the weekly Window

July 28, 2019

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

Youth

Reflections on Massanetta Springs Conference

by Hudson Carlisle

e arrived at Massanetta, Virginia in the afternoon on Tuesday, July 16th. After we finished unpacking, our church group met up at The Tree (where our group meets for camp) and talked about what we were going to do while at Massanetta. Then all of the church groups went to Hudson Auditorium for an introduction and energizers. Energizers are dances and songs where we learned a little more about God.

After the energizers we went into our Encounter groups with kids from different churches. We played games and talked about what the energizers and songs meant to us. There were at least 350 kids from all over the country. I even met someone from Ohio.

After the Encounter groups we went to the dining hall. We ate and talked about the



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day. Then we went back to the hotel for a few minutes before the dance party on the other side of camp where we ate ice cream. It was fun! The night ended with our church's devotions at 10:30pm.

On the first full day we participated in activities like swimming, Ga-Ga, basketball, and swimming in the springs while we had free time. The springs were freezing! We had music, Encounter groups and energizers, and a nighttime scavenger hunt with challenges. We got to know our new friends. Thursday was fun too. We did the same activities, but also had a field day with face-painting, hair dying, air four-square, and an enormous slip-and-slide where

we got to do it ourselves and got to watch the counselors do it too! All of the other church groups were at the field day. During the afternoon Encounter group, the counselors gave testimonies about a hard time in their life and how God helped them. We learned that even if something bad happens in your life God is in control. The last activity was at Hudson Auditorium where we sang songs and had a candle lighting. It made me feel closer to God and because it was a dark space we could really focus. We ended both nights with devotions and snacks.

Friday was the last day where we met with our Encounter groups once more and said goodbye. We also made a paper for everyone that said one nice thing about them and everyone wrote something positive about us. I will definitely go back next year!

Vacation Bible School

Donations Needed

Thank you for considering donating items to our Vacation Bible School (VBS)! We need a few additional supplies to make

our "To Mars And Beyond" VBS a success! Donated items can be placed in the VBS bins located on the stage in Westminster Hall. Please label any borrowed

items to help us return all items to the rightful owner.
Items may be shipped

directly to Hudson if you prefer. Please send to Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Attn: Cary Dickerson, 4921 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC 27609. Please have all donated items in no later than Wednesday,

July 31st (unless otherwise indicated). For a list of needed items, and to sign up, go to Sign Up Genious at https://bit. lv/2GgwZfv.

Item donation receipts are available upon request by contacting Pat Cash at *pcash@hmpc.org*. For more information contact Cary Dickerson at *czeller220@hotmail.com*.

Christmas in July

It's Christmas in July! White Christmas lights are

needed for Vacation Bible School (VBS) to transform Hudson into a far off galaxy! We will make sure they are labeled and will be returned promptly after VBS is over. Bring your lights and place them in a bin on the stage in Westminster Hall. For more information contact Cary Dickerson at czeller@hotmail.com.

Fellowship Simple Supper

Wednesday, July 31

Join us in Westminster Hall between 6–7 p.m for Taco Bar Night! featuring pulled chicken, ground beef, fresh chopped vegetables, water melon, angel food cake w/ strawberries and blueberries. After dinner take time to walk the labyrinth, or take advantage of our "card" table and write that long over due note. If you have a meeting scheduled, come and have dinner beforehand. Cost of dinner is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. **Place your reservation by Monday, July 29th** by calling the Susan Bradshaw at 919-749-0003 or the church office at 919-787-1086.

Events

- Wednesday Simple Suppers will take place from 6–7 p.m. on July 31st; August 14th and 28th.
- August 18th Movie in Westminster, doors open at 5:30, *A Dog's Journey* starts at 6 p.m.

Faith Formation

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!

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.

August 18

"How Are Things in the Neighborhood?"We will watch a portion of the Mister Rogers documentary and Debbie Kirk will lead a conversation about the spiritual foundation that under-girded Fred Roger's mission and ministry.

August 25

"Chat and Chow" The Adult Committee invites all ages to attend this end of summer gathering! Over a yummy breakfast, we will get to know one another better and enjoy trivia around the tables.

September 1 — Labor Day Weekend

No Class

Spiritual Growth & Nurture

Inquirers Class

Sunday, August 18

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 Friday, August 15th.

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.

Worship

New Communion Table



he Task Force Report on Sunday Morning Ministry and the 60th Anniversary Capital Campaign included a provision for a new communion table. This new table was constructed by woodworker Jay Cash and was delivered on Wednesday, July 24th. Jay is Presbyterian and married to Church **Business Administrator Pat** Cash. The new table looks almost identical to the old one with three significant differences:

- It is significantly lighter,
- It is divided into three parts, and
- because it is divided, there are more legs.

In addition to these structural changes, the table has an Iona cross added to one side of the central table (to match the Iona cross on the wall behind the chancel choir and the cross on the front of the balcony). The Iona cross has history at HMPC as member Bill

Wendt, a woodworker, made many Iona crosses that can be found around the church property.

