

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,...

...with all your people on earth and all the company of heaven,

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 he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ....

...as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

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

Holy God, pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here.....

... Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,

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 mystery

in which you have given yourself to us.

You met us here—not with pomp or power,

but in bread and cup,

in simple things made sacred by your love.

Now, send us out with hearts washed clean

and spirits made new.

May we walk humbly, serve boldly,

and love generously—sharing the healing you've poured into us

with a world that's aching for grace.

In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord,

Amen.

WE DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*CLOSING CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"Shine Jesus Shine"

(On Screen)

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

"There Is a Balm in Gilead"

Traditional Spiritual, Arranged by Kurt Kaiser

Hampstead United Methodist Church



Sunday, July 6, 2025
10:00 AM Worship Service

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Welcome to Hampstead United Methodist Church

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

July 6, 2025

“Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

Order of Worship
10:00 in the Morning

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

“Shall We Gather at the River?”

By Robert Lowry; Arranged by Joel Raney

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let’s worship. Let’s worship the Lord!

Come with your questions, your worries, your need for healing,

We come, carrying a lot— but hoping to be made new.

Come with your pride, your weariness, your longing for peace.

God doesn’t ask us to earn grace —just to step in the water:

We come to listen, to lay it all down, and to trust the One who still heals.

Come, and worship the God who meets

us in unexpected places— not always in power or spectacle,

but sometimes in a quiet voice, a muddy river, and a simple word: “Be clean.”

We come, ready to be surprised by grace.

We come to worship the Lord.

*OPENING WORSHIP SONG

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

(Screen)

*OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God,

Thank you for this new day,

for the chance to gather; breathe deep,

and hear your word.

Some of us still smell like sunscreen

and charcoal from the Fourth,

and some of us are carrying

heavy things we can’t quite name.

But all of us need your grace.

Wash us in your mercy this morning.

Help us lay down our pride

and trust you enough to get in the water.

Heal us, free us, and remind us— Your love can’t be bought, but it can change us.

In Jesus’ name we pray,

Amen.

**Congregation please stand as able.*

*WORSHIP SONG

“Give Us Clean Hands”

(On Screen)

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Galatians 6:1-5, 7-10, 14-16

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

(At this time, all children may leave for Children’s Church.)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Kings 5:1-14

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Debbie Matthis

“A Cheap Cure That’s Truly Free”

PASTORAL PRAYER

*WORSHIP SONG

“Here I Am Lord”

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD

INVITATION

.... confess our sins before God and one another,

praying with one voice

CONFESSION

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart.

We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves.

We are sorry for the times we tried to fix ourselves,

rather than trusting your grace.

We ask for your forgiveness,

and we pray for the strength to live in peace,

to let go, and to walk in your healing light.

Lord, hear our prayer,

and by your mercy, help us begin again.

Amen.

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners,

and that proves God’s love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Glory to God. Amen.

THE PEACE

OFFERING

(please bring your offerings to the front when you come to receive the elements)

WE CELEBRATE AT THE TABLE OF GOD

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

~Prayer Requests~

Angie Bolin	Peggy Rose
Claudette Brown	Bill Russell
Arlene Caffrey	Vicki Russell
Sally Jo Capozio	Conne Schwarz
Tom Collie	Dasha Sharp
Dot Cotman	Emily Skinner
Chris Gibson	Karen Smith
Judy Harrelson	Carolyn Southerland
John Harris	Dee Stolk
Gavin Johnson	Costas Tchouros
Laura Kiyabu	Jane Tchouros
Laurie Monnier	Jean Withers
Fred Phillips	Brian Wright
Milo Pickett	
Buddy Rogers	

Online Giving Made Simple:

We're excited to offer a new way to give! You can now support our church by scanning the QR code below with your smartphone or tablet's camera. It will take you directly to our secure online giving page.



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

~ Contact Information ~

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~Calendar of Events~

July 6, 2025—July 13, 2025

Sunday—7/6

10:00 AM Worship Service

Monday—7/7

8:00 AM ROMEOs (Library)

6:00 PM Called Charge Conference (Sanc)

7:00 PM Boy Scouts (FLC)

Tuesday—7/8

9:00 AM Prayer Team (Library)

6:00 PM Vacation Bible School Planning Mtg. (Rm. 5/6)

6:30 PM Choir Practice (Sanc)

7:00 PM Al-Anon (FLC Rm. 1)

Thursday—7/10

9:00 AM Bible Study (Rm. 5/6)

Friday—7/11

10:00 AM Meals on Wheels Prep (FLC Kitchen)

Saturday—7/12

8:00AM Meals on Wheels Distribution (FLC Kitchen)

Sunday—7/13

10:00 AM "Summer of Unity" One Worship Service

Available Altar Flower Sponsorships

July: 20, 27

August: 10, 24, 31

September: 7, 14, 21

October: 5, 12, 19, 26

November: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

December: 7

We still need Volunteer Sponsors!

*If you would like to sponsor an arrangement, contact the church office at 910-270-4648 or office@hampsteadumc.org. Flowers are on a first come-first served basis.
Each arrangement is \$45.*

~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.*

Charge Conference We will meet on **Monday, July 7th** at **6:00 PM** for a called Charge Conference. The sole item on the agenda is to formally authorize the Trustees to move forward on the proposed lease agreement with the YMCA. All voting members of Council are asked to attend.

Fellowship Breakfast THANK YOU! The UMM and Missions would like to thank everyone that came to last Sunday's Fellowship Breakfast; to those that helped with table/chair tear down and cleanup, an additional THANK YOU to you as well! Lots of smiles were had, and shared by all and no one left hungry!! It was such an enjoyable time that the cooking team will strive to make this a regular event!

Project AGAPE For 30 years, our NC Conference, Western NC Conference, and the Armenian Apostolic Church have partnered to support children in Armenia through a Children's Home and Education Center, providing pastoral care, education, health care, agriculture, and economic development. We're reviving our "Shoebox" gift project! Pick up a shopping list in the narthex to buy new items for a boy or girl, packed in a 6-quart plastic shoebox. A \$5 donation per box helps with shipping. Questions? Contact Peggy Harris at 910-270-4780, or litter1952@gmail.com.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are given by Hiram & Kathy Williams...
"In celebration of our grandson Tristan, for his 10th birthday."

Ice Cream Social Mark your calendars for the UWIF Ice Cream Social on **Tuesday, August 12th** in the FLC.

Blood Drive HUMC will host a blood drive on **Monday, August 4th** from **1:00 PM to 6:00 PM** in the FLC. Visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter HAMPSTEAD to make an appointment.

Vacation Bible School Volunteer Call

Our Vacation Bible School (VBS) needs **YOUR** help to make it happen! Without volunteers, this event cannot take place. We're seeking support in:

- * Preparations & Decorations
- * Gathering Supplies
- * Logistics
- * Food/Snacks
- * Audio Visual (AV)
- * Station Leaders
- * Prayer Warriors

Join our weekly planning meetings every **Tuesday at 6:30 PM** in **room 5/6** until **July 22nd**.

Come as you're able!

Register to volunteer:

<https://vbspro.events/p/humctruenorth>

Or scan the QR code:



Your help makes all the difference!

Questions? Contact Jaime Alberti:
Email: humcyouth@hampsteadumc.org or
Call 910-524-1712.