20th Sunday after Pentecost
October 11, 2026



Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church
101 East Boundary Street
Chapin, SC 29036

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church! We greet one another as sisters and brothers in Christ welcoming all who are visiting. It is good that you are here to worship and encourage you to sign our guest book in the entry hall. Please fill out a visitor's card in the pew holders and place it in the offering plate. HOLY COMMUNION is open to all who confess their faith in Jesus and acknowledge Him to be Lord. Those unable to partake of wine are assured that the Church affirms our Lord's presence in, with,
and under the bread alone.

Prelude

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the People of God
to be forgiven, enlightened, fed, and sent into world to serve.

We Confess and Receive Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God,
we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.

Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others.
Turn our hearts back to you.
Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through ✠ Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
Amen.

We Gather to Sing: Hymn #532 Gather Us In *(Verses 1,2, & 3)*

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C And also with you.

Song of Praise: This is the Feast

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu - ia.



Prayer of the Day

P Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

We sit.

The Word

We hear **the word** of God's promise in Scripture and in preaching. This includes the readings, the sermon, hymns and the Apostles' creed, prayers of intercession and the passing of the peace of Christ.

"We will recount to generations to come the power of the Lord (Ps. 78:4)."

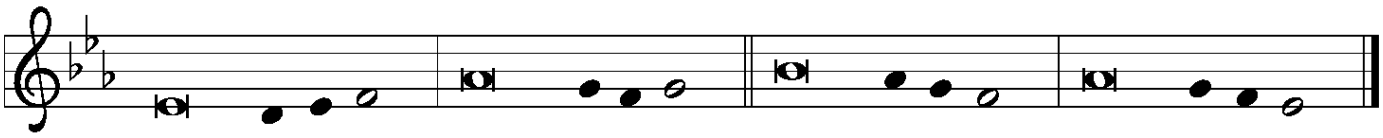
First Reading: Isaiah 25:1-9

1 O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you; I will praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
2 For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of foreigners is a city no more;
it will never be rebuilt.
3 Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.
4 For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.
When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
5 the noise of foreigners like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

6 On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
7 And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the covering that is spread over all nations;
8 he will swallow up death forever.
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.
9 It will be said on that day,
"See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

L The Word of the Lord!
C Thanks be to God!

Psalm: Psalm 23
Congregation sings the bold print.



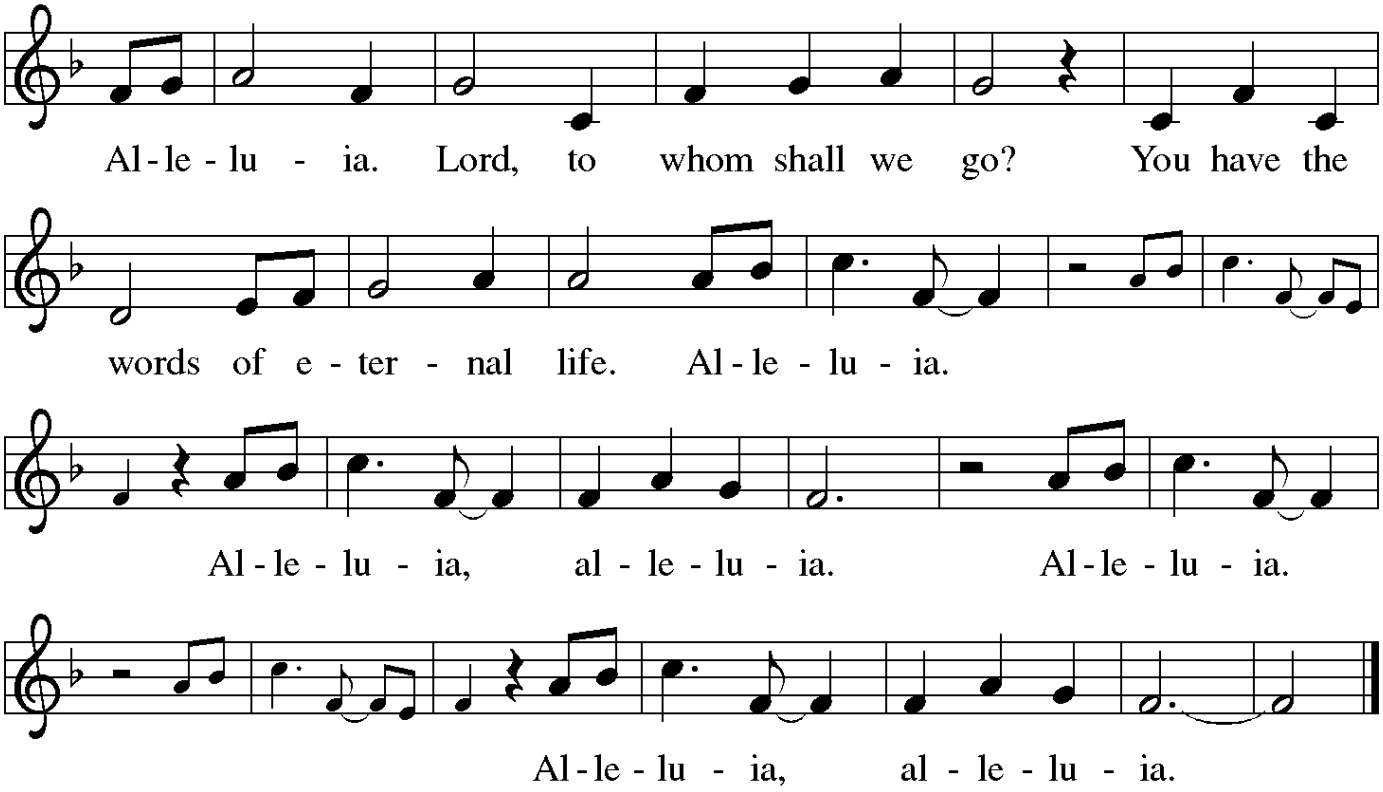
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1 The Lord | is my shepherd;
I shall not | be in want.
2 The Lord makes me lie down | in green pastures
and leads me be- | side still waters.
3 You restore my | soul, O Lord,
and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.
4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall | fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.
5 You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.
6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the | Lord forever.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

