24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 8, 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,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

Holy God,
we confess that we have trusted in our preparation
instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully
into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us,
that we may enter into your joy.
Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.
Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven.
Blessed are you.
Amen.

We Gather to Sing: Hymn #441 Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand

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: Now the Feast and Celebration



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Prayer of the Day

P O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, 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: Amos 5:18-24

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord!
Why do you want the day of the Lord?
It is darkness, not light,
19 as if someone fled from a lion
and was met by a bear
or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall
and was bitten by a snake.
20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?

21 I hate, I despise your festivals,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them,
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals
I will not look upon.
23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.
24 But let justice roll down like water
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

L The Word of the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!

Psalm: Psalm 70 (paraphrase)

Sung to the tune "Oh Happy Day, When We Shall Stand"

May You, O Lord, deliver me
From those who seek my life.
Make haste to rescue me, O Lord;
Be pleased to redeem my soul;
Be pleased to redeem my soul.

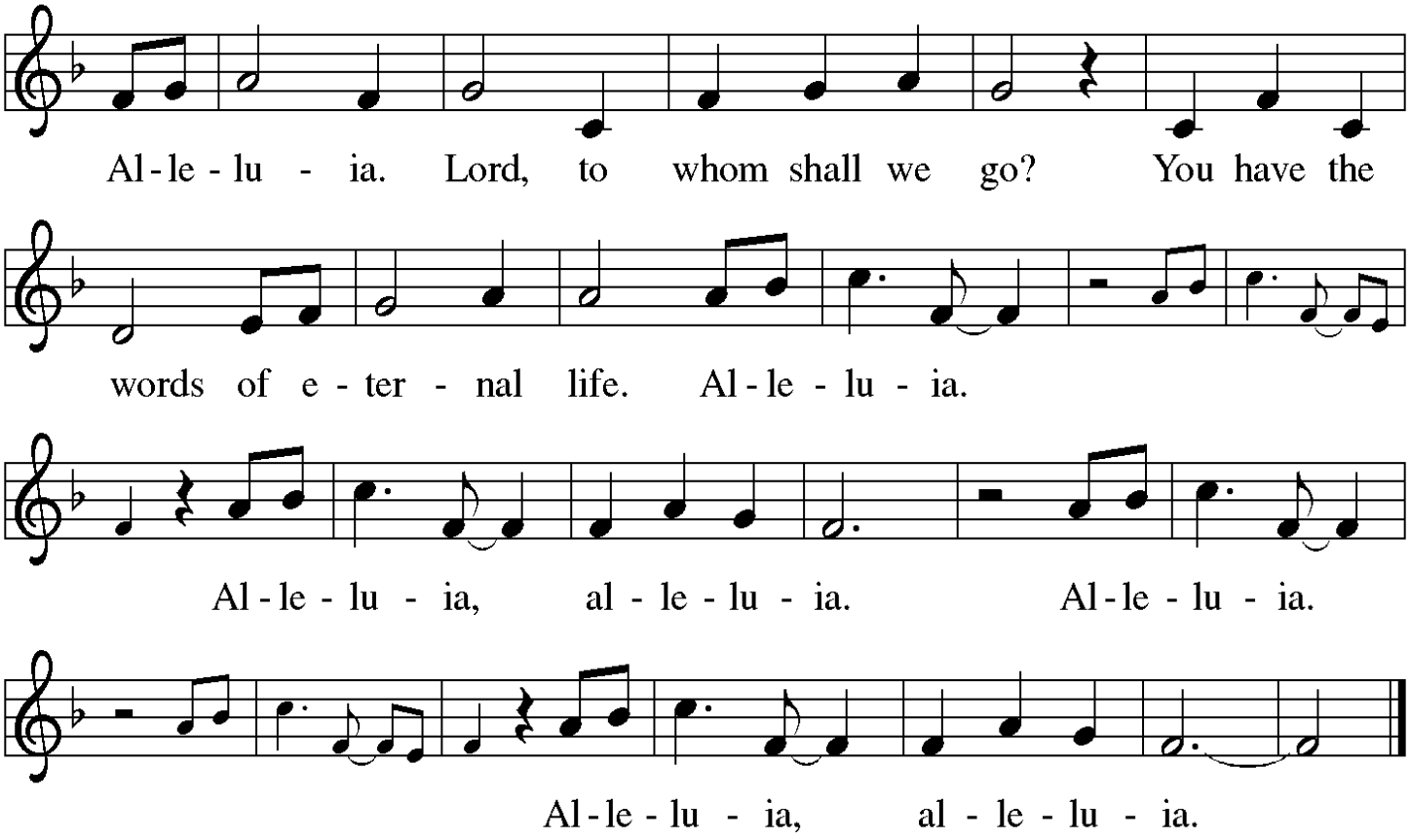
Let those who seek to do me harm,
Turn back and be disgraced;
For you, O God, will quickly come.
Rejoice and be glad in you.
Rejoice and be glad in you.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died,
so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that
Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have
died. 15 For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are
left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. 16 For the
Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's
trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are
alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in
the air, and so we will be with the Lord forever. 18 Therefore encourage one another with
these words.