The Iona cross has a circle over the cross section and this is symbolic of the never ending or eternal love of God. Iona is an island on the west coast of Scotland where Christianity first arrived from Ireland via St. Columba.

These types of crosses are found in multiple locations on the island. Scotland is significant to us because it is the birth place of American Presbyterianism.

We have also updated the language on the front of the table to match our current pew Bibles. The old table used King James language: "This do in remembrance of me." It now reads, "Do this in remembrance of me." This language matches the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) of the Bible.

You may be wondering why these changes? As with so many of the recent sanctuary upgrades, we are trying to optimize flexibility so that the physical arrangement of the sanctuary can match the liturgy of the day and number of people who are present for worship.

Interview with Jay Cash

Mac Schafer asked woodworker Jay Cash a few questions about the communion table project.

When did you become interested in woodworking?

When I was 12, my family contributed to the building of our family home, and I learned to love tools and working with my hands. Over the years that developed into an interest in woodworking and furniture making. Later that interest led me to pursue professional training and education from master woodworkers in furniture making and finishing.

Why did you take on the communion table project?

I knew the tables would be well used and loved. I also was drawn to the challenge of turning a 12 foot table into smaller parts that could be utilized both together and on their own.



COMMUNION TABLE – This is the center section of the new table after it was stained and painted.

Does being Presbyterian make this project more meaningful to you?

My family has been involved with the Presbyterian church for over 30 years. This was a way to give back to a community that has been part of our lives for so long.

What was your favorite part of this project?

There isn't one part of a

woodworking project that I enjoy more than another. My favorite part of building a piece of furniture is seeing how a pile of wood transforms into the finished product at the end.

Is there anything else you would like to share?

Thank you for trusting me to build such a meaningful piece of furniture for your congregation.

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Birthdays

Happy Birthday

August

- 1 Davis McDuffie
- 2 Elaine Williams
- 3 Sara Frelich
- 4 Lou Yates, Beckie Sipprell, Don Morrow
- 5 Melissa Carlisle, Joshua Hughes, Drew Mouw
- 6 Barbara Barrett, Brandon Billman, Smith Carlisle, Kent Ayers, Jeffrey Walker, Bruce Chase
- 7 Garrett Miller, Victoria Hammond
- 8 Travis Barkley, D.D. Blackerby
- 9 Matthew Duggins, Kristin Hague, Sarah Mitterling, Carolyn Scott
- 11 Betty Congelton, Matthew Dickson
- **12 -** Miles Walker, Colby Guy, Tracey Woodward, Lillian Pate
- 13 Michelle Coppedge, Gretchen McDuffie Jackson Mushow, Lilly Graybill, Bonnie Smith, Anna Conger

- 14 Susanne Poythress
- 15 Rose Gabbard
- 16 Skip Seekamp, Joe Forehand, Garrett Pair
- 17 Irene Van Die, Bob Dickson, Mary-Catherine Adams, Donna Ya, Jess Ives, Henry van Die
- 18 Darcy Perkins, Lindsey Crone
- 19 Lisa Rahn, Nika Ya
- **20** Quan Ya
- 23 Grayson Suite, Carly Pate
- 25 Henriette Komono, Carlton Pitman
- 26 Charlene Fields
- 27 Leigh Johnson, Lily Hoffman, William Baur, Price Capps
- 28 Peyton Apple, Nancy Keever, Sarah Lynch
- 29 Sarah Cox, Pete Priester
- 30 Sallie Everette, Nancy Sinicki
- 31 Laura Puryear, Sam Baker

Music

Summer Sing

If singing is your gift, sing with the Choir any Sunday morning this summer!

- Meet us in the choir room at 10 a.m. any Sunday morning
- No Wednesday rehearsal, no robes!
- Great folks to sing with!
- Best seats in the Sanctuary!

Summer Sing – Make a Joyful Noise!

Chancel Guild Flower Donations

Secure a date to honor or remember someone with a floral arrangement soon. Currently, the following dates are available: August, 11 and 18, September 1 and 8, October 6 and 27, and November 24.

To sign up, or for more information, refer to the flowers bulletin board outside room #103.

Calendar

Sunday, July 28	
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

Monday, July 29	
Al-Anon, Alateen, Alakid (GH)	8:00 pm

Tuesday, July 30	
ROMEO's (Bojangles Atlantic Ave.)	7:45 am
Single Way (Piper's)	1:00 pm
Boy Scout Troop #376 (GH)	7:30 pm

Wednesday, July 31	
Simple Supper (WH)	6:00 pm

Thursday, August 1	
Amazing Grays Lunch	11:30 am
Friday, August 2	

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Travel

Camino de Santiago Trip

May 2020

If you are interested in walking a portion of the Camino de Santiago in May 2020 but were unable to attend the initial orientation meeting June 30th contact Pastor Mac Schafer (mschafer@hmpc.org). The group is tentatively planning on walking from May 13th to May 23, 2020 (these dates do not include travel and leisure days on each end of the walk). Pastor Mac is happy to give you a handout and review other details with you. Those planning to walk will begin meeting every other month for further orientation and fellowship. Look out for details on these meetings in future Weekly Windows.





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