1 My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the
Lord in this way, my beloved.
2 I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. 3 Yes, and I ask
you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the
work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are
in the book of life.
4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to
everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer
and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the
peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in
Christ Jesus.
8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just,
whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence
and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 As for the things that
you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of
peace will be with you.

L The Word of the Lord!
C Thanks be to God!
We stand.
Gospel Acclamation



P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd chapter.
C Glory to you, O Lord!

Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14
1 Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 2 "The kingdom of heaven may be
compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. 3 He sent his slaves to call
those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. 4 Again he
sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my
dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to
the wedding banquet.' 5 But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another
to his business, 6 while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. 7 The
king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.
8 Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. 9 Go
therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.'
10 Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and

bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.
[11] "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, [12] and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. [13] Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' [14] For many are called, but few are chosen."

P The Gospel of the Lord!
C Praise to you, O Christ!

We sit.

Youth Message

Sermon: "Who will you invite to HIS banquet?" **Rev. Ronald D. Philabaum**

We stand.

We Sing Together: Hymn #531 The Trumpet Sounds, The Angels Sing

Together We Affirm What We Believe as written in the Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the ☩ resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

We Pray Together In Hope
P Hear us, O God,
C Your mercy is great.

We Share Christ's Peace with each other
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.

The Meal

In the Word read and proclaimed, God speaks to us the word of Promise. In the Lord's Supper it is a "visible word" of the invisible promise of which Martin Luther speaks – God feeds us with the promise and presence of Christ Jesus. We begin with our own offerings from what God first gave us to use: money, bread and wine, and praise and thanksgiving.