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

We stand.



P The Holy Gospel according to **Matthew, the 25th chapter.**

C Glory to you, O Lord!

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and
went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 When the
foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took flasks of oil with
their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. 6 But at
midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then
all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish said to the wise, 'Give
us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise replied, 'No! there will not
be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for
yourselves.' 10 And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were
ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. 11 Later the other
young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12 But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I
do not know you.' 13 Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P The Gospel of the Lord!

C Praise to you, O Christ!

We sit.

Youth Message

Sermon: "How awake are you?" **Rev. Ronald D. Philabaum**

We stand.

We Sing Together: Hymn #244 Rejoice, Rejoice Believers (verses 1,2 & 4)

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 God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer

We Share Christ's Peace with each other

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

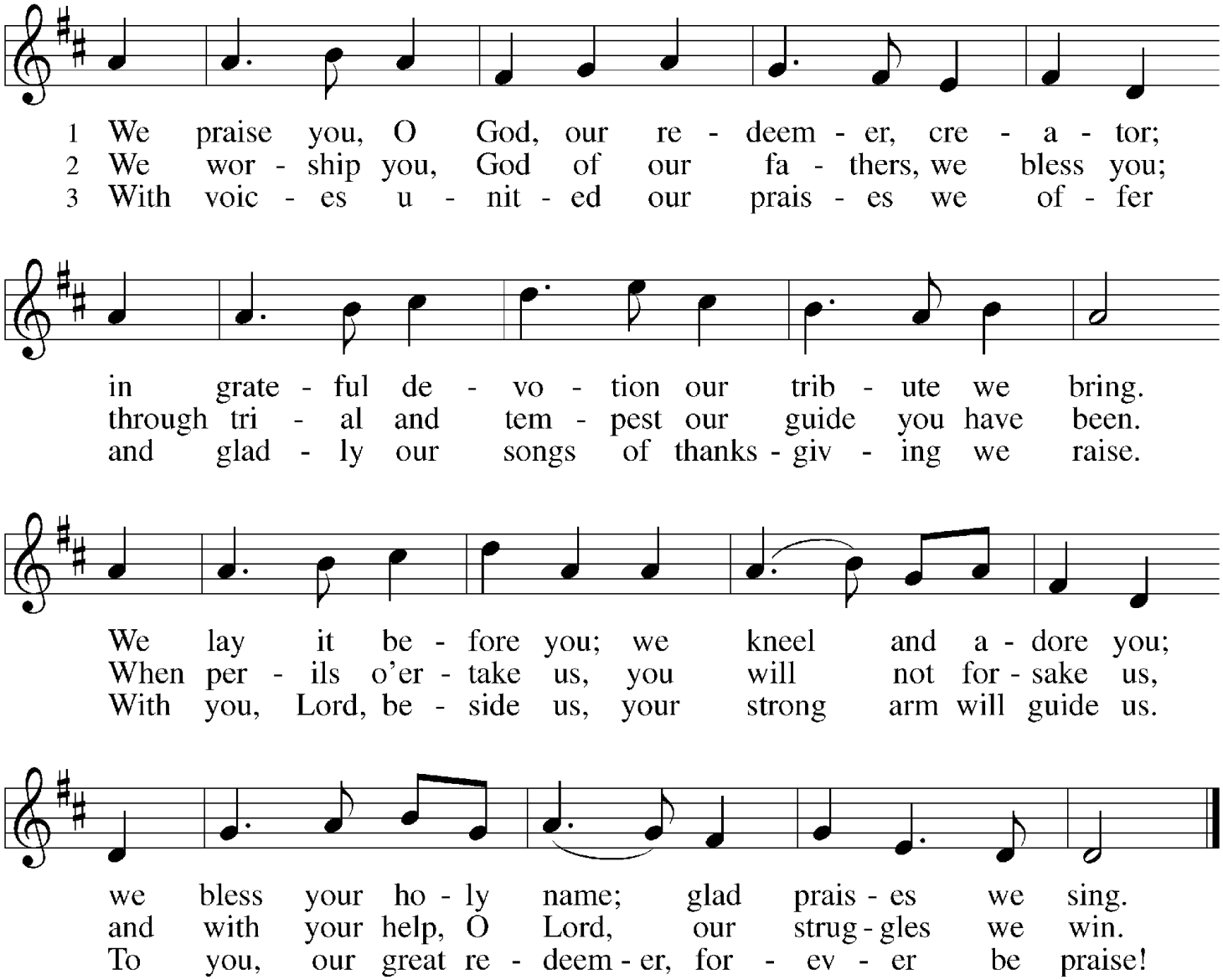
The Meal

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: *Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning*

