

# HAPPENINGS @ THE MOUNT



Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church, Chapin, SC

April 2023

## **A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR PAT EASTERTIDE 2023**

Crowns have always been the sign of authority and Kingship. Charlemagne, whom historians say should deserve to be called "great", wore an octagonal crown. Each of the eight sides was a plaque of gold, and each plaque was studded with emeralds, sapphires, and pearls. The cost was the price of a king's ransom. Richard the Lion Heart had a crown so heavy that two earls had to stand, one on either side, to hold his head. The crown that Queen Elizabeth II wore is worth over \$20 million. Put them all together, from all of Europe and from the archives of the East, all of them are but trinkets compared to Christ's crown.

Revelation 19 says he had many diadems. He wears a crown of righteousness. He wears a crown of glory. He wears a crown of life. He wears a crown of peace and power. Among those crowns, one outshines the rest. It was not formed by the skilled fingers of a silversmith, nor created by the genius of a craftsman. It was put together hurriedly by the rough hands of Roman soldiers. It was not placed upon its wearer's head in pomp and ceremony, but in the hollow mockery of ridicule and blasphemy. It is a crown of thorns. The amazing thing is that it belonged to me. I deserved to wear that crown. I deserved to feel the thrust of the thorns. I deserved to feel the warm trickle of blood upon my brow.

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I deserved the pain. He took my crown of thorns--but without compensation. He offers to me instead His crown of life, the crown that fadeth not away.

Springtime is round about us with the bursting forth of life. The air is full of the fragrant smell of flowers, the chirp of birds and the buds of trees. This is a welcome arrival from winter. As this letter is written, we are moving toward the climax of the Lenten Season, with all of our Holy Week worship and contemplation of Christ's sacrifice bedecked in his borrowed robe and crown of thorns. Our God's love, which bestows upon us the crown of life, is so marvelous and forgiving it is beyond our understanding.

As we travel through these last days of Lent, it is appropriate to survey the many blessings God has given our congregation.

We pray this Easter will be one in which you and yours are strengthened in faith through Word and Sacrament. We rejoice in the opportunity to respond to God's love and serve him with joy and faith through each of our ministries.

The seed of God stirred, shoved, and sprouted. The ground trembled, and the rock of the tomb tumbled. And the flower of Easter blossomed.

Pastor Pat



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!** Children of all ages, come join the Youth Group on Saturday, April 8th at 1pm for the Easter Egg Hunt! Please use the sign-up sheet on the Welcome Desk in the Narthex to let us know you are coming.

The congregation is also asked to donate individually wrapped candies that can be used to stuff the eggs.



**K4 - 5TH GRADE** meet each Sunday for Sunday School at 9am. **Teachers are needed!** If you would like to impact children's lives, contact Lisa Rister 803 -351-5889. We have completed a spiritual milestone,

The Lord's Prayer. The next spiritual milestone is First Communion.



**NURSERY** is again open and located downstairs during the 10am worship service. Volunteers are needed. If you would like to help call the church office at 345-2000.



**THERE IS A NEED** for altar flowers for 2023. A sign-up chart is located outside the Narthex on the bulletin board in the hall under the bench. The cost is \$52 if you would like the church office to order for you. If not, you can order from a florist of your choosing.



**WE CARE** collection boxes can be found both upstairs and downstairs. We always need, toiletries, paper products and cleaning supplies. We also accept pet food and can always use plastic grocery bags. April

needs will be published in the bulletins for April.



**FLOWERING OF THE CROSS** The flowering of the cross represents the transition from Good Friday to Easter, from meditation on Jesus' death to joyful celebration of his resurrection. Placing flowers transforms a barren cross, a reminder of Jesus' death, into an Easter symbol. Covered with fresh,

living flowers, the cross serves not only as an emblem of Jesus' resurrection but also of the continuing presence of Christ among us. Please gather flowers from your yard and bring them with you Easter morning and join in this Easter tradition.



**CONFIRMATION CLASS** is for all in 6th-8th grades. Pastor Pat leads the group each Sunday morning in Room 203 during the Sunday School hour at 9am. There will be no class on Easter Sunday.



**HELP THE WITNESS TEAM** update Mt. Horeb's website and social media accounts by emailing any recent church gathering photos to Cameron Prince at [shortcn1@gmail.com](mailto:shortcn1@gmail.com). Please be aware that if you submit a photo, it may be displayed online.



**CARD MINISTRY – HANDMADE CARDS** Pick up a handmade card today from the card rack in the Fellowship Hall! \$3 donation and \$5 for two cards. All donations support local, regional and global missions!



