

November 2018



Around the Mountain

Mt Hermon Lutheran Church



Mt. Hermon LCY participating in this year's Marty Party hosted at St. Steven Lutheran Church. Marty Party is a local Reformation Day event held for you group

This is Christ's Church. There is a place for you here.

We are the church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person -- questions, complexities and all, join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.

What a joy these past 31 days have been! Thank you for the warmest welcome you have shown to me, D, and Breanna.

Things are busy, but you must know this: I am never too busy to sit and chat with you! Please call me and I am happy to meet for lunch, coffee, or a bottle of water. I want to get to know each of you!

As we continue to fit together in styles and callings, I want you to come to me if you have any concerns about worship or community life. We are called to be One in the body of Christ and that Oneness means we must know each other more than just an hour or so on Sunday mornings.

One thing I know about each of you is this: God created you uniquely you and God didn't mistakenly give you someone else's gift. Likewise, God didn't give someone else the gifts that he gave to you. If you withhold your gift from the church, you keep part of God's plan from coming to full fruition at Mt Hermon! That being said, are you willingly and joyfully sharing your gifts – your time, your talent, your treasurers? We need your gifts to be present and shared at Mt Hermon!

There is much work to be done in the kingdom of God and we are living in that kingdom now!

Paul writes to the church in Rome and I mimic that to the congregation of Mt Hermon:

⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us. (Romans 12:4-6).

We have many opportunities to grow up, grow in, and grow out as we seek to the disciples of Jesus Christ, who call Mt Hermon HOME!

Sister in Christ,

Pastor Gina

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Alyson Price
Secretary

Emily Morris
Treasurer

Annette Price
Financial Secretary

Cantor's Corner

You don't want to miss this Sunday November 4th (All Saints) at 3pm. Ryan Price and I will be presenting a "Tribute to Rich Mullins". It's a blue jeans kind of afternoon. Our youth will be serving light refreshments as a fundraiser.

Speaking of youth I will be working on some music with them during Sunday school for the month of November. We will be singing Christmas music and hopefully have a short children's program during their "café" on December 9th.

For those who may be considering joining choir or handbells please know that we need firm commitments for the music program during the Christmas and Easter seasons. This has nothing to do with who else you may or may not see in the choir loft on Sundays- it is an unconditional commitment for praise and worship of our God whose love for us is unconditional!



The chancel choir will hold 3 extra rehearsals for the upcoming season. What your "around the mountain" for specific times

Have a blessed month and pray for us, as we pray for you!

Ruth

A poster for a tribute to Rich Mullins. At the top, the title "A Tribute to Rich Mullins" is written in a blue, cursive-style font. Below the title, the years "1955-1997" are printed in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font. The central image is a detailed pencil sketch of Rich Mullins, showing him from the chest up, with his hand resting against his face in a thoughtful pose. Below the sketch, the names of the performers are listed in two columns, each preceded by a small blue and yellow square icon. The text is as follows: "Vocal/ Guitar -Ryan Price", "Bass—Charlie Rabon", "Keyboard—Ruthie Brannen", and "Percussion—Jerry Price". The date and time "November 4, 2018" and "3:00pm" are centered below the performer names. The venue "Mt Hermon Lutheran Church" is listed in a larger, bold, brown font, followed by the address "3011 Leaphart Road West Columbia SC, 29169" and the phone number "Church Office (803) 794-6430". The text "Free Admission" is centered below the address. At the bottom right, there is a small line of text: "Image credit to Joshua Alexander 2013".

A Tribute to Rich Mullins
1955-1997

Vocal/ Guitar -Ryan Price
Bass—Charlie Rabon
Keyboard—Ruthie Brannen
Percussion—Jerry Price

November 4, 2018
3:00pm

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Image credit to Joshua Alexander 2013

Congregational Council Mini Minutes for October 2018

ATTENDANCE: Excused members included Tommy Mills, Danny Scott, Angie Hydrick, Diane Boulware, Al Stevens, Alyssa Stevens

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: The agenda for October was adopted with the following correction: Pastor's report should read Pastor Gina, not Pastor Anderson

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: The minutes for the September council meeting were accepted. The minutes for the Congregational meeting were accepted with the correction of spelling for Pastor Gina Metze.

REPORTS:

Pastor Gina gave a report for October.

Emily Morris, Treasurer, presented a report for August and September as well as a Quarterly report.

Annette Price, Financial Secretary, submitted a report for September as well as a Quarterly and Year to Date report.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS/BUSINESS:

1. Property: Based on a recommendation from the Finance committee, window repairs will be put on hold until analysis of HVAC system is complete.
2. Finance: **Recommendation: Finance recommends we make the final synodical payment of \$3,000 to meet our \$12,000 commitment for the year. Passed.**

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Farming Church: Pastor Gina and Terry will attend coaching session this week. Terry will send out link to the next webinar. We will meet on November 4 after the concert for our next session (approximately 4:30).
2. Cemetery: Putting together a team to look at new quote and funds available to see how to move forward.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2019 Spending plan was presented and recommendation made to accept the plan. **Passed**
2. Nominations for council were made. 4 adults and 1 youth as well as alternates were chosen.
3. A request from Oakwood Commons neighborhood was received to use our Fellowship Hall for their annual meeting on November 15 at

6:30. Discussion held that this would be a good way to reach out to the community. Pastor Gina agreed to meet them there to greet them and lock/unlock building. **Recommendation made that we waive the non-member fee since this is a good opportunity for outreach. Passed.**

4. Stephen Price fund- Recipients are chosen to receive this funding in September and January. Rebekah Swygert was chosen as the recipient.
5. Installation service for Pastor Gina will be November 11 at 3:00 pm with a reception following. This is now done as a separate service, and not part of the Sunday morning Worship service,
6. Pastor Gina will attend Convocation October 22-24
7. Pastor Gina has set up an email that will link directly to the calendar on the website. All are free to use this new email:
wearemthermon@gmail.com
8. Congregational meeting schedule:
November 4: congregational nominations for council
November 11: run-off ballot, if needed
November 18: Congregational meeting after Worship service

After Feedback, the meeting was adjourned with praying the Lord's Prayer.

