Hudson Memorial
Presbyterian Church (USA)

To know, love, and serve God in Jesus Christ



November 22, 2026

Welcome to Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church

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We Gather to Worship

People's Preparation

"King of Kings, Lord of Lords, Hallelujah!" - George Frideric Handel's *Messiah*

Prelude *The Lord is My Shepherd* arr. Hunter Cox

Welcome Marguerite Sirrine

Please sign the Friendship Pad, passing it down the pew and then back to the center aisle.

Introit *Thank You, O Father* Tetyana Ryabchikova

Call to Worship* Darcy Autry

One: The Lord God is our shepherd.
Many: We are the people of God's pasture, the sheep of God's hand.
One: God will seek the lost, feed the hungry, and strengthen the weak.
Many: But the proud and power-hungry will be fed with justice.
All: Thanks be to God!

Opening Hymn #268* *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

HYMNS CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THE DOCUMENT.

Children's Message Laura McHenry

Choral Response *Let Us with a Gladsome Mind* Milton, Antes, Wilkes

We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

Call to Confession Marguerite Sirrine

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm. You guide us toward right paths, but we refuse to follow where you lead. You love and feed and care for us, but we fail to love and serve others. Forgive us, merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne. 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.

Passing of the Peace* Darcy Autry

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 Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 OT p. 803; Darcy Autry

Anthem *My Eternal King* Jane Marshall

My God, I love Thee; not because I hope for heaven thereby,
Nor yet because who love Thee not must die eternally.

Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me upon the cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace.

Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well?
Not for the hope of winning heaven, or of escaping hell;
Not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward;
But as Thyself hast loved me, O ever-loving Lord!

Even so I love Thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing;
Solely because Thou art my God, and my Eternal King.

Prayer of Illumination Marguerite Sirrine

Second Lesson Matthew 25:31-46 NT p. 29

Sermon "Growing in Understanding" Marguerite Sirrine

We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed (Unison)* Darcy Autry

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 Darcy Autry

Offertory *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* arr. Joel Raney

Hunter Cox, piano; Iva Stowe, organ

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!

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer Darcy Autry

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 #348* *Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending*

Hymns can be found at the end of the document.

Benediction* Marguerite Sirrine

Choral Response*	*My Life Shall Sing Your Praise*	Anderson, ELLACOMBE
Postlude	*Carillon*	Louis Vierne

*Rise, in body or spirit

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today! 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.

Following the service, all are welcome for a time of refreshments and fellowship in Westminster Hall.

Worship Notes

Chancel flowers today are given by the Cole family to the glory of God and in celebration of Ron Cole's birthday.

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.

LARGE PRINT bulletins are available by Sanctuary doors.

Soundboard Operator - John Whisler

Livestream Operator - Erik Jacobsen

Deacon on Call (DOC) for November is Caroline Rohs. If you are in need of prayer, comfort or assistance, please call the confidential Deacon Prayer line at 919-390-2688.

The Memory book today is open to memorials given December 8, 2024: In memory of Elaine Thomas by Louise Bissette and Shirley Blanks.

Bulletin cover - *Seven Works of Mercy,* Neuendettelsau, Germany, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt University Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

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Let Us with a Gladsome Mind: Milton, Antes, Wilkes, *Glory to God* #31 | *My Life Shall Sing Your Praise:* Anderson, ELLACOMBE, *Glory to God* #805 | *My Eternal King*: Words: Poem from 17th Century Latin, translated by Rev. Edward Caswall, Music: Jane Marshall, © 1954 Carl Fischer, Inc.

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.

- **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.

- **The Wiggle Room** is an inclusive worship space where people of all ages can step out when they need a little extra room, privacy, quiet, or flexibility—while still remaining connected to the worship service and our church community. It is located off the north side of the narthex.

- **Parents, while your children are enjoying music,** stop by our Coffee & Conversation group! We meet most Sundays following worship at 11:45 in the Chapel. It's a great group of young-ish adults who talk about life, faith and culture in a laid-back setting. The group meets for a half hour. Grab a coffee in the Welcome Lounge or a snack in Westminster Hall and stop in!

HMPC Youth

Friendsgiving is tonight at HMPC from 5:00-7:00pm. Youth grades 5-12, their families and/or friends are invited. Bring a side or dessert to share!

Worship with us in the balcony! 5th-12th graders and their families are always welcome to sit in the balcony with us!

There is **no youth group** next Sunday, Nov 29, due to Thanksgiving.

Upcoming at Hudson

TODAY, November 22 - Youth Friendsgiving Supper - 5:00pm - Westminster Hall

Tuesday, November 24 - Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Service - 7:00pm
Hosted by North Haven Church, 6620 Six Forks Rd.

Sunday, November 29 - Advent begins - Hanging of the Greens - After Worship
Rev. Becca Kuiken will be preaching.

Saturday, December 5 - Family Christmas Celebration - 10:00am-12:00pm

Sunday, December 6 - Children's Christmas Pageant in Worship - 10:30am

Sunday, December 13 - Christmas Joy Music Worship - 10:30am

Thursday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Services - 5:00 & 7:00pm

November Special Offering: Good Samaritan Fund

Our monthly special offering is for the Good Samaritan Fund, a discretionary account outside of the annual operating budget that is used to assist HMPC members and our neighbors who are experiencing financial challenges. These needs are higher than ever due to the recent elimination of various assistance programs, and we appreciate any amount you give so that assistance funds are available as needed.

You may place your donation in the offering plate (designated to “Samaritan”), or you can give online by scanning the QR code, or visiting hmpc.org. To give by phone, simply text the donation amount with the word “Samaritan” to 888-906-0744. (Example text: 25 Samaritan) Once you enter your information, you will not need to enter it again for future donations.

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

Caroline Smart, Clerk

Marguerite Sirrine, Moderator

Class of 2027
Harry Bowles
Steve Guy
Don Haydon
Grace Hutchinson

Class of 2028
Barry Cobb
Jay Cummins
John James
Elizabeth Peeler

Class of 2029
Sean Cole
Kessler Dickerson (Youth)
Becky Hughes
Ken Krause
John Williams

Deacons

Class of 2027
Jeffrey Coonse
Gil Graybill
Caroline Rohs
Lisa Williams, Moderator
Fred Woodward

Class of 2028
Jenn Autry
Nancy Eyre
Joanna Hulsey
Hope Parangi
Iva Stowe

Class of 2029
Debbie Bumgarner
Barbara Coleman
Susan Eichler
Jill Hovis
Elizabeth van Die

HMPC Staff

Marguerite Sirrine.....Transitional Pastor & Head of Staff
Laric Copes.....Sexton
Hunter Cox.....Organist
Cary Dickerson..... Director of Children & Family Ministries
Nicole Flowers.....Children's Music Director
Erica Hairston.....Virtual Business Manager
Joyce Hawkins ..... Assistant Preschool Director
Lesley Ash Jacobsen.....Communications Manager
Becca Kuiken .....Parish Associate
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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348 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending





Despite unclear musical origins, the result here is a characteristic early Methodist hymn tune, notable for its breadth and range. It effectively sets a text of similarly mixed sources, one that Charles Wesley regarded as related to "Thy kingdom come" in the Lord's Prayer.

TEXT: Stanzas 1, 3, Charles Wesley, 1758, alt.; stanza 2, John Cennick, 1752, alt.
MUSIC: Thomas Olivers, 1763; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

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