

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Encourage
one another,
and all the
more as you
see the Day
approaching.

HEBREWS 10:25, NRSV



NOVEMBER 17, 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

Living Hope
Wickham/CCLI #7106807

THE GATHERING

We stand and face the baptismal font.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy 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

We confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

*We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.*

*The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.*

*In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.*

*We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.
In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.*

*Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.*

Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ,
the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

As fully forgiven children of God, turn and face the altar as the cross passes you.

HYMN

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

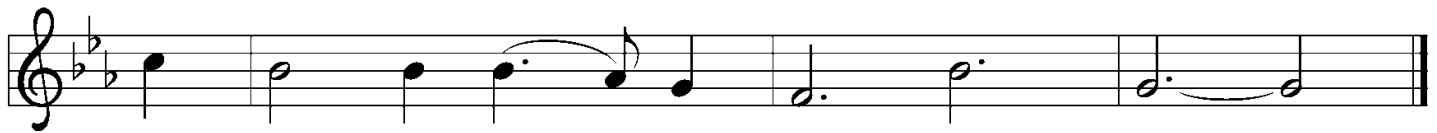
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1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y_a con - flict,
3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,
4 Just as I am; thy love un - known has bro - ken ev - 'ry



shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
man - y_a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,
cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,
bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,



O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

GREETING

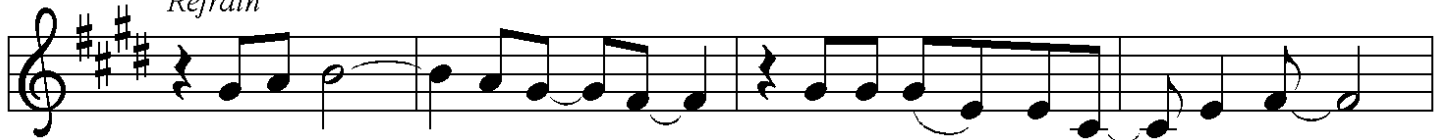
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE

Augsburg Fortress Liturgies #SB153820

Refrain



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

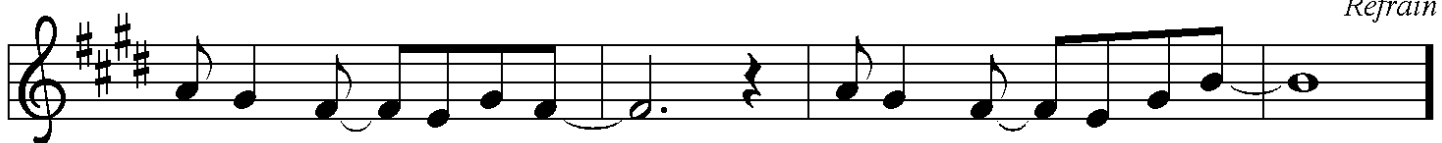


u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



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,

Refrain



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together.

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

We sit.

THE WORD

HEBREWS 10:19-25

A reading from Hebrews.

¹⁹Therefore, my brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

The word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME

brothers and sisters

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

encouragement

We stand.

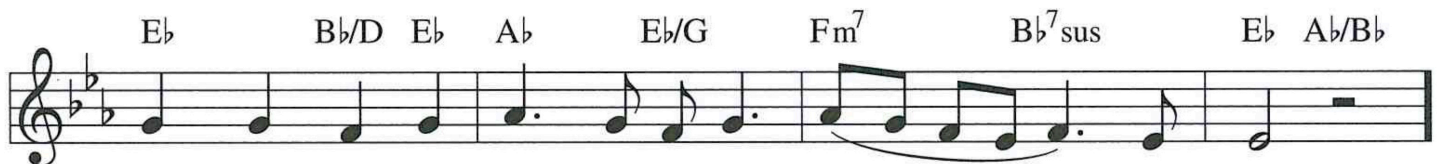
HYMN

There Is a Redeemer

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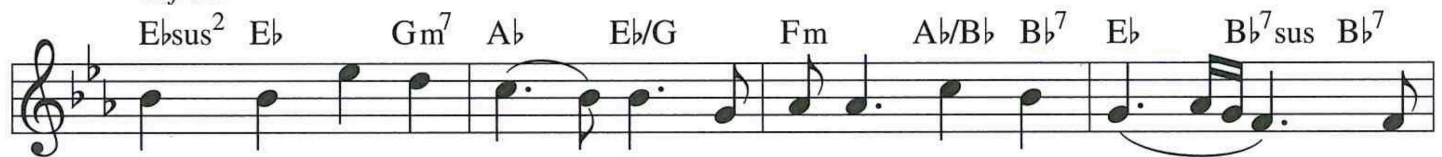


