



the weekly Window

October 27, 2019

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

Deacon Ministry

Living to the Edge of the Frame

A Workshop for Those in Transition and Those Who Will Be

Saturday, November 9

**10 a.m.-12 p.m. in
Westminster Hall**

Our lives are filled with physical, emotional, and spiritual transitions necessary for healthy growth and these we welcome with enthusiasm. However, many of life's transitions are unexpected and unwelcome, and without the tools to manage them we find ourselves stuck and unable to function well. Some of the most frustrating transitions are the decline of physical and mental abilities but our lives need not become smaller when they occur.

How do we continue to

live full lives even as the size of our "frame" decreases?

As we move through the stages of our lives it is possible to live more fully in each one if we employ healthy habits of care for our bodies, minds and souls.

Elder

Consultant Liisa Ogburn was a popular workshop leader at HMPC a few years ago and we are pleased to have her return to lead this important conversation as she helps us identify positive aspects



of living within our "frames" as they change. In addition she will share spiritual practices that employ our faith as a primary resource.

Liisa is an expert in this field and first recognized a calling to be an

elder consultant through the doorway of personal experience. All members and friends of HMPC are invited! **Please sign up at the table across from the Karl Hudson room.**

For more information about Liisa Ogburn and to learn more about aging, go to Liisa's blog on WRAL (<https://www.wral.com/agingwell>).



Worship & Arts

For All The Saints

Sunday, November 3rd

During worship we will read aloud the names of those members of Hudson who entered God's everlasting kingdom in the past year. We follow each name with the ringing of a bell. We do this annually in conjunction with All Saints Day. The following names will be read in worship: Dickie Bowerman, Meade Buchanan, Kay Byrd, Sarah Clark, Bill Griffin, Jane Kilgore, Maxine Mundell, Eleanor Ragan, Carrie Small, and Lucy Wendt. "For all the saints who from their labors rest."

Fellowship Hour

Sunday, November 3rd

Fellowship Hour will take place on the patio on Six Forks Road in front of the church immediately following worship. Light snacks and cake will be served. All are invited to bring a framed or unframed photo in memory of a loved one to share. A table will be provided for this. The labyrinth will also be available during this time for those in need of this space for prayer and reflection. You may want to walk with your picture of your loved one. Fellowship Hour will be hosted by the Welcoming and Fellowship Committees.

Giving Ministry



Commitment Sunday

November 10

We hope by now that you have received a 2020 pledge form in the mail and are prayerfully considering what you will commit to Christ's Ministry through Hudson. We would love for you to bring your pledge to worship on November 10th, however, if you are away that Sunday, you can pledge online (<https://www.hmpc.org/stewardship-pledge-form>). Thank you for your financial commitment for ministry in 2020.

Online Sermons

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



Music

The Hymns We Love to Sing - Part 1

How we love to sing our favorite hymns! They may be old, they may be new, but they mean ‘church’ to us. They bring us back, perhaps, to special memories of childhood and church. But what are ‘the old, favorite hymns’? What kind of hymn is your favorite hymn?

Most hymnals, including *Glory to God*, include a wide variety of hymns, spanning centuries of church history. This treasure trove is the sung testimony of our Christian brothers and sisters from throughout the ages. The hymns in our own hymnal, selected from this vast reservoir of Christian song, still resonate with Christians today because of their message and their music. Who can resist the haunting beauty of *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*, or the joyful strains of *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*?

To further muddy the musical waters, ‘older hymns’ in our hymnal span many different and distinct musical styles. *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* and *Amazing Grace* are both historical hymns, but their musical styles and origins are very different. Here are just a few examples:

- **The ancient church:** A few hymns are based on texts and melodies from very early in Christian history. Plainsong, which are nonmetrical chants, were sung in unison, usually by monks, from the early centuries of Christianity. *Of the Father’s Love Begotten* and *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* are very beautiful, ancient examples.
- **The early Reformation:** Some historical hymns come from the early days of the Protestant Reformation in Europe. *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* comes from the Lutheran tradition, as Martin Luther

was not only a theologian, but also a gifted hymn writer and proponent of congregational singing. *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* comes from the Genevan Psalter, a collection of metrical psalms set in 1551 under the supervision of John Calvin, as Calvin stipulated only the singing of psalms in worship.

