Pepper here.](#)

Music Director Search Update

The Music Director Search Committee is chaired by Bruce Cox & John James. Committee members include Kate Fertin, Emily Brown, Sean Cole, Lynne Dawkins, Judie Greenawalt and Mac Schafer (ex-officio). The committee has posted the position opening on multiple relevant sites and has begun receiving resumes from candidates. Please pray for the search committee as they determine who might be called to lead the music ministry at HMPC.

Session

Update from 4/26 Session Meeting

- YTD Finance Highlights compared to budget:
 - Pledges are \$30K over
 - Loose offerings are \$10K behind
 - Expenses are \$8K under budget
 - The general fund has a surplus of \$28K
- Worship in the sanctuary will be streamed live on the YouTube channel beginning Sunday, May 2

Youth Ministry

Youth Programs

- **The Explorers 5-6-7 SS Class** will meet this Sunday, May 2, at 9:30 under the Twin Oaks at church with teacher Kelly Capps. Please bring you mask, a lawn chair, and a water bottle. Parent pick-up is at 10:15.
- **This Sunday afternoon, May 2,** the HMPC Youth will be packaging several thousand meals at the Rise Against Hunger Warehouse from 4:30-6:00. The RAH Warehouse is located at 3200 Wellington Ct., in Suite #112, in Raleigh, 27615. If you are able, please let Frank Boyd know if you plan to attend. We are asking all participants to bring \$5, \$10, or \$20 to help cover the costs of the 2,160 meals that we will be packaging (checks should be make out to HMPC). Please arrive by 4:30 – we will gather outside and go in as a group. Friends and parents are welcome. Parent pick-up is at 6:00 (please arrive around 5:50, as we may finish early). This is a wonderful way to help others, have fun, and snag 1.5 hours of Community Service.

Looking Ahead

- **Graduation Sunday is May 16th** in the 10:30 Worship Service. The High School Youth group will be eating dinner out Sunday evening to honor the 12th Graders and to welcome the 8th graders to the High School Youth group.
- **Mission Trip Dates – June 15-17, 2021** for all 8th-12th grade Youth.
- **Massanetta Middle School Conference** is June 22-25, 2021.
- **Montreat 2021 (July 18-24)** – Flyers can be found on the church website. If you have questions, please contact Frank Boyd, Director of Youth Ministries.
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Preschool

Last Month of Preschool

It's hard to believe we are entering the last month of preschool. This year has been both a challenge and major success at the same time. The children have benefited so much by being at school and socializing with their friends. We will be celebrating our school year with classroom pizza parties and POPs will be hosting Teacher Appreciation in the coming weeks!



Prayer Shawls

The Deacons have recently received a number of beautiful prayer shawls from the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church who had more than they could use. Beth Billman's mother, Barb Nowland, sent them to us to share with members and friends of our congregation. Here is a picture of Peggy Grady who received one during a visit with Aleta Ash. If you or someone you know would like a prayer shawl [please let Aleta](#) or the [Denise Crosson, May Deacon on Call](#) know. You may also contact Denise at the Deacon Prayer Line, 919-787-1086, extension 2. As folks are fully vaccinated we can arrange a visit in person or make a delivery if you prefer!



Prayers for Households

During this time when we are physically apart, we can all benefit from the prayers of others. Starting at the beginning of our church directory, the Deacons are praying for 7 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 have the opportunity to join in praying for them as well. In addition, each household will receive a positive note of encouragement from the Deacons in the mail. As always, if you have a specific request for prayer at any time, you can submit a prayer



you may call 919-787-1086 and press 2 for the Deacon's Prayer Line. Denise Crosson is the Deacon on Call for May.

Prayer Households for this week. Please keep these families in your prayers:

- *Alan Mitchell*
- *John Mitterling*
- *Heather & Bob Monroe*
- *Rachel Moore*
- *Matt Moorman*
- *Diane Marbach-Morgen and Bruce Morgen*
- *Kristen, Hunter and Hayden Moriarity*

Calendar

Sunday, May 2

- Online Worship - Anytime
- 9:30 am - Explorer's 5-6-7 SS, Twin Oaks
- 10:30 am - Joyful Noise, Labyrinth Green
- 10:30 am - Worship In Person in the Sanctuary

Monday, May 3

- 12 Noon - Brown Bag Lunch
- 6 pm - Personnel
- 8 pm - Alanon, AlaTeen, AlaKid, WH, GH, Room 200

Tuesday, May 4

- 6:30 am - Waking Up With the Word, WH Patio
- 9:30 am - Staff Meeting
- 6:30 pm - Music Director Search Committee
- 7:30 pm - Boy Scouts - Geneva Hall

Wednesday, May 5

- 9:30 am - Women at the Well
- 5 pm - Zinco de Mayo

Thursday, May 6

- 7 pm - Deacon Training

Sunday, May 9

- Online Worship - Anytime
- 9:30 am - Explorer's 5-6-7 SS, Twin Oaks
- 10:30 am - Joyful Noise, Labyrinth Green
- 10:30 am - Outdoor Worship - West Lawn

All meetings by Zoom unless otherwise noted.

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 ones like that, please do not respond or click on any links.

College Graduations

– If you are or have a member of your family graduating from college this spring, [please send this information to Pat Cash](#). It is helpful for us to know the name, the degree, the institution, honors, and anything else you think might be helpful.



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