# **HAPPENINGS @ THE MOUNT**



Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church, Chapin, SC

**November 2022** 

#### A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR PAT

# What Would You Do?

Jesus stood amid well over 5,000 hungry folks with only one sack lunch. (St. Luke 9:10-17 & St. John 6:1-14)

- He could have thrown up his hands
- Said that's not on my job description or
- Called it a day

Instead he looked up and **GAVE THANKS!** 

Later Jesus sat in a room with his closest friends. It seemed the future that was right around the corner looked bleak and all might be lost. He might have been bitter or taken another way.

### Instead he broke bread and **GAVE THANKS!**

A ship loaded with cargo and 276 souls was caught in a raging tempest in the Mediterranean Sea. The had been tossed and to and fro with their fate seemingly to be lost to the deep. It was to say the least terrifying. St Paul could have abandoned ship.

(Acts 27)

Instead he stood up, took bread and <u>GAVE THANKS to</u> <u>God!</u>

Nearly half of the small band of Pilgrims who had set out for a new life died during their first year in America. They were thousands of miles for their family surroundings. They could have given up and sought to return to England.

Instead they knelt and GAVE THANKS to God!

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Camille Joseph, Admin
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Peggy Miller, Preschool Director

Worship, Learn, Witness Serve. Support

### Newsletter Deadlines

The Monthly Happenings @ the Mount deadline is the **18th of each month**. Here is a poem I ran across that I will endeavor to take to heart during this season of Thanksgiving entitled Thankful.

It helps me remember to GIVE THANKS to God!

I am thankful not merely for daily bread, but for the ability to earn it.

I am thankful that amid the throngs which jostle me, there is at least one person whom I call my friend.

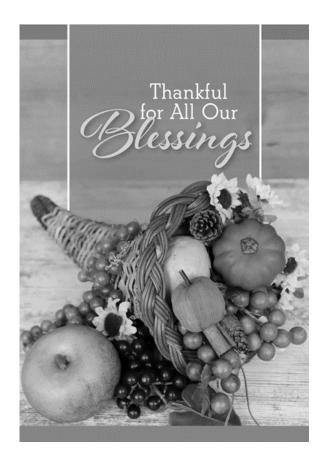
I am thankful that my blessings have not wholly obscured for me the face of the God who has blessed me.

I am thankful that whatever the disappointments of yesterday, there is still much to live for.

I am thankful not only for the opportunities which come from the hand of God, I am indeed thankful for God.

(Author Unknown)

Blessings, Pastor Pat





**CONFIRMATION CLASS** is for all in 6th-8th grades. Pastor Pataleads the group each Sunday morning in Room 203 during the Sunday School hour at 9:15am. We are studying the New Testament during the 2022-2023 school year.



School grades K - 5th! Contact Lisa McDonald at <u>Lisamcdonald1979@hotmail.com</u> if you would like to significantly impact children's lives in the name of Christ!

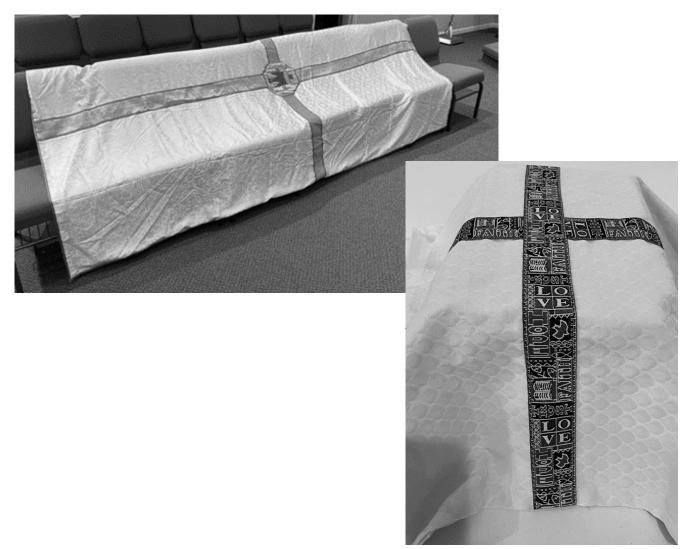
**FUNERAL PALLS** St. Paul reminds us that as baptized children of God we are clothed in the radiance of Christ's own glory. Joined to his death in baptismal water, we join with him also in his resurrected life. It is for this reason that many congregations in Christ's holy Church place elaborate coverings over caskets and cremation urns as a reminder of the mystery and beauty of God's work to claim, redeem, and protect not only in this life but through death into eternal life.

