

the weekly Window

March 1, 2020

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

Lent Hunger Action

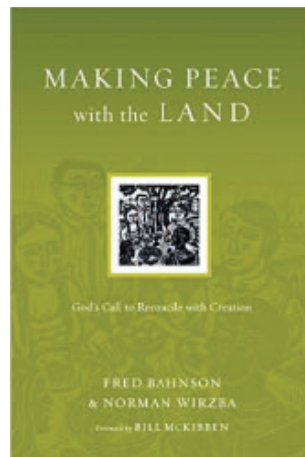
On January 12th our congregation committed to “faithful action to end hunger and address its root causes” by signing the Hunger Action Covenant and we identified six areas of focus that all church groups are encouraged to choose from when considering related activities for their ministry areas.

The Adult Committee is facilitating several opportunities during Lent designed to remind us of the foundation of hunger action: the biblical witness that the earth God created has enough resources for all its inhabitants, examples where Jesus addressed physical needs as well as spiritual ones and our call to be servants of one another. As faithful disciples we have the opportunity to respond in gratitude by working to alleviate hunger and its causes in ways that are holistic and justice oriented.

Book Study & Conversations

For the Sundays during Lent (March 8, 15, 22, 29) Andrea Mouw and Debbie Kirk will lead a Gathering offering at 9:30 a.m. in Room

200 using the book *Making Peace with the Land: God's Call to Reconcile with Creation* by Fred Bahnson and Norma Wirzba.



Lunch & Learn

For the corresponding Wednesdays (March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 4) Debbie will facilitate “lunch and learn” conversations from 12 noon until 1 p.m. in the church library. Participants are invited to bring a bag lunch and are encouraged (but not required) to read the lessons as preparation for each week's conversations. Books are available at Quail Ridge Books and Amazon for \$15-\$18.

Making Peace with the Land: God's Call to Reconcile with Creation by Fred Bahnson and Norma Wirzba.

- March 4: Prologue and Chapter 1
- March 8 and 11: Chapter 2 and 3
- March 15 and 18: Chapter 4
- March 22 and 25: Chapter 5
- March 29 and April 4: Chapter 6 and Epilogue

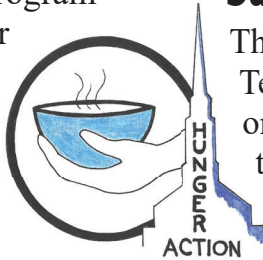
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Hunger Action

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Workshop – Vote With Your Fork: Caring for the Land that Sustains Us

On Saturday March 21st we are holding a workshop from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. We will consider the biblical and theological basis for living in a sustainable way and what that means as we address the interrelated issues that impact food insecurity. The workshop will be led by Sarah Ogletree, the Program Coordinator for NC Interfaith Power and Light, and will conclude with lunch catered by Horizons Catering for a Cause benefiting the Interfaith Food Shuttle. To register, go to <https://www.hmpc.org/vote-with-your-fork>.



the way we address food insecurity? Lent gives us the opportunity to see God's reign among us through a new lens, and we hope it is a rich and rewarding journey for each of us, and for our congregation. Devotionals are available at the entrances in the main hallway.

Offering of Letters

Sunday, March 29

The Mission Committee and Hunger Action Team will be hosting an Offering of Letters on Sunday, March 29th, during fellowship time in Westminster Hall. We will write letters to our members of Congress asking for policies that would improve nutrition and eliminate hunger in the U.S. and internationally.

The Hunger Action Covenant presented to the congregation in January includes a commitment to join with other churches in "advocating and campaigning for changes in policies and practices to end hunger and its causes..." We will conduct our Offering of Letters with the assistance of Bread for the World, a non-profit organization which advocates for hunger relief through bipartisan legislation.

The Hunger Action Team will provide letter-writing supplies along with names and addresses of U.S. Senators and Representatives. Bread for the World will provide information about proposed legislation and sample letter language that we can incorporate. Our Offering of Letters will be dedicated to God just as we dedicate offerings of our funds and our service. Please plan to stay after worship on March 29th and participate in this Hunger Action event.

