



# the weekly Window

October 25, 2020

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

## Worship & the Arts

### All Saints Sunday & Communion

Sunday, November 1st, we will celebrate communion and All-Saints by reading the names of those members who have entered God's everlasting kingdom in the past year.



These initial outside worship gatherings will be limited to a maximum of 100 people. Safety measures will be in place, such as, wearing masks, social distancing, bringing your own lawn chairs to sit in and more. Communion elements will be provided individual baggies at the beginning of worship.

We will be taking reservations for outdoor worship using a reservation application called Brushfire. Information on how to reserve space for Sunday, November 1st will come to you via email early next week.

For those who are not yet comfortable or unable to attend in-person worship, we will continue to offer recorded worship online, where communion will be celebrated and names of the Hudson saints read.

## Children's Ministry

### Fall Festival 2020

**This Sunday, October 25 6-7 pm**

The annual tradition is on, with a safe socially distant twist!

Sunday, October 25th from 6:00-7:00pm

St. Mark's UMC will be hosting our partnered Fall Festival with a Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat!

Due to our congregation's dedication to keeping everyone safe and healthy, pre-packaged bags of candy will be passed out at the end of the drive-thru event.



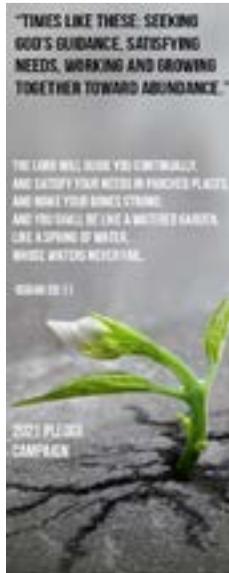
# 2021 Pledges & Commitment Sunday

Members & Friends, we hope you have received a letter from the Giving Ministry Team & 2021 pledge brochure in the mail this past week. It is that time of year when each of us is asked to discern what we will commit of our time, talent and treasure to Christ through the church in the upcoming year. The national denomination does not send funds for annual operations, which means the church ministries rely completely on your financial support.

Commitment Sunday is November 8th. It is the day we historically bring our pledges to the church and commit them to God in worship. In light of the pandemic, we will do this in different ways on Sunday, November 8th.

Here are your options:

- [Go ahead and pledge online](#)
- Drop your pledge off in a basket at our in-person worship on Sunday, November 8th. Baskets will be available on the way in and on the way out of worship.
- Participate in a drive-thru pledge drop off from 12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 8th.



- Mail your pledge form into the church. The address is 4921 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC 27609.
- Email your pledge to [Susan Gressel](mailto:Susan.Gressel@hmpc.org), [HMPC's Bookkeeper](#)

For the in-person worship & drive-thru pledge drop off, our Giving Ministry Team will be present to celebrate the day and give thanks to God for your generosity.

What a wonderful privilege we have to return a portion of what God has given us! Thanks be to God!

## Adult Faith Formation

# Waking Up with the Word



## Tuesday, October 27th

A men's bible study group that meets every Tuesday morning at 6:30am. **This coming Tuesday, we will meet on the Westminster Hall Patio.** The group studies the scripture text that will be preached on the following Sunday. No previous Bible study experience is needed. The group centers their study around three questions: What is a word or phrase that stands out to you in the text? Allow that word or phrase to prompt a memory from your life, a thought on the passage or a metaphor. What is Christ calling you to through the scripture text? Contact Mac Schafer ([mschafer@hmpc.org](mailto:mschafer@hmpc.org)) for more information.

## New Members

# Welcome New Members

**Malcolm Cox** is Assistant General Counsel at Martin Marietta. Malcolm grew up in Saint Louis, MO. He is interested in singing and tinkering with old cars. **Sandra Vasher** is a writer, who grew up in Detroit, MI and enjoys walking, writing in coffee shops (in non-pandemic times) and participating in book clubs. Malcolm & Sandra are expecting their first child in December.



**Delinda Eubanks** is Director of Learning and Development/HR at the Cardinal at North Hills. Delinda grew up in Clearwater, FL and enjoys all things water, travel and family/friend time.



**Cyndi & Brad Harris, children Ford & Grayson.** Cyndi grew up in Gastonia, NC and she loves to paint, read, travel, listen to music and craft. Cyndi taught Art and Music & Movement at Hudson Memorial Preschool, as well as is the Studio Manager/Instructor at Wild at Art Kids Art & Movement. Brad is Territory Manager for AquaDoc Aquatics. Their son Ford is in 6th grade at Saint Timothy's School and daughter Grayson is in 3rd grade at Magellan Charter School.



## Celebration

### Wedding!

**Maggie Cobb and Karl Schneider were married Saturday, October 17, 2020 at Hudson Memorial.** Maggie is a Hudson member and daughter of Emily and Barry Cobb. Many blessing on their marriage.



## Youth

# Youth Group News

## This Week

- **Sunday, October 25th – The Fall Festival** is this Sunday, October 25, from, 6:00 – 7:00 at St. Mark’s United Methodist Church. Please join us for this drive through Trunk or Treat Story Book Themed event. Candy will be given out at the end. Many thanks to all of you who have donated candy!

