THE WEEKLY WIND DOW OUT TO THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF HUDSON MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH APRIL 18, 2025

9:00AM & 11:00AM WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE HUDSON SANCTUARY Come celebrate with us!

Since we celebrate it every year, it's hard to remember what a surprise Easter was in the beginning. The women went to the tomb expecting Jesus' body to be there so they could anoint it with burial spices. Surprise! Empty tomb. And that was just the beginning of the ways the people following Jesus were surprised again and again.... and here we are 2,000 years later, still surprised by grace and life and hope. Come celebrate the good - and surprising - news!

PLEASE NOTE: Nursery for children in Kindergarten and younger will be open 8:15-12:15.

There will be <u>NO</u> Adult Education, Children's Sunday School, Children's Music or Youth activities.

8:00-10:30am EASTER CANCAKE BREAKFAST



WESTMINSTER HALL Join us for fellowship and pancakes!



We ask that you bring a donation of canned food. We will be collecting food to help support the North Raleigh Ministries Food Pantry.



HMPC Mission Study Team Assembled

The Session of HMPC is delighted to announce the formation of our Mission Study Team (MST)! They have all agreed to lead our congregation into this process of discovery and discernment: discovering who HMPC is right now and what resources we have, and discerning who God is calling HMPC to be and how we are to use our resources to live into that calling. The work of the MST, which will be captured in their Mission Study Report, will begin in earnest in May. Their orientation meeting will be held, and the team will begin to organize themselves and their work. Rev. Marguerite Sirrine will serve as their staff liaison and transitional resource. Look for periodic announcements in the coming months regarding invitations to congregational gatherings, interesting tidbits they've discovered, and progress reports. Thanks for your support of the team, their work, and HMPC in its transitional time.





Angie Bell-Morris

Tom Carpenito



Wilson Cheeley



Carol Clemens

Susan Krause





Carolyn Scott

Marie Walden

MEMBERSHIP AT HUDSON

Interested in Membership? Attend one of our Inquirers' Classes to learn about membership at HMPC!

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES:

April 27th following worship (register by April 23rd)May 4th following worship (register by April 30th)

RSVP using <u>this link</u> or contact Cary Dickerson if you are interested - cdickerson@hmpc.org



A NOTE FROM MARGUERITE

Welcome Easter Worshipers -Wear Your Nametags!

As we prepare to welcome first time guests, long-absent members, and those from our community who want to celebrate eternal life with us, please continue to show the warm HMPC welcome by remembering to wear your nametag all morning. Wear it at breakfast. Wear it at



worship. Wear it as you greet people whose names you don't know. Easter Sunday brings in many who do not worship regularly - let's welcome them as if they do.

Thank you and Happy Easter!

"Passion" Palm Sunday

Last week we observed "Passion / Palm Sunday. The service began with the congregation and a procession of children waving palms. The choir sang *Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!*

"This day begins Holy Week, a time in the church year when we remember how Christ gave his life in love for the world. As this service opens, the crowd waves palm branches, wanting to crown Jesus as king. But as the story of the passion unfolds, their shouts of praise turn to demands for his crucifixion; he receives a crown of thorns as he is handed over to be mocked and killed." - pcusa.org





GIVEN BY:

Sandra Acai & Avera Sinnett Shirley & Richard Blanks **Debbie Bumgarner** Dottie, Graham and Charlotte Burch Dottie, Graham and Charlotte Burch Carol & Bruce Cox Melinda & Morgan Dickinson Todd, Susan, Will & Hallie Eichler Todd, Susan, Will & Hallie Eichler Bill & Marsha Flueckinger Jackie Gooch Glenn & Susan Grigg Glenn & Susan Grigg Keen Family Keen Family Jim and Mona Knight Jim and Mona Knight Phil James Frances Massey Linda Measamer Linda Measamer Linda Measamer John Oldenburg and Grace Hutchinson John Oldenburg and Grace Hutchinson Jill and Pete Priester Bruce Schluchter Bruce Schluchter Bruce Schluchter Bruce Schluchter Mark & Marguerite Sirrine Mark & Marguerite Sirrine Libbie & Steve Toth & Chris Newton John & Lisa Williams

GIVEN BY:

Dottie Burch Jay & Lynn Cummins Chancel Choir Children at Hudson Melinda & Morgan Dickinson Families of Hudson Bill & Marsha Flueckinger John Oldenburg and Grace Hutchinson Papa John & Gigi Papa John & Gigi Lesley Ash Jacobsen