- **English Hymnody:** A few prolific English hymn writers greatly influenced the canon of Christian hymnody, and we are so indebted to them. Among these are Isaac Watts (1674-1748), and Charles Wesley (1707-1788). We remember Isaac Watts for his texts for *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*; *Joy to the World*; *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*; *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*; and *Jesus Shall Reign*, among countless others. A total of 14 Isaac Watts texts are featured in *Glory to God*. Among Charles Wesley’s hundreds of hymn texts are 14 in our hymnal, including *Hark, the Herald Angels Sing*; *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*; *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*; and *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*. We sometimes refer to hymns such as these as ‘traditional’ or ‘standard’ hymns. These are hymns that have formed the backbone of Christian singing in mainline Protestant churches for the past few centuries.

We are so blest to have such a rich trove of songs to express our faith with! There are even more historical, musical styles to consider, though. What’s an old hymn? What style is your favorite congregational song? Next week we’ll explore more. Till then, ‘...sing and make music in your heart to the Lord...’ (Ephesians 5:19b)

Spiritual Growth & Nurture

Inquirers Class

Sunday, November 17

The Inquirers Class for those interested in membership will be held following the worship service in the Karl Hudson Room (#100) and lasts about two hours. The class covers what it means to be a Christian, a Presbyterian, and a member of Hudson Memorial. Childcare is available if you register ahead of time. Registration forms are available on New Member Bulletin Board in the main hallway, or online at hmpc.org/visit-us/join-the-church. **Registration deadline for the class and childcare is Wednesday, November 13th.**

Children



PRESENTATION – Debbie Kirk and Lee Corbett presented five kindergartners with a bible story book in worship on Children's Sabbath Sunday, October 20th.

The Gathering: Forming our Faith Sunday Morning Learning Opportunities

All classes meet Sunday morning at 9:30. A thorough description of classes can be found on the website's (www.hmpc.org) home page under "News and Events" and on the Gathering bulletin board in the main hallway.



November 3

- **Westminster Hall – Middle and High School Youth** will share their summer experiences from Massenetta and Montreat conferences and the mission trip to Washington DC. Led by the youth and adult leaders.

November 10

- **Westminster Hall – Come to the Table: Hunger in a World of Plenty 1.** Together we will review the biblical mandate to care for the earth in sustainable ways and reflect on the spiritual as well as physical aspects of choosing the food we consume so that healthy food is available for everyone. Facilitated by Debbie Kirk.
- **Room 200: Ted Talk** – The class will discuss a current issue following a video presentation of a TED Talk on a current issue. John Oldenburg will facilitate.

Fall Festival



Special Event with Saint Mark's

Last Sunday's Fall Festival with Saint Mark's United Methodist Church was a huge success! Adults and children dressed in creative costumes. There were decorated trunks and games to enjoy. Other fun included a cake walk, s'mores, games, inflatable obstacle course and food trucks.

Next year the Fall Festival will be held jointly at Saint Mark's.



Youth

State Fair

Today

The middle and high school youth are headed to the NC State Fair, today from 11:45 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Everyone who plans to go should have signed up with Frank Boyd by last Thursday.

Bring \$10 for your ticket and spending money for food and rides.

The group will gather just after worship today at the stage in Westminster Hall at 11:45 a.m. As soon as we get organized, we will hop in the van and head for the fair to eat lunch, ride rides, see exhibits and return to the Westminster Hall end of the church at 4:30 p.m., just in time to be picked up by parents, or music rehearsal with Phil Hayden and Friends.

Youth to Lead The Gathering

November 3

Youth will lead The Gathering at 9:30 in Westminster Hall. We will share pictures and stories about our summer trips. Send your "Top Ten Pictures" from Montreat and Mission



***S'MORES** – This cat enjoys s'mores at the labyrinth fire pit.*

Trip to Washington, DC to bbillman@nc.rr.com or 919-412-8338 ASAP, and no later than Wednesday, October 30th by 12 noon. Also be thinking about what you would like to share.

2020 Trips and Events

- **January 5**, Rise Against Hunger Packaging Meals with Saint Giles and West Raleigh Presbyterian Youth Groups
- **January 20**, Ski Trip, MLK Monday.

Registration is now open. Friends welcome, please join us. The registration deadline is December 15th!

- **January 26**, Tacos, Tunes, and Tiramisu Fundraiser Luncheon
- **February 23**, Youth Sunday
- **March 13-15**, High School Weekend Retreat at Camp Don Lee
- **June 14-20**, Mission Trip
- **July 19-25**, Montreat
- **August 18-20**, Whitewater Rafting Adventure

Birthdays

Happy Birthday!

