

HAPPENINGS @ THE MOUNT



Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church, Chapin, SC

June 2024

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR RON

How did graduation season come upon us so quickly? It happens every year when our mailboxes fill with invitations to graduations and weddings. What would it look like if our invitations to come and see what the Lord is doing at MHLC were just as prevalent? Whereas June has its special once in a lifetime opportunities to invite someone to celebrate these accomplishments, I believe we can invite others to come and see what the Lord is doing at MHLC. In our first three months of ministry together we have experienced life from the beginning to the sending. We welcomed Luke Bundrick into our community of faith at the baptismal font as many of us began years earlier and we have sent his great grandmother, Jeanette, Lisa Epting and Evelyn Summer Shealy Bell to the promised arms of Jesus.

As Christians we make commitments with the parents at the baptismal font and help them provide a firm faith foundation for the journey ahead. When that journey takes us to heaven we give thanks for God's guidance along the way. If all we did was live life out in the world, and not here as Church together, it would be a very lonely journey.

We have experienced some unique opportunities to learn and grow with each other through fellowship and service to others. At our Cottage Chats we are having fun through casual conversations and good food.

Ron Philabaum, Sr. Pastor
Bob Hawkins, Interim Parish
Musician
Camille Joseph, Admin
Lisa Smith, Treasurer
Peggy Miller, Preschool Director

WORSHIP, LEARN, WITNESS
SERVE, SUPPORT

Newsletter Deadlines

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

Your witness through worship attendance and ministry team service has been a testimony to your strong faith. Our youth have engaged in service and fellowship opportunities that we expect will build a momentum that encourages other youth and families to plug into. I am seeing the prospect of building our youth to post pandemic levels.

In June we all have an opportunity to have a review of your confirmation classes. Yes, it may be a fast review over five weeks, but we will have a lot of fun remembering the expectations of when we went through our catechism classes. In some faith denominations they may “dedicate” a child instead of infant baptism like we do, and then later when the individual wants to take responsibility they ask to be baptized. In the Lutheran Church, catechism is the culmination of all the teaching the parents and congregation made on behalf of the child and they ask for their baptism to be confirmed. Come to the class and be reminded of some basics of our denomination. It just may help you express what this means to others.

How will you let your light shine before others by plugging into a life well lived in the gospel through the ministries of Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church?

Let’s start with an invitation to friends to “Come to the Mount and let the light of Christ shine through you.”

On Christ’s mission with you, Pastor Ron

WELCA CONVENTION is June 21 and 22 at St. Luke’s Lutheran Church in Summerville. One of the local projects this year is to provide gifts to “Neighbors Together” within the Lowcountry of SC. Their mission is to bring a better quality of life to our neighbors by sharing resources, developing relationships and building a sustainable future. Items needed are backpacks for school (all sizes), bars of soap, wash cloths, and wet wipes. If you are able, donate some of these items and drop in the designated box in the Narthex by June 16th. For more information contact Sandra McKie at 803-513-6659.



WE CARE June needs are Vienna sausages, grits, instant potatoes, pork and beans/baked beans, pancake mix/syrup, oatmeal, chili beans, snack bars/crackers, soup (large family size) and cleaning supplies. We also always need pet food and plastic bags.



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE meets Friday, June 21 at 11:30am at Mt. Horeb Fellowship Hall.



LEISURE TIMERS do not meet this month. Information on the July meeting will be coming soon.



LUTHERAN MEN will meet Monday, June 10 at 6:30pm.



AGAPE CIRCLE will meet Thursday, June 20 at 6:30pm.



DORCAS CIRCLE meets Wednesday, June 5 at 11am.



SAVE THE DATE Agape Circle is planning a “**Ladies of Mt. Horeb Retreat**”. This event will take place on Saturday, August 24 from 9:30 to 2:30. It will be a day to celebrate our faith, to enjoy fellowship, eat, and have some fun! More information will follow, so for now save the date!!



CALLING ALL TEENS, GRANDPARENTS, AND PARENTS of young children to help in the nursery! Sign up at the Welcome Center.



DEAR CHURCH FAMILY, Cards and well wishes have been much appreciated during recovery. Thanks to Pastor Ron for visits and communion. I have had an excellent nurse, and Kay, I did get some of your chocolate this time! God bless and love y'all. *JR* (John Rodgers)



THANK YOU SO MUCH for the prayers, cards, texts, calls, food and visits during my recovery from knee surgery. I'm getting better every day and feel so Blessed to be surrounded by my Mt. Horeb Family. You pay it forward every day and may God Bless you all! *Sherry Teal*



CHURCH SAFETY TEAM Mount Horeb Lutheran Church is looking for volunteers to establish a Church Safety Team. In today's environment, it is best to be prepared and this is your chance to help do that. We are specifically seeking people (members or non-members) who have a Law Enforcement, military, medical, fire fighter or emergency management background as well as any other volunteers willing to dedicate time for approximately one meeting per month plus time for training and exercises, as needed. We would anticipate that as the team matures, the need for meetings will become less frequent. However, this is intended to be a "living process" with updates as needed. We will be developing emergency operation plans and performing risk assessments related to possible dangers to the church membership and property. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Luther Lindler by email at LindLerLe@gmail.com or call at 301-305-7808. Thank you!



