

THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OUT TO THE LIFE
AND MINISTRY OF
HUDSON MEMORIAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

APRIL 3, 2026



Join Us this Weekend for Easter!

APRIL 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

7:00am - Ecumenical Service at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Annual community sunrise Easter service hosted by a group of six churches along Six Forks Road. Pastor Marguerite will be participating.

8:00am-10:30am - "Cancake" Breakfast in Westminster Hall

Breakfast will be served in Westminster Hall from 8:00-10:30am. Come eat pancakes, bacon, coffee and juice, and enjoy fellowship with your HMPC friends! We invite you to bring a canned food item which will be donated to North Raleigh Ministries. We're looking for folks to help with the breakfast! Please contact Morgan Dickinson if you would like to help.

9:00am and 11:00am - Easter Worship Services - Sanctuary

Children will be singing at the 11:00 service. Hudson Handbells will share music at both services. Only the 11:00 service will be livestreamed.

Nursery for children in Kindergarten and under will be available from 8:45am-12:15pm. Please note there will be NO Adult or Children's Sunday School, and Children's & Youth Music.



**WE HAD A BEAUTIFUL
PALM SUNDAY SERVICE
LAST WEEKEND!**



WELCOME TEAM

HMPC Shirts Are Back By Popular Demand!

You asked, so we are back with another opportunity to purchase HMPC T-shirts and hoodies! All orders will be placed directly with the vendor and will be delivered to HMPC for pickup. **The deadline for ordering is April 21st.**

This is a great opportunity to grab a comfortable, stylish shirt while supporting our church community. By wearing these shirts around town, at events, or even just in your daily routine, you spread a message of love and faith to everyone you meet. It's a chance for others to see that Hudson is a place where they are loved beyond their wildest imagination! Grab a shirt, wear it with joy, and help us share God's love with others!

Email Cary Dickerson at cdickerson@hmpc.org with questions!

ADULT HOODIES (we recommend **sizing up** unless you prefer a slim fit!): \$38 - Heathered Navy

ADULT T-SHIRTS: \$25 - Graphite and Seafoam

KIDS T-SHIRTS: \$23 - Seafoam



[CLICK HERE TO ORDER](#)

TRANSITIONAL MINISTRY

Congregational Meeting to Elect PNC Set for April 19

The Session is pleased to announce a congregational meeting following worship on Sunday, April 19, in the sanctuary, for the purpose of electing the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) that will conduct the search for the next installed pastor at Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church. All members are asked to stay for the presentation and election of the slate following worship.

The PNC slate with bios begins on the next page.

As a reminder, the Pastor Nominating Committee functions as a committee of the congregation, not the Session. Their job is to present a candidate for the installed pastor to the congregation after an open search - Session sets the terms of call but does not approve the candidate before the congregational meeting to elect.

The PNC's charge is to carefully discern the best match between the church's current vision for ministry, detailed in the Mission Study Report, and a candidate's vision for ministry, and to assess whether the gifts of the candidates match the current needs of the church. They will keep the congregation and the Session updated as they progress through the search process.

Please keep the nominees in your prayers as the time for their work approaches.

Blessings,

PNC SLATE: BIOS

The PNC Nominating Team puts forth the following individuals to serve on the Pastor Nominating Committee:

Emily Cobb



Emily is a 28 year member who lives with her husband Barry, in Raleigh. They have two children who grew up at Hudson, participating in church activities from Preschool through Confirmation and Youth Group.

Emily has been involved in many committees and groups over the years at HMPC, including being an Elder and a Deacon, Preschool Board, Youth Group leader, and Memorial Gardens Board. She has also served on the New Hope Presbytery Committee on Preparation for Ministry and been on the board of Presbyterian Campus Ministry. Currently she serves on the HMPC Finance and Fellowship Committees. For 20 years, she was a Wake County Substitute Teacher and frequent volunteer for several organizations in Raleigh.

Sarah Edge



Sarah Edge is a 13 year member of HMPC and grew up in the Presbyterian faith. At HMPC she has served as an Adult Education Committee member, Children's Education Committee member, Welcoming Team Committee member, Sunday school volunteer, VBS volunteer, Arts Camp Volunteer,

Habitat Interfaith build volunteer, front office volunteer, Preschool Board Member, and long time Usher. Sarah and her husband, Paul, have a consulting business where Sarah works part-time. They have two children, Zoë (14) and Nathan (8).

