



the weekly Window

May 16, 2021

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

Congratulations!

High School Class of 2021 - Graduation Sunday

This Sunday, May 16th, Hudson will celebrate the high school graduate Class of 2021. They will be recognized during the in-Sanctuary Worship, prayed for and given gifts to acknowledge their accomplishments. Later that evening they continue their celebration as they share a meal together. Please turn to pages 2-5 to view their pictures and bios.



High School Class of 2021

Anna Mariah Fertin

Parents - B & Eric Ferton

Graduating from - Broughton High School

Favorite Subject - Orchestra & Spanish

Favorite Hobby - I like playing tennis, although I am not very good.

Next Year - I will attend NC State. I am interested in Global Health and will be pursuing a pre-med track

One More Thing - I like cruising around town in my Jeep, with Kate, doors off



William Ethan Page



Preferred Name - Ethan

Parents - Chris Page and Susan Page

Graduating from - Sanderson High School

Favorite Subject - AP Psychology

Favorite Hobby - Theatre - Acting & Directing

Favorite Church Memory - Confirmation Retreat

Favorite Quote - Always look on the bright side of life.

Next Year - I'll be attending UNC or Duke, with plans to be a psychiatrist after grad school.

Unique Fact - I'm the President of Sanderson's National Honor Society

One More Thing - I'm directing the Spring play at Sanderson this year. Come see it!

Jonathan Rogers

Preferred Name - JD

Parents - Hunter & Richard Rogers

Graduating from - Sanderson High School

Favorite Subject - History

Favorite Hobby - Lacrosse

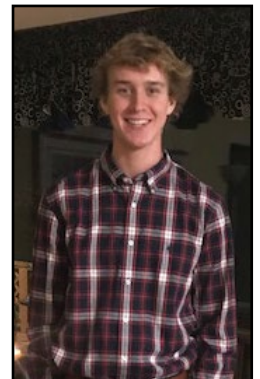
Favorite Church Memory - I enjoy eating lunch with everyone after Sunday service

Favorite Quote - "Patience is a key element of success." - Bill Gates

Next Year - I will be attending Appalachian State University

Unique Fact - I like to meditate. It helps to be able to have a calm presence.

One More Thing - I have been at Hudson since preschool



High School Class of 2021

Katelyn Olivia Fertin

Parents - B & Eric Fertin

Graduating from - Broughton High School

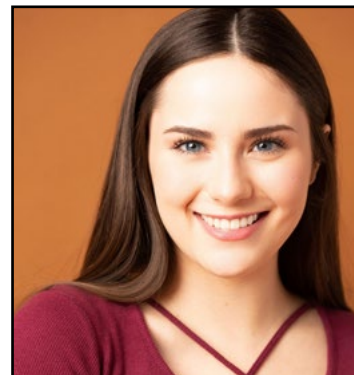
Favorite Subject - Theory of Knowledge

Favorite Hobby - Playing the piano, especially with Anna or in a chamber ensemble

Favorite Church Memory - Leading the arts & crafts at VBS

Next Year - I will be attending NC State to study Media Communications to be a Broadcast Journalist

Unique Fact - I am a twin and my Grandmother has three pairs of twin grandchildren



William Andrew Keever

Preferred Name - Will

Parents - Alison & William Keever

Graduating from - Leesville Road High School

Favorite Subject - History

Favorite Hobby - Exercise, sports

Favorite Quote - "We got to roll with the punches, play all our hunches, make the best of whatever comes your way." Jimmy Buffet

Favorite Church Memory - Montreat trips with the Youth Group

Next Year - University of North Carolina

Unique Fact - I'm constantly doing some sort of stretch at the most random of times.