We Offer Our Gratitude

Offertory Anthem: *Camp Meeting*

Offertory Song: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord*



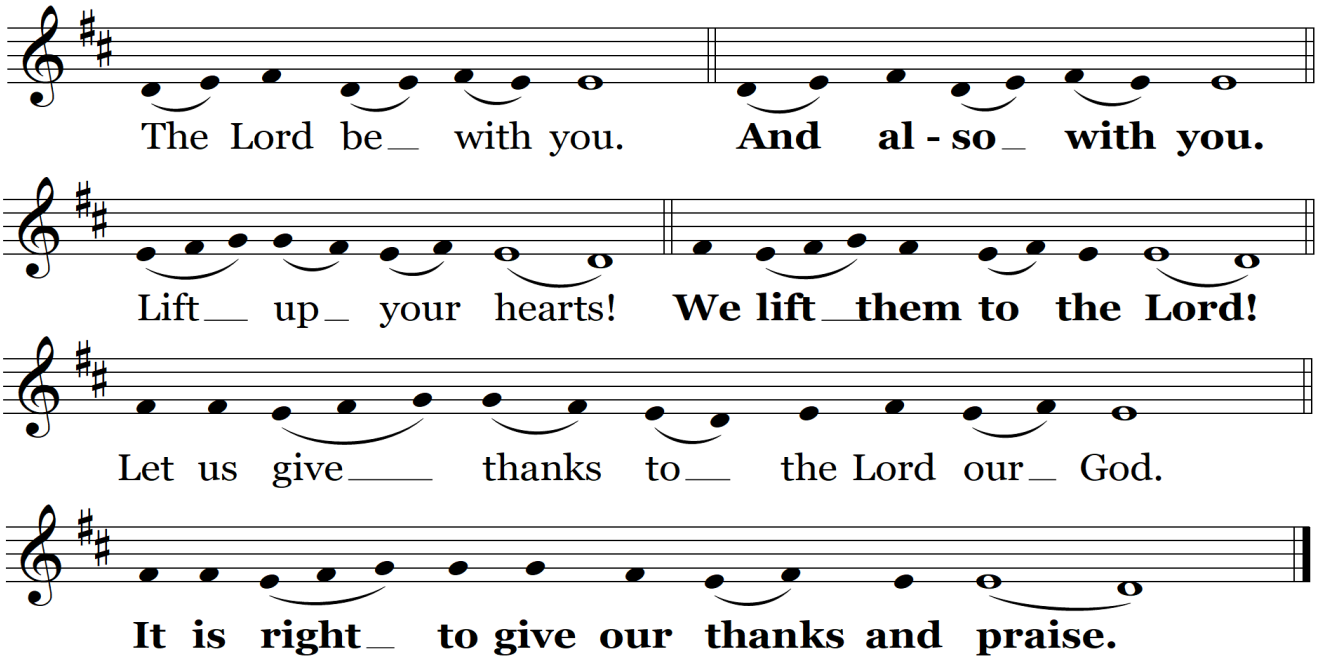
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Offering Prayer

God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities,
and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.
Amen.

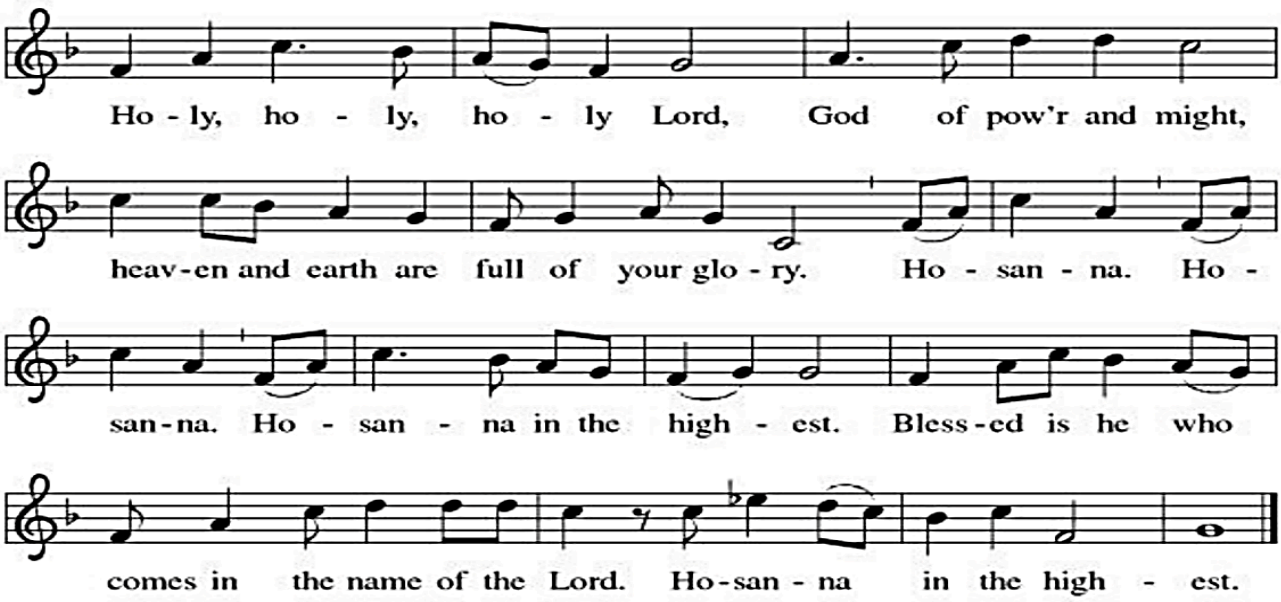
The Great Thanksgiving



Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Holy Communion Prayer

P Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth. We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer. We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

Blessing of the Elements

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world. Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C Amen.

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.