**UPDATE YOUR 2023 DIRECTORY** with Will Morgan's phone number 803-604-2387 and address 1436 Hollingshed Rd., Irmo, SC 29063.



**DEAR CHURCH FAMILY,** thank you so much for the cards, calls, visits, and food and for Pastor Pat's visits also during Gertice's illness and death. Your acts of kindness were so appreciated. May God bless you.

Love, Gertice Rister Family



**PUZZLE MINISTRY** Agape Circle has begun a 1000 piece puzzle in the front corner of the fellowship hall. We need your help! All are invited to sit around the table and work on the puzzle. Our goal is to have it completed by the end of September! There will be a sign in sheet on the table so that all who add to the puzzle can be noted. Any time you are in the church sit down and join in finding just the right piece!



**GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT** St. Francis of Assisi wrote. For it is in giving that we receive. These words ring true for us during this Eastertide as we remember, rejoice, and celebrate that through Christ's death and resurrection to which we have been joined in baptism's holy water we are given new life. We respond with our gifts time treasure, and talent.

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 support.

**LENTEN FELLOWSHIP CHALLENGE** Keep donating for this year's challenge of 2,000 pounds (a ton) of goods for We Care. We will collect through Easter Sunday, April 9. Bring your donations up front, and keep them on your side! May the "best side" win, and remember **We Care is the Big Winner!!**



**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. Forms are on the Welcome Center.



**LUTHERAN MEN** will meet April 17 at 6:30pm.



**LEISURE TIMERS** meet the 1st Tuesday of each month beginning in April. Our next meeting is April 4th at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.



**THE DUTCH FORK CHORAL SOCIETY** will present a Spring Concert, Appalachian Spring, on Thursday, May 4th at 7pm at Mount Horeb Lutheran Church, 101 E. Boundary Street in Chapin. You are invited to come and hear music inspired by songs, hymns, and ballads from Southern Appalachia. <sup>5</sup>



**BREAKFAST** will be served, and you're invited! No matter the menu, the food will taste better in the presence of those you care about. Join us Easter morning at 8:30 in the Fellowship Hall.



**THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL** Easter morning. Breakfast is at 8:30am, then Flowering of the Cross and Worship at 10am April 9.



**FELLOWSHIP TEAM** is hosting a Family Game Night, Saturday, April 22! We will begin with a lite BBQ sandwich supper at 5pm. Then, let the games begin! We'll have various card games, tables with board games, games for a variety of age groups, & video games on the big TV! This event is for everyone ... young and old!

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## FIRST COMMUNION

A first communion class will be held following the worship service Sunday, April 2. This class is for both the parents and their child. Lunch will be provided. Please contact the church office if you wish for your child to attend. Their first communion will be on Maundy Thursday, April 6.



## April Preschool News

The flowers are blooming, and warmer days are here. Our school year is flying and soon will be gone. We have a busy schedule for April and will be working on Flowers, Bugs and Butterflies, Pond Life, etc.

Our Spring Art Show will be April 27<sup>th</sup> from 7 - 8pm. Bring your family and friends and come see our amazing artwork!

The Scholastic Book Fair will be here all week, April 24-27, and will be open during normal preschool hours and during our Art Show.

Preschool Sunday will be April 30<sup>th</sup> at the 10am service.

We welcome all our families to join us for worship.

Happy Spring!

Miss Peggy





## **Highlights of the Congregation Council meeting March 12, 2023**

The council met on Sunday, March 12, 2023 and took action on or discussed the following items:

- ⇒ The Council approved Tony and Leigh Bebber for membership and Gabe Sansbury for Confirmation.
  
- ⇒ The Pastoral Call Committee, selected by the Church Council and installed on March 5, 2023 are as follows: Deena Bishop, Brandon Miller, Furman Miller, Katie Morgan, Pam Shear and Ashley Williams.
  
- ⇒ The annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 8, 2023 from 1pm to 3pm. Lots of fun planned for all.
  
- ⇒ Pastor and Ministry Team Reports were received and discussed.