Alyson Price, Council Secretary

Birthdays

~Alberta Berry	11/11	~Becky Koon	11/11	~Lynn Bouknight	11/20
~Lyle Bockus	11/11	~Hans lang	11/15	~Angie Hydrick	11/21
~Jerry Ellisor	11/11	~Marie Kleckley	11/19	~Faye Sox	11/23
~Mary Price	11/28				

Anniversaries

- Preston & Kay Bryant 11/28

*If we missed your Birthday or Anniversary we are very sorry. Please contact the church office so we can get that information into our records!

The Church Community

Young at Heart Thanksgiving luncheon will be November 14th in the fellowship hall. The meal is catered. There is a signup sheet in the breezeway. Questions, call Connie Bucknam or Doris Carver.

Our next Adopt-A-Highway will start at 9 AM in the church parking lot on Saturday, November 17, 2018. (Also note that the first pickup in 2019 will be on Feb. 09, 2019.) For questions please call Tom Stahl 803.356.5740. Please join us if you can.

Christmas Poinsettias! Please help us decorate the sanctuary this season with the purchase of a Poinsettia remembering a loved one. Poinsettias are \$8.50 again this year. Please use your CHRISTMAS FLOWERS offering envelope, complete the back of the envelope identifying if it's "In Honor of" or "In Memory of" place it in the offering.

Mark Your Calendars for Sunday November 11th at 3pm. This will be the installation service for Pastor Gina. The installation is during the afternoon so that area pastors and members from other congregations will be able to attend the Service of Installation.

LCY will host our first

Biscuit Blitz

Sunday, November 11th

After the Service, LCY Members will deliver biscuits to your Sunday School Classroom



\$5 Sausage Biscuit from Hardee's & your choice of Orange Juice, Bottled Water, or Coffee

In honor of our Veterans that attend Mt. Hermon, the LCY will provide breakfast at no cost.

To reserve your biscuit, sign up in the breezeway



Advent Services will begin November 28
Worship 6:35
Meal at 7:00pm

Mount Hermon Youth Group (LCY)
LCY meets on November 4th and 18th. Generally there is a meeting at 5pm-6:30pm and a meal from 6:30-7pm. From 7 to 7:30 there is a youth music program. If you have any family members interested in attending these meeting all children 6th through 12th grade are welcome. Any questions please call Kim Addy.

Serving Schedule: November 2018
COUNCIL REP: Ann Addy

ALTAR GUILD: Angie Hydrick, Jennifer Price, Linda Waters-Hamilton

TABULATORS: Larry Amick, Kay Bryant, Doris Carver, Jane Sexton, Mary Frances Sease

USHERS: Jeff Price, Marion Leaphart, Jim Whitaker, Al Stevens

Altar Flowers:

4 Fulmer/Gardner
11 Price Families
18 Marie Kleckley
25 Karen Nicholson

Greeters:

4 Jenny Scott
11 David Marsh
18 Kay Bryant
25 Laura Stevens

Lectors:

4 Allison Swygert
11 Jennifer Miller
18 Devona Price
25 Kay Bryant

Children's Sermon:

4 Sheila Eargle
11 Daryl Leigh Anthony
18 Pastor Gina
25 Mary Koon

Acolytes:

4 Karly Addy & Brayden Rutherford
11 Jackson Price & Joshua Koon
18 Ainsley Allen & Lawson Morris
25 Mitch Stevens & Addison Allen

Food Pantry:

7 Renee Greenbaum
14 Angie Hydrick
21 Diane Boulware
28 Connie Bucknam

Crucifers:

4 Bryce Addy
11 Wynne Price
18 Perry Bouknight
25 Joel Price Sr.

Communion Assistants:

4 Angie Hydrick & Joel Price Sr.
11 Perry Bouknight & Trudy Bouknight
18 Bryce Addy & Wynne Price
25 Angie Hydrick & Perry Bouknight

Nursery:

4 Grace Roof & Emily & Moises Arroyo
11 Grace Roof & Haley Addy & Karen Nicholson
18 Grace Roof & Jamie Allen & Alyson Price
25 Grace Roof & Larry Amick & Kay Bryant

If you have a responsibility in the service please arrive no later than 8:45am

** If you are unable to serve, please ask someone to cover for you and notify the church office of the change.*

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If you feel the call to use your gifts and talent to help with the different aspects of worship please contact the church office!  
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Month at a glance

Every Sunday

9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School

November 4th

10:15am Nominating Meeting
3pm Rich Mullins Concert
4pm Farming Church: council
5pm LCY Events
7pm Youth Music

November 11

3pm Instillation Pastor Gina
6pm Council Meets

November 18

10:30am Annual Meeting
4pm Confirmation
5pm LCY Events
7pm Youth Music

November 27

6pm Chancel Bells
6:30pm Chancel Choir

November 5

11am Archives
5:30pm Worship & Music

November 12

6:30pm Luth. Men

November 19

6:30pm Member care

November 28

6:35pm Advent Service
7:00 Meal

November 7

6pm Chancel Bells
6:30pm Chancel Choir

November 14

12pm Young @ heart
6pm Chancel Bells
6:30pm Chancel Choir

November 21

6pm Chancel Bells
6:30pm Chancel Choir

Want to add an event? Just email office@mthlc.org with the name of the event, the date, and the time.
Please submit event images and media to wearemthermon@gmail.com.

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