We give thanks for the creative work of our sister Glenda Lindler who has constructed a funeral urn pall for the Mt. Horeb congregation. The pall's is made of a patterned heavy white cloth signifying Christ's purity and radiance. A cross of intricate orphrey banding forms four quadrants on the pall. The orphrey is a fitting decoration, a tight interweaving of the words "faith," "hope," "love," and "trust" along with Christian symbolism including the scriptures, a dove (Holy Spirit), and a fish ("ichthus"), one of the earliest images Christians used to acknowledge themselves as members of God's community of faith.

As we saw in a recent monthly newsletter and apparent at recent funerals, we have also received a "legacy gift," the white Cross and Crown funeral pall of the congregation of Christ the King which closed at the end of last year. Their plan was to distribute the parish's significant liturgical appointments to Midlands Lutheran congregations to demonstrate that the ministry and mission of Christ's holy Church does not end.

John Bowring's famous hymn, "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," reminds us that the entirety of our mortal journey, pain and grief along with the joyous, loving relationships which have anchored us throughout life "... by the cross are sanctified." We give thanks to God for the funeral urn pall Glenda has sewn, itself a graphic sermon of hope in the saving work of God as well as the large pall bearing the signs of Christ's passion and triumph over death and the grave. They both will become fitting signs of the church's honoring of those who have died.

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

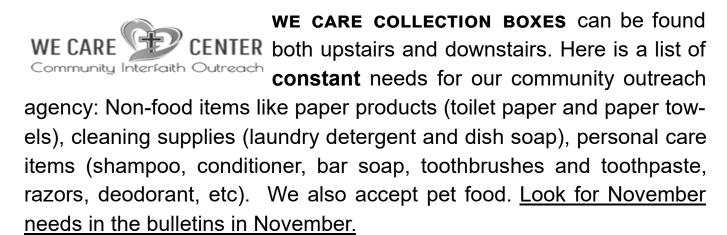


**CARD MINISTRY – HANDMADE CARDS** Are you in need of a greeting card to send to a family member or a friend? Don't forget about the card rack in the Fellowship Hall for an assortment of handmade cards; Birthday, Thank You, Get Well, Sympathy, Thinking of You and a few miscellaneous cards are available. A donation of \$3.00 per card or \$5.00 for two cards is greatly appreciated. All donations will go toward local, regional and global missions.



**GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT** St. Paul writes (that we) "are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" Romans 3:24

We have been given the gift of salvation from our Lord, Jesus Christ. Our calling is to share that gift with others. Our Stewardship theme this season is GIFT. Giving In Faith Together. Your generosity in offerings (through PayPal, Tithe.ly, or the offering plate at the entrance) makes an enormous difference. Thank you for your joyful and generous monetary support. Thanks be to God!



**ONE WORSHIP SERVICE CONTINUES** We will continue with one worship service at 10:00am through December. This month, the council will receive input from the congregation regarding preferences for starting time of worship and Sunday School.



LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE is accompanying our companions in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia. We continue to support our brothers and sisters in time of crisis through the ELCA and Lutheran Disaster Response. Your gifts designated for "Eastern Europe Crisis Response" will be used to support people impacted by conflict. Make your

check out to Lutheran Disaster Response and send to: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gifts Processing Center, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009 and write "Eastern Europe Crisis Response" or "Where needed most" on your check's memo line.



UPDATE your 2022 Directory with Joanne Ritchie's cell phone number 803-467-1400. Many of you have expressed Church wanting to be in touch with her.



LUTHERAN MEN will meet November 14th at 6:30pm for dinner and a program. Ladies are welcome. Sign up at the Welcome Center.



**FROM GERTICE RISTER** for the shut-in bag she received. It was a nice surprise and also thank you for the flowers Pastor Riddle delivered.

**ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS** Any time altar flowers are donated after the service the church office makes arrangements for the shut-ins and Pastor Pat includes them in his visits for that week.



**IMPORTANT DATES Sunday, November 13**, at 9:15 during the Sunday School hour, a 2023 Budget Forum Meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall with brunch items available. Please plan to attend.

