



the weekly Window

October 18, 2020

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

Children's Ministry



A Family Prayer for When I Am Out of My Routine

*Some days are topsy turvy
Some days are not what I was expecting
On those days I stop
I breathe in
I breathe out
I take a break and feel the Holy Spirit guide me*
-Traci Smith

This Sunday we turn our focus on our Baptismal promises for the future of Christ's church. As we have all faced the great changes, uncertainties, challenges, and losses of this past year we take the time the Sunday to meditate on the children of the world.

For some of us, we have spent more time together as a family than ever before! Routines, expectations, and family dynamics have been renegotiated and transformed. For others, this time apart has separated generations for an

extended period of time. We want to recognize this as well.

For this Children's Sabbath, the children of Hudson Memorial will be present and their voices will share their faith, their prayers, and the truth and hope found in Scripture. As we remember our baptismal promise to help raise the children of our community, may we also be reminded of Christ's call to welcome all children, for in doing so we are welcoming him.

This Sunday, people of many faiths place their focus in worship on how we are to be advocates and caregivers to all of God's children. We are to be a part of God's mission in creating a just, generous, and nurturing environment for people of all ages to flourish and experience love. I hope you hear the joy, gentleness, hope, and dynamic nature of our Creator in the voices of the children of Hudson Memorial this Sunday!

Waking Up with the Word



Tuesday, October 20th

A men's bible study group that meets every Tuesday morning at 6:30am. **This coming Tuesday, we will meet by Zoom.** 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@hmpe.org) for more information.

Seeing the Word

Monday, September 19th

This group uses the art work from the Saint John's Illuminated Bible to study scripture texts. Presently it is meeting via Zoom on the third Monday of the month at 12 noon. Contact Mac Schafer (mschafer@hmpe.org) to receive the Zoom invitation.



Presbyterian Pint

A men's group that will meet on Thursday, October 22nd at 7 pm via Zoom. This group has historically met at an area pub for beer, fellowship and discussion on faith and culture. During COVID-19 the group has been meeting via Zoom. Folks can still be seen enjoying a beer and discussing various topics Mac shares with the group. Contact Mac Schafer (mschafer@hmpe.org) to receive the Zoom invitation.



SACRED
Conversations

Sacred Conversations

October 18

Sacred Conversations continues on Sunday October 18 from 11:30-12:30 via Zoom. Using selected scripture and various resources this month we will consider how we chart a way forward when it seems like we are stuck, individually and communally. Everyone is invited to join us for this rich time of reflection, prayer and fellowship. For more information contact [Debbie Kirk](#). [All are welcome to join us at 11:30am via Zoom.](#)

Adult Faith Formation

2020 Fall Devotional



Twenty members of HMPC have written a month worth of devotions to read from October 11th to November 8th. These devotions center on four scripture passages and the lives of people throughout the pandemic. These devotions will come through email on a daily basis or you can pick up copies of the devotional at the north entrance of the church. This devotional is a gift to the congregation from the Giving Ministry Team. We think you will be touched by the heartfelt reflections in this devotional.

Monthly Women at the Well

October 22

The evening version of Women at the Well meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 6pm via Zoom. Women of all ages and stages enjoy a lively conversation (over dinner when we are able to meet in person) about current topics of interest informed by a variety of podcasts and other resources. Participants will receive the topic, resources and Zoom link



Worship & The Arts

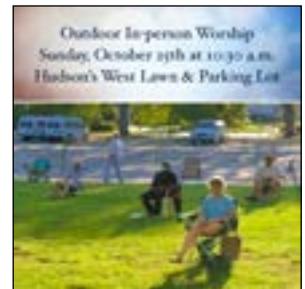
In-Person Worship Next Sunday

October 25 10:30 am

As indicated in a letter emailed to the congregation last week, the Session has approved beginning in-person outdoor weekly worship on the west lawn & parking lot of Hudson (behind the church offices) on Sunday, October 25th at 10:30 a.m. 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.

We will be taking reservations for outdoor worship using a reservation application called Brushfire.

Information on how to reserve space 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.



