

THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OUT TO THE LIFE
AND MINISTRY OF
HUDSON MEMORIAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



APRIL 10, 2026



A BEAUTIFUL EASTER MORNING!



NEXT TWO SUNDAYS...

(more details about events inside!)

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

- Ashley-Anne Masters (Director of PCM) preaching
- Informational Meeting about Avery County Adult Mission Trip in Room 200 following worship

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

- Preschool-recognition Sunday - 10:30 Worship
- Congregational Meeting after worship to elect PNC
- Earth Day screening of *The Extraordinary Caterpillar* in Westminster Hall after the Congregational meeting. Snacks will be provided!

IMPORTANT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE - PAGE 2-3

PROPERTY

Property Work Day - Join Us April 18

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



Construction Update: Temporary Access Changes



Construction has begun on Hudson's new wheelchair-accessible family restroom! However, construction can be unpredictable. Our contractor recently discovered that the drain tie-in point is farther back than expected. This means that our construction zone has expanded. Because of this, **the 1st floor men's restroom and elevator will be inaccessible for approximately two weeks.**

Getting Around: If you need to travel through the 1st floor, please plan to use the indoor ramp and Welcome Lounge to bypass the construction area.

Restroom Options: The 1st floor women's restroom will remain open as normal. For men, please use the upstairs restrooms, the restroom in the narthex, or the restroom in the infant classroom on the preschool hallway.

The restrooms in the infant classroom and narthex are also stair-free alternatives to the women's restroom for those coming from the sanctuary.

Also, due to construction-related challenges, you may notice a few small changes in worship in the coming weeks—the choir will not be wearing robes as usual, and the handbells will remain in the Sanctuary for an extended amount of time.

Watch for signage and don't hesitate to ask a volunteer for directions. We'll have folks around to help direct traffic during services. Please keep friends and family with mobility needs in mind, and let's all look out for one another during this time.

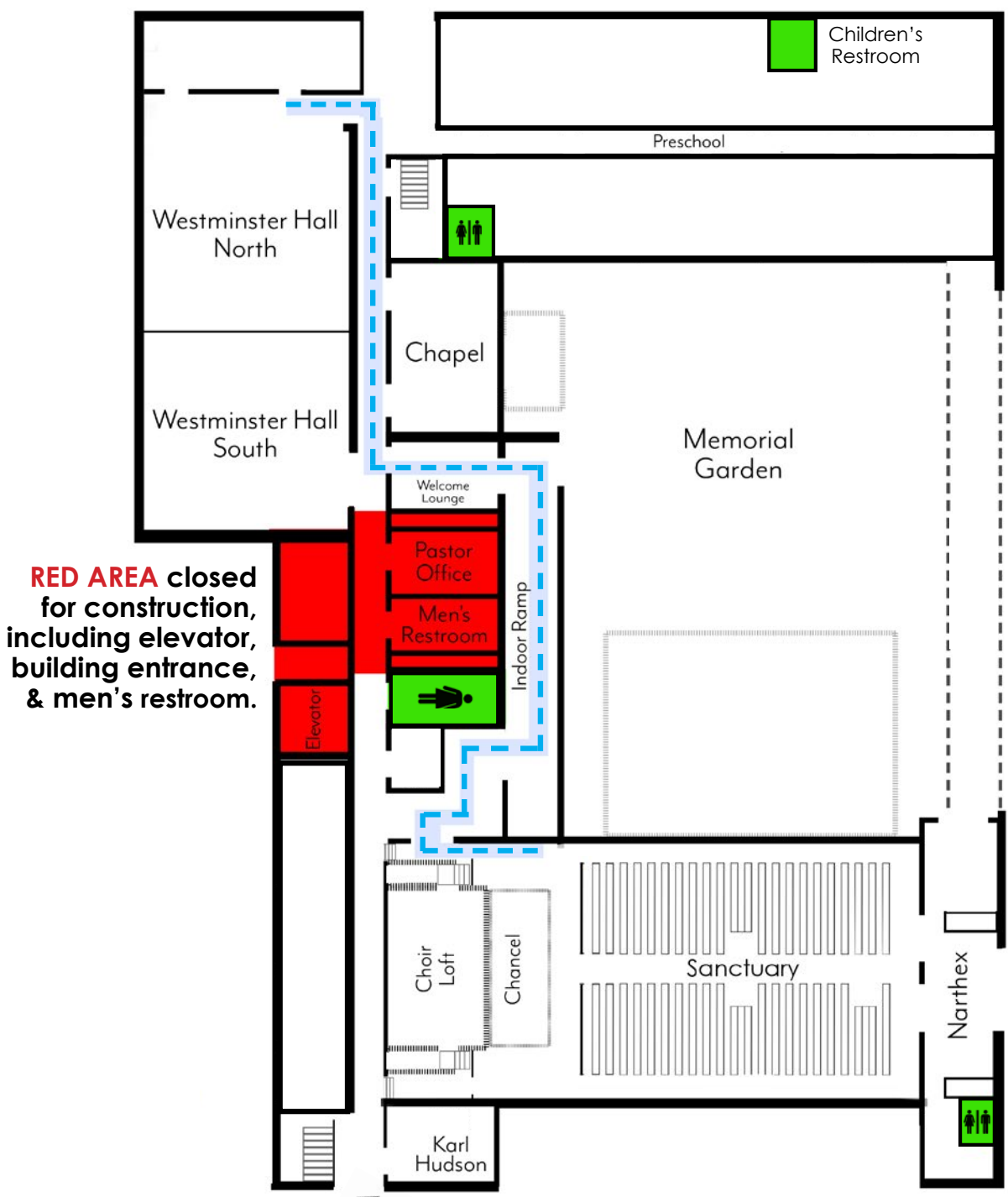
We apologize for the inconvenience and are grateful for your patience. When the dust settles, we'll have a brand-new ADA/family restroom, making Hudson a more welcoming place for everyone. We can't wait!