OFFERTORY SONG: *We Praise You, O God* ***(Verse 1 only)***

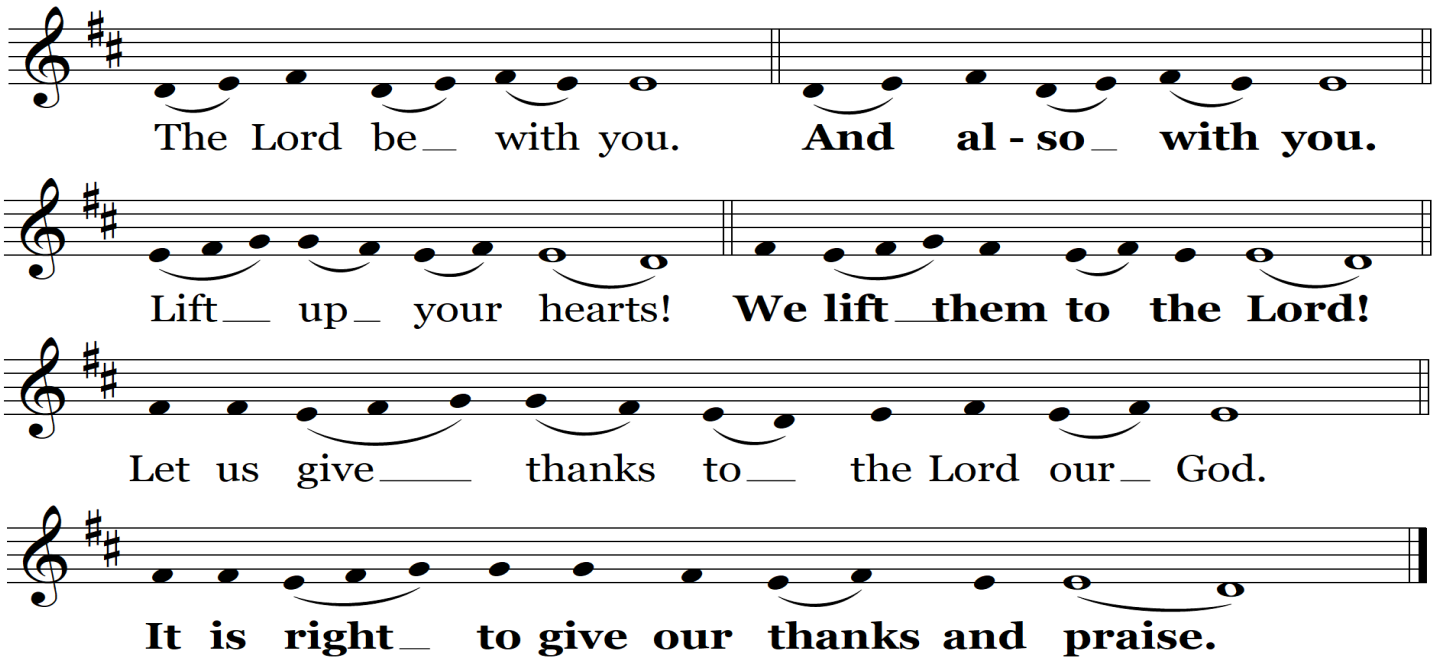


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OFFERING PRAYER

Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

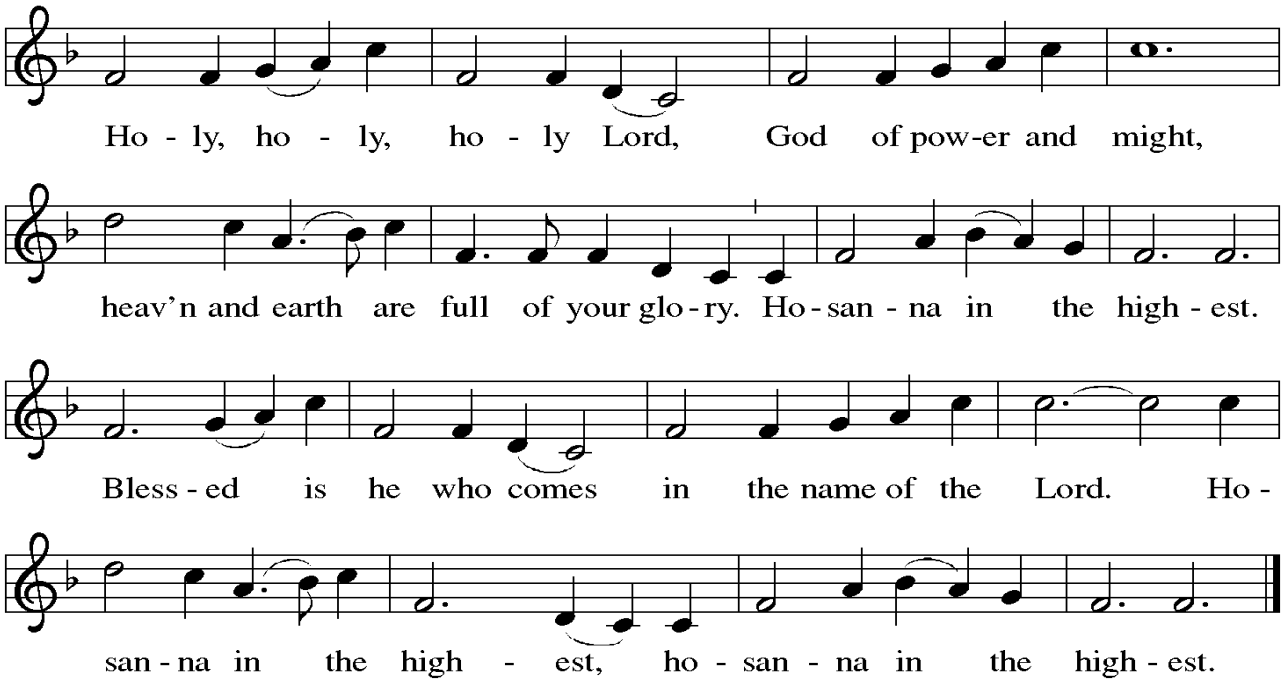
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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.