Becoming a Beloved Community

Lenten Devotional: A Matthew 25 Journey to the Cross

Throughout the season of Lent our commitment as a Hunger Action Congregation will inform our personal lent journeys. We invite you to use the Lenten Devotional *Becoming a Beloved Community* as a daily guide from Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. Each reflection encourages us to look beyond personal disciplines to considering what it means to create beloved communities that reflect the inclusive and healing love that Jesus modeled on his way to the cross. For example, how does the story of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes inform

Women Montreat Conference

Registration Open

Registration for the Montreat Women's Connection Conference, August 14-16, is now open (montreat.org/women). HMPC women who are on our e-mail distribution list should have received complete information about this year's conference.

Assembly Inn where many of our group will be staying is now full. You should register ASAP if you are planning to attend so that you can secure housing in The Winsborough. We will all have meals together in Assembly Inn and our group hospitality room is there, the same as last year. The Presbyterian Women organization is pleased to offer two partial sponsorships of \$175 towards



retreat expenses, and are available to any woman of Hudson who may not otherwise be able to attend the Women's Connection. If you have questions about the registration process and/or the sponsorships contact Debbie Kirk at dkirk@hmpc.org.

Music

Spring Sing!

Do you have choir singing experience? You're invited to be part of a short term spring project. The Chancel Choir will present Pepper Choplin's new post-Easter cantata, *Once Upon a Morning*, in worship on Pentecost Sunday,

May 31st. The choir has openings in all sections. Whether you sing soprano, alto, tenor or bass, the Chancel Choir invites you to be part of this special project as they begin work on this moving musical work. They meet Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Beginning on Easter, they will sing one anthem from the cantata each week in worship, then present the entire work in worship on May 31st. Speak to a choir member, or to our music director, Phil Hayden. Join the music making!



Flower Donations

Secure a date to honor or remember someone with a floral arrangement soon. To sign up, or for more information, refer to the flowers bulletin board outside room #103.

Memorial Gifts

Month of February

Memorial gifts were given in memory of:

- Doug Small by James Harper
- Carvel Eyre by Linda Campbell-Feingold

Missions

Tend My Sheep

Sunday, March 22

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 non-perishable items for Food Bank Central NC.



Special Offering

North Raleigh Ministries

March

We will be receiving a Special Offering for North Raleigh Ministries. Money raised for this offering supports the Thrift Shope, Food Pantry and the Crisis and Development Center. You may place your donation in the offering plate, drop it by the church, donate online or text to give.

Here is how to text to give: Text amount 'nrm' to 919-583-6368. (example: 25 nrm). If you have not done this before, you will be prompted to enter your information. Once it has been entered, you will not have to enter it again.

Outreach

Thank You From Frankie Lemmon School



Dear Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church:
Thank you so much for continuing to support the students of Franki Lemmon School with your generous donation of Box Tops.

Please visit our website (www.frankielemmonschool.org) to see how much we have grown. This year we have 90 students enrolled. With your help, we have continued to supply the classrooms with much needed resources. We are forever grateful. Please stop by to visit. We would love to see you.

Blessings to all,

Debby Brooks
Office Administrator

Members

Welcome New Members

Jonathan (JB) Babson is a self-employed interior designer. He is interested in Habitat for Humanity. JB went to school with Michael Jordan in Wilmington.



Richard Skinner is a program manager and has organized, planned and facilitated charity events and weddings. Richard served six years on the Board of Directors for Rise Against Hunger. He is also a tenor and received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine in April 2019, the highest civilian honor in the state of North Carolina!



Jeri Thomas works for a local clinical biopharmaceutical company.



Worship & Arts



Labyrinth Walk @ Duke University Chapel

Tuesday, March 3rd at 6 p.m.

Pastor Mac will be driving the church van over to Duke University to walk the labyrinth in the university's beautiful chapel. If you are interested in going e-mail Mac at mschafer@hmmpc.org.

Online Sermons

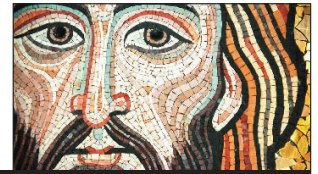
Hudson's sermons are available online. If you were unable to attend a worship service, you can listen to the sermon at <https://www.hmmpc.org/sermons>. Closed captioning is also available.