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Stephanie Acai Aubrey Blanks Mike Bumgarner Dot & Bill Bass Bret Bass Robert E. Fleming, Jr. **Bob** Measamer Irma Eichler Richard Helms, Jr. Nancy Sinicki Alma & Jack Andrews Our parents & grandparents who lived their faith every day Rev. Herb & Frances Underwood who served this church David E. Patton Louis & Margaret Keen Caspian & Olene Franks James & Elizabeth Knight Judy James George Massey **Bob** Measamer Vivian Couch Cecil Couch Clarke & Jean Oldenburg Orion & Louise Hutchinson Our parents, Peg & Buck Priester, Dottie & Tom Davis Betty Schluchter Dean Schluchter **Risa Schluchter** Terry Schluchter Her parents Bud & Marge Moore His parents Merv & Millie Sirrine Amy Elizabeth Newton Tommy & Stella Jo Staton, Elaine & Alan Williams

IN HONOR OF:

Graham & Charlotte Burch Hudson Youth Barbara Loehr-Fox & Winter Fox Lizzie Graybill Our Parents Cary Dickerson Greg, Lauren, & Langley Flueckinger Lou & Major Bond Ann Oldenburg, Quinten & Andrew Harry Bond Family HMPC Office Volunteer Team

YOUTH MINISTRY A Note From Rich

Dear HMPC Community,

For the past 8 weeks, I have been away from my work duties at HMPC to spend precious time with the new addition to our family. Charlotte "Charley" Elisabeth Richards was born February 12th early in the morning, and since then both she and her mama have been healthy and happy...praise God!

On behalf of the Richards' family (Lindsey, Rich, Olsen, Bogen and now "Charley") we want to say a BIG THANK YOU for all of the texts, calls, meals, cards, well wishes, and prayers you have given during this special time. We look forward to getting back into our normal routine both as a member, children of members and of course, staff. Know that gratitude has been at the forefront of our daily walk with our new little girl and that we thank God for your love and support for us as we enter a new chapter in all of our lives.

Peace and light,

Rich

Youth Schedule THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 20

NO Youth activities - Happy Easter!

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, April 27 5:00pm - Middle School Youth (6th-8th grade), Westminster Hall Gaga Ball and S'mores!

WEEKDAY FAITH FORMATION

Women at the Well NEXT MEETING THIS THURSDAY



The monthly group's next meeting is April 24 at 6:00pm at Vivo Ristorante (7400 Six Forks Rd, Raleigh). This group uses a podcast as the basis for discussion on topics of interest. **All women of the church are welcome!**

Linda Meeks <u>linda.meeks@pobox.com</u> and Kay Emanuel <u>ckemanuel@gmail.com</u> coordinate the monthly gatherings and send out details the week prior to each meeting. If you are not already on the contact list and would like to be added, contact Linda or Kay.

SPRING DATES:

April 24 - 6:00 - Vivo Ristorante May 15 - 6:00 - Vivo Ristorante June 19 - 6:00 - Home of Linda Meeks No Meetings in July & August - We will resume in September!

Presbyterian Pint 7:00pm | Thursday, April 24

7:00pm | Thursday, April 24 Manchester's Grill 9101 Leesville Rd, Raleigh 27613



Men of the church are welcome to join us for fellowship and faith in a friendly environment. We discuss relevant questions of theology and culture. Contact Lesley Ash Jacobsen to be added to the distribution list. Join us this Thursday!

FELLOWSHIP

Single Way May Luncheon

Tuesday, May 6 at 11:30am Imperial Garden Restaurant



7713 Lead Mine Road (at Greystone Village), Raleigh, NC 27615

This group meets monthly for fellowship and lunch. Please contact Ruth Herpich at (919) 280-0049 by May 4 if you plan to attend so she can give the restaurant a seating count. If you know of anyone you can think of that would like to come enjoy fellowship with us, please extend the invitation. New people are always welcome, so please join us!

MISSION

Mission Trip Informational Meeting Sunday, April 27 After Worship



Interested? Hesitant? Just need to know more? After the service on April 27, there will be a meeting in Room 200 shortly after the service to introduce basic information to those

unfamiliar with Hudson's annual mission trip, which is set this year from July 20 through July 25. Those who attend will leave with an understanding of how the trip proceeds and how easy it is to be a genuine contributor to the success of the trip for whatever time you can comfortably set aside for this mission, working on a Habitat for Humanity house in Avery County, NC. Your time investment at the meeting will be small, but the rewards for yourself and those whom the mission assists could be great. If you cannot attend but still do wish to receive information about this adventure, please contact John Oldenburg at <u>oldygolden@aol.com</u>.