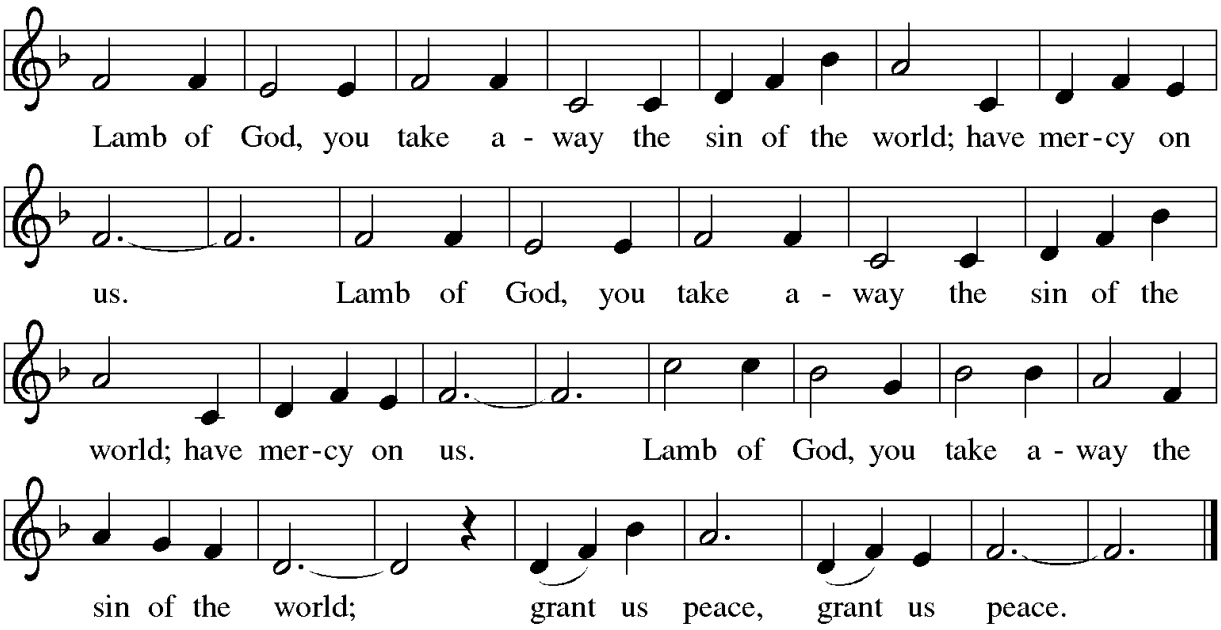
We are invited to the Lord's Table

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 #785 When Peace Like a River

Instrumental Meditation

We stand.

Prayer after Communion

P Holy God,
we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

C Amen.

Blessing

P The holy Trinity,
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.

C 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 #638 Blessed Assurance

Dismissal

P: You have been prepared this morning to be sent to disciple others; now go and serve as the holy spirit leads you.

C: Here I am, listening to you Lord…SEND *ME!*

Postlude

CHILDREN'S BOOK FAIR!

What a treat… GiGi's Library (Children's Bookstore in Prosperity, SC) is set up in Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church's Fellowship Hall and will be open for Book Sales on Sunday, November 8th at 9:00 for the Gathering Time as well as after Church. There will be a selection of picture books, board books, books for the holiday as well as a variety of Christian books. Looks like an opportunity to start on that early Christmas shopping for your kids, grandkids or a special little one. Twenty percent of the proceeds from our book sales goes to support the Preschool. The books will be moved to the Preschool for their Book Fair November 9th-13th and all are invited to return to shop again during the week in the Preschool Hall. Consider taking advantage of this opportunity as well as to support the Preschool!

LUTHERIDGE 75TH BIRTHDAY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Thank you for all of your generosity in hearing about Lutheridge and its future, for sharing your own Lutheridge experiences, for your continued support and prayers for Lutheridge as well as your generosity in your donations! Mt. Horeb's Lutheridge Campaign money has been sent to Lutheridge. For updates about the projects and campaign check out the website: Lutheridge.org/Campaign… to see where your gifts are at work.

Announcements

Serving Today Sunday, November 8	
Lay Reader	Diane Senn
Acolyte	Wilson Hutchens
Audio/Video	Williams Family (Audio & Video)
Communion Assistants	Katie Morgan, Travis Goodman, Stephanie Stoudemayer
Altar Flowers	Don & Helen Comalander in memory of Brian Comalander

Serving Next Sunday, November 15	
Lay Reader	Deena Bishop
Acolyte	Charlotte Hutchens
Audio/Video	Schmidt Family (Audio & Video)
Communion Assistants	Rod Davis, Lillie Free, Wayne Addy
Altar Flowers	Kelly & Brett Gowans in honor of Their 33rd wedding anniversary on **November 8th** !!

Please keep the following in your prayers:		***Stewardship***
Janelle Barrett *Dan DeFreese* *Barbara Feltman* *Taylor Ann Fiber* *Jesse Frick* *Kevin Frick* *Robbie Frick* *Aubrey & Mary Nell Metts* *Bill Moser* *Peggy Roche*	*Margaret Robinson* *Bill Stockdell* *Lynette Shealy* *Renee Shealy* *Zack Slice* *Jennifer Smith* *Christine Thompson* *Gayle Wicker* *Andy Wessinger* *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: 123 Online: 79

This Week at a Glance

SUN	**Nov 8**	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 Kid's Korner *(Parents Invited)* Worship & Holy Communion Congregational Council
MON	**Nov 9**	10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Visitation Team Meeting Lutheran Men in Mission
TUES	**Nov 10**	4:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Kindred Strings Practice Dutch Fork Choral Society Salute to Veterans Event
WED	**Nov 11**	10:00 a.m.	Fiber Friends
THUR	**Nov 12**	9:30 a.m.	Pray and Play

Stay connected with everything happening at The Mount!
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When you know of a church member who has been unable to attend Services at Mt. Horeb, and would like a "Visitation Team" visit, please contact the church office at 803-345-2000 or frontdesk@mthoreb.net



