

HAPPENINGS @ THE MOUNT



Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church, Chapin, SC

July 2024

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR RON

It's July and it is HOT! It is a time when we try to do less and stay out of the heat. I was reminded of the lyrics to the George Gershwin song.

Summertime, and the livin' is easy
Fish are jumpin' and the cotton is high
Oh, your daddy's rich and your ma is good-lookin'
So hush little baby, don't you cry

I can imagine what life was like in the heat of July in our little town, when it was a simpler time. Most streets were not paved, and it was too hot to wear shoes. The cool grass felt good between your toes and a dip in the lake meant a fun relief from the oppressive heat, all of which was a reward after your chores were done!

The Church bell would ring Sunday morning to signal that no matter what, you came to be with your people, rich or poor, good looking or not, all were one in the spirit in Gods house at 101 E. Boundary Street Chapin South Carolina. As we have experienced in our Cottage Chats, your experiences here, or the towns like Chapin that you grew up in, were spun gold in your memories.

They have given you confidence in who you are and where you come from and have helped to shape who you are as a disciple for Christ. Martin Luther once said "When you rise in the morning wash your face

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18th of each month.*

and remember your baptism.” That is a good practice, when you feel that cool water wash across your face, think of all those who gathered around you and made commitments to pray for you teach you and help form your sense of who you are in Christ. You might even think of the rest of Gershwin’s lyric,

One of these mornings, you're goin' to rise up singin'
And you'll spread your wings and you'll take the sky
But 'til that mornin', there's a-nothin' can harm you
With daddy and mommy standin' by

The summer affords us much time to watch our gardens grow, neighborhood children play, and we may even get opportunities for vacation. Yet let us not forget the privilege we have to hear the Church bell ring inviting us to worship in freedom. To stand together proudly stating what we believe and in WHO we pledge our devotion too, and not ever feel oppressed. Our ancestors fought for this privilege; lets honor them by making the effort to come and sing and worship the one true God who has liberated us from death and given us eternal life, Jesus!

Grateful for God’s blessings and you,

Pastor Ron



THANK YOU for your donation of 644 pounds of food for the months of Jan-May, 2024. Your continued support allows us to follow the lead set forth in Proverbs 22:9, “A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor. God Bless You, *Alicia Klauk*, Executive Director



WE CARE July needs are tuna, canned white potatoes, mashed potatoes, yams/ sweet potatoes, spaghetti sauce (cans/plastic jars), syrup, paper towels, laundry detergent, dish soap, and shampoo and conditioner. We also always need pet food and plastic bags.



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE meets Friday, July 19 at 11:30am at Mt. Horeb.



LEISURE TIMERS meet July 2 at 10am to go to Chesnee for peaches and lunch. It is most important that you sign up at the Welcome Center as we will be traveling by car.



LUTHERAN MEN will meet Monday, July 8 at 6:30pm.



AGAPE CIRCLE will meet Thursday, July 18 at 6:30pm.



WOMEN'S RETREAT 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, Thank you to the congregation for the graduation gift. I appreciate everyone's support and encouragement over the years and the blanket will be a wonderful reminder of my Mt. Horeb family as I start a new chapter of my life at Clemson. *Alex Soderlund*



I WANT TO EXPRESS my sincere and heartfelt "Thank You" for all of the cards, words of comfort, and hugs that I have received since the passing of my mother, Mary Clark McManaway. Also, "Thank You" to my Agape sisters for the memorial made in my mother's name. I am so very grateful to be a part of the wonderful "Christian Family" here at Mount Horeb! Love to all, *Carol 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!



GIVING REFLECTIONS Stewardship 2024 July

When our youngest son ran the long-distance sport *Cross Country* in High School we loved watching the endurance of each runner. Our town was known for its challenging course and one very steep hill would slow the toughest opponent who had not trained for it, like our team had. When our town hosted competitions, we would watch how one by one the teams who started out strong and fast would hit “the hill” in the middle of the course. It felt to the runner like they were “running in water” and did not have the steam to keep up their initial pace. Our kids prepared on the hill, in the rain, the wind and the heat of the day, to press on for whatever race conditions they would experience next.

We have entered into the midpoint in our year, where the heat of the summer provides opportunities to relax, go on vacation, or just sit at home with some cool sweet tea and the steady hum of a ceiling fan overhead. Although the heat of summer may be like that *Hill* our son ran up, it is not a time to get out of breath, we press on with resolve and determination. July offers us time to reflect on what we have accomplished for Jesus’ sake through the ministry we have committed to serve through. Our youth are active and we look forward to their friends joining them in our outings. The young adults are planning events with me, to just hang out, develop relationships, and have fun. The VBS just wrapped up and drew in not only kids, but their parents, and who said that VBS was only for them? Our Adult class with pastor filled the room. There is more to come in August and the rest of the year. This is where you can help. It takes your consistent support to help our active ministry. I want to thank all of you who either drop off your financial support to the Church office or mail it when you have missed Sunday(s) due to vacations, illness, or the heat. Our treasurer, Lisa Smith, has been actively helping many of you set up automated giving through Tithely or other resources, so your support keeps up with your intentions. Through automated giving, Esther and I have found it to be a convenient and consistent way to support the ongoing ministry here. Thank you for your efforts to share the light of Christ with your enthusiastic support by keeping up the pace, in wind, in rain, in heat or even up hill, together we will run strong all summer long.

