

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"BY WHAT
AUTHORITY
ARE YOU
DOING
THESE THINGS?"

LUKE 20:2

APRIL 28, 2024

WELCOME

We welcome you to Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church!

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, WELCOME.

If you are worshipping again, WELCOME BACK.

Worship is much more joyful when we add our voices to offer praise and thanksgiving. If you need anything, just ask one of the ushers or greeters. If you would like to discuss discipleship at Mt. Hermon, Pastor Gina would love to speak with you!

Again welcome ...

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the Community Announcements in the back section of the bulletin.

*Please note that all the congregation responses are printed in **Bold and Italics***

We prepare our hearts for worship.

PRELUDE

I Give You My Heart

Morgan/CCLI #1866132

EASTER PROCLAMATION

*Alleluia! Christ is Risen! **He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!***

*In mercy and might you have freed us from death
and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.
In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,
and in them we are born anew.*

***He washes away our sin and
all that separates us from God.***

Empower our witness to the resurrection.

Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

***We ask this through Christ,
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever. Amen***

Please turn to the doors of the sanctuary to acknowledge the empty cross.

HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Holden/ OneLicense #125941



- 1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
- 2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
- 3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
- 4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
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GREETING

We gather for worship in the name of the Father, and † of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

KYRIE

Augsburg Fortress #SB153820



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together.

O God, you give us your Son as the authority to become the healer, teacher, and life-giving Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

We sit.

THE WORD

Luke 20:1-17

The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 20th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹One day, as he was teaching the people in the temple and telling the good news, the chief priests and the scribes came with the elders ²and said to him, "Tell us, by what authority are you doing these things? Who is it who gave you this authority?" ³He answered them, "I will also ask you a question, and you tell me: ⁴Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" ⁵They discussed it with one another, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'Why did you not believe him?' ⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' all the people will stone us; for they are convinced that John was a prophet." ⁷So they answered that they did not know where it came from. ⁸Then Jesus said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things."

⁹He began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard, and leased it to tenants, and went to another country for a long time. ¹⁰When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants in order that they might give him his

share of the produce of the vineyard; but the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹Next he sent another slave; that one also they beat and insulted and sent away empty-handed. ¹²And he sent still a third; this one also they wounded and threw out. ¹³Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.' ¹⁴But when the tenants saw him, they discussed it among themselves and said, 'This is the heir; let us kill him so that the inheritance may be ours.' ¹⁵So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "Heaven forbid!" ¹⁷But he looked at them and said, "What then does this text mean: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone'?"

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

CHILDREN'S TIME

being in charge

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Please pray with me the prayer of preparation.

Holy God, you have a word for me today. Make my heart soft and plant your word in me in order that it may bear fruit in your kingdom. Amen.

SERMON

authority

We stand.

HYMN

Shout to the Lord

Zschech/CCLI #1406918



My Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Lord, there is none like you.



All of my days I want to praise the won - ders of your might - y love.



My com - fort, my shel - ter, tow - er of ref - uge and strength;



let ev - 'ry breath, all that I am nev - er cease to wor - ship you.



Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing pow - er and maj - es - ty, praise



to the King. Moun - tains bow down and the seas will roar at the



sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands;



for - ev - er I'll love you, for - ev - er I'll stand.



Noth - ing com - pares to the prom - ise I have in you.

APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith with the words of 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.***

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen, and love has triumphed over fear, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

After each petition:

God of grace, hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

We sit.

OFFERING

We give our monetary offering to support Christ's mission in this place and around the world in gratitude of God's amazing grace. You may contribute any time by visiting www.WeAreMtHermon.org and click on "On-line Giving." Thank you for your gifts and your stewardship.

Friendship pads have returned to the pews. Please take a moment to sign the forms so that we may get to know our neighbors and we will also have a record of your communing.

ANTHEM

He is Lord

Fettke/CCLI #1515225

We stand.

OFFERTORY

There is a Redeemer

Green/CCLI #11483

1 There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own Son,

pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.

The musical notation is written on two staves in 4/4 time. The key signature has three flats (Bb, Eb, Ab). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. Chord symbols are written above the notes: Eb, Bb/D, Eb, Ab/C, Bb7/D, Eb, Bb/D, Eb, Ab/C, Bb, Eb, Bb. The second staff has chord symbols: Eb, Bb/D, Eb, Ab, Eb/G, Fm7, Bb7sus, Eb, Ab/Bb.

Refrain

Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us your Son and

send - ing your Spir - it till the work on earth is done.

OFFERING PRAYER

We give thanks for these gifts and we pray together.

Generous God,

in this meal you offer your very self.

We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.

In the breaking of this bread

reveal to us the Risen One.

In the pouring of this wine

pour us out in service to the world;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE MEAL

Christ is truly present in the most ordinary and unexpected of places.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed...

We proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup, we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming. ***Come, Lord Jesus.***

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. Make your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth. ***Come, Holy Spirit.***

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. ***Amen.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

***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.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.
We sit.

COMMUNION

Please come forward using the center aisle to receive communion. You will receive the bread and then you may dip in the first chalice of wine, or in the second chalice of grape juice. You may then return to your pews using the outside aisles. Please return to your pews for a time of quiet prayer and meditation.

MUSIC

One Bread, One Body

Foley/OneLicense #80673

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

May the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We pray together.

Gracious God,
in you we live and move and have our being.

*With your word and this meal of grace,
you have nourished our life together.
Strengthen us to show your love
and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.*

THE SENDING

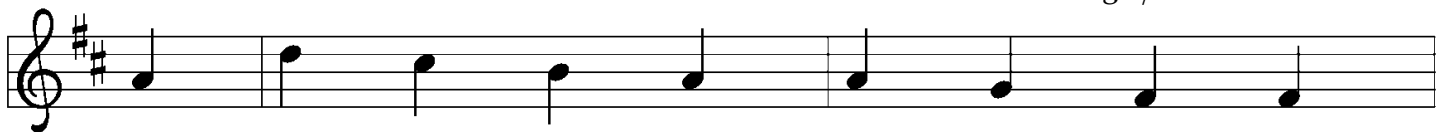
BLESSING

The God of all, who raised † Jesus from the dead,
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit
to live in the new creation. *Amen.*

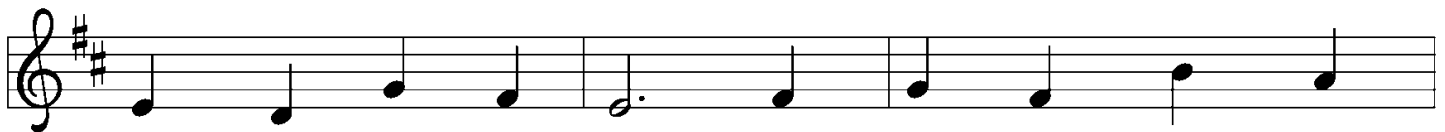
HYMN

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Reinagle/OneLicense #92633



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in
2 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole and
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, my
4 By thee my prayers ac - cep - tance gain al -



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,
calms the heart's un - rest; 'tis man - na to the
shield and hid - ing place; my nev - er - fail - ing
though with sin de - filed. The dev - il charg - es



heals our wounds, and drives a - way all fear.
hun - gry soul and to the wea - ry, rest.
trea - sury, filled with bound - less stores of grace.
me in vain, and I am owned a child.

As the cross passes your pew, turn and face the entrance of the sanctuary.

SENDING

Go, Make Disciples

Hanson/OneLicense #118476



"Go, make dis - ci - ples, bap - tiz - ing them, teach - ing them.



Go, make dis - ci - ples, for I am with you till the end of time.



Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.



Go, be a cit - y on a hill, so all can see that you're



serv - ing me. Go, make dis - ci - ples."

SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

We follow the light of Christ into the world.

We are God's people on a mission.

We have gathered. We have been fed.

Now, we go out to make a difference in the world. Amen.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Jenny Scott's Birthday given by Danny Scott.



He-Brews Event on May 25th

There will be two options

Option #1: Large Group Event at Frankie and Melanie Jackson's home at 5pm. – Heavy hors d'oeuvres with wine tasting. Cost is \$25 due by

May 19th. (Cash, Check, or Venmo to Alyson Price or Allison Swygert)

Option #2: Regular Small Group Dinner

~ Please sign up in the breezeway or use QR code to fill out a Google Form to sign up. Please sign up by May 19th

MAY 5TH ~ Youth meeting at church to celebrate Cinco De Mayo!

May 19th ~ Coffee, Food, and Fellowship following worship, to celebrate our graduate, Josh Koon!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

VBS will be June 23rd-27th



TITHES AND OFFERINGS

04/21/2024

In Person 99 + Live Stream Worship 87 = 186

Current & Benevolent	Received	\$ 4,209.27
Building Fund	Received	\$ 2,147.00
Building Improvement	Received	\$925.00

Honorariums and Memorials

In memory of **Gene Schofield** by Parker & Diane Boulware, Becky & Randy Wise

In memory of **Gale Garrett** by Parker & Diane Boulware, Becky & Randy Wise

In memory of **Jenny Dixon**, sister of Kay and Larry, by Parker & Diane Boulware, Ann Addy, Ed Bouknight & Family

In honor of **Kay Bryant and Larry Amick** by Ed Bouknight & Family



Many thanks to the Mt. Hermon family for all of your prayers, cards, food, and the beautiful peace lily plant. My Gale was a man of great faith and loved hearing about the church and events. He helped me on numerous occasions. Y'all mean so much to me and my family. God Bless You All!
Sherwood