1 There is a Re-deem-er, Je-sus, God's own Son,
2 Je-sus, my Re-deem-er, name a-bove all names,
3 When I stand in glo-ry, I will see his face;

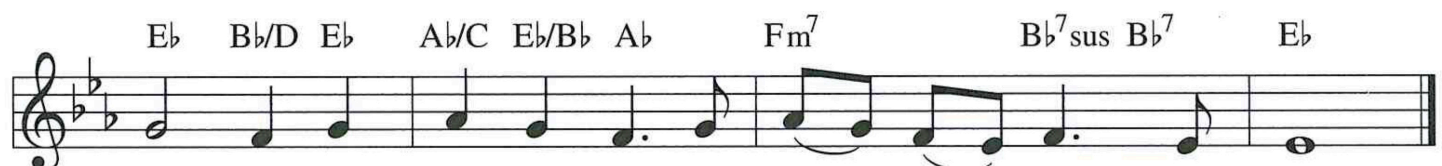


pre-cious Lamb of God, Mes-si-ah, Ho-ly One.
pre-cious Lamb of God, Mes-si-ah, hope for sin-ners slain.
there I'll serve my king for-ev-er, in that ho-ly place.

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.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (CONFIRMATION)

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Cameron Bucknam who is making public affirmation of his baptism.

We pray together.

Merciful God, we thank you for this disciple of Christ, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called him to yourself, enlightened him with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished him in the community of faith. Uphold your servant in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.

PUBLIC PROFESSION OF FAITH

Cameron,

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Confirmands: *I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Confirmands: *I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Confirmands: *I renounce them.*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Cameron, you have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ
through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and
to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Cameron, do you promise to continue this covenant?

Cameron: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God,

do you promise to support this disciple of Christ and pray for him in his life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Individually each confirmand and their parents come to the font.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit, you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in Cameron the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. ***Amen.***

Cameron receives a candle from their parents to mark this day.

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

Lord, Pour Mercy

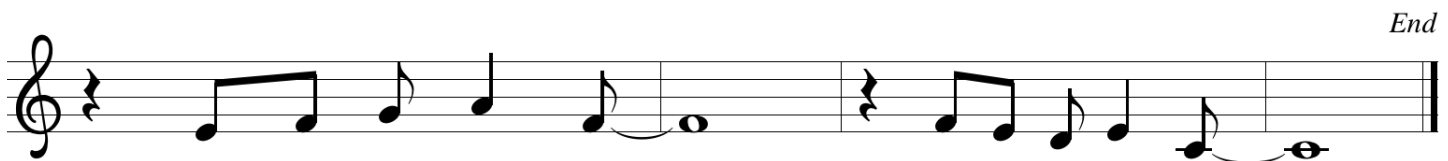
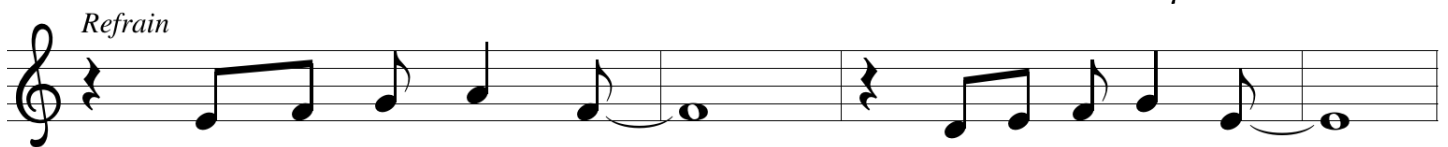
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We stand.

OFFERTORY

Change My Heart, O God

Espinosa/CCLI #1565





Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

OFFERING PRAYER

We give thanks for these gifts and we pray together.

***Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.
Fill us with your abundance,
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,
trusting in your name. 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection, opened to us the way of everlasting life.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed...

With this bread and cup, we declare You, your Word, and your Spirit. As often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim Christ in our lives. *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. Shine your light on us. *Come, Holy Spirit.*

We are empty vessels that need to be filled. Send your Spirit to fill us. *Come, Holy Spirit.*

We humbly seek your face, and we seek to do your will. Give us your strength and your wisdom to empower us. *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

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.
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

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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We stand.

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.