One More Thing - Sarcasm is my first language

Morgan Amelia Plentl

Parents - Maria & Will Plentl

Graduating from - Cardinal Gibbons High School

Favorite Subject - Science

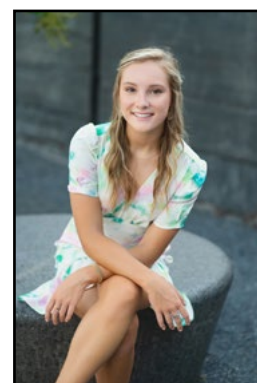
Favorite Hobby - Skiing and water sports

Favorite Church Memory - Ski Trips

Favorite Quote - Leave footprints of love and kindness everywhere you go

Next Year - I will attend NC State and have been accepted into the Poole College of Management

Unique Fact - I love to make guacamole :)



High School Class of 2021

Riley Allen

Parent - Russell Allen

Graduating from - Rolesville High School

Next Year - Attending Wake Technical Community College

Sarah Dawkins



Parents - Lynne & Garrett Dawkins

Graduating from - Leesville Road High School

Favorite Subject - History

Favorite Hobby - Irish dancing & playing music

Favorite Church Memory - Volunteering at Vacation Bible School; it is so much fun to get to know the younger children and watching their performance at the end of each session.

Next Year - I am still undecided on which college I will be attending, but I plan to major in business administration

Sarah Rachel Lynch

Parents - Donna & Jack Lynch

Graduating from - Franklin Academy

Favorite Subject - History

Favorite Hobby - Theater/Acting

Favorite Church Memory - Singing in the Youth Choir

Favorite Quote - "If you think you can, you will. If you think you can't, you won't. Either way, you're right."

Next Year - I will be attending William Peace University

Unique Fact - I love Family History

One More Thing - I'm proud of myself for overcoming the challenges I've faced in High School



Schuyler Coonse



Parents - Liza & Jeffrey Coonse

Graduating from - Enloe High School

Next Year - Taking a gap year in Europe doing organic farming with WWOOF

Favorite Subject - History

Favorite Hobby - Mountain Biking

Favorite Church Memory - Mission Trip to Mobile, Alabama

Unique Fact - Octopi have 3 hearts

One More Thing - Schuyler is a Dutch name & I am named after my great-grandfather and my mom (her middle name)

High School Class of 2021

Serena Ash

Parents - Theresa & Nathan Ash

Graduating from - Sanderson High School

Next Year - Attending Appalachian State to study Nursing



Tory Kirk Schafer



Parents - Katy & Mac Schafer

Graduating from - Broughton High School

Favorite Subject - History

Favorite Hobby - Volleyball

Favorite Church Memory - Montreat when I was going into BHS

Favorite Quote - "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." - Maya Angelou

Next Year - I will be attending Elon University

Unique Fact - I am named after an island in Ireland

One More Thing - I'm incredibly grateful for Hudson and the community that I have had the opportunity grown up in, thank you!!

Cary Louis Krueger, III

Preferred Name - Trey

Parents - Holly & Cary Krueger

Graduating from - Franklin Academy

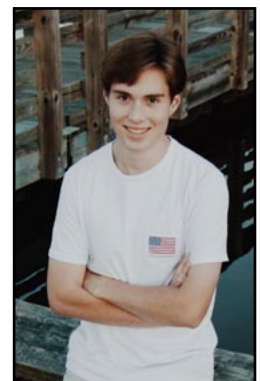
Favorite Subject - History

Favorite Hobby - Dirt Bike Riding

Favorite Church Memory - Youth Ski Trip

Next Year - I will be attending Wake Technical Community College

Unique Fact - I am learning to play golf



Martie Lin Surasky



Parents - Sonia Allen and Mike Surasky

Graduating from - Sanderson High School

Favorite Subject - History

Favorite Hobby - Drawing

Favorite Church Memory - The Alabama Mission Trip

Next Year - I will be attending Virginia Commonwealth University

Unique Fact - When I was a junior my advanced theatre class represented North Carolina in a national theatre competition

Personnel



Celebrating Phil Hayden!

May 23, 2021

Immediately Following Outdoor Worship

The congregation is invited to celebrate Phil Hayden's retirement after 16 years as Hudson's Music Director and Composer and his 46-year musical career. A short fun, surprise-filled live program of appreciation will be followed by a time of fellowship on the West Lawn.

