PENTECOST



JUNE 5, 2022

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 are silent as we prepare our hearts for worship.

Prelude

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March

THE GATHERING

We stand and face the baptismal font.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

We turn to face the cross at the entrance of the sanctuary. As broken children, we begin worship by acknowledging our sin and asking for God's forgiveness.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.
Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.
When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.
Set us again on the path of life.
Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

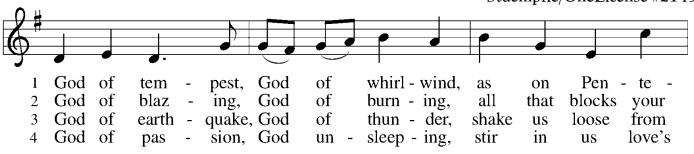
Amen.

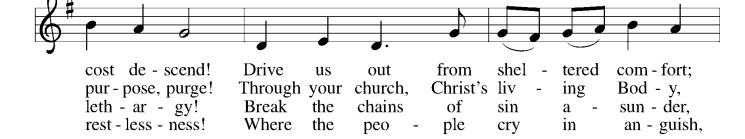
As the cross passes your pew, turn and face the altar.

HYMN

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

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past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



GREETING

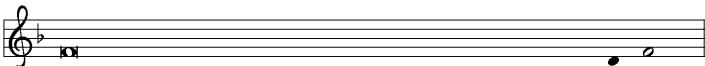
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

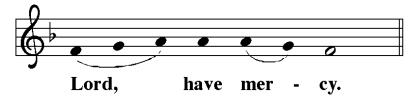


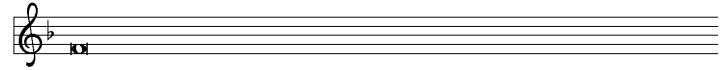
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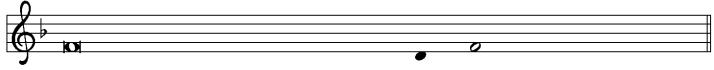


For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

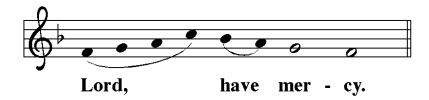


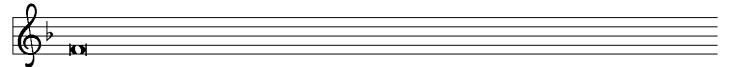


For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



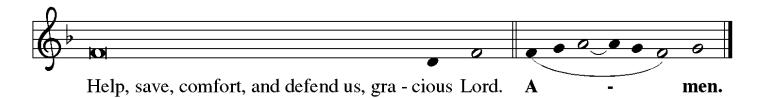
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

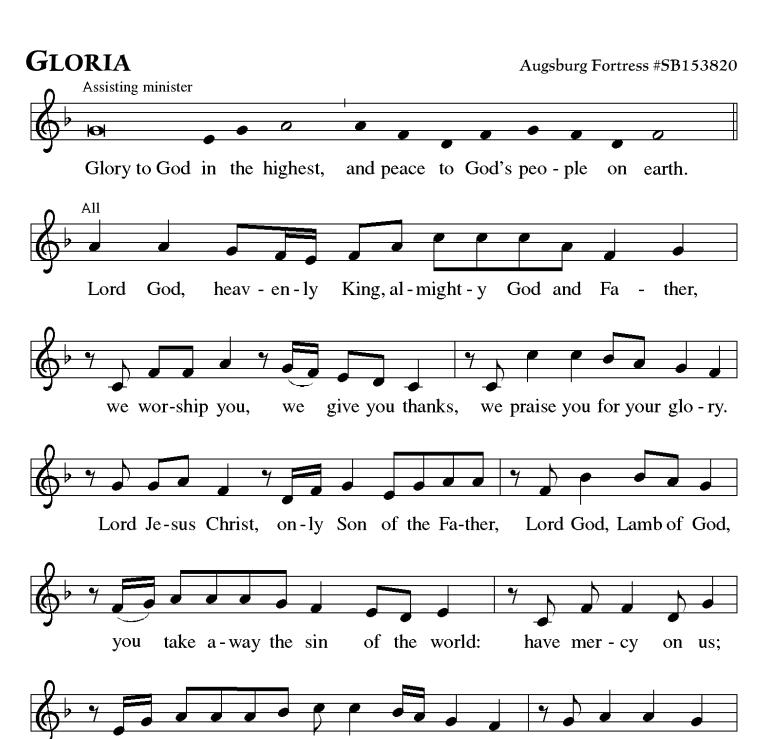




For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,







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re-ceive our prayer.

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:





you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir - it,



PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together.

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through 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

Acts 2:1-21

A reading from Acts.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.

⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

17'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.
18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit;

and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

We read responsively.

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

²⁸You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath,

they die and return to their dust.

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴May these words of mine please God.

I will rejoice in the LORD.

^{35b}Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

Romans 8:14-17

A reading from Romans.

¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.