NEW FINANCIALS FOR BULLETIN		USE THE BUDGET VS ACTUALS FY 26 P&L THRU ME DATE			
OCTOBER 2026			monthly offering need		12,002.06
Monthly Giving Need	48,008.24		4 Sundays	48,008.24	
Month to Date Offerings	37,727.42		5 Sundays	60,010.30	
YEAR TO DATE 2026					
YTD General Offerings	442,953.24				
YTD Budgeted Need	516,088.74				
YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	(73,135.50)				
% OFFERING TO BUDGETED NEED - YTD	85.83%	(73,135.50)			
% OFFERING TO BUDGETED NEED - MO	78.59%	(10,280.82)			

NEW BULLETIN STATEMENT	OCTOBER 2026			
	DATE	GIVING RECEIVED	PROGRESS TO GOAL	REMAINING NEEDED TO REACH 100%
	October 2026	$37,727.42	78.59%	$10,280.82
	2026 Year-to-Date	$442,953.24	85.83%	$73,135.50

Lutheran Men in Mission

Our next meeting is scheduled for November 9th
at our usual time of 6:30.
The program will be prepared and presented by
Lorraine Irwin and Pastor Ron.
Good old-fashioned chicken bog will be our meal.

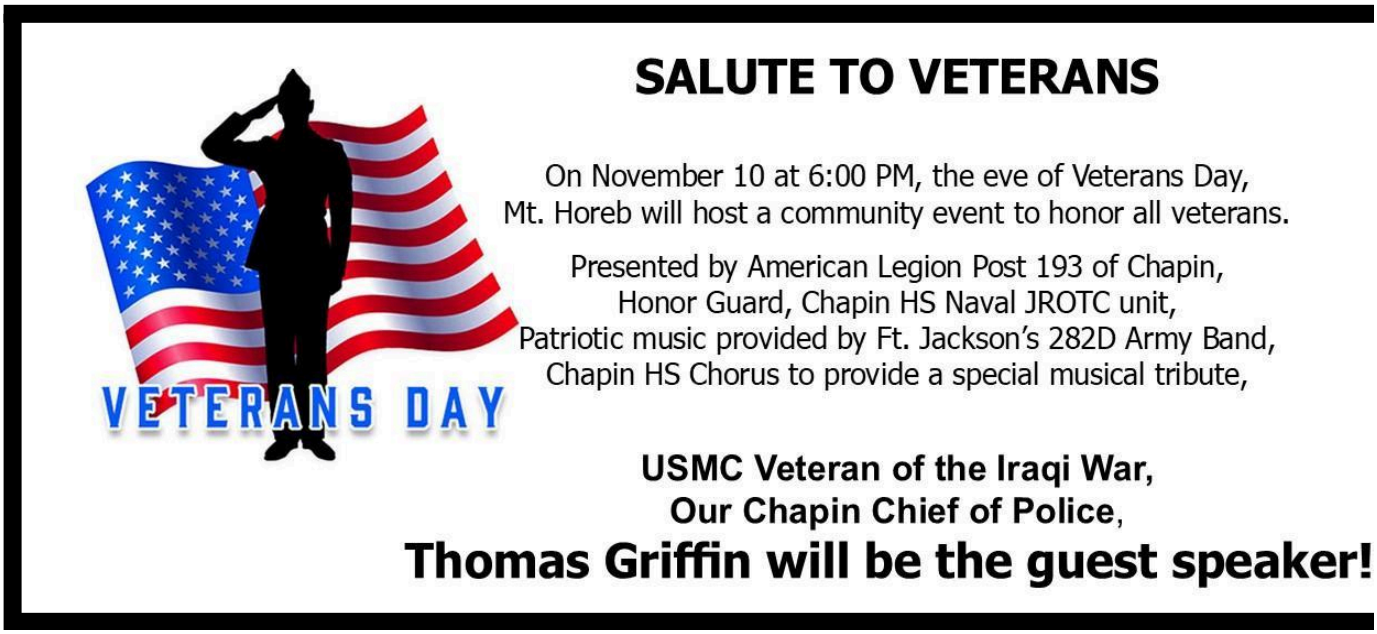
Women are welcome!
Please sign up at the Welcome Center!

MEMORIALS & GIFTS

Thank you for your thoughtful & generous contribution!!!

Snack Pack

In loving memory of Lisa & Michael Epting Given by:
Choice Dollars from Thrivent



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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To participate in God's mission, this congregation as a part of the Church shall

WORSHIP: *Joyfully proclaim the Word of God*
LEARN: *Dutifully study, teach and live the Word of God*
WITNESS: *Boldly share the Word of God*
SERVE: *Humbly and enthusiastically respond to the Word of God*
SUPPORT: *Gladly give your time, talent and treasures motivated by the Word of God*

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