Frank Boyd to Retire This Summer

Director of Youth Ministries Frank Boyd has announced that he will retire at the end of July this summer. Frank arrived at Hudson in 2013 as Interim Youth Director and soon after the "Interim" title was dropped. Frank has served Hudson for over seven years. We are thankful for his leadership with youth and their families over the years. He has provided steady relational care with a flair for music and the arts. Frank plans to lead the summer mission trip, the trip to the Massanetta Middle School Conference and the high school trip to the Montreat Youth Conference before he retires. By announcing this news now, it gives the congregation a chance to express their appreciation to Frank in the months ahead and for Frank to have a time of closure with us. Please know that the Personnel Committee is already working on plans for future leadership of our youth ministry. Thanks be to God for the ministry of Frank Boyd.



Session

COVID-19 Update

The HMPC Session has approved having worship every other week in the sanctuary with limited numbers, wearing masks and being socially distant. This began on Sunday, May 2nd. On alternating weeks we will continue to worship outside. The schedule is as follows:

- May 16th - Sanctuary
- May 23rd - West Lawn & Parking Lot
- May 30th - Sanctuary
- June 6th - West Lawn & Parking Lot
- June 13th - Sanctuary

Worship will continue to be available online via the churches YouTube channel. We began live streaming sanctuary worship on Sunday, May 2nd and will continue to do so for services taking place in the sanctuary. The live stream is recorded and posted on our YouTube channel after worship concludes. For Sundays when worship is outside we will continue to record the service for availability to those of you still worshipping from home.

Individuals and groups worshipping or meeting outside at the church are no longer required to wear masks but need to maintain social distance. This is in line with the

North Carolina governor's guidance that went into effect on Friday, April 30th. Session has also approved groups meeting inside the church building, wearing masks and being socially distant. The following is a list of rooms and the number of people who are permitted to meet in that room:

Choir Room (as a meeting space)	7
Confirmation	4
Explorer's SS	4
Youth Game Room	5
Geneva Hall	12
HS Youth	3
John Knox	5
Joyful Noise	5
Karl Hudson	3
Library	3
Parable Playhouse	4
Room 200	6
Westminster Hall	27

Thank you for your prayers and continued patience as we continue to adapt the churches worship and ministry.

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.

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.



Adult Faith Formation

Presbyterian Pint

Is Going to the Movies

On Thursday, May 27th Presbyterian Pint has rented out The Rialto Movie Theatre on Glenwood Ave. We can have a total of 25 there. We will be watching the movie *A Beautiful Mind*. Admission is free and their concession stand (which serves soft drinks, beer and wine, etc.) will be open. [Please RSVP with Mac Schafer if you plan to attend.](#)



Waking Up with the Word

May 18 - 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.



Evening Women at the Well

The evening version of Women at the Well summer dates are: June 3, June 24, July 22 and August 26.

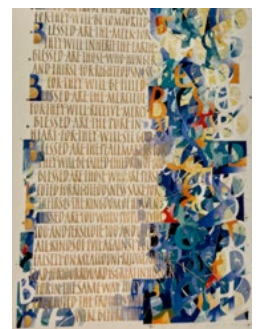
We currently meet via Zoom at 6 pm, and on June 24th will return to having our meetings over dinner at a local restaurant. Women of all ages and stages enjoy great fellowship along with lively conversations about current topics of interest informed by a variety of podcasts and other resources. Participants will receive the topic, resources and Zoom link prior to the meeting. All are welcome to join anytime! [For info contact Debbie Kirk](#)



Seeing the Word

Monday, May 17

This group uses the art work from the Saint John's Illuminated Bible to study scripture texts. Presently it is meeting via Zoom at 12 noon. Contact [Mac Schafer](#) to receive the Zoom invitation.



