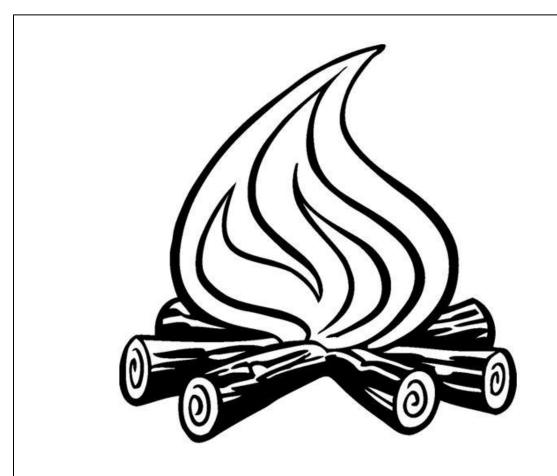
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Bring some of the fish that you caught

MAY 1, 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,

Paster Ging would love to speak with you!

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

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Crocker, Houston, Lightelm/CCLI #6428767

THE GATHERING

We stand and face the baptismal font.
Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who sends the word with angels, who is made flesh among all peoples, and who breathes peace on all the earth. *Amen.*

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



EASTER PROCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! He is risen!

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

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

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together.

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow 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 9:1-20

A reading from Acts.

¹Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with

him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. ⁸Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." 11The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, 12 and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." 13 But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; 14 and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." 15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; ¹⁶I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." 17So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." 18 And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, 19 and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, ²⁰and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30

We read responsively.

¹I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

²O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.

³You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

⁴Sing praise to the LORD, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.

⁵God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime.

Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.

⁶While I felt secure, I said,

"I shall never be disturbed.

⁷You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains." Then you hid your face,

and I was filled with fear.

⁸I cried to you, O LORD;

I pleaded with my Lord, saying,

⁹"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

¹⁰Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me;

O LORD, be my helper."

¹¹You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

¹²Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.

Revelation 5:11-14

A reading from Revelation.

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

¹³Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL: John 21:1-19

The holy gospel according to St. John the 21st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. ²Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish.

⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. ⁸But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you

will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

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

We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

going fishing

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

because you love me!

HYMN Sing Twice

Open Our Eyes Lord

Cull/CCLI #1572



Installation of Director of Music Search Team

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

After each petition:

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. *Amen*.

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.

OFFERING

Our Great God

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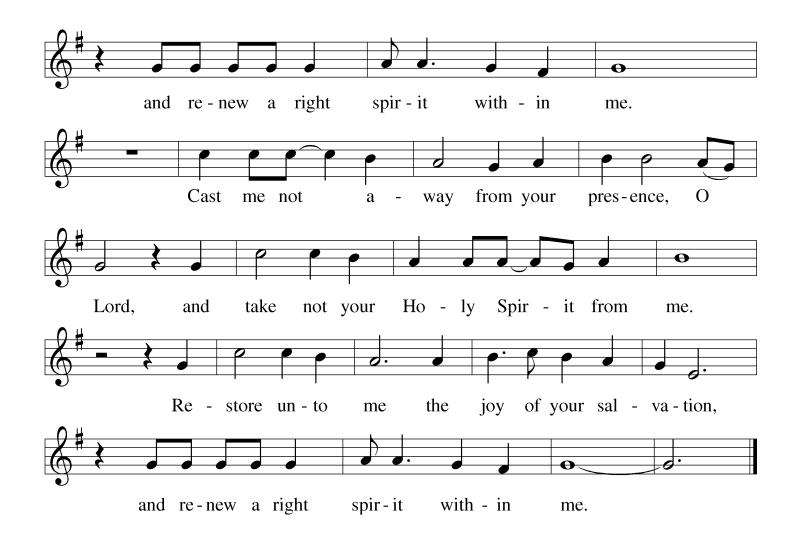
We stand.

OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart

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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. 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.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should always and everywhere give thanks and praise to you, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. We praise your name.

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 nd 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,
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.

MUSIC

Brown, Brock, Furtick, Joye/CCLI #7051511

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.*

EASTER PROCLAMATION

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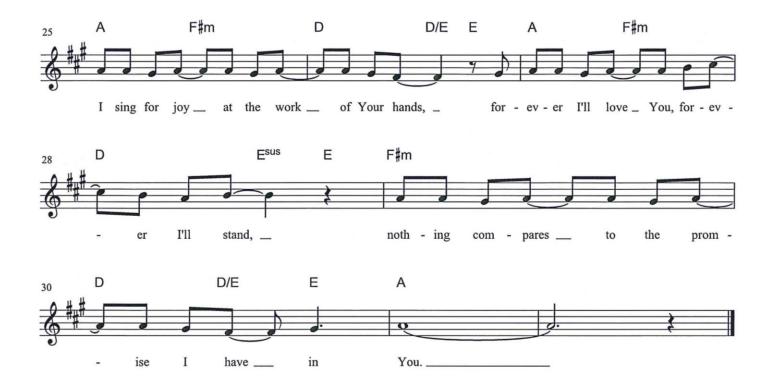
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Christ is Risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN

Shout to the Lord





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

POSTLUDE

Praise the Lord, My Soul

Ryan Price

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 flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Jenny's birthday by Danny Scott.