*Holy God,
you have welcomed us to this meal
and fed us with dignity at your table.
Send us now to welcome others
and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

THE SENDING

BLESSING

God all mighty, God most merciful † bless you, keep you,
and give you peace. *Amen.*

HYMN

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Tomlin/CCLI #4768151

VERSE 1 & 2



1. A maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like
(2.) grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears re -

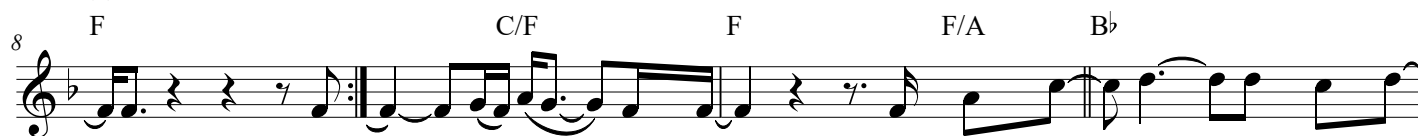


me. I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I
lieved. How pre - cious did that grace ap - pear, the hour

(1)

2

CHORUS



see. 2. 'Twas I first be - lieved. My chains are gone. I've been set



free, my God, my Sav - ior has ran - somed me. And like a flood His mer - cy

VERSE 3



rains, un - end - ing love, a - maz - ing grace. 3. The Lord has prom - ised good

20 $B\flat/F$ F C/F F F/A

to me, His word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and por -

CHORUS

24 $B\flat$ F C/F F F/A $B\flat$

tion be, as long as life en - dures. My chains are gone. I've been set

28 F/A $B\flat/D$ F/C F/A $B\flat$

free, my God, my Sav - ior has ran - somed me. And like a flood His mer - cy

32 F/A $Gm7$ $C7$ F F/A F

rains, un - end - ing love, a - maz - ing grace. My chains are

VERSE 4

36 $B\flat/F$ F $B\flat/F$ F

4. The earth shall soon dis - solve like snow, the sun for - bear to shine.

40 C/F F F/A $B\flat$ F C/F

But God, who called me here be - low, will be for - ev - er mine,

44 F C/F F C/F F

will be for - ev - er mine. You are for - ev - er mine.

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

SENDING

The Blessing

Brown, Carnes, Jobe, Furtick/CCLI #7147007

The Lord bless you — and keep you,
make his face shine — up - on — you and be gra - cious — to you.
The Lord turn his — face toward you and give you peace. .
— A — men, a —
-men, a — men. A — men, a —
-men, a — men. D.C. || D.S. |
-men, a — men. - men.

SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

We follow the light of Christ into the world.

We are God's people on a mission.

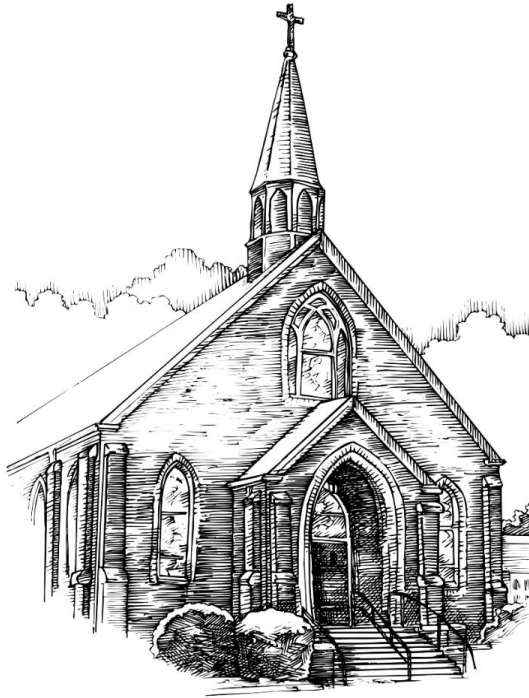
We have gathered. We have been fed.

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 memory of Jerry Price, Sr. on his 85th birthday, November 17th, by the Price Families.



2024 Annual MEETING NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING NOVEMBER 17

NOMINATING MEETING NOVEMBER 3

TIE-BREAK MEETING NOVEMBER 10

Mt HERMON LUTHERAN Church
3011 LEAPHART Rd
WEST COLUMBIA



Shock and Claus

*Saturday December 7th at 11:30 at Murray's
in Cayce, SC*

*Each participant will need to bring \$100,
the meal will be paid out of the money
collected and the remainder will be given to
the server as a generous tip. Please contact
Frankie or Melanie Jackson if you would
like to attend or if you have any questions.*