Sunday, November 20, after the 10:00 worship service, our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held in the sanctuary. We will vote on the 2023 Ministry Plan, Council Nominees, and a written survey will be taken for input on one or two worship service and times for both options as well as Sunday School times. Please plan to attend and support Mt. Horeb's 2023 Ministry Plan. A covered dish lunch will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

### PRESCHOOL UPDATE





### We are Thankful

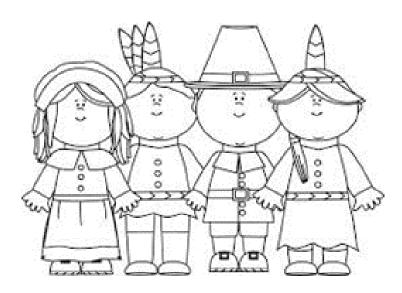
This is the time of year to be thankful for all of God's blessings in our lives. I am so thankful to have a job that I love and to be here at Mt. Horeb Preschool with our wonderful staff, children and their families. I hope everyone will take time this month to count their blessings and have a great Thanksgiving holiday surrounded by family and friends.

### Our schedule for November is:

- ⇒ Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> No Preschool (Election Day)
- ⇒ Nov. 22 4K Thanksgiving Feast
- $\Rightarrow$  Nov.  $23^{rd} 27^{5h}$  Thanksgiving Holidays

# Blessings,

Miss Peggy





# **HIGHLIGHTS** of Congregational Council Meeting for October 2022:

The council met on Sunday, October 9th and took action on or discussed the following items:

- ⇒ Katie Morgan, Stewardship Team Chairperson, gave a report to council on our Stewardship theme "GIFT", Growing in Faith Together. We will have temple talks each Sunday leading up to the Annual Congregational Meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup>. This meeting will immediately follow the 10:00 worship service with a covered dish meal afterwards. A packet of information containing the 2023 budget, 2023 Council nominee biographies, Time and Talent sheets, and pledge cards will be sent out the first week of November.
- ⇒ The council heard the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the 2023 Finance Team's Ministry Plan and voted to accept the budget plan that will be presented at the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> after the 10:00 worship service. A Budget Forum Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Hall. Brunch items will be available during this time.
- ⇒ Pastor and Ministry Team Reports were received and discussed.

#### ON GOING PRAYERS FOR:

- +Gayle Wicker
- +Vie Wilmot
- +Miller Lindler
- +Jim Johnston
- +Mary Kern
- +Nancy Hess
- +Nancy Crogen
- +Charlie Shealy
- +Margaret Greene
- +Carolyn Bishop
- +Henri Bishop
- +Jane Ramsey
- +Aubrey Metts
- +Pauline Wodtke
- +Ron Stockman
- +Sharon Shealy
- +Brady Amick
- +Tarzie Johnston
- +Gertice Rister
- +George Wessinger
- +Taylor Ann Fiber
- +Steve Cartin
- +JoAnne Ritchie
- +Audrey Fulmer





# PRAYING FOR FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

- Cindy Heming, Gavin Wells' godmother
- Melissa Smith, sister of Dean Smith
- Ronnie Chapman, nephew of Rosemary Frick
- + Sadie Gillian, friend of Jennifer Wells
- Marie Fulmer, niece of Loretta Griffin & family
- + Amelia Kinard, sister of Billy Griffin
- Jeanne Thompson, sister of Susan Addy
- Donna Miseyko, niece of Mary Kern
- Nan & James Nicholson, daughter and son-in-law of Mary Kern
- Sue Carver, friend of Joanne Wessinger Hill
- + Tyler Grubbs, friend of Lillie Free
- David Owens, friend of Tommy Hill