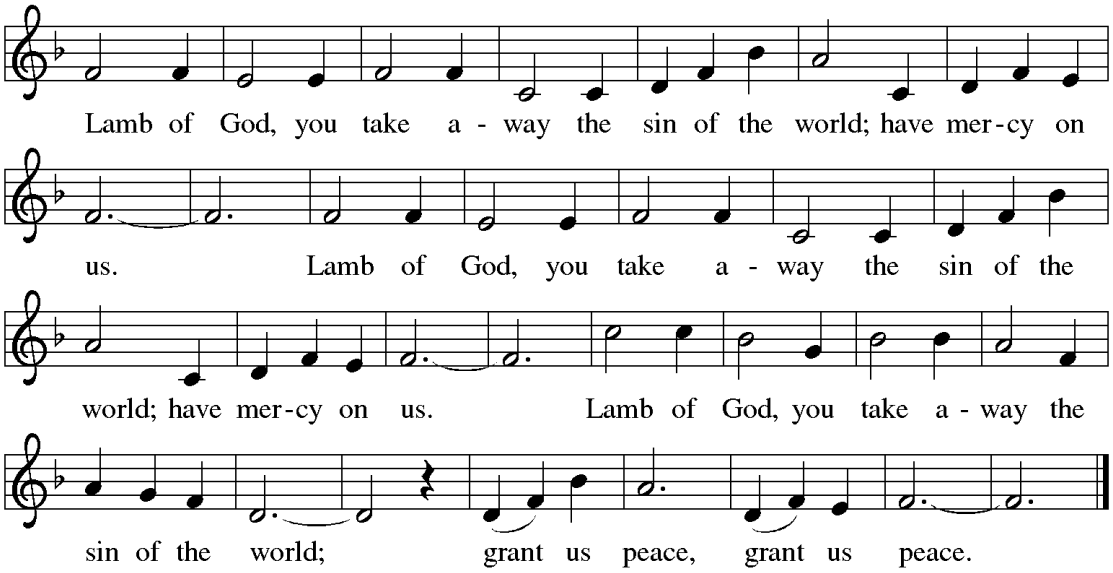
WE ARE INVITED TO THE LORD'S TABLE

P Come, when you are fearful, to be made new in love.
Come, when you are doubtful, to be made strong in faith.
Come, when you are regretful, and be made whole.
Come, old and young, for there is room for all.

WE SIT.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Lamb of God



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We sing together: HYMN #789 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

We sing together: Hymn #490 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

We stand.

Prayer after Communion

P Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

C Amen.

Blessing

The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus.
Amen.
The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit.
Amen.
The God of grace ☩ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

We are Sent

Our worship comes to a close. We have gathered as a body of believers, received instruction, have been nourished and commissioned to be Christ's body in service to the world. We are now ready to go and proclaim the good news that has inspired us to authentically love all of God's people as Jesus loves us. We pray that our expressions of love and service reflect who Jesus is in us. We give thanks that we get to come back together to celebrate freely this awesome God who loves us and forgives us, even when we mess up.

Benediction

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C Amen.

Sending Song: Hymn #856 How Great Thou Art

DISMISSAL

P: Our worship is over; how will you be sent?
C: The Lord guides me along right pathways | for His name's sake.
P: Then go in peace
C: To share God's peace with others…

POSTLUDE



Merci Beaucoup!! for Preschool Donations of all kinds

Preschool snack list update

Currently have an abundance:	Would love more:
goldfish	**cheese sticks** **apples** **cutie oranges**

Announcements

Serving Today Sunday, October 11	
Lay Reader	Stephanie Stoudemayer
Acolyte	Wilson Hutchens
Audio/Video	Schmidt Family (Audio & Video)
Communion Assistants	Katie Morgan, Jenna McCall, Esther Philabaum
Altar Flowers	Kay S. Shealy in memory of James C. "Shot" Shealy

Serving Next Sunday, October 18	
Lay Reader	Brandon Miller
Acolyte	Charlotte Hutchens
Audio/Video	Camille (Audio), Taylor Ann (Video)
Communion Assistants	Wayne Addy, Pam Shear, Bill Dukes
Altar Flowers	Carol & Leland Teal in honor of Heather, Chip, Triston, Jude, Wyatt & Hazel

Please keep the following in your prayers:		***Stewardship***
Janelle Barrett *Dan DeFreese* *Sherri Derrick* *Barbara Feltman* *Jesse Frick* *Kevin Frick* *Robbie Frick*	*Aubrey & Mary Nell Metts* *Bill Moser* *Peggy Roche* *Margaret Robinson* *Bill Stockdell* *Lynette Shealy* *Gayle Wicker* *George L. Williams*	Thank you for your generosity! To give online, scan the QR code or visit mthoreb.net/donate.
Can we pray for you? ***Visit mthoreb.net to submit a request.*** *Long-term and friend/family requests are printed in the monthly newsletter.*		***Last Sunday Attendance*** In-person: 118 Online: 97