Joanna Hulsey



Having been a member at Hudson for seven years, I have had opportunities to serve on various committees (Hudson Connects, Deacons, Personnel, Adult Education), to belong to a PW Circle, and to play with the Hudson Handbells. Seven years ago Hudson was an unfamiliar place; now it is home.

Before retiring in 2018 and moving to NC from Long Island where we had lived for 40 years, I spent my career

working in outpatient mental health clinics, first as a Family Therapist, and in the last several years as the Clinic Director of two of the clinics. Jimmy (a retired Presbyterian pastor) and I have two children and two grandchildren.

Monica Maxwell



Monica is a 14-year member who lives with her husband, Wes. They have three children. She has served on the Nominating Committee, as a Confirmation teacher, Youth Advisor, Greeter, and has delivered Children's Messages. She also served as Chair of the Youth Committee and has been involved with Hudson Connects.

Professionally, Monica is a Human Resources Business Partner at Syneos Health, with 15+ years of experience in HR. She brings a strong background in supporting employees and leaders, with a focus on building effective teams and fostering positive workplace environments.

Tim Peeler



Tim Peeler, an ordained ruling Elder and longtime volunteer with Hudson Memorial's youth programs, has been an HMPC member with his wife, Elizabeth, since 1995. Both of their sons, Michael and Benjamin, were baptized in the church and now have begun their professional careers.

A native of North Carolina and a graduate of NC State, Peeler has been a newspaper reporter, writer, author and content strategist for more than 40 years. He has worked at NC State in athletics and news services for 21 years, and also serves as an unofficial historian of his alma mater, particularly in athletics.

A resident of Cary, Peeler is the author of three books and a contributor to several others. While at NC State, he's profiled students, staff, faculty and alumni of the state's largest university.

He's a member of the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors, the NC State Athletic Hall of Fame election committee, the Society for American Baseball Research, and other organizations that recognize athletic achievement.

As a member of Hudson, he has served two terms on Session, spent 10 years as a Confirmation and high school Sunday school teacher, led youth mission trips; participated in multiple pastoral searches; and served on Nominating, Mission, and Giving Committees. He also served as chair of the board of Presbyterian Campus Ministries of Raleigh during a 10-year affiliation with the organization.

Mary Schindo

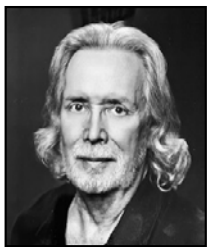


I have been a member of Hudson since 2000, when my husband, Glenn, our two daughters, Abbie and Jenna, and I transferred our membership from North Raleigh Presbyterian Church. Over the years, Hudson has become a place where I have built lifelong friendships while serving in many different capacities.

I have served as PW Moderator, Stewardship Chair, and on search committees for youth pastors and office staff. I have also co-chaired a New Hope Presbytery meeting and, years ago, volunteered in the children's Praise program and at several VBS sessions. In addition, I have delivered Meals on Wheels for many years and served on Session and currently serve as a Deacon.

Professionally, I am a retired paralegal and now enjoy working part-time at Dix Park, where I am a Senior Park Ambassador at Gipson Play Plaza. In my free time, I enjoy being outdoors, spending time in the yoga studio, in the swimming pool, and riding my e-bike along Raleigh's greenways. Rounding out our family is our sweet Berne doodle, Phoebe, who brings us great joy.

Don Slater



Don is a 9-year member who lives in Raleigh. He is currently on the HMPC Foundation Board and the Adult Education Committee. He sings in the Chancel Choir and teaches Sunday School. He was an Elder and Deacon at his previous church in Pittsburgh, PA, chairing the Christian Ed and

Technology committees. He also served on a PNC for a youth pastor and another for a head pastor. He retired as a computer science teacher after 45 years teaching high school and college.

GET INVOLVED!

With the installation of our incoming officers this June, several Hudson committees will be welcoming new members into their rotation. This is a wonderful opportunity to get involved, share your gifts, and help shape the life of our church.

