



# the weekly Window

July 7, 2019

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

## Music

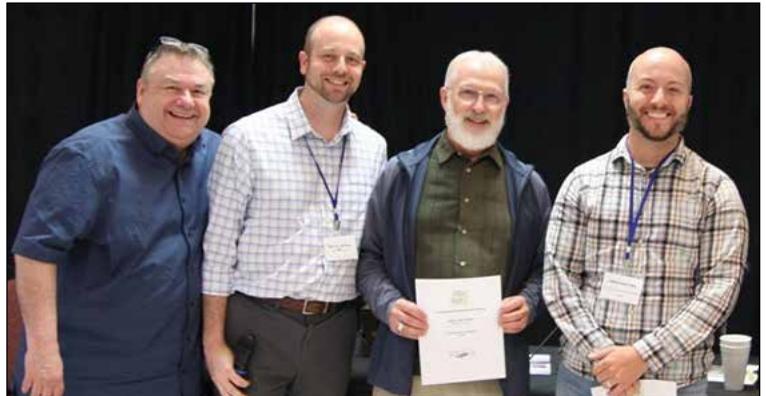
### The Director's Podium

By Phil Hayden

I was blest recently to attend a Sacred Music Composer's Symposium in Atlanta, Georgia, along with 65 other church music composers and six nationally recognized church music composers acting as clinicians and teachers.

We learned much in four full days of lectures and music sessions. I also had private lessons with each of the panel composers, a total of three and a half hours with six composers individually listening to and critiquing my music, a very reaffirming and positive process.

Each of us also brought one choral piece to be sung by the entire group, and to be critiqued by the panel of distinguished composers. It was a tremendous blessing to hear the fine work of so many



*AWARD – Phil and other composers receiving Publishing Contract Awards at the Composer Symposium.*

other church musicians. The Offertory I sang in worship on Sunday, June 23rd was one such memorable piece. I have also received permission from one of my fellow composers to use her Christmas piece in our Christmas Joy concert this December; I'm sure you'll love it!

Special awards were handed out on the final evening of the Symposium. I was quite surprised to receive two. The first? Given in recognition of the expression marking at the beginning of my anthem. I indicated that

the piece should be 'Joyfully Caffeinated'. Our fine Chancel Choir knows what I mean by that – "We're not gonna drag this puppy down the street; we're gonna move it right along."

It was especially rewarding, though, to be awarded the offer of a publication contract for my anthem, *This Is the Day*, that I took to be sung by the Symposium participants. We will sing it in worship on Sunday, September 8th. I hope that you'll be with us in worship, and perhaps even joyfully caffeinated!

# Deacon Ministry

## By Pat Balletta

Summer has arrived and with it comes vacations. Many of our church family will be traveling to the mountains, the beaches, or far away places. No matter where you go or even if you don't, take time to appreciate the wonderful world God has given us. Here is a prayer you can take with you.

## Giving Thanks for Summer

Father, Creator of all, thank You for summer!

Thank you for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight.

Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation.

Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.

Draw me closer to You this summer.

Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing.

Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence and light my path with Your Word and Counsel.

As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You.

## Yoga & Yogurt



### Saturday, July 27

Deacons invite you to take a mid summer break with Yoga and Yogurt from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in Westminster Hall.



Summer is the perfect time to stretch our bodies, share in good fellowship and enjoy yummy refreshments! Join us in a relaxed time of care for our bodies, minds and spirits using practices of mindfulness through yoga. Professional yoga instructor Naomi Nichols will lead us in a session that is accessible and user friendly for teens and adults of all ages and abilities. Beginners are welcome. Mats and chairs will be available. The workshop will end with a delicious, healthy, yogurt bar. All are welcome; bring a friend.

## Preschool

Our first summer session at HMP was a blast. The children enjoyed lots of outside time; we got lucky with the cool June mornings! The children stayed busy learning all about ocean life, camping, gardening and the 4th of July. We look for to the July session and making lots of new summer friends and memories.

For more information or to visit the preschool contact Dorothy Roche at [droche@hmpc.org](mailto:droche@hmpc.org) or call 919-787-1792.

# Children's Ministry

## Fun, Fellowship and Food

### Sunday, July 14

Following morning worship there will be a time of fun, fellowship and preparation for Vacation Bible School at Hudson. All are welcome. Following a light lunch, adult volunteers can help with preparation for this year's Vacation Bible School. While cutting, pasting and painting you can catch up with friends and help make this year's

Vacation Bible School a success.

Children will be participating in an art activity while the adults have their own fun. We will use the theme of this year's Vacation Bible School, "To Mars and Beyond," using our faith in God to go beyond limits to create a work of art for each child to enjoy.