SEE DIAGRAM ON NEXT PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Construction Detour Information

— — — Route to Westminster Hall ■ Under Construction ■ Restroom

PRESCHOOL/NORTH ENTRANCE



For those able, there are restrooms across from the staff offices on the 2nd floor.

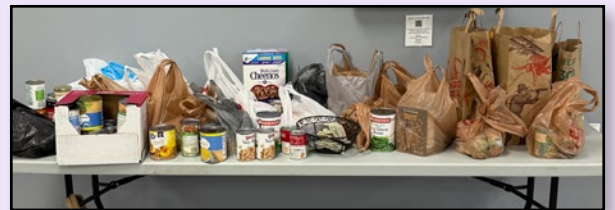
RED AREA closed for construction, including elevator, building entrance, & men's restroom.

SIX FORKS ROAD

Cranbrook entrance requires some stairs. Front or North entrances recommended for those with mobility issues.



Easter



We had a great collection of food items for North Raleigh Ministries!



The clergy from the Six Forks Ecumenical Service on Easter morning.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Presbyterian Campus Ministry of Raleigh Spring Soiree Fundraiser

May 16, 2026
6:00-8:30pm

Limited admission - \$15 tickets

50/50 Raffle Fundraiser

Heavy hors d'oeuvres & Mocktails

Venue: A Place at the Table
300 W. Hargett Street #50, Raleigh



Purchase soiree or raffle tickets [HERE](#).

Hudson member Beth Billman, who serves on the board of Presbyterian Campus Ministry of Raleigh, invites you to support PCM through an upcoming fundraising event.

PCM will host a social gathering in May, and we would love for you to join us! A limited number of event tickets are available, so be sure to reserve your spot soon. In addition, a 50/50 raffle is underway—tickets are \$50 each, and the winning ticket will be drawn on May 16 (you do not need to be present to win).

Details:

- 50/50 Raffle Tickets: \$50 each
- Event Tickets: \$15 each (limited to 75)

In recent years, PCM's funding from the Presbytery has declined significantly. As we look ahead, PCM has set a fundraising goal of \$50,000 for 2026. Your support—



through attending, participating in the raffle, or making a donation—makes a meaningful difference.

Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

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

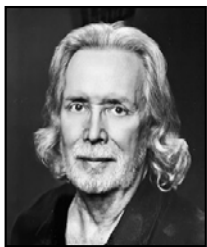


I have been a member of Hudson since 2000, when my husband, Glenn, our two daughters, Abbie and Jenna, and I transferred our membership from North Raleigh Presbyterian Church. Over the years, Hudson has become a place where I have built lifelong friendships while serving in many different capacities.

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.

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!

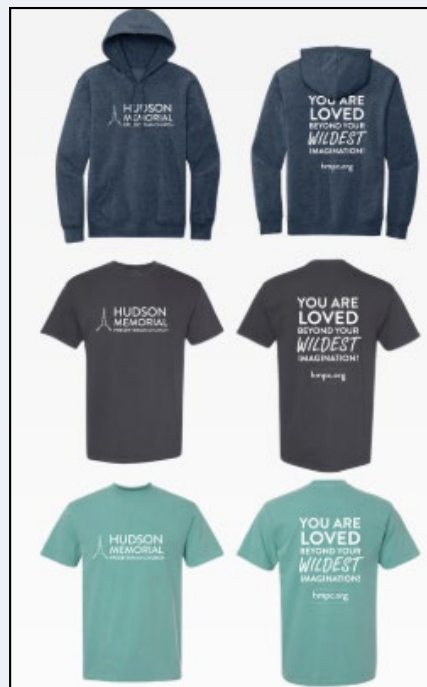
Email Cary Dickerson at cdickerson@hmpc.org with questions!

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](#)



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 THIS 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.

Offering of Letters

SUNDAY, APRIL 26 AFTER WORSHIP



Why We Write...

We write and send handwritten letters to Congress because Senators and Representatives listen to the words we put on the page. We're told that 10 letters in 1 week on a single topic gets the attention of members of Congress!

Corporate and Public Policy Witness, one of 6 activities our PCUSA Hunger Action Congregation certification requires annually means that HMPC has answered the call to advocacy.

After worship on April 26 join others in Westminster to use sample letters and all the necessary writing materials to prepare letters to our Senators and your Representative. Our goal is 50 letter writers. Everything necessary will be provided for you. Many hands make light work. See you there.

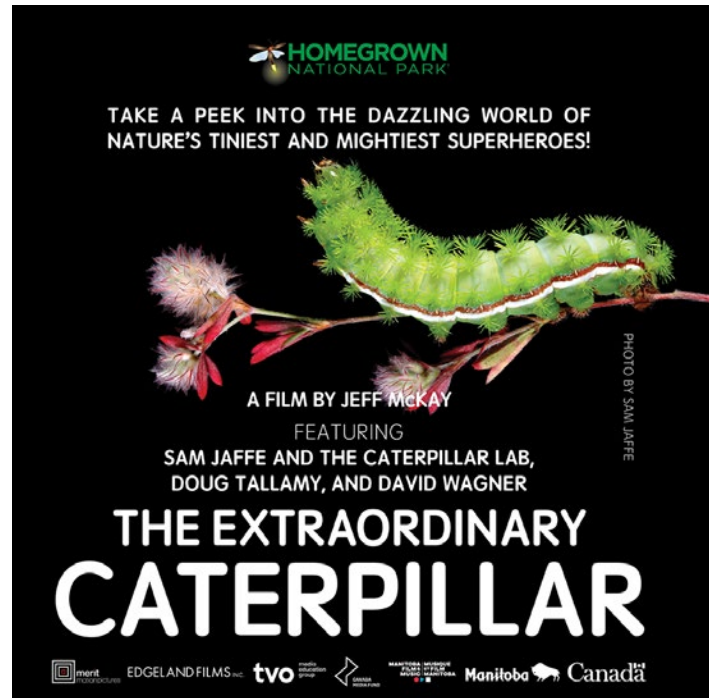
The Extraordinary Caterpillar: Earth Day Screening

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.