As you see friends at summer picnic’s, family reunions and 4th of July parties, extend an invitation to see why you support this ministry. “Come to the Mountain, and hear the word of God, at Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church. On Christ’s mission with you, *Pastor Ron*

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL



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!



SUMMER SHUT-IN BAGS Thank you to everyone for the incredible response to the summer shut-in bags! The bags are full already! They will be available for delivery after the service on Sunday, July 7th. Anyone can deliver a bag, so all help is greatly appreciated!



DEAR MT. HOREB CHURCH FAMILY Thank you so much for the outpouring of love through cards, food, calls, visits and other acts of kindness while I recover from rotator cuff surgery. I especially appreciate the prayers being lifted up on my behalf. I have truly felt God's presence through you! While I am grateful for the ability to worship via online streaming, this experience has shown me the importance of human connection with the Body of Christ in this place and the relationships that are built here. I am looking forward to being with you again soon.

Together in Christ,

Stephanie Stoudemayer



Highlights of the Council meeting on May 9, 2024.

- ⇒ Cottage Chats are continuing. Please sign up to either host or attend and join in the fun, food and fellowship.
- ⇒ VBS will be June 23-27, 2024. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there.
- ⇒ The Witness Team is planning for the “Chapin New Frontiers” Labor Day Weekend so look for more to come about a float for the parade and bake sale after the parade.
- ⇒ Rev. Hitoshi Adachi, Japan Missionary, will be visiting August 3 - 4, 2024.
- ⇒ David Williams presented a plan for updating the Church's website on behalf of the Witness and Technology Teams.
- ⇒ 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
- +Tess Wessinger
- +Steve Cartin
- +Audrey Fulmer
- +Bob Irwin
- +Anne Mitchell
- +Bill Stockdell
- +Holly Knight
- +Phyllis Barton
- +Lois Bundrick
- +Peggy Roche
- +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
- + Debbie Bickley Wise, niece of Margaret Robinson and cousin of Joe Lassiter, Cathy Rodgers and Camille Joseph
- + Mary Ann, friend of Vie Wilmot
- + Karen Bonno, daughter of Lynette Shealy
- + Michael Jones, future brother-in-law of 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- Barry McCall
- 2- Mike Naughton
- 4- Brett Gowans
- 6- Rae Davis
Kenly Derrick
- 8- Cole Comalander
- 9- Michael Settles
- 12- Logan Rister
- 13- Linda Olsten
- 14- Justin Rodgers
Patsy Shealy
- 15- Gene Shealy
- 17- Jude Alford
Rosemary Frick
- 19- Katelyn Hill
Alex Soderlund
- 20- Michael E. Epting
- 22- Kim Goodman
- 23- Al Koon, Jr.
- 24- Cameron Prince
- 25- Lorraine Irwin
Taylor Morris
- 30- Greg Shealy
- 31- Joey Bishop
Bryce Shealy



ANNIVERSARIES

- 2- Jesse Ray & Jeannie Frick—63
- 4- Patrick & Peaches Shealy—26
- 8- Todd & Holly Comalander—29
- 18- Ray & Pam Shear—43
Tyler & Haley Shealy - 9
- 26- Billy & Katie Morgan—38

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



JULY 2024 CALENDAR

Tue July 2	10:00	Leisure Timers
	6:00	Jr. Women's - Conf. Rm
Wed July 3	10:00	Fiber Friends
Sun July 7 (green)	9:00	Learn
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
Mon July 8	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
	6:30	LMM
Tue July 9	6:00	Jr Women's
Wed July 10	10:00	Fiber Friends
Thu July 11	7:00	Finance

Sun July 14 (green)	9:00	Learn
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
	11:15	Council
	3:30	Girl Scouts
Mon July 15	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
Tue July 16	5:30	LutheReaders
Wed July 17	10:00	Fiber Friends
Thu July 18	6:30	Agape Circle
Fri July 19	11:30	Friendship Circle

Sun July 21 (green)	9:00	Learn
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
Mon July 22	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
Wed July 23	10:00	Fiber Friends

Sun July 28 (green)	9:00	Learn
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
	11:15	Worship Team
	3:30	Girl Scouts
Mon July 29	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
Wed July 30	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 are available for filling in the Fellowship

Hall. Delivery will be 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!



TO THE MEMBERS OF MOUNT HOREB, Thank you for recognizing my graduation and for the nice blanket. It will be put to good use. Thank y'all, *Evan Sansbury*

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UPCOMING EVENTS



July's Youth Calendar at a glance:

--The youth are on summer break!

--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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