Time Change

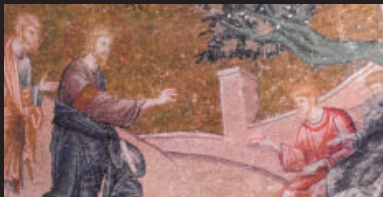
Don't be late to church!
Turn your clocks ahead one hour
Saturday, March 7th!

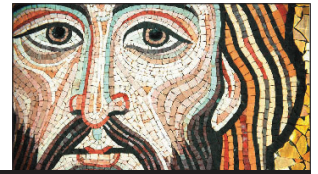




Lent Schedule of Events

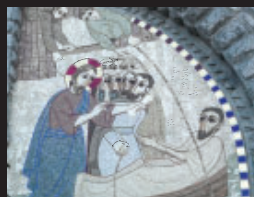
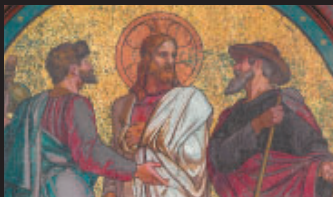
Event	Date	Time	Location
Duke Chapel Labyrinth Walk	Tues., Mar. 3	6:00 p.m.	Duke University Chapel
Lunch & Learn	Wed., Mar. 4	12:00 p.m.	Library
Lenten Fellowship Meal		6:00 p.m.	Westminster Hall
Service of Prayer		6:20 p.m.	Sanctuary
The Gathering Book Study	Sun., Mar. 8	9:30 a.m.	Room 200
Worship: 2nd Sunday of Lent		10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Scripture: Galatians 2:1-10;11-21			
Lunch & Learn	Wed., Mar. 11	12:00 p.m.	Library
Lenten Fellowship Meal		6:00 p.m.	Westminster Hall
Service of Prayer		6:20 p.m.	Sanctuary
The Gathering Book Study	Sun., Mar. 15	9:30 a.m.	Room 200
Worship: 3rd Sunday of Lent		10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Scripture: Acts 16:1-15			
Lunch & Learn	Wed., Mar. 18	12:00 p.m.	Library
Lenten Fellowship Meal		6:00 p.m.	Westminster Hall
Service of Prayer		6:20 p.m.	Sanctuary
Hunger Action Workshop	Sat., Mar. 21	9:30 a.m.	Westminster Hall
The Gathering Book Study	Sun., Mar. 22	9:30 a.m.	Room 200
Worship: 4th Sunday of Lent		10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Scripture: Acts 18			





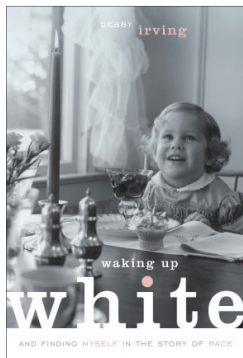
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Lunch & Learn	Wed., Mar. 25	12:00 p.m.	Library
Lenten Fellowship Meal		6:00 p.m.	Westminster Hall
Service of Prayer		6:20 p.m.	Sanctuary
The Gathering Book Study	Sun. Mar. 29	9:30 a.m.	Room 200
Worship: 5th Sunday of Lent		10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Scripture: Acts 28:16-31			
Fellowship Time: Bread for the		11:30 a.m.	Westminster Hall
World Offering of Letters			
Lunch & Learn	Wed., Apr. 1	12:00 p.m.	Library
Lenten Fellowship Meal		6:00 p.m.	Westminster Hall
Service of Prayer		6:20 p.m.	Sanctuary
Easter Egg Hunt	Sat., Apr. 4	10 a.m-12 p.m.	Westminster Hall
The Gathering	Sun. Apr. 5	9:30 a.m.	Room 200
The Passion of Christ			
Worship: Palm Sunday		10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11			
Maundy Thursday Worship	Thurs., Apr. 9	7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Good Friday Worship	Fri., Apr. 10	12:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Cancake Breakfast	Sun., Apr. 12	8:30-10:15 a.m.	Westminster Hall
Easter Worship		8:30 a.m.	Outdoors
		10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary



Spiritual Growth & Nurture

Brown Bag Lunch



Monday, March 2

Brown Bag meets on the first Monday of each month at 11 a.m. in Westminster Hall. Pastor Mac brings faith-based topics to discuss as a group. This will be the final discussion of the book *Waking Up White*. Bring a bag lunch. Beverages are provided. For more information contact Mac at mschafer@hmpc.org.

