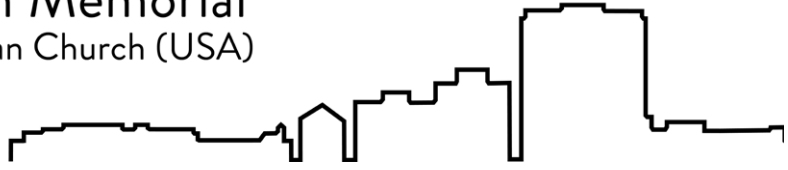


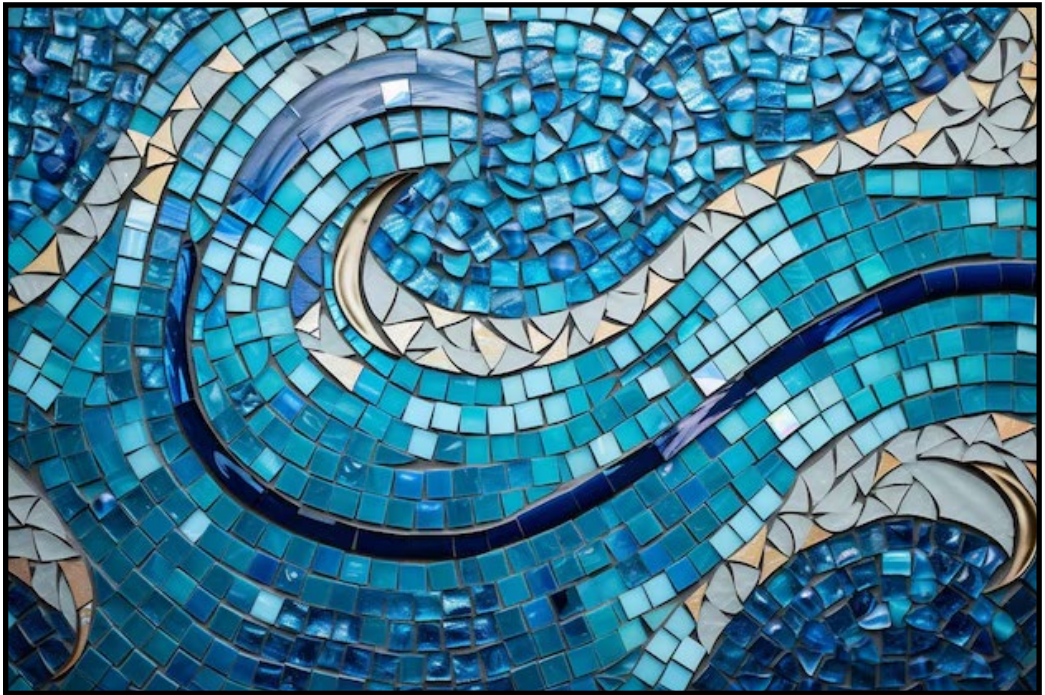


Hudson Memorial
Presbyterian Church (USA)



To know, love, and serve God in Jesus Christ

Baptism of the Lord Sunday



January 12, 2025 | 10:30am

Service for the Lord's Day

January 12, 2025

We Gather to Worship

People's Preparation

At the beginning of his public ministry, Jesus presents himself to John to be baptized in the Jordan River. As Jesus emerges from the water, the Holy Spirit descends like a dove, and we hear a voice naming Jesus as God's beloved Son. The Baptism of the Lord foreshadows the season of Lent as the Gospels tell us that Jesus was driven into the wilderness for forty days after his baptism. Today, we not only remember Jesus' baptism, but also give thanks for the baptism we share with Christ. - *PC(USA) Book of Common Worship*

Welcome

Prelude

How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou

Marcel Dupre

News of the Ministry of the Church

Introit

Jesus, Light of Joy

Goss, Gambrell

Call to Worship*

One: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

Many: The Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters.

One: God said, "let there be light," and God saw that it was good. In the waters of the flood, God cleansed the earth and humankind.