John 14:8-17, 25-27

The holy gospel according to St. John the 14th chapter. *Glory to you*, *O Lord*.

⁸Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And

I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

²⁵"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

abiding in our advocate

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

do you know your advocate

HYMN

Spirit of Gentleness

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- 1 You moved on the wa ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to-mor row, you break an-cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep; and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land; then you whis-pered in si - lence when the whole world was still; From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



o - ver the called to each thing: and ons you and when they were blind ed with i - dols and lies, you called once gain, and down in the cit a y sions, our men clear their eyes. our wom - en see vi



"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings." then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes. when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind. With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo-ple a - rise.

PUBLIC PROFESSION OF FAITH

Sheila Frame, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? *I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? *I renounce them*.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? *I* renounce them.

APOSTLES' CREED

Sheila and this community, I ask you to profess your faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? 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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of light."

Sheila, be reminded that you are a child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen.

Let us welcome Sheila Frame into this community of faith.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. 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.

ANTHEM

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

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We stand.

OFFERTORY

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying



OFFERING PRAYER

We give thanks for these gifts and we pray together.

Living God,

you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

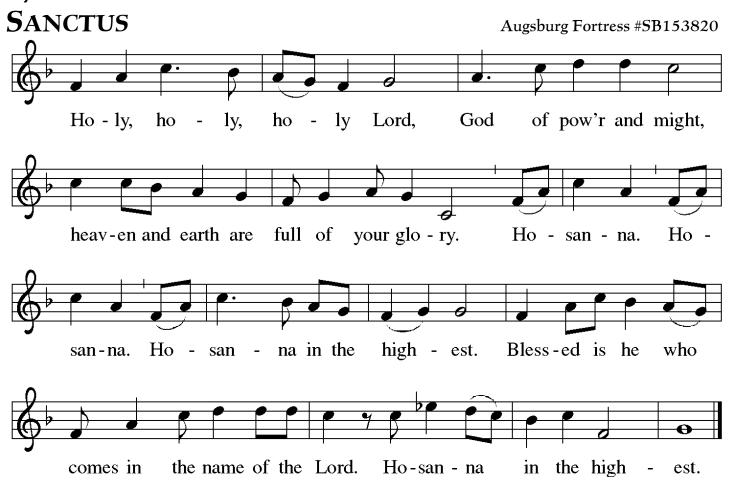
THE MEAL

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



PREFACE

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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of ev'ry nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection with earth and sea and all their creatures, with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed...

With this bread and cup, we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. *Come*, *Holy Spirit*.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. *Come*, *Holy Spirit*.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

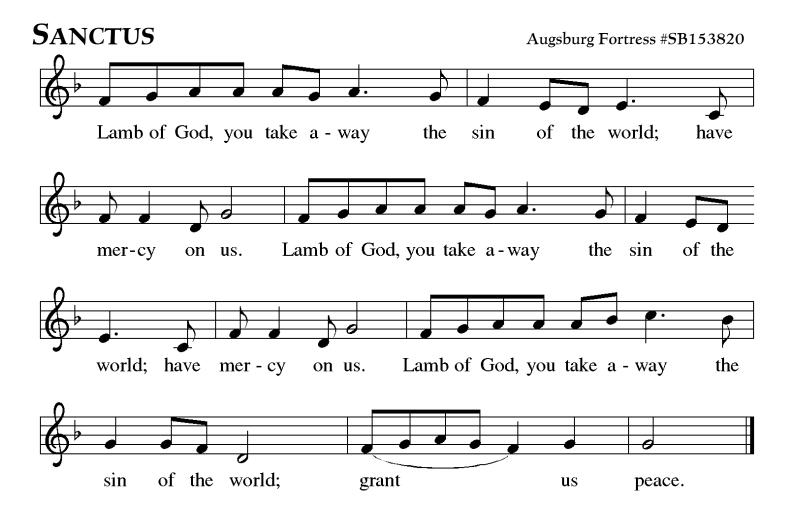
Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

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

The risen Christ dwells with us here. Come!

COMMUNION

Please come forward to receive communion. Both sides will form a single line in the center aisle. You will receive the bread and then receive the wine or grape juice from the side in which you are seated. You may then return to your pews using the outside aisles. Please return to your pews for a time of prayer and meditation.

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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.

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE SENDING

BLESSING

God, the Author of life, †
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
bless you now and forever. *Amen.*

HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Root of Life

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SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

cling all

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.

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be - low,

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

POSTLUDE

Melody

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the world.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the altar are given in honor of our 19th wedding anniversary by Wayne and Sheila Eargle.



Movie and Food on Fridays May 27 – July 15



Beginning at 6:00
each Friday:
Food & Fellowship
on Fridays.
Beginning around
7:30 we will watch an
episode of the Chosen
and discussion will
follow the movie.
(Should it rain, we
will move this into
the Fellowship Hall)



POP ON OVER TO CELEBRATE THE START OF SUMMER WITH POPSICLES AND BICYCLES!

