

HAPPENINGS @ THE MOUNT



Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church, Chapin, SC

September 2024

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR RON

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Ah, September, the month that signals the ends to summer and the beginning of something new. We have a lot of excitement buzzing around Mt. Horeb, and I am looking forward to rolling up our sleeves together for the community to be even more aware of who we are and who we serve.

As people pass by our congregation, they may see the name Mt. Horeb, but may be more familiar with the name, Mt. Sinai. Both names reference the same location The Mount of God where Moses received the Ten Commandments and Elijah received a new mission and the reassurance from God, that all would be well. You may have already heard me referring to Mt. Horeb as *The Mount*.

Now that school is back in full swing our ministry teams are excited about what's next at *The Mount*, I wanted to make sure you were aware how we will approach Christian Education this year. The Learn team spent a great deal of time considering curriculum and impressions of Sunday School. We have chosen a different direction to help your efforts at home and here at *The Mount* with a new approach to Sunday School, called *Camp Can-Do*, for all grades and ages. Each of us come here to worship, learn and grow, and our team believes a reference to what we *can do*, gets us in the right frame of mind on Sunday mornings, especially when we are motivating the family to come to

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.

Church. Where we found our inspiration for your family's Christian education Sunday mornings was from Philippians 4:13..."I Can Do all Things through Christ who Strengthens me!"

In an effort to strengthen our faith walk and support the promises that each made at baptism I would like to see all of us in *Camp Can-Do* on Sunday mornings, and then stay for worship. I can remember after going to church with my parents and grandparents, my dad and grandpa would discuss the Pastor's sermon, and sometimes, it was a lot more than a discussion! But it led to deeper relationship, and it influenced me too. Imagine how your relationships will deepen when you call a friend or a family member and discuss something you learned that morning.

You are the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus in the world. You are God's delivery system for love and life within our broken world. It's through you that others experience the true Christ. Everything we do at *The Mount* is aimed at equipping you to live fully as a child of God. I believe that's the church that Jesus envisioned, not a place that dispenses religious goods and services, but a gathering of people who are deployed into the community and the world drawing others into the Jesus-way-of-life.

I am excited about the momentum and direction of Mt. Horeb. I am excited for all that lies ahead as we strive to listen to the call of the Spirit to be a truly special community of people who are intentionally committed to sharing the good news of the risen Christ so that all may experience real life in Jesus's name.

Thank you for being a part of this movement of life and love for all. I look forward to seeing your son or daughter and you, this Sunday August 25th as we embark on what we Can-Do, together in Christ who Strengthens us!

On Christ's mission together with you, Pastor Ron



WE CARE September needs will be printed in the September Bulletins. Their constant needs are peanut butter/jelly, chili, soup, dried beans, grits, rice, mac & cheese, canned tuna/salmon, pork & beans, spam, canned chicken, pasta, spaghetti sauce, turnip/collard greens, laundry detergent, personal hygiene items, ie toothbrushes, toothpaste. We also always need pet food and plastic bags.



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE meets Friday, September 20th at 11:30am.



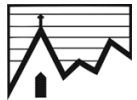
LEISURE TIMERS meet Tuesday, September 3rd at 10:30am. Sign up at the Welcome Center. Food provided.



LUTHERAN MEN meet Monday, September 9th at 6:30pm.



AGAPE CIRCLE meets Thursday, September 19th at 6:30pm.



FINANCE TEAM meets Thursday, September 5th at 7:00pm.

*Save
The
Date*

**Dementia
Care
Workshop**

presented by



Join us for a morning of conversation and learning around a topic that affects all our congregations; dementia. Bishop Ken Carder and SC Department on Aging representative, Tori Anderson, will share with us essential information about how to be in ministry with those living with dementia.

When: September 25
9:30am-12:00pm

Where: Mt. Hebron UMC
3060 Leaphart Rd.
West Columbia, SC 29169

Scan the QR Code to Register



DEAR MT HOREB FRIENDS, Thank you so much for the patriotic bag I received last month. Thanks to Wayne and Gloria Addy for bringing it to me. I miss you all and I hope to see everyone on Golden Age Sunday. *Gayle Wicker*



CAMP CAN-DO Sunday School is rebranding itself! The Learn Team continues to place great value on Christian Education and is continuing to explore ways to teach about Jesus, thus ... Camp Can-Do, I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

All children will meet together, upstairs in the new wing. A new focus will be on monthly themes called “milestone ministries”. Teachers will challenge kids to learn an array of faith related material, such as memory verses, prayers, church symbols, songs, time for service projects, books of the Bible, characters of the Bible and so on. We hope, periodically, the children will present what they have learned during worship time, to be recognized for their achievements.

