



Welcome to Hampstead United Methodist Church
World Communion Sunday *October 4, 2026*
“Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

10:00 in the Morning

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We gather in the name of the Father, who created us and calls us beloved.

People: We come to worship God.

Leader: We gather in the name of the Son, who welcomes us to his table.

People: We come to follow Christ.

Leader: We gather in the name of the Holy Spirit, who makes us one body.

People: We come to live in grace.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Triune God.

People: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we worship you.

***OPENING HYMN**

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

#61

***OPENING PRAYER**

Gracious and loving God, Creator of all peoples,

Redeemer who calls us by name,

and Sustainer who binds us together in love,

we give you thanks for the gift of this community—

and for your church throughout the world.

Bless our worship, and this day of holy communion

that we may be renewed by your grace and made one in Christ.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

Amen.

***SECOND CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

“One Bread, One Body”

#620

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

ANTHEM

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

**Congregation please stand as able.*

SERMON

“Living in the Promise”

Rev. Dr. Debbie Matthis

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD

CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we do not always live

as people who trust your promise.

We turn inward when you call us outward.

We cling to what is familiar

instead of trusting your grace.

We fail to see your image in one another,

and we forget that your blessing

is meant to flow through us to the world.

Forgive us.

Renew us in your grace.

Shape us more fully into the people you call us to be,

and make our lives a blessing to others.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hear the good news...

In the name of Jesus Christ,

you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen.

THE PEACE

WE CELEBRATE AT THE TABLE OF GOD

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,

.....we praise your name

and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you,

and blessed is your Son, Jesus Christ,

....in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
...all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God,
now and forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(Please bring your offering to the front when you come to receive the bread and wine.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Gracious God,
we thank you for this holy meal
and for the grace we have received
in bread and cup.**

**You have reminded us
that we belong to Christ
and to one another.**

**Now send us out by your Spirit,
to live as people of your promise,
to become a blessing to others,
and to bear signs of your coming kingdom
wherever we go.**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

WE DEPART TO SERVE GOD

***CLOSING CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

"Standing on the Promises"

#374

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**



October 4, 2026
10:00 AM Worship Service

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~Announcements~

First Time & Frequent Visitors, we welcome you!

For information about Hampstead UMC, please see our greeters in the Narthex (lobby). If this is your first worship experience here, please let the ushers or greeters know, so we can better assist you!

A nursery is provided for worship services, located in the main building—see an usher for assistance.

If you wish to receive additional weekly updates or be contacted, please print your contact information in the red attendance pew pads or you may email the church office at office@hampsteadumc.org.

NEW Pumpkin Patch Volunteer Sign-Ups

Our Pumpkin Patch is underway, and we still need helping hand throughout the season. To make volunteer scheduling easier we are using Signup Genius. Visit the website to sign up (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D45AEAC29AAF9C52-66291686-humcs>)

or via the **NEW QR Code:**



If you previously signed up, please sign up again using the new Signup Genius. We like to have at least one adult when serving with our youth.

Pumpkin Patch Hours The Patch is open through October 31st!! Patch hours of operation are **Monday through Thursdays, 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Friday and Saturdays 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM, and Sundays 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM.** Payment of pumpkins are accepted via Zelle, check, or cash only.

Pumpkin Toss #2 Our second Pumpkin Toss is this **Saturday, October 10th at 9:00 AM.** Volunteers are needed to help with the unloading of the pumpkins. Come be a part of our giant assembly line and help this worthy cause!

Missions Team Mtg. **Tuesday, October 6th at 10:00 AM in room 5/6.**

Fall Plant Sale Join us on **Friday, October 9th from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM** and **Saturday, October 10th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM,** for the Master Gardeners' Fall Plant Sale at HUMC.

2026 Charge Conference HUMC will host the 2026 Charge Conference on **October 26th at 6:30 PM.** Participating churches in the cluster are Faith Harbor, Sneads Ferry and The Edge. All members of Church Council are required to attend.

HUMC Youth Ministries Power Kids continues to meet on Sundays at 4:00 PM. Our older high school Youth have begun regularly meeting on Wednesday at rotating locations. Please reach out to Pastor Brooks for information (brooks.a.anderson@gmail.com). Sunday evening youth and Power Kids will not meet October 4th but will return **October 11th**. Until then, please consider spending some time at our Pumpkin Patch to support Youth & Power Kids.

Bake Sale The United Women In Faith are having a BAKE SALE on **October 9th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM** to benefit the Pumpkin Patch and the Youth. The contributions are open to all the members of the church and we would appreciate your help. Questions? Contact Cheryle Shaffer (cashaffer12@yahoo.com)

United Women In Faith Our next meeting is scheduled on **Tuesday, October 13th at 10:00 AM in room 5/6.** All women of the church are encouraged to come. Dianne McKagan will provide the program, the prayer and devotion. For any inquiries please contact Cheryle Shaffer at 910-620-5904 or any member of the HUMWIF.

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are given by

Drew & Lacy Quehl...

*"In celebration of Bill Russell's
85th birthday."*

~Prayer Requests~



Beverly Batton
Dot Cotman
Darlene David
Judy Harrelson
John Harris
John Haverkamp
Gavin Johnson
Laura Kiyabu
Bonnie Lewis
Clarence Lewis
Glen Pettygrove
Fred Phillips
Cynthia Pownall
Buddy Rogers
Bill Russell
Vicki Russell
Bill Shaffer
Dasha Sharp
Jane Smals
Karen Smith
Carolyn Southerland
Dennis Southerland
Dee Stolk
Jane Tchouros
Ann Todd
Rodger Wyland

~ Contact Information ~

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~Calendar of Events~

October 4, 2026 —October 11, 2026

Sunday—10/4

10:00 AM Worship Service

Monday—10/5

8:00 AM ROMEOs (Library)

Tuesday—10/6

9:00 AM Prayer Team (Library)

10:00 AM Missions Team Mtg. (Rm. 5/6)

7:00 PM Al-Anon/Al-Ateen (FLC)

Wednesday—10/7

6:20 PM Bible Study Fellowship (Rms. 2, 5/6, 9, Sanc)

Thursday—10/8

9:00 AM Bible Study "God Won't Leave You There"
(Rm. 5/6)

3:15 PM Connect Club (FLC) (Begins at 3:30)

Friday—10/9

10:00 AM Meals On Wheels (FLC)

10:00 to 2:00 PM UMW Bake Sale (Pumpkin Patch)

11:00 to 6:00 PM Master Gardener's Plant Sale

Saturday—10/10

8:00 AM Meals On Wheels (FLC)

9:00 AM 2nd Pumpkin Toss

11:00 to 2:00 PM Master Gardener's Plant Sale

Sunday—10/11

10:00 AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Second Sunday Lunch (Camino Real)

4:00 PM Power Kids (FLC)

HUMC Online Giving Made Simple:

You can now support our church by scanning the QR code below with your smartphone or tablet's camera.



If you need help, our greeters or office staff are happy to assist you. Thank you for your generosity!