If you've ever considered joining a committee—now is a great time to step in. Whether you're interested in planning, serving, organizing, or supporting behind the scenes, there's a place for you. See the information below to learn more, and feel free to reach out to the listed contact person with any questions or to express your interest.

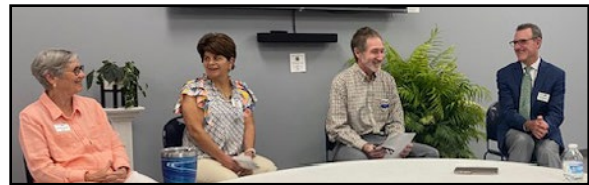
ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

Committee Members Needed: Up to 3

Meeting Schedule: Monthly, usually via Zoom - we have been meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the afternoon or evening.

What we do: The Committee plans and presents an educational/fellowship program series during the summer months on Sundays at the 9:30 hour. We field proposals from individuals or groups in the church about potential adult educational activities, including book studies.

Contact Person: John James



CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE:

Committee Members Needed: 3

Meeting Schedule: 1st Monday of the month by Zoom. We meet in-person 3 times per year to set up events.

What we do: We work with our Children's Ministry staff person to plan all children's ministry programming, including Sunday mornings, Vacation Bible School, the



Easter Egg Hunt, and Family Christmas Event. We support the Christmas Pageant and Fall Festival as well. We are always looking for new voices to help us create a welcoming and fun environment for our children!

Contact Person: Christine Bond

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE:

Committee Members Needed: 3

Meeting Schedule: Mostly the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 (may vary)



What we do: We plan and host meaningful fellowship activities throughout the year.

Contact Person: Susan Bradshaw

HUDSON MEMORIAL PRESCHOOL BOARD:

Committee Members Needed: 3

Meeting Schedule: Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm during the school year. We do not meet during the summer. We will occasionally meet by Zoom if schedules do not align.

What we do: The Board oversees the financials of the preschool, including approving any major expenditures. The Board also gets involved in any oversight of the preschool, including anything that the administrative staff at the school deems appropriate for the involvement of the Board. The Board does not involve itself in the day to day running of the school. That is handled by our amazing full time administrators, Dorothy Roche (Director) and Joyce Hawkins (Assistant Director). The Hudson Preschool is a significant contributor to the vitality and financial stability of the church, and serving on the Board is a rewarding and valuable experience!

Contact Person: Roger Morris

MISSION COMMITTEE:

Committee Members Needed: 2-3

Meeting Schedule: 3rd Thursday of every month at 6:30pm. We alternate between in person and Zoom and do not meet in December or July.

What we do: We are looking for folks who feel called to help plan meaningful mission-focused events within our church and thoughtfully steward financial support to local organizations throughout the year.

Contact People: Lauren Parikh & Richard Skinner (current co-chairs), Steve Jesseph will taking over chair in May.



PROPERTY COMMITTEE:

Committee Members Needed: 3

Meeting Schedule: 3rd Monday of the month at 6:00pm. We do not meet in July or August (depending on the need) and December.

What we do: Coordinate and maintain all aspects of the physical church building and its grounds. Initiate maintenance contracts for landscaping, HVAC, and cleaning services. Work very closely with Hannah Woodcock, the Administrative Coordinator. We organize and run two campus workdays, Spring and Fall.

Contact People: Karen Melling and Allie Maples

WELCOME TEAM:

Committee Members Needed: 3

Meeting Schedule: 1st Tuesday of the month, usually at a local restaurant.

What we do: Everything related to greeting new individuals who come through our doors, from Welcome Bags to handwritten cards to New Member classes. We oversee the Greeter Ministry and work with St. Mark's to coordinate the Fall Festival each year. We also work on ways to get our name out into the larger community, through banners, t-shirts, and magnets. Whether you enjoy physically greeting folks on Sunday morning or

enjoy working behind the scenes, we would love you to join us!

Contact People: Dan Vig or Cary Dickerson



YOUTH COMMITTEE:

Committee Members Needed: 1

Meeting Schedule: 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm. We do not typically meet during the summer.

What We Do: We work with our Youth Director in planning all Youth programming and trips. Our Committee is half adults and half Youth who work together to think creatively about the Youth Ministry. You do not need to have a current youth in the program to serve on the Committee or as an Advisor.