The Learn Team is also exploring “Home Packages” for our children’s families. This would include books that would be sent home, with monthly learning suggestions, for families to participate in together at home.

Faith formation is so very important for our children. Please continue to pray for our children that they may grow strong in their beliefs. We want Mt. Horeb to be that church that provides them with such a firm foundation. Please stand with our children and support and encourage them so they learn to carry Jesus with them every day.

WOW, 50 years!

This school year marks the 50th Anniversary of Mt. Horeb Preschool! What a blessing the members of Mt. Horeb are to the preschool. I hope that with your prayers, love and support the preschool will continue to be an outreach ministry of Mt. Horeb for another 50+ years.

Fall is beginning to make an appearance up and down the preschool halls. Fall leaves, apples and pumpkins are making their way into the classrooms.

The teachers are busy preparing their rooms for the children and I can't wait to welcome the children, their families and staff back for a new school year.

Our Preschool start schedule is as follows:

Teachers return – August 26

August 27 – Open House @ 6:30pm

Aug. 28/29 – Get Acquainted Visits

Sept. 2 – Labor Day (No School)

Sept. 3 – 1st Regular Day of Preschool

Blessings,

Peggy



GOOD SAMARITAN CLINIC The Good Samaritan Clinic-Chapin has been successful in reaching those in our community who are in need of primary health care but cannot afford care. We are located at 1808 Chapin Road next to We Care and are open every Thursday from 3-6 pm. The clinic is staffed entirely by volunteers and we are in urgent need of medical providers (MDs, Dos, PAs, NPs) to allow the clinic to provide services on a weekly basis. The clinic is open on Thursday afternoons 3-6 pm, providers often arrive at 4 pm and serve 2-3 hours. Scheduling is flexible (some volunteer every other week, others once a month)....whatever fits your schedule.

We also are in need of volunteers in all the clinical support positions: nurses, administration/clerical (some computer skills needed), interpreters of Spanish, scribes (medical background and computer skills needed).

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Chapin Clinic Director, Susan Boland at 803-307-7879 or email her at susan@goodsamaritansc.org for more information.



IS SUNDAY OCTOBER 20TH when we will celebrate the lives of our members who are 75 years and older. If you have turned 75, please sign up on the Welcome Center and let us know how many in your family plan on being here that day. We need a head count for the food we will have catered.



BILLY GRIFFIN has once again come to my rescue on a project and refused payment. So, I am once again sending a small thank you to his church. He is a blessing to all who know him and, he loves his church. This I know. I hope all is well. *John W. Hall, Berkeley Rd. Columbia SC*



Highlights of the Council meeting on August 11, 2024.

- ⇒ At the July 28, 2024, Called Congregational Meeting upon the recommendation of the Property Team we unanimously voted to accept the Amicable Settlement Agreement from the SC Department of Transportation offer of \$125,000 for Track 90 and \$4,400 for Tract 49 for a total of \$129,400.
- ⇒ Council approved to grant signatory authority to the Senior Pastor and Congregational Council Vice-Chair of Mount Horeb Lutheran Church (MHLC) for business transactions of MHLC for the term of their respective appointments .
- ⇒ Our youth continue to collect for Wreaths Across America that will be on December 14, 2024.
- ⇒ The Learn Team kicked off a new year of Sunday School with Camp Can-Do on Sunday, August 18th.
- ⇒ We will have a new MHLC Website up and running September 22, 2024 and it will be mobile friendly.
- ⇒ All Ministry Teams are starting to review budget requests for the upcoming budget planning process.
- ⇒ Witness Team is preparing for Labor Day Float and Bake Sale. Thanks to all who have signed up to help.
- ⇒ Golden Agers Sunday is planned for Sunday, October 20, 2024.
- ⇒ 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
+Aubrey Metts
+Pauline Wodtke
+Brady Amick
+George Wessinger
+Tess Wessinger
+Steve Cartin
+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
+ Cindy Roof, friend of Robbie DeFreese
+ 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	Audrey Lassiter
4	Gloria Addy
9	Landon Free
10	Michael E. Epting
11	Judy Miller
	Mason Settles
	Shannon Bundrick
	Gabriel Morgan
12	Nathan Miller
13	Heather T. Jordan
18	Joan Heintz
20	Aubrey Metts
21	Joey Lindler
26	J. C. Marks
27	Gretchen O'Dell
	Arnie Wodtke
28	Elsie Kibler
29	Robin O'Dell