**ON GOING PRAYERS FOR:**

- +Vie Wilmot
- +Jim Johnston
- +Nancy Hess
- +Nancy Crogen
- +Charlie Shealy
- +Margaret Greene
- +Carolyn Bishop
- +Henri Bishop
- +Jane Ramsey
- +Aubrey Metts
- +Pauline Wodtke
- +Sharon Shealy
- +Brady Amick
- +George Wessinger
- +Taylor Ann Fiber
- +Steve Cartin
- +Audrey Fulmer
- +Bob Irwin
- +Phyllis Barton



**ALSO PRAYING FOR:**

- +Family of Gertice Rister on her death
- +Family of Cindy Rego on her mother's death
- +Carol Lindler and family on Miller Lindler's death



**PRAYING FOR FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY:**

- + Melissa Smith, sister of Dean Smith
- + Ronnie Chapman, nephew of Rosemary Frick
- + Marie Fulmer, niece of Loretta Griffin & family
- + Amelia Kinard, sister of Billy Griffin
- + Sue Carver, friend of Joanne 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
- + Eddie Shealy, son 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
- + 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
- + Derald Edwards
- + Tom Naughton, father of Michael Naughton
- + Tyler Shepke, friend of Roger Lindler and Michael Naughton
- + Chris Shealy, son of Gene and Ann B. Shealy
- + All those serving in the military





## BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Lynn Springs  
Fred Suhr
- 2 Deena Bishop  
Shirley Fulmer
- 3 Heyward Kleckley  
Gabe Sansbury  
Jason Teal  
Teresa Wessinger
- 5 Hazel Smith
- 7 Sheri Martin
- 9 Shay Rube
- 10 Ken Crabtree  
Karla Fulmer  
Kyle Shealy
- 11 Hope Amick
- 12 Carolyn Bishop  
Vicky Shealy
- 13 Susan Addy
- 18 Charlie Schmidt
- 19 Dot Kleckley
- 21 Connie Griffin
- 24 Robert Smith
- 26 Sheryl Trexler
- 29 Wayne Addy

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 8- Joey & Deena Bishop - 28  
Craig & Bonnie Lindler - 34  
Leland & Carol Teal - 45
- 9- Rod & Rae Davis - 35
- 21- Danny & Trina Free - 33  
Louis Kolb & Evelyn Griggs - 5
- 23- Don & Sheri Martin - 18
- 26- Jonathan & Heather Adams - 9

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

## APRIL 2023 CALENDAR

<b>Sun Apr 2</b> <b>PALM SUN</b> (purple)	9:00 10:00 11:15	Fellowship/LEARN Livestream with Holy Communion Worship Team
<b>Mon Apr 3</b>	12:00	Chapin Chirpers
<b>Tue Apr 4</b>	10:00 6:30	Leisure Timers DF Choral
<b>Wed Apr 5</b>	10:00 11:00	Fiber Friends Dorcas
<b>Thu Apr 6</b>	11:00 7:00	Maundy Thurs Svc Maundy Thurs Svc
<b>Fri Apr 7</b>	11:00 7:00	Good Friday Svc Good Friday Svc

<b>Sun Apr 16</b> (white)	9:00 10:00 11:15	Fellowship/LEARN Livestream with Holy Communion Council
<b>Mon Apr 17</b>	12:00 6:30	Chapin Chirpers LMM
<b>Tue Apr 18</b>	6:00 6:30	LutheReaders DF Choral
<b>Wed Apr 19</b>	10:00	Fiber Friends
<b>Thu Apr 20</b>	6:30	Agape Circle
<b>Sat Apr 22</b>	5:00	Family Game Night

<b>Sun Apr 9</b> <b>EASTER</b> (white)	8:30 10:00	Breakfast *No Sunday School *Flowering of Cross Livestream with Holy Communion
<b>Mon Apr 10</b>	12:00	Chapin Chirpers
<b>Tue Apr 11</b>	6:30 6:30	DF Choral Jr. Women's
<b>Wed Apr 12</b>	10:00	Fiber Friends
<b>Thu Apr 13</b>	7:00	Finance

<b>Sun Apr 23</b> (white)	9:00 10:00	Fellowship/LEARN Livestream with Holy Communion
<b>Mon Apr 24</b>	12:00	Chapin Chirpers
<b>Tues Apr 25</b>	6:30	DF Choral
<b>Wed Apr 26</b>	10:00	Fiber Friends

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**UPCOMING LCY EVENTS**

**April's Youth Calendar at a glance:**

April 2: Generations/Bowling/Zaxby's--

Meet at Generations, Chapin at 3pm to visit and deliver Spring suncatchers to our friends there. From there we will go bowling, then eat at Zaxby's! All 6th-12th graders are invited and welcome!

April 8: Easter Egg Hunt--

Youth meet at Fellowship Hall at 11:30am to get ready for the Easter Egg Hunt!

April 23: Community Garden Planting--

Meet in the garden area, 4:00-6:00pm to plant veggie plants in our prepared garden boxes. Grilled hot dogs and fixin's after planting!

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