Many: Jesus taught us how to live by washing the disciples' feet.

One: The Spirit descended as Jesus was baptized.

Many: As followers of Christ, we are joined in community through baptism.

All: In that spirit, let us worship God.

Opening Hymn #475*

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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Moment of Friendship

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.

Children's Message

Ken Krause

Choral Response

Men and Women, Young and Old

Psalm 148, Hintze, Bach

We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from one another. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another. We often allow the past to hold us captive rather than trust the new things that the future will bring. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from our sin so that we live into the promise of new life in Christ. *(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 offer a sign of Christ's peace to those around you.

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson

Isaiah 43:1-7

OT p. 672

Anthem

Precious Lord, Take My Hand Merman, Allen, arr. Ringwald

“Precious Lord, take my hand, bring me home through the night,
Through the dark, through the storm, to Thy light.

I have been to the mount, I have seen the Promised Land:
Precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand.

Precious Lord, take my hand, bring Thy child home at last,
Where the strife and the pain all are past:

I have dreamed a great dream that Thy love shall rule our land:
Precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand.

Precious Lord, take my hand, take Thy child unto Thee,
With my dream of a world that is free for that day when all flesh
Joins the glory Thou hast planned:
Precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand.”

Prayer of Illumination

Second Lesson

Luke 3:21-22

NT p. 60

One: The Word of the Lord,
Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Debbie Kirk

We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith: Litany for the Baptism of Our Lord

One: In the beginning, darkness covered the deep, and God said: "Let there be light."

Many: **Through the words of the prophet, the Lord said: "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you."**

One: "Do not fear," says the Lord, "I am with you. I have called you by name and you are mine."

Many: **When Jesus was baptized by John, suddenly the heavens were opened.**

One: And as Jesus was coming out of the water, the Spirit rested on him like a dove.

Many: **And a voice said: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."**

All: **The voice of the Lord is over the waters!**

One: Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit, and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep us, your children born of water and the Spirit, faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Just As I Am Without One Plea

arr. Mark Hayes

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, 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 #547*

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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Benediction*

Choral Response*

Amen

Per Haling

Postlude

Toccata in C Major

Johann Pachelbel

**Rise, in body or spirit*

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today!

Worship Notes

Preparing for Worship - The prelude begins at 10:30am. We ask people to begin to quiet their minds, hearts, and bodies, to prepare for worship.

Ushers today - Kelly Boone, Ace & Linda Ornt

Greeters today - Harry Bowles, Jeffrey Coonse, Hope Parangi

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

Deacon on Call (DOC) for January is Mary Schindo. 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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January Special Offering

A Place at the Table

January Special Offering is for A Place at the Table. A Place at the Table is Raleigh's first pay-what-you-can cafe. Its mission is to give a dignified dining experience where anyone is welcome to dine, regardless of means. Patrons from all walks of life come together to share a meal at their table, and over 80 people volunteer for their meal every day. They gain skills and connect during each shift, along with being provided a delicious and nutritious meal.

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

Upcoming at Hudson

Sunday, January 19th

We welcome Rev. Jo Nygard Owens as our guest preacher!

She will also be leading Adult Sunday School
at 9:30am in Westminster Hall North.

Sunday, January 26th

Pastor Debbie's last Sunday in the Pulpit
Congregational Meeting & Reception following Worship

Sunday, February 2nd

Youth Sunday

Saturday, February 8th

Winter Warm-up to Wellness

Special Event hosted by the HMPC Deacons
10am-12pm

February 14th

"Spread the Love" Service Project begins
Parent meeting on February 2

Children and Their Families: Worship, Education & Helpful Hints

We enthusiastically welcome all children to HMPC! The comfort and security of children is our highest priority.

- **Nursery for infants, toddlers, and twos** is located on the north end of the first floor and is available from 9:15–11:45. 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.
- 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.