Waking Up With the Word

Tuesday, March 3

This men's scripture study meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at

6:30 a.m. in the Karl Hudson Room before heading off to work. This is a great way to get to know other men of the church. Each study is framed with three simple questions. No preparation is needed, just show up, pour a cup of coffee and we will share our thoughts on the scripture passage. For more information contact Mac at mschafer@hmpc.org.

Bonhoeffer Babes



Tuesday, March 3

The Bonhoeffer Babes will meet at 7 p.m. at The Crafty Beer Shop at Lafayette Village (8450 Honeycutt Road). We will continue our discussion through Chapter 26 of *The Cost of Discipleship* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. We welcome women of all ages who love books and informal conversation to come read with us!

Contact Kelly Boone (boonekr@gmail.com) for more information.

Inquirers Class



Sunday, March 15

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 the 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, March 11th.**

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.

Sunday, March 8

Sermon Topic and Theme – Library

If you are interested in learning about this Lent series text Galatians 2:1-10; 11-21 and theme "the story of Paul: The First Missionary Journey" as a preparation for worship join us for this engaging and informative conversation.

– Facilitated by Barry Cobb,
John James and Gil Graybill

"Making Peace with the Land" Book Study 2 – Room 200

This resource offers a powerful vision of God as a gardener, physically engaged in the work of restoring all creation to wholeness. And it

offers hungry people a way to join in God's work by getting our hands dirty. Together we will explore our biblical and theological mandate as caretakers of an interdependent world and consider its practical implications for our hunger action mission focus. Participants may attend the series or single sessions.

– Led by Debbie Kirk and Andrea Mouw

The Book of Romans – John Knox Room

This is a "deep dive" bible study into Paul's letter to first Century Christians and offers us the opportunity to consider how we might interpret it for our 21st century lives.

– Led by Nancy Law

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women (PW) are actively involved in several areas of church ministry. PW joins in various ways for fellowship, Bible study, church and mission projects. For more information, see the Presbyterian Women bulletin board in the main hallway, or contact Judie Greenwalt (jkgreenawalt@bellsouth.net), Sharon Cole (sharoncole@carolina.rr.com), or Gretchen McDuffie (gsmcduffie@yahoo.com).



Youth



***YOUTH SUNDAY** – Phil & Friends sing during worship February 23rd. Special thanks to everyone who worked hard to make Youth Sunday happen.*

This Week

March 1

The Middle School Youth Group baked cookies this morning for the Ronald McDonald House meal that the high school group is serving tonight in Chapel Hill. Special thanks to Katy Waugh, Kelly Capps, and all the youth for making this delicious service project possible.

The High School Youth and the 8th graders are heading to Chapel Hill this afternoon to serve a meal at the Ronald

McDonald House, and then go milkshakin' at the Loop.

We will gather at 4 p.m. at the church vans near the Westminster Hall doors, and be back around 8:30 p.m.

This is a great way to serve others, as well as get four hours of community service. Bring a water bottle and \$5 for your milkshake.

Next Week

Sunday March 8

Middle School Youth
Popcorn and Movie Night

High School Youth
Frankie's Fun Park

Calendar

Mission Trip to Maryland, Massanetta, and More, June 14-19 (8-12th grade). Sign up ASAP

Montreat Youth Conference is July 19-25. It is filling up quickly, so if you want to avoid the wait list sign up ASAP. This event is for current 8th–12th grade youth, and just might be the best week of your life.

Mission – Montreat – Massanetta

Be a Stockholder

Youth Group Mission Trip: Connecting Faith Formation to Social Awareness and Action

Who/When/What:

On June 16th HMPC high school youth and adult chaperones will go to Shepherd's Spring Summer Camp, Outdoor Classroom, and Conference Center in Maryland. We will participate in Shepherd's Spring Heifer Global Village, which is part of the outdoor education facility. Shepherd's Spring offers Heifer's experiential curriculum to thousands of people each year and participants leave brimming with ideas about ways to make a difference in someone's life and the joy of "thinking outside of themselves." Heifer promotes the simple belief that "ending hunger begins with giving people the means to feed themselves."

