



Hudson Memorial
Presbyterian Church (USA)



To know, love, and serve God in Jesus Christ

Welcome



April 12, 2026

Service for the Lord's Day

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We Gather to Worship

People's Preparation

"Setbacks have an upside; they fuel new dreams." - Dara Torres

Prelude

Ricercare on Llanfair

David Briggs

Welcome

Marguerite Sirrinc

Introit

This Glad Day
Philip Hayden, harp

Philip Hayden

Call to Worship*

Marguerite Sirrinc

One: Great is the mystery of the faith:

Many: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

One: Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

Many: The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

One: Christ is risen!

Many: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia! Amen.

Opening Hymn #157*

I Danced in the Morning

LORD OF THE DANCE

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Children's Message

Matt Carlisle

Choral Response

In the Bulb There is a Flower

Natalie Sleeth

We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

Call to Confession

Ashley-Anne Masters

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of wonder, sometimes we forget to be surprised. Forgive us for the times when our busyness gets in the way of noticing your presence. Forgive us for the times when our familiarity with your age-old story dulls our ability to marvel. Forgive the ways we pack away curiosity, leaving questions and wonder to children. Open our eyes to your works — the bold and quiet, strange and strong, beautiful and befuddling. Stir our desire to celebrate with you and our neighbors. Unzip our tight-lipped ways that we might proclaim in head-shaking wonder, and bewildered praise: Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Amen.

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.

Passing of the Peace*

Marguerite Serrine

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

Psalms 16:1-11

OT p. 495

Anthem

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Philip Hayden

Chorus: All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small.
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors; God made their tiny wings. (*Chorus*)

The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,
The sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky. (*Chorus*)

God gave us eye to see them, and lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty, who has made all things well. (*Chorus*)

Prayer of Illumination

Second Lesson

John 20:19-31

NT p. 115

Sermon

"Living the Unbelievable"

Ashley-Anne Masters

We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith*

From *The Study Catechism, Confirmation Version*

One: How do you understand the love and power of God?

Many: **Through Jesus Christ. In his life of compassion, his death on the cross, and his resurrection from the dead, I see how vast is God's love for the world—a love that is ready to suffer for our sakes, yet so strong that nothing will prevail against it.**

One: What do you mean when you speak of "the resurrection of the body"?

Many: **Because Christ lives, we will live also. Death is not the end of human life. The whole person, body and soul, will be raised from death to eternal life with God.**

One: What do you affirm when you speak of "the life everlasting"?

Many: God does not will to be God without us, but instead grants to us creatures — fallen and mortal as we are — eternal life. Communion with Jesus Christ is eternal life itself.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Phillip Kevren

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



Doxology #609*

LAAST UNS ERFRUEN

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, alleluia!

Sealing of the Word: The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Marguerite Sirrinc, Ashley-Anne Masters

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.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

There are 4 stations in the Sanctuary - Ushers will invite you to move toward a station where you take bread, dip the bread into the cup, and partake of the elements as you return to your seat. If you prefer to remain in your seat, signal to an usher and servers can come to you. For those with allergies, please pick up a gluten-free baggie at any entrance. We serve non-alcoholic grape juice.

Closing Prayer

We Bear and Follow the Word into the World

Closing Hymn #582* *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* GLORY TO GOD
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Benediction* Ashley-Anne Masters

Choral Response* *Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia* Kyamanywa, Olson

Postlude *O Filii et Filiae* Jean-François Dandrieu

**Rise, in body or spirit*

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today!

Worship Notes

Chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jack Andrews by Jackie Andrews Gooch.

Thanks to our guest preacher, Rev. Ashley-Anne Masters, for joining us this morning!

Deacons and Elders serving Communion by Intinction today are Pat Balletta, Tony Bedini, Wilson Cheeley, Jay Cummins, Judie Greenawalt, Joan Lester, and Andrea Mouw.

Ushers today - Harry Bowles, Kessler Dickerson, Kelly Boone, Dave Smart

Greeters today - Christine Bond, Osborn-Reed Family

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.