Deacon Ministry

Prayers for Households



Prayer is foundational to the ministry of the Deacons and we consider it a privilege to pray with and for our church family. One of the ways we do that is using our church directory, starting at the beginning,

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 request from the website or 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:

- *Nnenna Nduka*
- *Orji, Ogebeyialu, Zack and Olivia Nduka*
- *Ann Neisz*
- *Wendy Nellis*
- *Noelle Newnam*
- *Lucille Nicholas*
- *Alice Njoroge*

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 Graduates



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.

Youth Ministry

Youth Programs

- **The Explorers 5-6-7 SS Class** will meet Sunday, May 16, at 9:30 under the Twin Oaks at church with teacher Katy Waugh. Please bring you mask, a lawn chair, and a water bottle. Parent pick-up is at 10:15.
- **Graduation Sunday** is this Sunday, May 16th at the 10:30 Worship Service, where we will be honoring the Class of 2021 and presenting them with gifts from the congregation.
- **High School Youth Group** – This Sunday evening, May 16th, the High School Youth group will be eating dinner out to honor the 12th Graders from the class of 2021, the Class of 2020, as they missed this celebration last year because of Covid, and to welcome the 8th graders to the High School Youth group. , and to honor the Class of 2020 12th as they missed this celebration last We will meet at Chuy's at North Hills at 5:00. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. We should be done around 6:30. Please bring \$\$ for your meal, drink, & tip. 8th Graders, 12th graders, and College Freshmen eat free. PLEASE RSVP - If you know that you will be coming to dinner, please text Beth Billman (919-412-8338) and let her know so that we can get enough tables for everyone. If not, feel free to come anyway.
- **8th Graders** are invited to "be our guest" at the May 16th High School Youth Group celebration dinner as we welcome you into the High School Youth Group. (See above for details).
- **Middle School Dinner Out** - On May 23rd, the Middle School Youth Group (grades 5-8) is having its School Is Almost Out Celebration Dinner Outside. Watch for details.
- **2021 – 2022 Confirmation Class - Current 7th Graders and Older** – It's time to start thinking about Confirmation for the 2021-22 Program Year – Please watch your mail and email closely for registration information for our next class starting in late August/ Early September.

Looking Ahead

- **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.

Worship & The Arts

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.](#)

Baptism

We celebrate with McNeill & Pat Kelley the baptism of their daughter on Mother's Day, May 9th. HMPC members Dave & Caroline Smart are parents of new member McNeill. Caroline was the assisting elder at the baptism.



Calendar

Sunday, May 16

- 9:30 am - Explorer's 5-6-7 SS, Twin Oaks
- 10:30 am - Children's SS Labyrinth Green
- 10:30 am - Worship in the Sanctuary
- 1 pm - Inquirer's Class
- 5 pm - Graduation Dinner at Chuy's

Monday, May 17

- 12 Noon - Seeing the Word
- 7 pm - Diaconate
- 7 pm - Finance
- 8 pm - Alanon, AlaTeen, AlaKid - WH, GH, Room 200

Tuesday, May 18

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

Wednesday, May 19

- 9:30 am - Women at the Well

Saturday, May 22

- 11 am - Tend My Sheep

All meetings by Zoom unless otherwise noted.

Sunday, May 23

- 10:30 am - Children's SS Labyrinth Green
- 10:30 am - Worship - West Lawn

Mission

WAKE Up and Read

Hudson is hosting a book drive for WAKE Up and Read!



Hudson has joined [Activate Good](#) and [WAKE Up and Read](#) as a partner to help build home libraries for over 8,100 Wake County children during Operation Empower Readers.

Here are 2 ways YOU make a difference!

- Collect some of your kids or grandkids gently used, favorite books
- Head over to Quail Ridge Books or your favorite bookstore and buy new books

Then: Bring the books appropriate for infants-5th grade to the church where you'll find specially-marked boxes for WAKE Up and Read.

Easy peasy, huh! **Can we collect 500 books? 750? Let's shoot for 1,000!** By the way, we're also "shooting" for this project to wrap up on May 31st.



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