

HAPPENINGS @ THE MOUNT



Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church, Chapin, SC

November 2023

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR PAT

All Saints' Day November 1st is one of my favorite days of the year. We will celebrate All Saints' Day in worship on Sunday November 5th. Throughout my faith journey going back to my home congregation St. Timothy in Norfolk, Virginia I have been moved by worship on that Holy Day. Here at Mt. Horeb we will remember in our congregational prayers along with pictures and candles in the Narthex those beloved Saints of Mt. Horeb who have passed from the church militant to the church triumphant over the past year. A fellow pastor friend of mine wisely said this is a kind of Easter in Autumn, the day when we pause to remember and recall those who have passed, and those who have inspired us.

The saints are the people of God. Some saints have touched our lives, as exemplary people, whom we seek to model as to what our life with God can be like. What amazes me about great Christians is that they do not have some unusual DNA, some holiness gene we lack. The saints are not hyper-endowed or uber-good. Saints are people just like you and me. What the holy ones have done can also be true for us as we continue to open ourselves to what God might do in and through us.

Patrick W. Riddle, Interim Pastor

Bob Hawkins, Interim Parish

Musician

Camille Joseph, Admin

Lisa Smith, Treasurer

Peggy Miller, Preschool Director

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SUPPORT**

Newsletter Deadlines

*The Monthly Happenings @ the Mount
deadline is the **18th of
each month.***

On All Saints' Day, we dare to declare that the final word upon those we've loved and lost, upon those nobody remembers, and on ourselves when the time comes, is not pronounced by the physician or Hospice nurse. **The final word is God's - and God is never done with any of us.**

God's love for us is so intense, so unshakeable, so un-severable, that death itself, brutal and ultimate as it seems to be, cannot bring any closure to God's determination to be a friend to us. We belong to God, beyond death, beyond when other mortals can interact with us. God is God. God made us for eternity. God's unyielding plan for each one of us is a lasting destiny, a heavenly life that isn't me doing whatever tickles my fancy forever, but something even richer, deeper, more profound. I will praise God, with the rest of God's saints, forever.

Take some time on this All Saints' Day to be quiet, to meditate and reflect - and to remember. Remember holy ones you have known, or at least heard about, who inspire, who motivate, who remind us that an intimate life with God really can happen. And join me to then to remember those you've loved and lost - knowing that they are with God, they are in God's loving hands, they are not lost, but forever found with our Lord.

Grace be with you,

Pastor Pat



WE CARE Look in your November bulletins for We Care food needs for this month. As always, they need toiletries, paper products and cleaning supplies. They also accept pet food.



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE meets November 17th at 11:30am.



LEISURE TIMERS meet November 7th at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Travis Goodman will speak to us regarding Thrivent Action Teams. Bring a \$5 contribution for lunch.



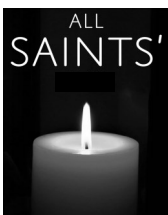
TO MY CHURCH FAMILY My heartfelt thanks for all the prayers, cards, flowers, phone calls and visits during my recent hospital stay. I so appreciate Pastor Pat's visit. Thank you all so much! *Betty Shealy*



TO TRAVIS GOODMAN for taking time out of his schedule to drive the Leisure Timers Group to Hendersonville, NC to get apples. We had a great time socializing with each other and enjoyed fellowship during our meal. *Leisure Timers*



FLOWER BEDS Agape Circle will meet Saturday, November 4th at 9:30am to spruce up the flower beds at the front entrances. All who are able, come join us.



SUNDAY is November 5th. On this Sunday we will remember all our members who have passed since last All Saints Sunday by lighting a candle along with displaying their picture in the narthex.



WE CARE ANGEL TREE Thank you for partnering with us to serve our community families through Christmas Angel Gift “Adoptions” and Gift Card Sponsorships. We have Angels ready for adoption on the Angel Tree with their sizes and a few wishes to use as a guide for your families as they purchase gifts. Please purchase at least one complete outfit for each child (shirt & pants) as well as two or three additional gifts. After you choose your angel, please put your name and phone number on the sponsor sheet next to the number of your angel. (This is purely for purposes of keeping track.) You may also donate \$25 Wal-Mart or Target gift cards.

Please return the gifts **unwrapped** in a plastic bag with the Angel tag securely attached, with the label side visible to Mt. Horeb Fellowship Hall. The family number and child letter are used to identify which family should receive these gifts.