Soundboard Operator - Davis Boone | **Livestream Operator** - Bob Stowe

Deacon on Call (DOC) for April is Gil Graybill. 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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Construction Update: Temporary Access Changes

Construction has begun on Hudson's new wheelchair-accessible family restroom! However, construction can be unpredictable and our construction zone has slightly expanded. Because of this, **the 1st floor men's restroom and elevator will be inaccessible for approximately two weeks.**

Getting Around: If you need to travel through the 1st floor, please plan to use the **indoor ramp and Welcome Lounge** to bypass the construction area.

Restroom Options: The 1st floor women's restroom will remain open as normal. For men, please use the upstairs restrooms, the restroom in the narthex, or the restroom in the infant classroom on the preschool hallway. The restrooms in the infant classroom and narthex are also stair-free alternatives to the women's restroom for those coming from the Sanctuary.

Watch for signage and don't hesitate to ask a volunteer for directions.

We apologize for the inconvenience and are grateful for your patience. When the dust settles, we'll have a brand-new ADA/family restroom, making Hudson a more welcoming place for everyone.

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.

April Special Offerings - PCM

For April, our Special Offering and Tend My Sheep collection will both support Presbyterian Campus Ministries (PCM). HMPC is a partner congregation of PCM, and we are proud to help sustain their vital outreach to students at NC State.



PCM provides a welcoming community where students gather for weekly meals, fellowship, and meaningful connection - offering both spiritual support and a safe place to belong. You can make a monetary donation by scanning the QR code, or going to hmpc.org.

For **Tend My Sheep**, we will be collecting gas cards and snacks for the PCM student lounge. Their most requested items include peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, Gatorade, fruit snacks, pretzels, Capri Sun pouches, and individual iced coffees. You can place items in bins at Sanctuary entrances through the month of April.

Upcoming at Hudson

TODAY - Following Worship - Informational meeting about the Avery County Mission Trip. Join us in Room 200 if you are interested in learning more!

Saturday, April 18 - Property Work Day - 8:00-11:00am

Help maintain and beautify our campus! See Weekly Window for details about tasks and tool needs.

Sunday, April 19 - Congregational Meeting to Elect Pastor Nominating Committee

Following Worship - We ask that members please attend this very important meeting in Hudson's transitional ministry.

Sunday, April 19 - *The Extraordinary Caterpillar* documentary screening in celebration of Earth Day - Following the Congregational Meeting - Westminster Hall

Sunday, April 26 - Offering of Letters - Following Worship - Westminster Hall

Sunday, April 26 - HMPC Spring Concert - 3:00pm - Westminster Hall

Sunday, May 3 - Inquirers' Class - After worship - For those interested in membership at HMPC - Karl Hudson Room

Sunday, May 17 - Spring Music Worship Sunday - 10:30am - Sanctuary

June 10, July 8, and August 12 - Summer Suppers - 6:00pm - Westminster Hall

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



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157 I Danced in the Morning

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)
 F Dm Am Dm



1 I danced in the morn-ing when the world was be-gun, and I
 2 I danced for the scribe and the Phar - i - see, but
 3 I danced on the Sab-bath and I cured the lame. The
 4 I danced on a Fri-day when the sky turned black. It's
 5 They cut me down and I leapt up high. †

(Em) (A)
 Gm C



danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I
 they would not dance and they would not foll - ow me. I
 ho - ly peo - ple said it was a shame. They
 hard to dance with the dev - il on your back. They
 I am the life that will nev - er, nev - er die. I'll

(D) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)
 F Dm Am Dm



came down from heav - en and I danced on the earth. At
 danced for the fish - er - men, for James and John. They
 whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and
 bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd gone, but
 live in you if you'll live in me, 7

(Em) (A7) (G) (D)
 Gm C7 Bb F



Beth - le - hem I had my birth.
 came with me and the dance went on.
 left me there on a cross to die.
 I am the dance and I still go on.
 I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Refrain

Am Dm Am Dm F Dm

Dance, then, wher-ev - er you may be; I am the Lord of the

(Em) (A) (D) (Bm) (D) (A7) (D)
Gm C F Dm F C7 F

Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wher-ev - er you may be,

(Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
Gm C7 F B^b F

and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.