Youth Group News

This Week

- **Explorers 5-6-7 Sunday School Class** will meet Sunday, October 18 at 9:30 at the Twin Oaks at church. Youth Committee Meeting Sunday Morning, October 18, at 9:30 outside on the West Lawn.
- **The High School Youth** are having a “Fellowship Hike to North Hills” for Burgers and Ice Cream this Sunday, October 18, from 5:00 – 7:00. Join us for some exercise, delicious food, and fellowship. Please bring money for your food at 5 Guys Burgers/Fries & Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream. Also, wear comfortable shoes and please bring a mask and a water bottle. We will gather at 5:00 PM under the shade of the “Twin Oaks” behind the church at the corner of Cranbrook Rd. and Langley Cir. Parent pick-up will be at 7:00. Friends welcome.
- **Sunday, October 25th – Fall Festival.** If you or your family is interested in doing a Trunk or Treat with a storybook theme at this year’s Fall Festival, please contact Frank Boyd or Rachael McConnell. Candy donations are also needed.



High School Youth enjoying burgers this past spring

Youth Programs Looking Ahead

- **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,** as well as 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.

Music

Virtual Christmas Joy

Upcoming Recordings For Advent Calendar Of Christmas Joy

- Tuesday, 10/20, 7 pm
Ladies Ensemble I records
- Wednesday, 10/21, 7 pm
The Four Tenors record
- Thursday, 10/22, 7 pm
Basses & Gina Hayek record



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 11th - Please keep these families in your prayers:

- *Susan, Tripp, T.W., Ellen and Susie Bradshaw*
- *Billy Branch*
- *Tate Brandt*
- *Heather & Sam Brannon*
- *Gail Brenner*
- *Nancy and Rebecca Brenner*
- *Karen, Anna, Scott and Eric Brewer*

Sunday, October 18

- 9:30 am - Explorers 5-6-7 SS at Twin Oaks (corner of Cranbrook & Langley)
- 10:30 am - Joyful Noise - Langley Outdoor Worship Space & Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Sacred Conversations
- 5 pm - HS Youth Burgers & Ice Cream - walk to North Hills

Monday, October 19

- 12 pm - Seeing the Word
- 7 pm - Finance
- 7 pm - Diaconate

Tuesday, October 20

- 6:30 am - Waking Up With the Word
- 9:30 am - Staff Meeting
- 7 pm - Ladies Ensemble 1 Records

Wednesday, October 21

- 9:15 am - Women at the Well
- 7 pm - Four Tenors Record

Thursday, October 22

- 4 pm - Memorial Garden Committee
- 6 pm - Women at the Well
- 7 pm - Presbyterian Pint
- 7 pm - Basses and Gina Hayek Record

Sunday, October 25

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

Meetings are by Zoom unless noted otherwise.

Our Church Directory is Online!

View our church directory online or via the FREE mobile app

To view the directory online, go to [members](#). [InstantChurchDirectory.com](#) and follow the prompts under “Sign In” to “Create a login now.” Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in.



There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for “Instant Church Directory” to get the download.

You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app.

If you don't have an email address and need a hard copy of the directory, or need help or have questions, please contact [Pat Cash](#) or at 917.787.1086.

Missions

Tend My Sheep

Saturday, October 24th



The Mission Committee has resumed monthly Tend My Sheep collections. These drive-through collections will take place on the fourth Saturday of every month from 10am-1pm.

Simply drive to the south side of the church and our masked volunteers will take your donations without you ever leaving your car. This month we are partnering with North Raleigh Ministries to help provide Thanksgiving boxes to our neighbors.

Please bring any of the following items listed in any quantity.

- Boxed potatoes
- Stuffing
- Cranberry Sauce
- Pumpkin Pie Filling
- Apple Pie Filling
- Graham cracker pie crust
- Cornbread mix
- Canned collard greens
- Canned sweet potatoes
- Gravy/Gravy Mix

This month's collection will take place This Saturday, October 24th. We look forward to seeing you! For more information contact Cary Dickerson

Interfaith Build Update

In spite of the challenges presented with COVID 19, Habitat of Wake County has continued to build all the houses on the spring, summer and fall schedule using staff and professional crews along with the homeowners. We are pleased to announce that the Interfaith House is complete and ready for occupancy! On Thursday October 22nd, Amber Cunningham and her children Anthony and Imani will receive the keys following a virtual dedication of their home. Amber is a customer service representative at Duke Energy and is looking



forward to all the comes with home ownership. We have missed working alongside the interfaith coalition and look forward to future builds when volunteers can safely participate on site. We will update the congregation as build plans for 2021 are confirmed.

Giving

Your financial support is vital to the church. Here are ways you can give:

- **Checks** can be mailed to: Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church, 4921 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC 27609
- **Online** at hmpc.org via credit card
- **Bill-pay** through your bank
- **Recurring Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)** from your checking account. Contact Pat at pcash@hmpc.org to set this up.



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