



Hudson Memorial  
Presbyterian Church (USA)



*To know, love, and serve God in Jesus Christ*

WELCOME



JUNE 9, 2024

# Service for the Lord's Day

June 9, 2024

## We Gather to Worship

### People's Preparation

"We refer to the Protestant Reformation as a period in the early sixteenth to the mid-seventeenth centuries in which reformers of the church were trying to return to their roots in Scripture and the doctrines of the early church."

- Jack Rogers, *Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding, Exploring the Book of Confessions*

### Welcome

### Chimes

### Prelude

*Prelude on Promised Land*  
Iva Stowe, organist

Sam Batt Owens

### Announcements

### Introit

*Come into God's Presence*

Traditional

### Call to Worship\*

*The Heidelberg Catechism 4.001*

One: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Many: **That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.**

One: Let us worship God.

### Opening Hymn #694\*

*Great God of Every Blessing*

### Moment of Friendship

*Guests, we invite you to complete the tan card found in your pew racks. These can be placed in the offering plates or handed to an usher. Alternately, you can sign the virtual friendship pad using the QR code to the right.*



### Children's Message

Barbara Loehr-Fox

### Choral Response

*Then, Tender God Each Child Embrace*

Praetorius, Jones

## We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

### Call to Confession

# 694 Great God of Every Blessing

1 Great God of ev - ery bless - ing, of faith - ful, lov - ing care,  
2 Your Word is our sal - va - tion, the source of end - less grace,  
3 Your Spir - it is our teach - er, the light that guides our search,

you are the fount of good - ness, the dai - ly bread we share.  
in death and life ex - tend - ing your cov - e - nant em - brace.  
trans - form - ing bro - ken peo - ple in - to the ho - ly church.

How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:  
In Christ we are one bod - y; each mem - ber has a part:  
For feed - ing us with mer - cy, for wis - dom you im - part:

sin - cere - ly and com - plete - ly I of - fer you my heart.

## Prayer of Confession

*The Heidelberg Catechism 4.126 - The Lord's Day 51*

One: "Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors" means:

**Many: Because of Christ's blood, do not hold against us, poor sinners that we are, any of the sins we do or the evil that constantly clings to us. Forgive us just as we are fully determined, as evidence of your grace in us, to forgive our neighbors.**  
*(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: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

*Please stand and offer a sign of Christ's peace to those around you.*

## We Hear God's Word

### First Lesson

Luke 22:14-23

NT p. 86

### Anthem

*We Walk by Faith*

"We walk by faith and not by sight;  
No gracious words we hear  
From Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke;  
But we believe Him near.

We may not touch His hands and side;  
Nor follow where He trod;  
But in His promise we rejoice,  
And cry "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;  
And may our faith abound  
To call on you when you are near  
And seek where you are found:

That, when our life of faith is done,  
In realms of clearer light  
We may behold you as you are,  
With full and endless sight."

## Prayer of Illumination

### Second Lesson

Exodus 20:1-17

OT p. 66

One: The word of the Lord,

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

*The Book of Confessions: The Heidelberg Catechism*

Mac Schafer

## We Respond in Faith

### Affirmation of Faith\*

*The Heidelberg Catechism 4.004*

One: What does God's law require of us?

**Many: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.**

### Invitation to the Offering

### Offertory

*Variations on "Simple Gifts"*

arr. James Pethel

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*To make an online offering to HMPC, we invite you to use this QR code:*

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### 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!”

## Service of Ordination & Installation of New Officers

### Litany of Gifts & Service

One: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

**Many: There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.**

One: God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

**Many: To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.**

**All: Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.**

**Statement of Ordination & Installation**

**Constitutional Questions**

**Prayer of Ordination & Installation**

**Declaration & Welcome**

## **We Bear and Follow the Word into the World**

**Closing Hymn #69\***

*I, the Lord of Sea and Sky*

**Benediction\***

*The Heidelberg Catechism 4.090 & 4.091*

One: What is the rising-to-life of the new self?

**Many: Wholehearted joy in God through Christ, and a love and delight to live according to the will of God by doing every kind of good work.**

One: What are good works?

**Many: Only those which are done out of true faith, conform to God's law, and are done for God's glory; and not those based on our own opinion or human tradition.**

One: Go, then, love and serve the Lord!

**Choral Response\***

*God Still Walks with Us in Life*

William Rowan

**Postlude**

*Jubilation*

Gordan Young

*\*Rise, in body or spirit*

***Join us in Westminster Hall for a time of fellowship after the worship service!***

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## **Welcome**

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today! If you are a guest, please stop at one of the entryway tables for a gift bag and information about the church.

