

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MAY 5, 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

Gratitude

Lake, Bowe, Hastings/CCLI #7158417

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.

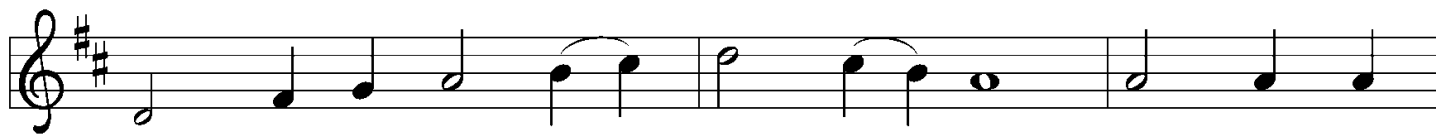
***We ask this through Christ,
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever. Amen***

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

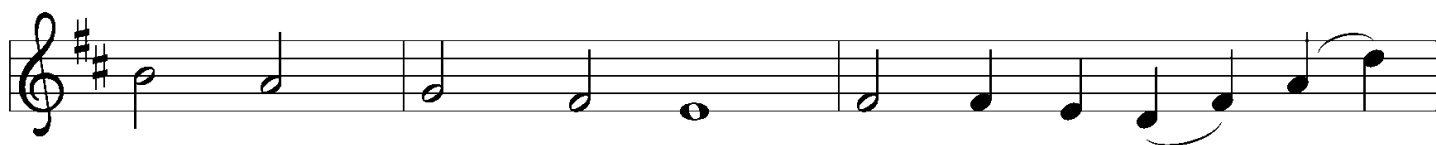
HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

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1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

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.

Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

We sit.

THE WORD

Luke 24:36-53

The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁶While [the disciples] were talking about [the resurrection events], Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms

must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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

We sit.

CHILDREN'S TIME

eating together

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

ascension

We stand.

HYMN

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Founds/CCLI #117947

Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your

prais - es. I'm so glad you're in my life,

I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heav - en to earth

to show the way, from the earth to the cross,

my debt to pay; from the cross to the grave,

from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

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

There is Something About That Name

Gaither/CCLI #14064

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 the hymn, with lyrics '1 There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own Son,'. The second staff contains the melody for the second line, with lyrics 'pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.' Chord symbols are written above the notes: Eb, Bb/D, Eb, Ab/C, Bb7/D, Eb, Bb/D, Eb, Ab/C, Bb, Eb, Bb for the first line; Eb, Bb/D, Eb, Ab, Eb/G, Fm7, Bb7sus, Eb, Ab/Bb for the second line.

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

Here is Bread
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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.

**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

The King of Glory

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

SENDING

Go, Make Disciples

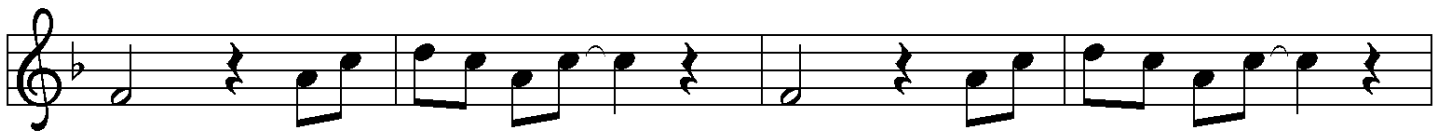
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"Go, make dis - ci - ples, bap - tiz - ing them, teach - ing them.



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.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Abbey & Emily's birthday by Chris & Marie Carroll.



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 or Alyson Price or Allison Swygert, Venmo to Melanie Jackson @Melanie-Jackson67)

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

YOUTH:

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

May 19th ~ Coffee, Food, and Fellowship following worship.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

VBS will be June 23rd-27th



TITHES AND OFFERINGS

04/28/2024

In Person 105 + Live Stream Worship 98 = 203

Current & Benevolent	Received	\$ 3,882.31
Building Fund	Received	\$ 577.00
Building Improvement	Received	\$110.00

Honorariums and Memorials

In memory of **Gene Schofield** by Ryan & Jennifer Price

In memory of **Gale Garrett** by Ryan & Jennifer Price

In memory of **Jenny Dixon**, sister of Larry and Kay, by Ryan & Jennifer Price, Jeff & Alyson Price

In memory of **Sarah Busbee**, mother of Melanie Jackson, by Ryan & Jennifer Price

thank you

Mt Hermon Family Thank you all so much for the many prayers, cards, food, flower arrangement and caring words. Gene and I loved Mt Hermon and the people that made us feel welcomed the first time we attended service. We were made to feel like part of "

the family." Gene touched so many lives that GOD put in our path over so many years. We were truly blessed with so many friends. He is missed by so many. We are so thankful to each of you at Mt. Hermon.

Jan Schofield and Family



The West Metro Pastor's Association asks for your help! Mt Hermon helped to financially support the building of a Faith Build in West Columbia. Now they need our gifts of

construction and presence. May 9th is Ascension Day, and we ask that you help "raise" the roof on a house in West Columbia. We need a total of 15 workers from 8:00 – 11:00 and 15 from Noon until 3:00. Please consider helping on this project and call Pastor Gina or email the office@WeAreMtHermon.com

SERVING IN WORSHIP

	Today	Next Sunday
Ushers:	Jamie Addison	Tom Stahl
	Randy Clark	David Marsh
Crucifer:	Jake Dugan	Brayden Rutherford
Acolyte:	Walker Kinard	Dylan Whitaker
Lector:	Frank Bouknight	Danny Scott
Communion Assts:	Jake Dugan	Brayden Rutherford
	Walker Kinard	Danny Scott
	Frank Bouknight	Jenny Scott
	Marie Gardner	Marion Leaphart
	Elyse Kinard	Cyndi Leaphart
Nursery:	Noah Swygert	Katie Donaldson
	Cassie Swygert	Melanie Jackson
Flowers:	Chris & Marie Carroll	Hydrick

SERVING IN MAY

COUNCIL REP: Jennifer Miller

ALTAR GUILD: Jennifer Price

TABULATORS: Larry Amick, Angie Hydrick

USHERS: Marion Leaphart, Susan Busby, Dennis Thurman

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Mike & Leah Rawl

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
Mary Frances Sease	Easton Donaldson	Jim Whitaker

Family and Friends Who Have Requested Prayers

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
*Iris Wellborn, *sister of Earl Sease*
*Caroline Hair, *cousin of Fran Bouknight*

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 12th Mother's Day

9:00 am Worship
10:30 am Sunday School

Monday, May 13th

6:30 pm Lutheran Men & Women
BINGO! Plan to attend!

Tuesday, May 14th

5:00 pm Executive Team
6:00 pm GR: Grief Group

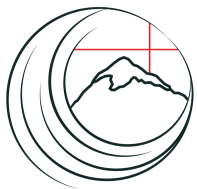
Wednesday, May 15th

9:00 am Food Pantry
(Parker & Diane Boulware, Mary Frances Sease)
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm Life Group at Jackson's

Saturday, May 18th

9:00 am Food Pantry
(The Kinard Family)
9:00 am Adopt-a-Highway





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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, May 5th

9:00 am Worship
10:30 am Sunday School
3:00 pm AR: Cultivating Pearls/Bible Journaling 101
3:00 pm Confirmation
4:00 pm FH: Mike Rawl

Monday, May 6th Mother's Day Honorariums Due in office

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

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

Thursday, May 9th

8:00 am Habitat Build
4:00 pm Ordination: Matt Hansen (LTSS Chapel)

Saturday, May 11th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Koon Family)