Make your plans today for



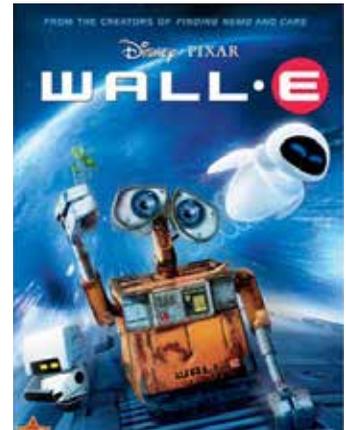
children and adult volunteers to be a part of this fun time of fellowship and creativity in support of our wonderful Vacation Bible School experience here at Hudson. For more information, contact Grace Hutchinson [fghdukefan@aol.com](mailto:fghdukefan@aol.com).

## Children's Movie Night

### Friday, July 26

We will have a movie evening for children beginning at 6 p.m. and end at 8 p.m. featuring the movie WALL-E. The adorable robot will help us understand the importance of caring for our planet and being a friend to others. A light supper and snacks will be served.

Children are asked to bring a sleeping bag for viewing enjoyment and to ensure their travel to and from space is comfortable. Adults are welcome to join the children for this wonderful Disney feature. For more information, contact Grace Hutchinson [fghdukefan@aol.com](mailto:fghdukefan@aol.com).



## Online Sermons

Hudson's sermons are available online. If you are unable to attend a worship service, you can listen to sermons at <https://www.hmhc.org/sermons>. Closed captioning is also available.



# Youth



*MISSION TRIP – The high school youth group visited the Library of Congress.*

## HS Youth Discovers Where Community is Found

**By Lilly Graybill**

From June 16-21, the senior high school youth group took an unforgettable mission trip to Washington DC. We all grew closer together, met many new people, tried new foods, did a variety of new things, and helped many people. This year, 13 of us went, and it was certainly a week to remember.

### **Sunday**

We left bright and early for DC on the train, and arrived at The Pilgrimage in the late afternoon. The Pilgrimage is a part of The Church of the Pilgrim, and we stayed there for the week with another group from Nashville. We toured the church, then played

games and relaxed the rest of the evening.

### **Monday**

In the morning, we visited A Wider Circle, which supplies many families with furniture, toiletries, and other household needs. Our group unpacked and sorted diapers, soap, toothbrushes, and wipes from various bags that were donated. After that, we packed monthly kits of useful items for families that needed them.

In the afternoon, we met a woman named Deborah who taught us about how people are affected in the regions of DC. She took us on a walk to see the line between some of the regions, and it was breathtaking. On one side of

the road, it was low income neighborhoods, and the other side was modern apartments.

### **Tuesday**

We traveled to Food and Friends, an organization that prepares and delivers food to people who have specific dietary needs. Our group packed different types of meals such as heart healthy, renal, diabetic, and non-dairy. We also packed some general meals including meat and soup, met new friends, and sorted a few shipments of food. After this, Deborah and Candy from the National Coalition for the Homeless came to talk to us about their experience in homelessness and how they got back on their feet. They led us to

DuPont circle where we gave out lunch and water to many people in need. They showed us how easy it was to talk with a new person and learn a little bit about their life. At night, we went to see *Hello, Dolly!* at the Kennedy center, and it was truly phenomenal.

### **Wednesday**

We visited the PCUSA Office of Public Witness to learn about advocacy and how to have our voices be heard in government. Afterward, we visited the Library of Congress to look around and explore. We then walked down the National Mall to the National Museum of African American History and Culture; it was one of the best museums I have ever been to. It had so many artifacts, untold stories, and art pieces there to the point where I could stay there a week and never get bored.

### **Thursday**

We worked at Brighter Day Ministries, a camp for kids who needed literary help over the summer. We were paired with children and helped them read books they picked out. All of the kids that we helped were so sweet and amazing, and it was really nice to interact with them. We went back to the Pilgrimage



***MISSION TRIP** – The high school youth visited the PC USA Office of Public Witness.*

to do a reflection of the week to remember all the fun experiences and the things we learned before cleaning up The Pilgrimage and relaxing.

For dinner, we had our “Last Supper” at a local restaurant, and took lots of photos with each another. We had some spare time to go shopping, and then we finished cleaning and packing.

### **Friday**

We got up bright and early to leave DC on the train. We all got home safely and enjoyed spending time with each other. This week in DC

**“This week in DC taught me one main thing: Community is found in unexpected places.”**

has taught me one main thing: Community is found in many unexpected places. We met so many new friends along the way, in many different areas and scenarios. I will not forget this trip simply because of how it affected me and those around me. Thank you so much to those who made this trip possible!

# Faith Formation

## Adult Summer Series

We all enjoy a change of pace in the summer! The Adult Summer Series coordinated by the Adult Committee encourages fellowship among members and friends and provides the opportunity to hear from a variety of individuals from our congregation and community on topics of interest. Join us on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in Westminster Hall!

### July 14

John James and John Oldenburg will lead a discussion of a current issue using a TED TALK.

### July 21

College student, Mary Glenn Krause, gave the gift of life to someone she has not met. She will tell us her story about being a bone marrow donor.