Also: In addition to our service/learning experience, we will do a little sightseeing and stop in Charlottesville to explore the University of Virginia. We will also be staying at Massanetta Conference center for one night and do a morning service project there.

You: Our goal is to raise approximately \$2,500 for our Mission Trip. All proceeds will go to help offset the overall cost of the trip, offer scholarships to those in need and to minimize the costs for the adult leaders. To be a stockholder, simply "invest" any amount that you like. Some suggested giving levels are listed below to help you visualize your gift. As a stockholder, you will receive several things:

- An itinerary for the trip, so that you will know where we are and how to best pray for us.
- A list of the trip participants, so that you will know who you are praying for.
- The joy of knowing that you helped our wonderful youth as they venture out into the world, growing as individuals, as a group, and serving Christ by serving others.
- A handwritten postcard or thank you note from one of the trip members.

Suggested Giving Levels

- A full scholarship for one participant: \$600
- A half scholarship for one participant: \$300
- A quarter scholarship for one participant: \$150
- Housing costs for four participants at Massanetta: \$80
- The cost of meals for three participants at Massanetta: \$30

(Please make checks out to HMPC and turn in w/ the form below to the church office or offering plate)

Stockholder Form for 2020 Summer Trips to Maryland, Montreat, and Massanetta

Name/s _____ Email: _____

Address _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Check # _____ Date _____ Phone #s _____

Questions? Contact Frank Boyd at 919-787-1086 ext. 23, or hmpcyouthgroup@gmail.com

Mission – Montreat - Massanetta - Be a Stockholder

Calendar



Sunday, March 1

Nursery Wing Opens	9:15 am
Pre-Elementary Extended Care (218)	9:30 am
Elementary Joyful Noise (GH)	9:30 am
Explorers & MS Youth cookies for Ronald McDonald House	9:30 am
The Gathering	9:30 am
Children's Education (Children's Wing)	10:30 am
Worship	10:30 am
Fellowship	11:45 am
Nursery Wing Closes	11:45 am
HS & 8th Grade Youth (Ronald McDonald House)	4:00 pm

Monday, March 2

Brown Bag Lunch (WH)	11:00 am
Primary Election Set Up (WH)	2:00 pm
Personnel (KH)	6:00 pm
Boys & Girls Homes of NC (200)	6:00 pm
Al-Anon, Alateen, Alakid (GH)	8:00 pm

Tuesday, March 3

Primary Election (WH)	6:30 am
Waking Up With the Word (KH)	6:30 am
Staff Meeting (Library)	9:30 am
Single Way (Red, Hot & Blue)	1:00 pm
Daisy/Brownie Troop 1968 (215)	4:00 pm
E&O (KH)	6:00 pm
ROMEO's (Bojangles Atlantic Ave.)	7:45 am
Bonhoeffer Babes (The Crafty Beer Shop)	7:00 pm
Boy Scout Troop #376 (GH)	7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 4

Women at the Well (Parlor)	9:15 am
Lunch & Learn (Library)	12:00 pm
Deacon Simple Supper & Prayer Service (Sanctuary/WH)	6:00 pm
Hudson Handbells (Sanctuary)	6:15 pm
Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	7:30 pm

Thursday, March 5

Preschool Donut Days	9:00 am
Amazing Grays First Thursday Lunch (Winston's Grill)	11:30 am
Boys & Girls Homes of NC (200)	6:00 pm

Friday, March 6

Preschool Donut Days	9:00 am
Session Retreat (JK/WH)	6:00 pm

Saturday, March 7

Children's Home Society of NC (200)	9:00 am
Session Retreat (JK/WH)	6:00 pm

Sunday, March 8

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
Fellowship	11:45 am
Nursery Wing Closes	11:45 am
Nominating Committee	12:00 pm
MS Youth Pizzia, Popcorn, Movie (WH)	6:00 pm
HS Youth (Frankies)	6:00 pm



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