BRING YOUR BIKE AND HAVE SOME FUN ON SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH FROM 10 - 12 IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT

CONTACT ELYSE KINARD (803-212-8709) OR KATIE DONALDSON (803-331-5996) WITH ANY QUESTIONS



TITHES AND OFFERINGS

05/29/2022

In-person Worship 91 + Live Stream Worship 72 = 163

| Current & Benevolent | Received | \$3,350 |
|----------------------|----------|---------|
| Building Fund | Received | \$190 |
| Building Improvement | Received | \$260 |

Honorariums and Memorials

In memory of Clifton Addy by Shirley & Dan Cooper, Gene & Jane Sexton, Herb Bucknam, Jeff & Alyson Price, Susan Busby, Danny & Jenny Scott, Lynn Bouknight, Ann Bouknight, Angie Hydrick, James Hallman & Jean Shealy, Faye Sox, Jan & Gene Schofield

To the glory of God and in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Wessinger, Hazel and Lyle Bockus by Myra & Karl Kinard

He-Brews will be July 30th (sign up by July 24) How do I participate? Sign-up on the sign-up sheet located in the breezeway or on-line. All participants will be divided randomly into small groups. A contact person will coordinate with their group to set a time and destination to meet for dinner. The groups will change for each date so that each time you meet you are with a different group of people.



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SERVING IN WORSHIP

Serving Today* Next Sunday

Greeter: Jenny Scott Jenny Scott

Crucifer: Connor Eargle Sydney Bucknam

Acolyte: Brayden Morris Mackenzie Burns

Lector: Frank Bouknight Sheila Eargle

Communion Assts: Charlene Corley Hayden Eargle

Ronnie Fulmer Danny Scott

Melanie Jackson Frankie Jackson

Flowers: Wayne & Sheila Eargle Ann Addy

Serving in June

Council Representative: Earl Sease

Altar Guild: Earl & Mary Frances Sease Tabulators: Ronnie Fulmer, Mary Price



MT HERMON PRAYS

*Family of Clifton Addy

Continual Prayers

Patricia Bachman, Generations

Alberta Berry, home

Nell Buff, NHC

Becky Koon, Colonial Gardens

Tom Roof, home

Cyndi Thurman, Encompass

Linda Waters-Hamilton, home

Members in Special Need of Prayer

Ann Addy Kay Bryant James Hallman Jerry Ellisor Angie Hydrick Marie Kleckley Jean Shealy Jerry Price III

Gene Schofield Jane Sexton Suzie Wattenbarger

Family and Friends Who Have Requested Prayers

Martha Eastwood, sister of Marie Kleckley

David Hydrick, family of Angie Hydrick

Charlotte & Paul Nelson, friends of Herb Bucknam

Bob Eastwood, brother-in-law of Marie Kleckley

Molly Kate Shealy, friend of Jean Shealy

Chuck Bachman, nephew of Jean Shealy

Dawn McIlwain-Merck, friend of Robin Ellisor

Gary & Linda Hodgin, friends of Herb Bucknam

Don Freeman, friend of Marion & Cyndi Leaphart

Jessica Drigger's mother, friend of Denise Thurman

Iris Wellborn, sister of Earl Sease

John Catoe, family of Ellisors

Dr. Kay Moore, friend and co-worker of Cyndi Leaphart

Cindy Maples, mother of Jennifer Miller

Lewis Turner, friend of Jo Leach

Emma Hunt, grandmother of Laura Carroll

Beth Ellsworth, friend of Kenny Bouknight

David Gosnell, friend of Allison Swygert

Michelle Gross & Bryan Gross, friends of Regan Anthony

Shirley Duenka, friend of Sheila Starkey

Grayson Crout, friend of Sheila Starkey

Billy Huckabee, friend of Danny Scott

Arthava Tripathi, child friend of Robert & Joye Haygood

Jackson Kolker, friend of Frank & Bonnie Bouknight

Steve Kinard, father of Arron Kinard

Mary Duffie, mother of Alyson Price

Curtis Plummer, husband of DI, son-in-law Wayne & Charlene Corley, serving our country

Stan Weber, husband of Debi Weber

Keith Saxton, friend of Cyndi Leaphart, serving our country

We always thank
GOD for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.

I Thessalonians I:2, NIV



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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, June 5th - Pentecost (New Disciple: Sheila Frame)

9:00 am Worship

10:30 am Sunday School

1:00 pm History Recording

4:00 pm Teach Team

Monday, June 6th

9:30 am Staff Meeting

5:30 pm CR: Care Team

Tuesday, June 7th

7:00 pm Executive Team

Wednesday, June 8th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Fran Bouknight, Angie Hydrick)

12:05 pm OneBody in Christ

6:00 pm LiveStreaming Video Training

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, June 10th

6:00 pm Food & Fellowship Fridays

7:30 pm Movie on the Mount (Fellowship Hall if raining)

Saturday, June 11th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Mike Rawl, Laura Stevens)