BOOMERS

BOOMERS, PLEASE JOIN US FOR A **KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY Saturday, May 3, at 5:30pm** At Heather & Bob Monroe's Home

RSVP by April 26 to hmonroe@nc.rr.com

Bring \$10 per person See details & full invitation HERE.



For those new to the church or do not know about this group, Boomers is a fellowship group for fun-loving folks born during the baby boom years, 1946-1964, although all are welcome.

Join the Habitat Build! Sign up for April 26 & May 31



We are excited to be part of another Interfaith Habitat for Humanity build this Spring. The build dates for our congregation are Saturday, April 26th, and Saturday, May 31st. We have 5 reserved spots for Hudson members for each

build day. If you would like to register to participate, please do so for Old Poole Place on one of our designated days at <u>THIS LINK</u>. Link can also be found on the homepage of hmpc.org. If you have any questions, please email Lauren Parikh at <u>lauren.parikh@gmail.com</u>.

April Tend My Sheep NORTH RALEIGH MINISTRIES



During the Month of April, the Mission Committee is collecting **oatmeal, breakfast cereals, peanut butter and jelly** for North Raleigh Ministries. Donations can be left in the bins at Sanctuary entrances.

With the drop in funding for all food banks, the Eastern and Central Food Bank of North Carolina - the LARGEST FOOD BANK IN THE US - will lose \$2,000,000 alone in funds which go to purchasing produce directly from local farmers. This hurts our farmers and those in need of food.

NOR-RALEIGH MINISTRIES

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April Special Offering ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Our Special Offering for April is to support PCUSA's One Great Hour of Sharing. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

You may place your donation in the offering plate, mail it, or <u>donate online.</u>

CALENDAR

This Week at Hudson

Sunday, April 20

Easter

7:00 am - Ecumenical Sunrise Service - St. Timothy's
8:00-10:30 am - Easter Breakfast - Westminster Hall
9:00 am - Easter Service - Sanctuary
11:00 am - Easter Service - Sanctuary

Monday, April 21 Office Closed

6:00 pm - Property Committee - WH South 6:30 pm - Officer training- WH North 7:00 pm - Diaconate - Rm 200 8:00 pm - Al-Anon/Alateen - Geneva Hall

Tuesday, April 22

6:30am - Waking Up With The Word - WH Patio
9:30 am - Staff Meeting - Welcome Lounge
6:00 pm - ACA - Rm 200
6:30 pm - Deacon Training - WH North, Welc. Lounge
7:00 pm - Boy Scouts - Geneva Hall

Wednesday, April 23

9:15 am - Women at the Well - Chapel/Zoom6:15 pm - Hudson Handbells - WH South7:30 pm - Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

<u>Thursday, April 24</u>

6:00 pm - Women at the Well - Vivo Ristorante 7:00 pm - Presbyterian Pint - Manchester's

Friday. April 25

5:00 pm - HMP Spring Festival - Exterior

<u>Saturday, April 26</u> Interfaith Habitat for Humanity Build

Join Our Social Media Community!



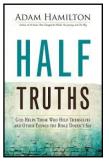
SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION



<u>NO</u> Adult Sunday School This Sunday, April 20

<u>Next</u> Sunday, April 27, in the Seekers... "Christian Clichés" Facilitated by Ron Ash

This class will explore phrases often used to comfort people in difficult situations. For example: "God helps



those who help themselves" or "God won't give you more than you can handle". Is there a Biblical basis for such expressions? This class will explore Adam Hamilton's book on *Half-Truths* in common usage and the potential harmful effects on the persons they are made to help.

WEEKDAY FAITH FORMATION

Waking Up With The Word Tuesday, April 22 | 6:30am | WH Patio



This is an early morning men's Bible study. It meets via Zoom and inperson (on the WH Patio), alternating weekly.

WUWTW uses an ancient study method called *lectio divina*. We read the passage that will be preached on for the upcoming Sunday four times, with interspersed questions:

What's a word or phrase that stands out to you? Allow that word or phrase to develop into a memory from your life - is there a thought you have on the passage or a metaphor? What is Christ calling you to through the passage?

No previous Bible study experience is necessary. It's a great way to deepen your faith and develop friendships within the church! New participants are always welcome. Contact Lesley Ash Jacobsen to be added to the mailing list for this group. Contact Tripp Bradshaw with any questions.