## Youth Programs Looking Ahead

- **Next Week, November 1** – The Explorers 5-6-7 Sunday School Class will meet at 9:30 AM.
- **Outdoor Movie Night for grades 5-8 is Next Sunday evening, November 1.** Please watch for details.
- **Ski Trip – MLK Monday, January 18th.** Now is the time to sign up for our annual day trip to Wintergreen with the Youth from St. Giles Presbyterian Church. Registration Flyers can be found on the church website. Friends are welcome as always.
- **Flyers for Montreat 2021, Massanetta 2021, and the Spring High School Lock-in** can be found on the church website. Please contact Frank Boyd, Director of Youth Ministries, if you have any questions.

## Preschool

The good times continue at HMP! Over the past few weeks the children have enjoyed apple tastings, leaf collecting, stroller rides and outside time. We started Chapel with Ms. Rachael this week, taking advantage of the weather and outdoor space on Langley. It is such a joy to have the children back at school and adding a routine to everyone’s day.



## Music

# Virtual Christmas Joy

## Upcoming Recordings For Advent Calendar Of Christmas Joy

- Monday, 10/26, 7 pm  
The Dubious Brothers record
- Tuesday, 10/27, 4 pm  
Rachael McConnell records
- Tuesday, 10/27, 7 pm  
Steve Parker rehearsal
- Wednesday, 10/28, 4 pm  
Fertins and Friends record
- Wednesday, 10/28, 7 pm  
Bruce Cox records
- Thursday, 10/29, 7 pm  
Dan Vig records

## Deacons



# Prayers for Households

During this time when we are physically apart, we can all benefit from the prayers of others. Starting at the beginning of our church directory, the Deacons will be praying for 7 member households each week, with the goal of praying for each and every member of our congregation. These households will be listed in the Weekly Window so that the congregation can have the opportunity to join in praying for them as well. In addition, each household will receive a positive note of encouragement from the Deacons in the mail. As always, if you have a specific request for prayer at any time, you can submit a prayer request from the website or you may call 919-787-1086 and press 2 for the Deacon's Prayer Line.

Prayer Households for week of October 25th - Please keep these families in your prayers:

- *Mildred Brinson*
- *Jan and David Britton*
- *Anne Brown*
- *Emily Brown*
- *Pat & Gene Brown*
- *Polly Bryant*
- *Sandy and Carole Buchanan*

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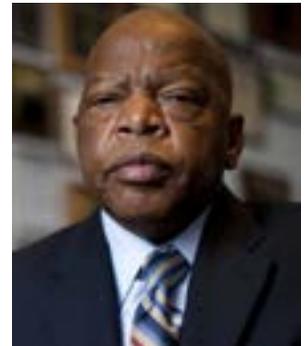
# Popcorn and Presbyterians Pondering



**Sunday, November 8**  
**6-7 pm via Zoom**

Throughout the fall, the Adult Committee is hosting a series of thought provoking conversations based on documentaries and movies that help us engage selected topics.

Participants will watch each film ahead of time, then join others via Zoom to share their reflections.



Our topic for November is how faith informs action through the example of the late civil rights pioneer, Congressman John Lewis, whose life's work was pursuing equality and justice for all people. His faith led him to "good trouble" saying "when you see something not right, not fair, not just, we have a moral obligation, mission and mandate to speak up and speak out."

In preparation for our conversion participants should watch the Oprah's Master Class: [Remembering John Lewis broadcast on July 19, 2020](#) which includes an earlier conversion with him from 2018.

## Birthdays

# November Birthdays

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

## Foundation

# Birthday Gifts

## September

Realizing that each year of life is a gift from God, the Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church Foundation created the Birthday Offering program to allow church members to express their gratitude to God through a gift to the church. These gifts help secure the future vitality of the church's ministries. Last month Foundation Birthday Gifts were given by the following:

- Martha Chapman
- Mildred Brinson
- Mitchell Puryear
- Lauren Llewellyn
- Jimmie Spell
- Caroline Smart
- Debbie & Terry Lamberson
- Judie Greenawalt
- Emily, Maggie and James Cobb



## Calendar

### Sunday, October 25

- 9:00 am - Pre-Elementary SS - Langley Outdoor Worship Space
- 9:30 am - Grades K-2 SS - Langley Outdoor Worship Space
- 10 am - Grades 3 & 4 SS - Langley Outdoor Worship Space
- 10:30 am - Outdoor Worship
- 6 pm - Drive-Thru Fall Festival at St. Marks UMC

### Monday, October 26

- 7 pm - Session
- 7 pm - Dubious Brothers Record

### Tuesday, October 27

- 6:30 am - Waking Up With the Word - WH Patio
- 9:30 am - Staff Meeting
- 1 pm - Single Way
- 4 pm - Rachel McConnell Records
- 7 pm - Steve Parker Rehearsal
- 7 pm - Boy Scouts - West Lawn

### Wednesday, October 28

- 9:15 am – Women at the Well
- 4 pm - Fertins & Friends Record
- 7 pm - Bruce Cox Records

### Thursday, October 29

- 7 pm - Dan Vig Records

### Sunday, November 1

- 9:30 am Explorers 5-6-7, Twin Oaks
- 10:30 am - Outdoor Worship
- MS Youth Outdoor Movie Night

*Meetings are by Zoom unless noted otherwise.*

### Time Change

Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday, November 1st. Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday!



## Operations

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