ANNIVERSARIES

2	Lewis & Heidi Smith—52
4	Gene & Linda Olsten—49
8	Rickie & Sandra McKie—34
12	Todd & Kristi Soderlund—26
16	Don & Helen Comalander—63
23	Joe & Nancy Buntyn—15
27	Joe & Audrey Lassiter—27

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



SEPTEMBER 2024 CALENDAR

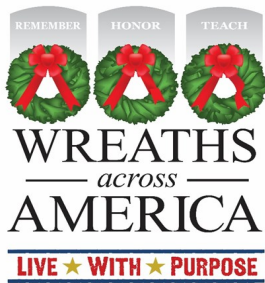
Sun Sep 1 (green)	9:00 10:00	Learn Livestream with Holy Communion
Mon Sep 2	Labor Day Festivities—Ice Cream in Fellowship Hall	
Tue Sep 3	10:30 6:00 6:30	Leisure Timers Jr Women's (Conference Room) DF Choral
Wed Sep 4	10:00 11:00	Fiber Friends Dorcas Circle
Thu Sep 5	7:00	Finance

Sun Sep 15 (green)	9:00 10:00	Learn Livestream with Holy Communion
Mon Sep 16	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
Tue Sep 17	5:30 6:30	LutheReaders DF Choral
Wed Sep 18	10:00	Fiber Friends
Thu Sep 19	6:30	Agape Circle
Fri Sep 20	11:30	Friendship Circle

Sun Sep 8 (green)	9:00 10:00 11:15 3:30	Learn Livestream with Holy Communion Council Girl Scouts
Mon Sep 9	12:30 6:30	Chapin Chirpers LMM
Tue Sep 10	6:00 6:30	Jr Women's DF Choral
Wed Sep 11	10:00	Fiber Friends
Sat Sep 14	9:00 to 1pm	DF Choral - FH

Sun Sep 22 (green)	9:00 10:00 11:15 3:30	Learn Livestream with Holy Communion Worship Team Girl Scouts
Mon Sep 23	12:30	Chapin Chirpers
Tue Sep 24	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Sep 25	10:00	Fiber Friends

Sun Sep 29 (green)	9:00 10:00	Learn Outdoor Service- Holy Communion
Mon Sep 30	12:30	Chapin Chirpers



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

You can 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. Forms are on the Welcome Center.



A MESSAGE FROM THE YOUTH: To our Mr. Horeb family, You are the best! Thanks to your enthusiastic support of our Wreaths Across America project, 96 of the 115 wreaths requested have been sponsored. We are so very close to meeting our goal because of your generosity. We are grateful for you joining in this effort with us, and we invite everyone to join us on Saturday, December 14th at 1:30pm in the cemetery for the laying of the wreaths.



STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE Our home water bill arrived in the mail, and it was double from the month before! Can you imagine? I was shocked so I called the Water Department absolutely certain there was a mistake or a leak or the wild animals in the woods were turning on our outdoor faucets and having a party in the middle of the night. The nice lady at the Water Department assured me, there was no mistake, our meter had been read in person and our bill was correct. Then Esther and I put two and two together, while we were away on vacation, I had left the sprinkler system on! So, we reluctantly paid it. Even when we least expect it, our commitments keep coming in and we honor them. I am grateful that unlike all the other bills we get in the mail, God never sends one to me. Who could ever repay God for the gifts he first gave us to develop?

My gratitude extends to each of you for supporting the work of the gospel through Mt. Horeb. It is through your generosity that we can be innovative by reaching more people for Jesus' sake. As summer traveling wraps up and you get back into your schedules for the rest of the year, consider the impact your gifts are making and what more we can do together.

On Christ's mission with you,

Pastor Ron

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**UPCOMING EVENTS****September's Youth Calendar at a glance:**

--We will hold our first youth meeting back from the summer break on Sunday, September 15th from 5pm-7pm in the Fellowship Hall with pizza, games, and planning for the upcoming year.

--September 29th at 5 pm, we are looking forward to enjoying the outdoors with a prayer walk around the church and downtown Chapin before heading to Sonic for supper together.

--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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