Amazing Grays

Thursday, April 16, at 11:30am

Jason's Deli (Spring Forest)

Amazing Grays is a group for seniors who get together for fun, food and fellowship. Lunches are typically scheduled the third Thursday each month at some of the group's favorite restaurants. New people always welcome!



Contact Mike Law or Sandy Cole if you are interested in attending April 16's gathering at Jason's Deli.

Join Our Social Media Community!



@HudsonMPC



@HudsonMemorialPC

MEMBERSHIP

Interested in Membership?

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITY

Inquirers' Class after Worship May 3

HMPC will hold its next Inquirers' Class after worship in the Karl Hudson Room on May 3. Please consider attending the class and joining HMPC for your spiritual life! Questions – please contact Cary Dickerson at cdickerson@hmpc.org. RSVP [HERE](#).



Nine O'Clock Class

Sunday, April 12, 9:30 | Room 200

Book of Revelation - First 3 Chapters

Facilitated by Don Slater



Presbyterian Ponderings

Judah, from Isaiah to Exile

Sunday, April 12, 9:30 | WH North

Presbyterian Ponderings is following PCUSA's The Present Word series titled "Judah, From Isaiah to Exile."

We will dip into the Old Testament and consider how God, through prophets and other leaders, gave help and guidance to the people of Judah so that we may come to see the hand of God in our own lives and all human affairs.

THIS WEEK: How do you handle being scolded? In chapter 7 of Jeremiah, the Judeans receive a harsh scolding and are none too happy about it. We'll look at the story in context and think about what it might mean for us today.

As always, the Ponderings class welcomes visitors. Come ponder with us!

The Seekers

9:30am | CHAPEL (Next 2 weeks)

Sunday, April 12

Gifts of the Spirit

Facilitated by Aleta Ash

What does it mean to bear fruit? Can we move beyond just being ornamental to bearing fruit for the kingdom of God? Galatians 5:22-23 lists nine gifts of the spirit which God has offered to us. Surely accepting, recognizing and developing these gifts of the spirit will enable us to be better disciples of Jesus Christ. Join us on April 12th as Aleta Ash leads a discussion of these gifts of the spirit.

Sunday, April 12

Confirmation Retreat

9:00 am - Nine O'Clock Class - Room 200

9:30 am - Presbyterian Ponderings - Westminster North

9:30 am - The Seekers - Chapel

10:30 am - Worship - Sanctuary

10:45 am - Children's Sunday School - Geneva

11:30 am - Mission Trip Info Meeting - Room 200

11:30 am - Fellowship - Westminster North

11:30 am - Joyful Noise Music - Geneva Hall

11:45 am - Coffee and Conversation - Chapel

11:45 am - Youth Bells - Sanctuary

3:30 pm - Officer Training - WH North, Welcome Lounge

5:00 pm - Youth Group - Westminster, Geneva, Chapel

5:30 pm - Book Study "The Best of Enemies" - Room 200

Monday, April 13

9:30 am - HMP Chapel - Geneva, Sanctuary

7:00 pm - Personnel - Zoom

7:00 pm - Finance Committee - Zoom

7:30 pm - How it Works - Room 200

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

Tuesday, April 14

6:30 am - Waking Up with the Word - Zoom

11:00 am - Elizabeth/Esther Circle - Chapel

11:30 am - Hannah Circle - Room 200

6:45 pm - Preschool Board - WH North

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

7:00 pm - Adult Ed Committee - Zoom

7:00 pm - Miriam Circle - Off Site

Wednesday, April 15

9:15 am - Women at the Well - Room 200

6:15 pm - Hudson Handbells - Sanctuary

6:30 pm - Chipotle Check In - Chipotle North Hills

7:30 pm - Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

Thursday, April 16

11:30 am - Amazing Grays - Jason's Deli (Spring Forest)

1:00 pm - Staff Lunch - Cowfish

6:30 pm - Mission Committee - Westminster North

Saturday, April 18

8am-11am - Property Workday

1:00 pm - Memorial Service for Kitty Fernback - Sanctuary, Westminster, Chapel