If you are interested in serving on the Youth Committee or volunteering with the youth program, we would love to give you more information. Reach out to youth@hmpc.org to learn more.

Contact Person: Jenn Autry



PROPERTY

Property Work Day - Join Us Next Month!

Help us beautify and maintain the HMPC campus! We need volunteers to come out on Saturday, April 18 (8-11am) to help with a variety of tasks. Bring tools if you have them (based on the list of needs below). High school youth are welcome to join and can get their papers signed for community service hours. Contact Allie Maples with any questions you might have.

TOOLS WE NEED

- Need truck, chains, or straps to pull out old bushes.
- Shovels, clippers, garden gloves, leaf blowers, garden rakes
- We need at least four power washers and one additional 75–100 ft hose.

TO-DO LIST

- Remove the bushes underneath office windows
- Replant new bushes
- Light trimming and light weeding
- Blow leaves and tidy grounds
- Paint the labyrinth steps
- Wash campus signs
- Fluff up mulch in beds
- Power wash benches - Memorial Garden, arcade, and preschool entrance



FELLOWSHIP

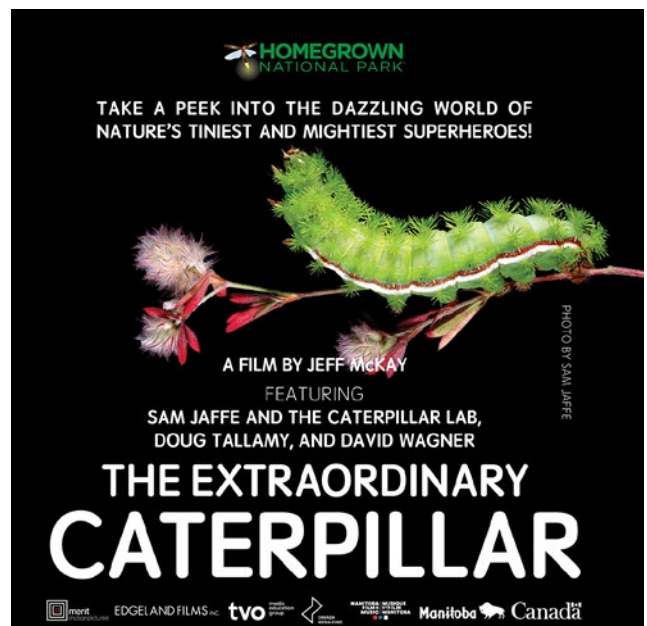
The Extraordinary Caterpillar: Earth Day Screening

WESTMINSTER HALL FOLLOWING THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING APRIL 19

This Earth Day, peek into the world of nature's tiniest superheroes. HMPC is hosting a special screening of *The Extraordinary Caterpillar*, a beautifully shot 60-minute documentary that reveals the vital—and often overlooked—role caterpillars play in our ecosystems. **Watch the trailer [HERE!](#)**

From blooming meadows to city parks and backyard gardens, this inspiring film celebrates the magic of nature while showing families practical ways to make a difference. Along the way, you'll see the groundbreaking work of The Caterpillar Lab, entomologist David Wagner, and Doug Tallamy, co-founder of Homegrown National Park.

Join us Sunday, April 19, in Westminster Hall after the Congregational Meeting for this complimentary screening for HMPC members, visitors, and guests. Snacks will be provided.



MISSION

Join the Habitat Build!

April 25 | 8:15-3:30

We are excited to be part of another Interfaith Habitat for Humanity build this spring. We have 10 reserved spots for Hudson members for April 25. If you would like to register to participate, please do so for Old Poole Place on our designated date (4/25) using [THIS LINK](#).

The link can also be found on the mission page on hmpc.org.



If you have any questions, please email Lauren Parikh at lauren.parikh@gmail.com.

July 2026 Mission Trip

INTERESTED? JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY!

Interested in joining—or simply learning more about—this year’s Avery County Mission Trip?

From July 19–24, we’ll travel to Banner Elk, NC, to partner with Habitat for Humanity in building a home for a local family. **Join us after worship on Sunday, April 12, in Room 200 to learn more, ask questions, and hear what this meaningful week is all about.**

We'd love to see some new faces this year!