If you would like to further bless these families, please consider including socks, underclothing and/or shoes to your gift bags. These items can truly make a difference in a child’s daily life.

If you wish to purchase gift cards instead of adopting an Angel, please purchase \$25.00 Walmart or \$25.00 Target Gift Cards and ask for the store to print a separate gift receipt for each card and include it with the cards. Please return the gift cards to the Church office. Please have all gifts and gift cards to Mt. Horeb by **Friday, December 1st.**





GIVING MOMENT—WHY DO YOU GIVE? Let us take time and revere all that we have. If we see life with its treasures and relationships as being blessings from God then we may grow to view them as gifts. It is not a

good thing to clutch, cling, and overly grip relationships or to hoard earthly treasures. Rather revere all that you have been given with gratitude and hold everything in open hands. During prayer open your heart and surrender all the treasures and relationships of your life unto God spending time expressing your gratitude for each gift and relationship.

Your generosity in offerings (through PayPal, Tithe.ly, or the offering plate) makes an enormous difference in our mutual ministry.

Thank you for your joyful and generous support. Be on the look out for a spending plan, time and talent sheets, and pledge cards for the coming year.



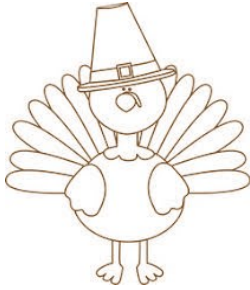
LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE is accompanying our companions in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia. We continue to support our brothers and sisters in time of crisis through the ELCA and Lutheran Disaster Response. Forms are on the Welcome Center.



LUTHERAN MEN meet November 13th at 6:30pm.



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.



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.

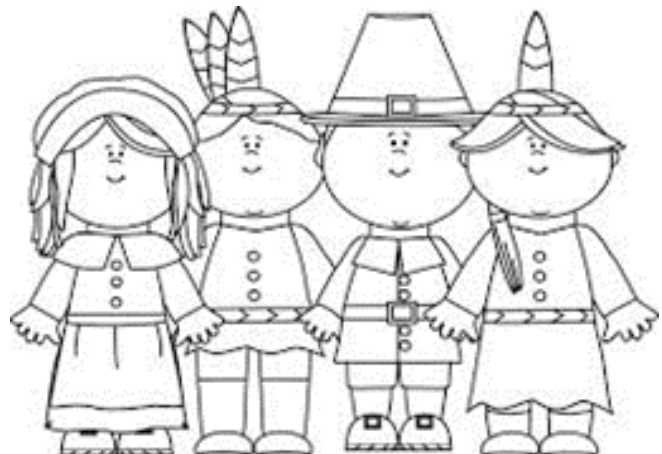
Our schedule for November is:

Nov. 16th - 4K Thanksgiving Feast

Nov. 22nd - 24th - Thanksgiving Holidays

Blessings,

Miss Peggy





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!



PROGRAM Mt. Horeb has committed to provide cans of pasta each week. This program continues through the school year, so we need your support. If you can help, please leave your donations at the Welcome Center.



DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 3RD! The cost is \$12.25 per plant. Order forms are available on the Welcome Center.



WHY TOWING SIGNS? The Church Council, out of an abundance of a concern for safety and liability with our church property, approved Schroeder's Towing to install five signs on our church property. Several incidents have occurred that led to this decision. Two signs have been placed in the parking area near Columbia Avenue, one in the paved parking lot on E. Boundary Street, and two in the parking area near the preschool playground. Street parking is available to the public on E. Boundary and Beaufort Streets.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, at 9:15, a 2024 Budget Forum Meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall with brunch items available. Please plan to attend.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, after worship service, our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held in the sanctuary. We will vote on the 2024 Ministry Plan and Council Nominees. Please plan to attend and support Mt. Horeb's 2024 Ministry Plan. A covered dish lunch will follow in the Fellowship Hall.



Congregation Council Highlights for October 2023

The council met on Sunday, October 8th and took action on or discussed the following items:

- ⇒ The Call Committee is continuing in the interview process.

- ⇒ The council heard the 2nd reading of the 2024 Finance Team's Ministry Plan and voted to accept the budget plan that will be presented at the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 19th after the service. A covered dish will follow.

- ⇒ A budget forum meeting will be held on Sunday, November 12th during the Sunday school hour in the Fellowship Hall.