- Lorraine Revels, daughter of friend of JoAnne Hill
- Al Zaback, cousin of Jerry & Vicky Shealy
- Sally Thompson, sister-in-law of Susan Addy
- + Diane Nichol, friend of Susan Addy
- + Evren Ray, great-niece of Susan Addy
- Chris & Eddie Shealy, sons of Gene & Ann B. Shealy
- + Tommy Ward, friend of Jim Pope
- William Eckley, cousin of Vicky Shealy
- Payton Dominick, great-nephew of Glenda Lindler
- Tyler Richardson, son-in-law of Pastor Dick & Jeannie Webber
- Todd Buehler, Debbie Hjelseth's brother
- Landon Derrick, Wes Hill's classmate & friend
- Jimmy and Liane Talbert, uncle and aunt of Mattie Smith
- + Richard Gregerson, son of Vie Wilmot
- + Jason, great nephew of Vie Wilmot
- Farris Gregerson, daughter-in-law of Vie Wilmot
- + Heidi Smith, wife of Lew Smith
- Charles R. Risher, Uncle of Kay Comalander
- Derald Edwards
- + Bill Plump, friend of Bill Stockdell
- Tom Naughton, father of Michael Naughton
- + Laura Riley, daughter of Bill Stockdell
- + All those serving in the military



#### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Janelle Turner-Barrett Randy Addy
- 2 Danny Marks Carolyn Miller
- 3 Kathy Curry Harriet Hatchell
- 4 Faye Hawkins Robby Shealy Dave Rube
- 5 Sandra McKie
- 6 Laurie Schmidt Britt Stockman
- 7 Peggy Miller
- 8 Kristi Soderlund
- 9 Jeffrey Griffin Hal Hutchens
- 11 Matt Dukes
- 13 Jim Fiber
  Karl Fulmer
  Lew Smith
  Stephanie Stoudemayer
- 14 Susan Crabtree Georgie Fulmer Phillip Griffin Megan Luck
- 16 Sherri Derrick
- 17 Marion Frick
- 21 Billy Morgan Wanda Rister



- 22 Legare Shealy
- 23 Wayne Hollis Rachel Morgan
- 28 Will Morgan
- 29 Jerry Bundrick Kimberly Bolen Gayle Wicker
- 30 Pam Shear Sandra Ayoub

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

- 6 Brett & Kelly Gowans 29
- 11 Berley, III & Brittany Rister 10
- 12 Wayne & Andrea Hollis 51
  Bill & Linda Moser 56
- 14 Dan & Crystal Campbell 35Charlie & Ann Shealy 58
- 16 Tommy & Joann Hill 20
- 20 James & Wanda Rister 46
- 28 Skip & Janelle Barrett 24
- 29 Billy & Connie Griffin 47

If you do not see your birthday or anniversary (or if our info is incorrect), please contact the church office. Thank you.

## **NOVEMBER 2022 CALENDAR**

Tue Nov 1	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Nov 2	10:00 11:00	
Sun Nov 6 (White) All Saints	9:00 9:15 10:00 11:00	
Mon Nov 7	12:00	Chapin Chirpers
Tue Nov 8	6:30	DF Choral Jr. Women's
Wed Nov 9	10:00	Fiber Friends
Thu Nov 10	7:00	Finance
Sun Nov 20 (White) Christ the King	9:00 9:15 10:00 11:15 12:00 2:00	
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Sun Nov 13 (Green)	9:00 9:15 10:00	LEARN	
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Mon Nov 14	12:00 6:30	Chapin Chirpers LMM	
Tue Nov 15	6:00 6:30		
Wed Nov 16	10:00	Fiber Friends	
Thu Nov 17	6:30	Agape Circle	
Sun Nov 27 (Blue)	9:00 9:15 10:00	Fellowship LEARN Livestream with Holy Communion	
	5:00	Youth Friendsgiving	
Tue Nov 29	6:30	DF Choral	
Wed Nov 30	10:00	Fiber Friends	

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#### **UPCOMING LCY EVENTS**

# November's Youth Calendar at a glance:

- -- Sun., Nov. 13, 3:00-5:00 p.m.: Fall Fun at Palmetto Trail. Campfire, cookout (hot dogs, s'mores), camp songs. All 6th-12th graders invited and welcome! Meet at Alston Trailhead parking area in Peak.
- -- Sun., Nov. 27, 5:00-7:00 p.m., fellowship hall: Friends-giving Feast for youth and their families. Invite a friend! Food, games, giving thanks for all our blessings! We'll also be creating ornaments for Generations residents.
- -- Check your e-mail for more details and reminders.
- -- All youth and families, if you are not on the email list for youth news, please send current contact info to Stephanie Stoudemayer: <a href="mailto:siz85@sc.rr.com">siz85@sc.rr.com</a>.

We hope to see you soon!!



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