### July 28

Items will be provided by the Mission Committee as together we create gift bags for residents at Capital Towers. All ages are welcome to participate in this time of fellowship and mission.

### August 4

John James and John Oldenburg will facilitate the class and discuss a current issue following a video presentation of a TED TALK.

### August 11

Our adult mission team will tell us about this year's mission trip to the western part of our state, including working with Habitat for Humanity and Grandfather Children's Home.

# Spiritual Growth & Nurture

## Bonhoeffer Babes

**Tuesday, July 9**

**Due to the July 4th holiday, the Bonhoeffer Babes**

**will meet on Tuesday,**

**July 9th at 7 p.m.** at The Crafty Beer Shop at Lafayette Village (8450 Honeycutt Road).

We will discuss the remainder of *Grounded* by Diana Butler Bass. We will begin discussing a new book, *The Year of Living Biblically* by A.J. Jacobs, at our August meeting. Contact Kelly Boone ([boonekr@gmail.com](mailto:boonekr@gmail.com)) for more information. We welcome women of all ages who love books and informal conversation to come read with us!



## Seeing the Word at Springmoor

**Thursday, July 11**

HMPC has many members and friends who live at Springmoor Life Care Retirement Center. Pastor Mac Schafer has begun a monthly study of passages and illuminations in the *St. John's Illuminated Bible*.

The study lasts 45 minutes and concludes with the

Lord's Supper. The group

will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Springmoor chapel. For more information contact Mac Schafer at [mschafer@hmpc.org](mailto:mschafer@hmpc.org).



# New Members

## Welcome



**Jolene Allard** is from Pinehurst. She enjoys travel, working out, reading and painting. Jolene is married to Taylor and they have a one-year-old daughter and a dauchshund.



**Taylor Allard** is from Pinehurst. He loves to play golf, work out, and spend time with his wife Jolene and their daughter.



**Olene Franks** is from Johnston County. She enjoys gardening, exercising, reading, and cooking. Olene loves cruises.



**Jim Rutherford** is from New York. He was actively involved in coaching soccer, basketball, and baseball. Jim taught in NY and CT before retiring in 2001.



**Nancy Sinicki** recently moved to Raleigh. She resides with Bill and Marsha Flueckinger. Nancy is Marsha's mother.

# Fellowship

## Front Porch Jazz Music at Fletcher Park

**Sunday, July 14**

Join Hudson's Fellowship Committee at Fred Fletcher park at 6 p.m. Bring a chair and a picnic and listen to the Raleigh Jazz Orchestra. The band plays on the front porch of the main building and everyone gathers around to listen in this outdoor setting. The address is 820 Clay Street (off of Glenwood, just past the crossover of Wade, headed downtown). The grounds are family friendly, a beautiful setting to gather and listen to some very good jazz music. If you are considering coming and/or need transportation, e-mail [susanbradshaw8@gmail.com](mailto:susanbradshaw8@gmail.com), or call the church (919-787-1086) so we can be on the lookout for you. For more information, go to <https://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/news>. We hope to see you there.

# Missions

## Tend My Sheep

**Sunday, July 28**

In 2017, Hudson began our monthly Tend My Sheep collection on the fourth Sunday of every month. Each month we come together as a congregation to collect one pre-selected item to benefit a local group in need. When combined, our individual contributions can make a huge impact! This month we are collecting food for North Raleigh Ministries.



# Calendar



## Sunday, July 7

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| Nursery Wing Opens  | 10:15 am |
| Worship             | 10:30 am |
| Fellowship          | 11:45 am |
| Nursery Wing Closes | 11:45 am |

## Monday, July 8

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| Al-Anon, Alateen, Alakid (GH) | 8:00 pm |
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## Tuesday, July 9

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| ROMEO's (Bojangles Atlantic Ave.) | 7:45 am |
| All Staff Meeting (Library)       | 9:30 am |
| Single Way (Lemongrass)           | 1:00 pm |
| Children's Hope Alliance (200)    | 5:30 pm |
| Worship Committee (KH)            | 6:00 pm |
| Adult Education (JK)              | 7:00 pm |
| Boy Scout Troop #376 (GH)         | 7:30 pm |

## Wednesday, July 10

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| Children's Committee (KH) | 6:30 am |
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## Thursday, July 11

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| Seeing the Word at Springmoor<br>(Springmoor Chapel) | 10:00 am<br>4:00 pm |
| Amazing Grays Lunch (Imperial Garden)                | 11:30 am            |
| Children's Hope Alliance (JK)                        | 5:30 pm             |
| Boys & Girls Homes of NC (200)                       | 6:00 pm             |

## Friday, July 12

No activities scheduled

## Saturday, July 13

No activities scheduled

## Sunday, July 14

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| Summer Series       | 9:30 am  |
| Nursery Wing Opens  | 10:15 am |
| Worship             | 10:30 am |
| Fellowship          | 11:45 am |
| Nursery Wing Closes | 11:45 am |