- ⇒ Fellowship, Youth and Witness Teams will be hosting a trunk or treat on October 29th from 4:30pm - 6:00pm.

- ⇒ 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
- +Henri Bishop
- +Jane Ramsey
- +Aubrey Metts
- +Pauline Wodtke
- +Brady Amick
- +George Wessinger
- +Steve Cartin
- +Audrey Fulmer
- +Bob Irwin
- +Anne Mitchell
- +Bill Stockdell
- +Holly Knight
- +Randy Bundrick
- +Phyllis Barton
- +Lois Bundrick



ALSO PRAYING FOR:

- ⇒ Cathryn Lindler and family on the death of Herbert "Hub" Lindler

PRAYING FOR FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

- + 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
- + 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
- + Heidi Smith, wife of Lew Smith
- + Tom Naughton, father of Michael Naughton
- + Tyler Shepke, friend of Roger Lindler and Michael Naughton
- + Chris Shealy, son of Gene and Ann B. Shealy
- + Roy Talbert, father of Mattie Smith
- + Bill Plump, friend of Bill Stockdell
- + Alice Faye Bedenbaugh-Shealy, aunt of Robbie Koon DeFreese
- + 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
- 13 Jim Fiber
Karl Fulmer
Lew Smith
Stephanie Stoudemayer
- 14 Susan Crabtree
Georgie Fulmer
Phillip Griffin
- 16 Sherri Derrick

- 17 Marion Frick
- 21 Billy Morgan
Wanda Rister
- 23 Wayne Hollis
Rachel Morgan
- 28 Will Morgan
- 29 Jerry Bundrick
Kimberly Bolen
Gayle Wicker
Tony Bebber
- 30 Pam Shear
Sandra Ayoub

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Brett & Kelly Gowans - 30
Tony & Leigh Bebber - 41
- 11 Berley, III & Brittany Rister - 11
- 12 Wayne & Andrea Hollis - 52
Bill & Linda Moser - 57
- 14 Charlie & Ann Shealy – 59
- 16 Tommy & JoAnne Hill – 21
- 20 James & Wanda Rister – 47
Skip & Janelle Barrett – 25
- 29 Billy & Connie Griffin – 48

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

NOVEMBER 2023 CALENDAR

Wed Nov 1	10:00	Fiber Friends
	11:00	Dorcas Circle
Sat Nov 4	9:30	Agape (flower beds)
Sun Nov 5 (white) All Saints	9:00	Learn
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
	11:15	Worship Team
	3:30	Girl Scouts
Tue Nov 7	10:30	Leisure Timers
	6:00	Jr Women's-conf rm
	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Nov 8	10:00	Fiber Friends
Thu Nov 9	7:00	Finance

Sun Nov 19 (green)	9:00	Learn
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
	11:15	<u>Congregational Mtg</u>
	Noon	<u>Covered Dish</u>
	3:30	Girl Scouts
Tue Nov 21	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Nov 22	10:00	Fiber Friends
Thu Nov 23	- THANKSGIVING DAY Office Closed	
Fri Nov 24	- Office Closed	

Sun Nov 12 (green)	9:00	<u>Budget Forum</u>
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
	11:15	Council
Mon Nov 13	6:30	LMM
Tue Nov 14	6:00	Jr. Women's
	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Nov 15	10:00	Fiber Friends
Thu Nov 16	6:30	Agape Circle
Fri Nov 17	11:30	Friendship Circle

Sun Nov 26 (white) Christ the King	9:00	Learn
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
Mon Nov 27	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
Tue Nov 28	6:00	LutheReaders
	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Nov 29	10:00	Fiber Friends

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UPCOMING EVENTS

November's Youth Calendar at a glance:

--Sun., Nov, 12, 3:00-6:00pm. Fall Fun at Palmetto Trail! Short hike, campfire, cookout (hot dogs, s'mores, hot chocolate), camp songs. All 6th-12th graders invited and welcome! Meet at Alston Trailhead parking area in Peak.

--Sun., Nov, 26 - 5:00-7:00pm. Friends-giving Feast for youth and their families in the Fellowship Hall. Invite a friend! Food, games, giving thanks for all our blessings! We'll also be creating ornaments for Generations residents.

--All youth and families: If you are not on the email list for youth news, please send current contact info to Stephanie Stoudemayer: sjz85@sc.rr.com.

We hope to see you soon!!

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