November

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| 1 - Briant Sanspree | 15 - Alice Njoroge |
| 2 - Dorothy McDermott, Heather Brannon,
Michelle Thompson-Mann | 16 - Darrin Komono |
| 3 - Jim Crosson | 18 - Judy James, Jane Hamner, Ken Krause |
| 4 - John Hall, Tripp McDuffie | 19 - Ed Holzinger, Jackson Lynch, Hollis
Peterson |
| 5 - Heather Monroe, Linda Palmiter | 20 - Kate Fertin, Lee Hammond, Joan Lester,
Anna Fertin |
| 6 - Justin Smith, Mgbo Nkpa, Chris Page,
Martin Playford | 21 - Amy Hunnicutt, Ella Hoppen |
| 7 - Carvel Eyre, Anson Randolph, Jordan
Parker, Matthew McDougal | 22 - Ron Cole |
| 8 - Alexander McIntire, Davis Bradshaw,
Will Kever | 23 - James Dickerson, Marge O'Rourke, Drak
Thi |
| 9 - Allie Maples, Maureen Thomas, Rob
Duggins | 24 - Bob Terry |
| 12 - Emily Duggins, Connor Smith | 25 - Sandy Goodale |
| 13 - Elizabeth Forehand, Emily Bigger,
Dot Medlin, Garrett Guy, Bryson Guy,
Meredith Dalzell | 27 - Spencer Rogers, Meagan Smith |
| 14 - Madelyn Sue Johnson, Razeih
Pirooszbakt, Melissa Kever, Kenny
Capps, Janet Carr | 28 - Nancy Warner, Kirk Richardson, Roger
Howard |
| | 29 - Bob Tice, Marshall Grady |
| | 30 - Ellen Lightsey, Renee McDougal |

Finance

Review of Actual vs Budget

September

REVIEW OF ACTUAL VS BUDGET HMPC GENERAL FUND (GF) YEAR TO DATE (YTD)

09/30/19

	YTD 2019 <u>ACTUAL</u>	YTD 2019 <u>BUDGET</u>	Favorable (Unfav) ACT VS <u>BUDGET</u>
PLEDGES	\$ 536,981	\$ 527,258	\$ 9,723
NON-PLEDGE/OTHER GF OFFERING	\$ 61,802	\$ 60,033	\$ 1,769
TOTAL GF OFFERINGS	\$ 598,783	\$ 587,291	\$ 11,492
TOTAL GF REVENUE	\$ 640,286	\$ 628,450	\$ 11,836
TOTAL GF EXPENSE	\$ 619,717	\$ 638,627	\$ 18,910
GF SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ 20,569	\$ (10,177)	\$ 30,746
AVAILABLE TO BORROW-NS BANK	\$ 50,000		

Calendar



Sunday, October 27

Nursery Wing Opens	9:15 am
Pre-Elementary Extended Care (218)	9:30 am
Elementary Joyful Noise (GH)	9:30 am
Explorers/Confirmation/HS Sunday School (227/234/236)	9:30 am
The Gathering	9:30 am
Children's Education (Children's Wing)	10:30 am
Worship	10:30 am
MS & HS Youth (State Fair)	11:45 am
Fellowship	11:45 am
Nursery Wing Closes	11:45 am
Phil & Friends (Sanctuary)	5:00 pm

Monday, October 28

Church office closed

Boys & Girls Homes of NC (200)	5:00 pm
Al-Anon, Alateen, Alakid (WH)	5:00 pm
Session (JK)	7:00 pm

Tuesday, October 29

ROMEO's (Bojangles Atlantic Ave.)	7:45 am
Single Way (Marsha Flueckinger's home)	1:00 pm
Daisy/Brownie Troop 1968 (215)	4:00 pm
Boy Scout Troop #376 (GH)	7:30 pm

Wednesday, October 30

Women at the Well (Parlor)	9:15 am
Hudson Handbells (Sanctuary)	6:15 am
Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	7:30 am

Thursday, October 31

No activities scheduled

Friday, November 1

No activities scheduled

Saturday, November 2

No activities scheduled

Sunday, November 3

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The Gathering	9:30 am
Children's Education (Children's Wing)	10:30 am
Worship	10:30 am
Fellowship (front patio)	11:45 am
Nursery Wing Closes	11:45 am
FIT (Library)	12:00 pm

Time Change

Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday, November 3rd. Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday!



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