April Special Offerings

PRESBYTERIAN CAMPUS MINISTRIES

For April, our Special Offering and Tend My Sheep collection will 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 clicking [HERE](#).



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 throughout the month of April.

Save the Date!

APRIL 26 AFTER WORSHIP



OFFERING OF LETTERS

On Sunday, April 26, the 2026 Hudson Offering of Letters will be held in Westminster Hall, in partnership with Bread for the World. Hudson will speak up and speak out for this whose voices are not heard. We will join together to send messages to our representatives in Congress that they must sponsor and pass legislation to reduce hunger.

Everywhere.

Until all are fed.

OFFICE CLOSED NEXT WEEK

Due to construction on the new ADA-compliant restroom (including noise and safety considerations), **HMPC staff will be working remotely April 7-9.**

The church will also be closed on April 6 in observance of Easter Monday.

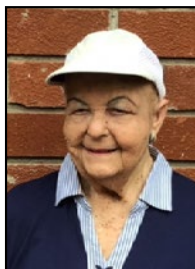
Staff will maintain regular working hours and can be reached by email and phone.

FAITH FORMATION

No ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 5! CLASSES WILL RESUME SUNDAY, APRIL 12.

MEMORIALS

To the Church Triumphant EDITH HORNE



Hudson member Edith Horne entered God's everlasting kingdom on March 24, 2026. A **Service of Witness to the Resurrection & Celebration of Life Service will be held on Friday, April 10th, at 2:30pm at Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church.**

For those who cannot make it in person, **the service can be livestreamed [HERE](#)** or by using the link on the homepage of our website.

Please keep Edith's family in your prayers.

CALENDAR

This Week at HMPC...

Sunday, April 5 - Easter

7:00 am - Ecumenical Service - St. Timothy's Episcopal

8:00 am - Cancake Breakfast - Westminster Hall

9:00 am - Easter Worship - Sanctuary

11:00 am - Easter Worship - Sanctuary

Monday, April 6

Office Closed/Staff Holiday

Construction Begins on ADA Restroom

6:30 pm - Children's Committee - Zoom

7:00 pm - Personnel Committee - Zoom

8:00 pm - Al-Anon/Alateen - Geneva Hall

Tuesday, April 7 - Office Closed (Construction)

6:30 am - Waking Up with the Word - WMH Patio

11:30 am - Single Way - North Hills Club

7:00 pm - Boy Scouts Troop 376 - Geneva Hall

Wednesday, April 8 - Office Closed (Construction)

9:15 am - Women at the Well - Chapel/Zoom

6:15 pm - Hudson Handbells - Westminster South

7:30 pm - Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

Thursday, April 9 - Office Closed (Construction)

10:45 am - Staff Meeting - Welcome Lounge

Friday, April 10

Confirmation Retreat

2:30 pm - Memorial Service for Edith Horne - Sanctuary

Saturday, April 11

Confirmation Retreat

FELLOWSHIP

Single Way Luncheon

APRIL 7 | 11:30 | NORTH HILLS CLUB



Single Way is a group of mostly retired singles who meet once a month for lunch and fellowship. On April 7, we are meeting at the North Hills Club at 4824 Yadkin Drive, Raleigh, at 11:30. Please note ... people should enter the lobby at the Rampart Drive entrance.

Please call Ruth Herpich at 919-280-0049 by April 3rd with your reservation. If you know of anyone who would like to join us, please extend the invitation. All are welcome.

CAUGHT ON CAMERA LAST WEEK

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION



HUDSON MEMORIAL PRESCHOOL EASTER EGG HUNT



IN SUNDAY SCHOOL, THE KIDS LOOKED AT THE PRESBYTERIAN SYMBOL AND ALL OF THE SMALLER SYMBOLS OF CHRISTIANITY EMBEDDED WITHIN IT.



DID YOU KNOW THERE ARE 9 SYMBOLS EMBEDDED WITHIN THE PCUSA SEAL, INCLUDING THE DOVE, FISH, BIBLE, PULPIT, CUP, ROBE, FIRE, CROSS, AND THE TRINITY?