I often hear from folks, how this ministry has impacted their life and I want to thank you for your consistent support of this ministry. In this chaotic world, we have a unique opportunity to share the hope we find in Jesus through our witness to others and through this ministry.

There is a story about a man who was a long-time member of his church and enjoyed supporting the ministry efforts. He was proud of his church and the work that they do. One day he got the promotion at work that he had been working toward. He was now able to buy a better car and house, so he went on a long vacation to celebrate. When he returned from his trip he got a notice in the mail that his car was being repossessed and his house was being foreclosed on. He called the finance companies to complain. "Well sir we have not received your payment for your car and house so we must take back our property." He responded "But I wasn't there to use my car or house, so why should I pay for it?" If only he had set up a system to pay his bills if he was sick or on vacation.

The same can happen to us if we are sick or on vacation with our support of this ministry. We may simply forget to share our first fruit giving if we are not here.

MHLC has a system in place that uses automated giving so your support is not missed. Many people today receive their paycheck, social security check, and even pay some obligations using a bank automated resource. As we head into summer, now is a good time to set up your stewardship to this ministry through your bank or through convenient resources that many of your fellow members are already using to MHLC. Lisa can be a big help to make this an easy and flexible way to make sure your regular giving stays regular and is not missed.

Grateful for God's blessings and you, Pastor Ron

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Sunday, June 23 - Thursday, June 27. 5:30pm (light meal) - 8pm. Join us for a **STELLAR** experience, as we learn to **SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!!** Ages 3 - Grade 5, plus Adults. Middle and high schoolers invited to serve on the "Star Fleet Crew" helpers/staff. There is a Volunteer Sign-up Sheet as well as Registration Forms in the narthex. There are lots of ways for EVERYONE to be involved, as participants or leaders/staff/helpers!! Let's ALL Shine Jesus' Light!! Planning Team: Diane Senn, Heather Adams, Stephanie Stoudemayer



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL A BIG thank you to all who “show up” for Sunday School by teaching and by participating! For the Summer months we will have some changes!

- ⇒ The month of **JUNE**, all adults are invited to a class on Luther’s Small Catechism, which will be taught by Pastor Ron in the Fellowship Hall. This will be an excellent time to refresh and renew some of our core beliefs.
- ⇒ During **JUNE**, all children will meet in the Stockman Room (across from the kitchen), where movies and fun and learning will continue!
- ⇒ The month of **JULY**, all Sunday School Classes will continue to meet in the Fellowship Hall for our Multi-Generational Summer Class. This year’s theme will be “The Love Boat”.

Sunday School is for EVERYONE! YOU are invited to join in with any class at any time! This is your official invitation! During the summer months you can try a class for a shorter time period, it’s not too big of a commitment! Come!



WHAT’S A NEW WAY TO GET TO KNOW PASTOR RON AND ESTHER?

Cottage Chats are an opportunity to gather for **FOOD, FUN, and FELLOWSHIP....** A chance to meet together in small groups (at a member’s home or in the church fellowship hall), to welcome and connect with Pastor Ron and Esther, and to talk about our favorite ways to ‘plug-in’ to Mt. Horeb as we Shine Jesus’ Light! For this to happen we are looking for members to **HOST** Cottage Chats as well as members signing up to **ATTEND**. Sign up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall on the table.



Highlights of the Council meeting on May 5, 2024.

- ⇒ Pastor Ron will be on vacation May 19 - May 28. A Supply Pastor has been approved for Sunday, May 26, 2024.
- ⇒ Cottage Chats are continuing; please make sure you sign up and join in the fun, food and fellowship.
- ⇒ Synod Assembly will be attended by Rae Davis, Lillie Free, Brandon Miller, Peggy Miller and Stan Shealy. It is virtual and will be held Saturday, June 8, 2024.
- ⇒ A Congregational Safety Team is being formed. Its initial actions are to ensure the security of the preschool area prior to the start of the new school year. Luther Lindler has agreed to begin a steering committee for this effort.
- ⇒ VBS will be June 23-27, 2024. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there.
- ⇒ Attendance and giving have been strong for April.
- ⇒ In December, the Youth will lead the congregation's participation in Wreaths Across America. The Congregation will be hearing more about this in the coming weeks.
- ⇒ The Youth have participated in planting the Community Garden and are looking forward to providing our neighbors in need with fresh produce through We Care.
- ⇒ The Congregation received correspondence from the SC Synod congratulating and appreciating Mt. Horeb's ongoing support of God's Work throughout the SC Synod, the ELCA and Global Missions.
- ⇒ Pastor Report 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
- +Aubrey Metts
- +Pauline Wodtke
- +Brady Amick
- +George Wessinger
- +Steve Cartin
- +Audrey Fulmer
- +Bob Irwin
- +Anne Mitchell
- +Bill Stockdell
- +Holly Knight
- +Phyllis Barton
- +Lois Bundrick
- +Peggy Roche
- +Heyward & Dot Kleckley