SERVING IN WORSHIP

	Today	Next Sunday
Ushers:	Teddy Koon	Jamie Addison
	Joe Koon	Randy Clark
Crucifer:	Mackenzie Burns	Jack Dugan
Acolyte:	Brayden Morris	Walker Kinard
Lector:	Emily Morris	Frank Bouknight
Communion Assts:	Joe Koon	Jake Dugan
	Mary Koon	Walker Kinard
	Brayden Morris	Frank Bouknight
	Emily Morris	Marie Gardner
	Mackenzie Burns	Elyse Kinard
Nursery:	Leah Rawl Brittany Allen Brayden Morris	Noah Swygert Cassie Swygert
Flowers:	Danny Scott	Chris & Marie Carroll

SERVING IN APRIL

COUNCIL REP: Cyndi Leaphart

ALTAR GUILD: Jennifer Price, Angie Hydrick

TABULATORS: Diane Boulware, Ann Bouknight

USHERS: Marion Leaphart, Susan Busby, Dennis Thurman

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Marie Gardner, Brandon Donaldson

MT HERMON PRAYS

Continual Prayers

Patricia Bachman, *Asbury Arms*
Dot Mathias, *home*
Alberta Berry, *home*
Lauvenia Butts, *Lakeside Place*
Bobby & Doris Carver, *Presby Home*
Georgianna Gray, *home*
James Hallman, *Lakeside Place*

Marie Kleckley, *Lex Ext Care*
Gene & Jane Sexton, *Phoenix Asst Living*
Gloria Mathias, *home*
Jean Shealy, *Lakeside Place*
Tom Roof, *home*
Cyndi Thurman, *home*
Linda Waters-Hamilton, *home*

Members in Special Need of Prayer

Bonnie Bouknight	Parker Boulware	Chris Carroll
Easton Donaldson	Jim Whitaker	

Family and Friends Who Have Requested Prayers

Nigel Tetley, *friend of Sherwood Garrett*
Paula Miller, *friend of Brittany Allen*
Wayne Kneece, *uncle of Michelle Gantt*
Derwin Rish, *friend of Michelle Gantt*
Jody & Libby Ortmann, *lost their daughter, Sallie, on Christmas Day, Sallie was the "adopted daughter" of Fran Bouknight*
Roger Spires, *friend of Chris Carroll*
Quentin Oswalt, *Angie Hydrick's nephew, deploying to Iraq*
Phil Dennis, *brother of Lavonne Roof*
Sandra Watson, *aunt of Courtney Bucknam*
Joyce & Doug Gilbert, *coworkers of Courtney Bucknam*
Sarah Harmon, *friend of Courtney Bucknam*
Hannah Pierce, *friend of Jaquelyn Haulik*
Nancy Lail-Hulon & Family, *friends of Debra & Dave Butts*
Cindy Maples, *mother of Jennifer Miller*
Wes Hopkins, *nephew of Jennifer Miller*
Will Pickett, *friend of Jennifer Miller*
Paul Garner, *friend of Robert Haygood*
Mrs. William L. Coleman Jr (Carolyn), *friends of Marion & Cyndi Leaphart*
Jaimie Womack, *friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price*
Cynthia Mallard, *friend of Sheila Starkey and Beth Jordan*
Blase Rhine, *grandson of Frank & Bonnie Bouknight*
Cynthia Rabon, *friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price*
Connie Furtick, *friend of Kim Fulmer*
Josh Jackson, *friend of Joel Price, Jr.*
Brannon Yonce, *friend of Michelle Gantt*
Katy Madigan, *friend of Marie Carroll*
Billy Huckabee, *friend of Danny Scott*
Jamie Spell, *friend of David Marsh*
Louise Cooper, *Kelli Mills*
Dawn McIlwain-Merck, *friend of Robin Ellisor*
John Catoe, *family of the Ellisors*
Jillian Stover, *friend of Erin Rose*
Debbie Dearman, *neighbor of Kathy Cooper*
*Lillian Chimeal

Please note that this prayer list has been updated. If you wish to add someone back to this list, please send an email to office@WeAreMtHermon.com

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, May 5th

- 9:00 am Worship
- 10:30 am Sunday School
- 3:00 pm Cultivating Pearls/Bible Journaling 101
- 3:00 pm Confirmation

Monday, May 6th

- 5:30 pm CR: Care Team
- 6:30 pm Team for Ministry

Tuesday, May 7th

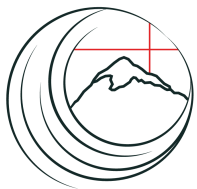
- 5:00 pm Executive Team

Wednesday, May 8th

- 9:00 am Food Pantry
(Ann Addy, Ann Bouknight, & Sharon Keefe)
- 12:05 pm OneBody in Christ
- 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 11th

- 9:00 am Food Pantry
(The Koon Family)



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Frank Bouknight, *Treasurer*
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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, April 28th

9:00 am Worship
10:30 am Sunday School
3:00 pm Cultivating Pearls/Bible Journaling 101

Tuesday, April 30th

6:00 pm GR: Grief Group

Wednesday, May 1st

9:00 am Food Pantry
(Fran Bouknight, Angie Hydrick, Sherwood Garrett)
9:00 am Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Life Group at The Jacksons
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 4th

9:00 am Food Pantry
(Lynn Bouknight & Karen Nicholson)