## I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

## Here I Am, Lord

G Am D G C G D  
*Leader or All*

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

G Em C Am7 D G

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

Am D G C G D

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.  
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em C Am7 C/G D D7

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*  
*All* G C G D G C G D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

Am7 G Am7 D G C G C

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

G C G D G Am7 D7 G Am7 G

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

# Welcome, New Officers!

Today we welcome Don Haydon to be installed as Elder, as well as Steve Guy and Grace Hutchinson to be ordained and installed as Elder. We welcome Jeffrey Coonse, Caroline Rohs, and Lisa Williams to be installed as Deacon, as well as Gil Graybill and Fred Woodward to be ordained and installed as Deacon.

## Worship Notes

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

**Blue prayer cards** are available in the pew racks. If you are in need of prayer, you may fill out a card and put it in the offering plate.

**Responding to Music in Worship** – How shall we respond to the music we hear in worship? At times, the most profound response may be a moment of awe and prayerful silence. At other times, the praise of God may lead us to an audible response. This might be a hearty “Amen!”, or perhaps even the clapping of hands in praise to God. These are individual responses, but made in community with others. Please be respectful of the moment, and be sure that our response is directed in praise to the One worthy of our praise.

**For those sitting in the chairs at the front of the Sanctuary** - Hymnals and Bibles are located under your seat.

**Ushers today** - Jolee and Tom Carpenito, Tony Bedini, Ron Ash

**Greeters today** - Tripp Bradshaw, Roger Howard, Jeanna Gatten

**Soundboard Operator** - John Whisler | **Livestream Operator** - Bob Stowe

**Deacon on Call (DOC)** for June is Jill Hovis. 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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## June Special Offering - Avery County Mission Trip

During June, the church is supporting the Avery County Adult Mission Trip, which will be underway in late July to aid Avery County Habitat for Humanity in its home builds. Eleven individuals (so far) have committed to joining the Mission Trip, and many of them will be contributing \$250 each to help defray the trip’s expenses. Nonetheless, we need the assistance of the congregation to fully meet this year’s costs and to provide the reserve needed to meet next year’s advance reservation expenses.



You can give by designating your donation on an envelope placed into the offering plate; mailing a check with “Avery County Trip” in the memo line to the church office; giving online by visiting [hmpc.org](http://hmpc.org) (QR code to left), or texting the donation amount with the word “Avery” to 888-906-0744. *Example text: 25 Avery*



## 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. Members and guests participating in Worship can leave children with confidence, knowing they will be contacted by text message should it become necessary.
- 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.

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## Upcoming Events at Hudson

### June 12 - First Summer Supper of the Season

Westminster Hall | Doors open at 6:00pm

Delicious, healthy meals and fellowship!

This week we will serve quiche and homemade ice cream!

RSVP to the church office by June 10 using the link found on the homepage of [hmpc.org](http://hmpc.org), or by calling 919-787-1086. Please leave a voicemail for Lesley, Hannah, or Erica if no one picks up.

### June 19-21 - Arts Camp (current K-5th graders)

Register your child using the QR code to the right.

Only a few spots left!



### June 28 - First Fellowship Friday of the Season

5:30pm | Cafe Capistrano/Altered State | Food and drink available for purchase.

This is a family-friendly gathering! Dogs are welcome too!

### Wednesday, July 10 - Summer Supper

Westminster Hall | 6:00pm

RSVP to the church office by July 8

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## 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*

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### Session

Glenn Schindo, Clerk

Mac Schafer, Moderator

Debbie Kirk

#### 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

#### Class of 2025

Billy Branch

Ruth Herpich

Joanna Hulsey

Gretchen McDuffie

Carolyn Scott, Moderator

#### Class of 2026

Winter Fox

Judie Greenawalt

Jill Hovis

Linda Meeks

Mary Schindo

#### Class of 2027

Jeffrey Coonse

Gil Graybill

Caroline Rohs

Lisa Williams

Fred Woodward

## Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation

Mac Schafer .....	Pastor, Head of Staff
Debbie Kirk .....	Associate Pastor, Spiritual Growth & Nurture
Aleta Ash .....	Minister of Visitation
Rich Richards.....	Director of Youth Ministries & Children's Music
Cary Dickerson.....	Director of Children's Ministries
Barbara Loehr-Fox.....	Director of Music Ministries
Al Hyde.....	Organist
Erica Hairston.....	Business Manager
Hannah Woodcock.....	Administrative Coordinator
Lesley Ash Jacobsen.....	Communications Coordinator
Dorothy Roche .....	Preschool Director
Joyce Hawkins .....	Assistant Preschool Director
Hope Parangi .....	Church Hostess



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