- + 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
- + 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
- + Sonny Blocker, brother-in-law of Dan and Robbie DeFreese
- + Debbie Bickley Wise, niece of Margaret Robinson and cousin of Joe Lassiter, Cathy Rodgers and Camille Joseph
- + All those serving in the military

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
- + 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





BIRTHDAYS

1 Zachary Stoudemayer
2 Craig Lindler
Don Martin
3 Camille Joseph
Harper Gowans
Billy Griffin
Jim Johnston
5 Samantha McCall
6 Mary R. Epting
7 Carol Jean Lindler
8 Will Rodgers
11 Cherilyn Heintz
Rebecca Suhr
12 Phyllis Barton
Jonathan McDonald
Jennings Shealy
13 Berley Rister, III
15 Brandon Miller
17 Colleen Holt
18 Geo. R. Wessinger, Jr.
20 Y. M. Miller, Jr.
Harper Rister
21 Carl Lukitsch
Sherry Teal
23 Berley Rister, Jr.
Nikki Sansbury
24 Campbell Ellis
Tyler Hatchell
Bob Irwin

25 John DiMascio
Woody Trexler
26 Athalee Rauch
27 Gene Teal, Jr.
Calvin Holt
28 Ann S. Shealy
29 Pastor Henri Bishop
Pauline Rister
30 Tillman Prince

ANNIVERSARIES

2 Fred & Joan Suhr - 40
5 Benny & Bonnie Counts—56
11 Randy & Shannon Bundrick—13
Karl & Georgie Fulmer—58
15 Carl Lukitsch/Sandy Zdrojewski— 39
16 Wil & Rachel Hutchens—17
18 David & Ashley Williams—19
19 Luther & Chuanling He Lindler—24
21 John & Cathy Rodgers—44
22 Jerry & Sandi Mesimer—44
24 Glen & Kelly Wessinger—29
25 David & Holly Knight—41
Y.M. & Carolyn Miller—54
26 Bart & Alice Teal—58
30 Bernie & Faye Hawkins---67
Al & Susan Koon---51
Gene & Ann Shealy---63

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

JUNE 2024 CALENDAR

Sun Jun 2 (green)	9:00 10:00 11:15 3:30	Learn Livestream with Holy Communion Worship Team Girl Scouts
Tue Jun 4	6:00	Jr Women's
Wed Jun 5	10:00 11:00	Fiber Friends Dorcas Circle
Thu Jun 6	7:00	Finance

Sun Jun 9 (green)	9:00 10:00 11:15	Learn Livestream with Holy Communion Council
Mon Jun 10	12:30 6:30	Chapin Chirpers LMM
Tue Jun 11	6:00	Jr Women's
Wed Jun 12	10:00	Fiber Friends

Sun Jun 16 (green)	9:00 10:00 3:30	Learn Livestream with Holy Communion Girl Scouts
Mon Jun 17	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
Tue Jun 18	5:30	LutheReaders
Wed Jun 19	10:00	Fiber Friends
Thu Jun 20	6:30	Agape Circle
Fri Jun 21	11:30	Friendship Circle

Sun Jun 23 (green)	9:00 10:00	Learn Livestream with Holy Communion
Mon Jun 24	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
Wed Jun 26	10:00	Fiber Friends





WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA – Coming Soon!

Be on the lookout for a message from our youth group regarding our Wreaths Across America project in June. The youth will provide details on how to sponsor wreaths (\$17 each or buy 2 get 1 free for \$34), including grave specific requests. Wreaths will be placed on the graves of veterans in Mt. Horeb's cemetery on Saturday, December 14th at 1:30 pm following a Chapin community service of remembrance at noon. For initial information on wreath sponsorship, please visit the youth's sponsorship website or use the QR code below.

<https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/180180/Overview/?relatedId=180124>.



SUMMER SHUT-IN BAGS Let's help our shut-ins sparkle bright this July 4th! Patriotic themed bags for our homebound members will be available for filling starting Sun-

day, June 2nd in the Fellowship Hall, with delivery after the July 7th church service. Thank you to everyone who supports this ministry as we remember our shut-ins and celebrate that we are one people under God who sheds his grace on us daily!



STEVE CARTIN is back at home. His address is 734 Peak Street, Chapin, SC 29036.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



June's Youth Calendar at a glance:

--The youth group will be meeting for the final time before summer break on Sunday, June 2nd to see the movie Garfield. Plan to meet at the Harbison AMC theater 4:45 pm for the 5:05 pm showing. All youth 6th grade and older and their families are welcome to attend!

--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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