This Week at a Glance			
SUN	**Oct 11**	8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Nursery Available Faith Formation Classes Hospitality Fellowship Worship & Holy Communion Congregational Council
MON	**Oct 12**	10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Visitation Team Meeting Lutheran Men in Mission
TUES	**Oct 13**	4:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Kindred Strings Practice Dutch Fork Choral Society
WED	**Oct 14**	10:00 a.m.	Fiber Friends
THUR	**Oct 15**	9:30 a.m.	Pray and Play
Fri	**Oct 16**	11:30 a.m.	Friendship Circle

Stay connected with everything happening at The Mount!
Sign up for our weekly e-news at www.mthoreb.net and follow us on Facebook.

When you know of a church member, whether it is a family member, friend, or acquaintance who has been unable to attend Sunday services or other events at Mt. Horeb, and would like to receive a visit from the Visitation Team, please let the church office know by calling 803-345-2000 or emailing the frontdesk@mthoreb.com.

Visitation MINISTRY

will at on if



Friendship Circle
meet at Texas Roadhouse
11:30 a.m.
October 16, 2026
Meet at church at 11:00 a.m.
you wish to carpool.



Trunk – OR – Treat

Saturday, October 31st

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

In our parking lot across the street from the church

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LUTHERIDGE: PROGRESS TO CELEBRATE!

Because of people's generosity,

Lutheridge has already completed many important projects:

- **New Hill Cabins** and **Pioneer A Cabins;** these cabins can accommodate not only summer campers but families and groups year-round.
- Great progress in updating **Whisnant Chapel, the Faith Center, and Lakeside Lodge**
- The next phase includes transformational updates to **Efird & Mission Hal**
- Adding **new landscape** and replanting trees lost during Hurricane Helene

It's exciting to see the renewal in so many places where faithful ministry happens!

Thank you for being a part of our
Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church Lutheridge Capital Campaign,
where we have shared stories, recalled special memories,
learned about the camp's plans to re-vitalize and
strengthen ministry for future generations of campers and friends.

Lutheridge Intent cards are in the Narthex. For more information visit Lutheridge.org/Campaign.

Thank you for your support!

MEMORIALS & GIFTS

Thank you for your thoughtful contribution!!
To the

Cemetery Fund:

In loving memory of Ronnie Fulmer, given by:

James & Wanda Rister

Congregational Council Information

- Congregational **nominations** for Church Council are open.
- A **Form** is on the next page, and more are available at the Welcome Center.
- The **Budget Forum** will be held at 9:00 AM on Sunday, **November 8th** in the fellowship hall.
- We will discuss the **current budget** status and present the spending plan for 2027.
- The **Congregational Meeting** will be held on Sunday, **November 15th** following church service.
- The proposed **2027 spending plan** will be presented for a vote.
- We will also **vote** on any congregational nominations for Council received.
- **New Council members** for the 2027-29 term will be announced.

Lutheran Men in Mission

Our next meeting is scheduled for October 12th
at our usual time of 6:30.
Women are welcome!
Please sign up at the Welcome Center!

Wreaths Across America Returns to Mt. Horeb Cemetery

On National Wreath Day, Saturday, December 19th

Wreaths are $17

Order forms are also available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.

The Social Ministry Team is collecting FALL SONShine Bag Items!!!
October 4th thru October 25th

The FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

invites **Everyone** to come

Sunday afternoon **October 18th** for **BIBLE TRIVIA** from 3 pm to 5 pm

Publishing Deadlines

Sunday Bulletins: Announcements and Prayer Lists: Monday at 10:00 a.m.; submit via email to the office, frontdesk@mthoreb.net, or via Jotform

Newsletter: 15th of each month; all information and submissions to Stan Shealy at mayorstan@att.net

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Ronald Philabaum
Pastor

October 4, 2026

Thank you for agreeing to be nominated to serve on the Congregation Council. So that information about each nominee can be given to the members, we would like to prepare a short biographical sketch about each nominee. Please complete the following form or write a short paragraph giving the information you wish to share about yourself. We need this info back ASAP so that we can have it available for Mt. Horeb members November 15.

Name _____

Involvement at Mt. Horeb _____

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Past involvement with other congregation(s)

_____

Involvement with cluster/state/national churchwide associations _____

_____

Employment information _____

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Community involvement _____

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Family _____

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Please return this information to the church office **by November 1**. Thanks!!

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