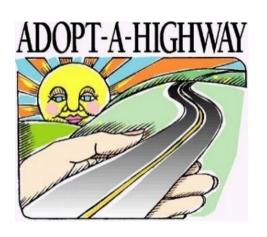
Search Team for Director of Music

A search team has been established and they are beginning the process of listening to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, as they identify the next Director of Music. If you, or someone you know, is interested in the position, please contact Wynne Price or Pastor Gina. In the meantime, if you would be interested in

playing/leading worship for a Sunday or two, or if you would be interested in playing one hymn during the Wednesday noon service, please speak to Pastor Gina. We know that God will see to it that the right person is identified and sent to musically and spiritually lead Mt. Hermon's music ministry. Please join the search team in prayer that we are obedient and open to the Spirit's movement.

Adopt-A-Highway

Make plans to help with our next Adopt-A-Highway pick-up on **Saturday, May 21**. Meet in the church parking lot by 9:00 am. The other pick-up dates this year are: August 20 and November 12, 2022.





Grief Seminar

Deborah Poole, Certified Grief Counselor

May 22nd 4:00 Fellowship Hall

All are welcome!



No two persons grieve the same.





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Eagle Project for Tanner Addy

My name is Tanner Addy and I am from Boy Scout Troop 331 in West Columbia. I am currently a Life Scout and working toward my Eagle Scout Rank. One of my Eagle Scout requirements is to plan and execute a service project that benefits the community.



Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church

My project will be to create an "Outdoor Sanctuary" for Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church. The "Outdoor Sanctuary" could be used for a variety of activities and events. Some of those could include: Easter Sunrise Service, Confirmation, Lenten Services, Worship, small group time of prayer, Sunday School groups or events, VBS, and many more. I plan to build wooden benches along with a wooden cross. The "Outdoor Sanctuary" will be kept with a natural appearance.

I plan to begin building my project late spring or as soon as funding is received. The estimated cost to build the "Outdoor Sanctuary" is \$1,000.00. Donations can be placed in the offering plate labeled "Tanner's Eagle Project" or you may give from our website at www.VVeAreMtHermon.com and select Online Giving. I am very thankful for your prayers and any assistance you're able to provide me with my Eagle Project.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

04/24/2022

In-person Worship 94 + Live Stream Worship 67 = 161

Current & Benevolent	Received	\$2,585.45
Building Fund	Received	\$320.00
Building Improvement	Received	\$55.00

Honorariums and Memorials

In honor of **Kay Bryant and Larry Amick** by Linda Waters-Hamilton and Ryan & Jennifer Price

In memory of **Angie Hydrick's father**, **Charles Price**, by Mary & Earl Sease, Parker & Diane Boulware

In honor of **Tanner Addy's Eagle Scout Project**, love, Papa and Nanny Patsy

Tanner's Eagle Scout Project*

Received 04/17/2022 — \$135.00

Received 04/24/2022 — \$1,233.60

*Tanner has begun to incorporate additional elements into the project with the generosity of your hearts!

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SERVING IN WORSHIP

Serving Today* Next Sunday

Greeter: Alyson Price Alyson Price

Crucifer: Brayden Rutherford Tanner Addy

Acolyte: Mackenzie Burns Connor Eargle

Lector: Terry Swygert Frank Bouknight

Communion Asst. Marion Leaphart Hayden Eargle

Susan Busby Danny Scott

Terry Swygert Frankie Jackson

Flowers Danny Scott Arron & Elyse Kinard

Serving in May

Council Representative: Sheila Starkey Altar Guild: Ann Addy, Annette Price Tabulators: Larry Amick, Angie Hydrick



MT HERMON PRAYS

Continual Prayers

Clifton Addy, home

Patricia Bachman, Generations

Alberta Berry, home

Hazel Bockus, Springdale Home

Lyle Bockus, Springdale Home

Nell Buff, NHC

Becky Koon, Colonial Gardens

Tom Roof, home

*Cyndi Thurman, Prisma Baptist

Linda Waters-Hamilton, home

Members in Special Need of Prayer

Ann Addy
Jerry Ellisor
Angie Hydrick
Gene Schofield

Tommy Donaldson James Hallman Marie Kleckley Jean Shealy Jane Sexton Kitty Boulware

Family and Friends Who Have Requested Our 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

Bill Harrell, friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price

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

Barry Posey, friend of Cyndi Leaphart

Jackson Kolker, friend of Frank & Bonnie Bouknight

Steve Kinard, father of Arron Kinard

Mary Duffie, mother of Alyson Price

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

*Stan Weber, husband of Debi Weber

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

I Thessalonians 1:2, NIV



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Blake Allen, Vice President Parker Boulware, Treasurer Ricky Bouknight & Terry Swygert, Sextons

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, May 1st

9:00 am Worship

10:30 am Sunday School

3:00 pm Confirmation

4:00 pm Teach Team

4:30 pm Youth Meeting

Monday, May 2nd

5:30 pm CR: Care Team

6:30 pm CR: Team for Ministry

Wednesday, May 4th

9:00 am Food Pantry

(Diane Boulware & Mary Frances Sease)

Thursday, May 5th

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 7th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Arron & Elyse Kinard)