Tend My Sheep Offering Food Bank

We are collecting canned fruits, vegetables, and beans for the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina. Among the largest anti-hunger organizations in the United States, the Food Bank works every day to provide food to people in need, while advancing long-term solutions to end hunger in our communities.

Donations can be placed in bins by the Sanctuary entrances throughout the month of January.



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

Glenn Schindo, Clerk

Debbie Kirk, Moderator

Class of 2025

Dottie Burch
Carol Cox
Jay Cummins
Melinda Dickinson

Class of 2026

Ken Krause
Caroline Smart
Dan Vig
John Williams

Class of 2027

Harry Bowles
Steve Guy
Don Haydon
Grace Hutchinson

Deacons

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Ruth Herpich
Joanna Hulsey
Gretchen McDuffie
Carolyn Scott, Moderator

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Winter Fox
Judie Greenawalt
Jill Hovis
Linda Meeks
Mary Schindo

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Jeffrey Coonse
Gil Graybill
Caroline Rohs
Lisa Williams
Fred Woodward

HMPC Staff

Debbie Kirk Bridge Interim & Associate Pastor
Aleta Ash Minister of Visitation
Hunter Cox.....Organist
Cary Dickerson..... Director of Children’s Ministries
Erica Hairston.....Business Manager
Joyce Hawkins Assistant Preschool Director
Lesley Ash Jacobsen.....Communications Specialist
Barbara Loehr-Fox..... Director of Music Ministries
Hope Parangi Church Hostess
Rich Richards..... Director of Youth Ministries & Children’s Music
Dorothy Roche Preschool Director
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Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

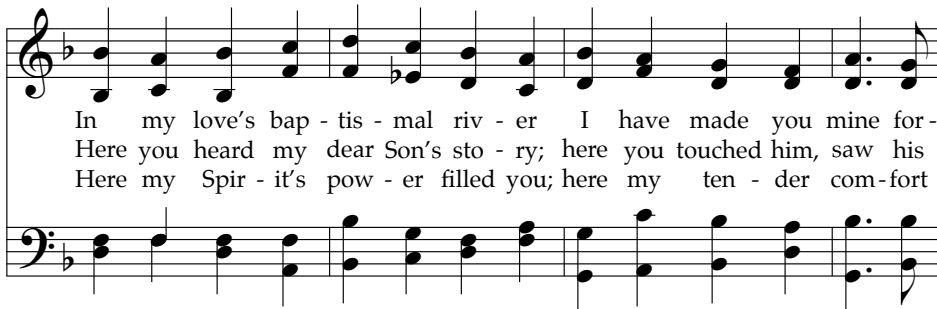
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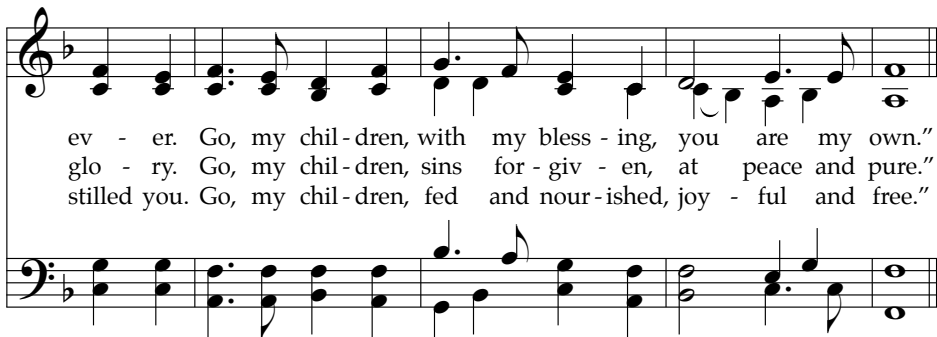
1 "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev-er a-lone.
 2 "Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos-er to me.



Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy-ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you mine for-
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto-ry; here you touched him, saw his
 Here my Spir-it's pow-er filled you; here my ten-der com-fort



ev-er. Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."
 glo-ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure."
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