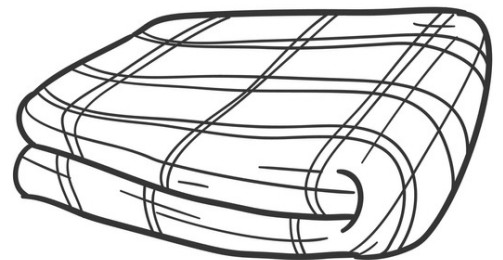


**Movies on the Mount
returns!**
October 4th–November 22
7:00 pm
Watching "The Chosen"
Season 4

Wrap a Child in a Warm Blanket

Many of the students at one of the local elementary schools need warm blankets for this winter. They need twin blankets that are warm and a solid color or a simple pattern to help prevent jealousy among the children. We will be collecting these now through Thanksgiving. Please donate if you can. We will be

collecting these also as a special offering at the Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 24





Community Thanksgiving Worship

West Metro clergy and joint choirs will lead worship service. Come and give thanks to God together.

One of our local elementary schools has asked to cover each of their students with a twin blanket for warmth this winter. We will first cover the blankets in prayer at this service before we deliver the blankets.

Sunday, November 24 at 5 pm
Spaghetti meal to follow

Mt. Hermon Church

**3011 Leaphart Rd
West Columbia**

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

11/10/2024

In Person 93 + Live Stream Worship 127 = 220

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| Current & Benevolent | Received | \$5,734.49 |
| Building Fund | Received | \$2,125.00 |
| Building Improvement | Received | \$670.00 |

Honorariums and Memorials:

N/A



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SERVING IN WORSHIP

| | Today | Next Sunday |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Ushers: | Kay Bryant | Mary Price |
| | Larry Amick | Angie Hydric |
| Crucifer: | Quentin Kinard | Lawson Morris |
| Acolyte: | Walker Kinard | Chanler Coppens |
| Lector: | Jim Whitaker | Frank Bouknight |
| Communion Assts: | Quentin Kinard | Lawson Morris |
| | Walker Kinard | Chanler Coppens |
| | Arron Kinard | Frank Bouknight |
| | Elyse Kinard | Sherwood Garrett |
| | Frank Bouknight | Hayden Eargle |
| Nursery: | Cassie Swygert | Alyson Price |
| | Laura Carroll | Brittany Allen |
| Flowers: | Price Families | Koon Family |

SERVING IN NOVEMBER

COUNCIL REP: Jeff Price

ALTAR GUILD: Jennifer Price

TABULATORS: Ann Addy, Mary Frances Sease

USHERS: Marion Leaphart, Susan Busby, Dennis Thurman

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Brandon Donaldson, Marie Gardner

MT HERMON PRAYS

Continual Prayer

Patricia Bachman, *Asbury Arms*
Lauvenia Butts, *Lakeside Place*
Bobby & Doris Carver, *Presby Home*
Georgianna Gray, *home*
James Hallman, *Lakeside Place*
Marie Kleckley, *Lex Ext Care*

Gloria Mathias, *home*
Jane Sexton, *Phoenix Asst Living*
Jean Shealy, *Lakeside Place*
Cyndi Thurman, *Prisma Baptist*
Linda Waters-Hamilton, *home*

Members in Special Need of Prayer

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Bonnie Bouknight | Parker Boulware | Chris Carroll |
| Mary Frances Sease | Jim Whitaker | Joye Haygood |
| Randy Clark | | |

Family and Friends Who Have Requested Prayers

*family of Tim Burrows, *friend of Michelle Gantt*
Stetson Cooper, *grandson of Dan Cooper*.
Paula Miller, *friend of Brittany Allen*
Dawn McIlwain-Merck, *friend of Robin Ellisor*
John Catoe, *family of the Ellisors*
Mrs. William L. Coleman Jr (Carolyn),
friends of Marion & Cyndi Leaphart
Iris Wellborn, *sister of Earl Sease*
Mrs. Cruz, *teacher of Abbey Carroll*
Katy Madigan, *friend of Marie Carroll*
Phil Dennis, *brother of Lavonne Roof*
Nancy Lail-Hulon & Family,
friends of Debra & Dave Butts
Billy Huckabee, *friend of Danny Scott*
Sandra Watson, *aunt of Courtney Bucknam*
Sarah Harmon, *friend of Courtney Bucknam*
Quentin Oswalt, *Angie Hydrick's nephew (Iraq)*
Jaimie Womack, *friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price*
Cynthia Rabon, *friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price*
Blase Rhine,
grandson of Frank & Bonnie Bouknight
Cynthia Mallard,
friend of Sheila Starkey & Beth Jordan
Jeslyn, *friend of Scarlett Bryant*
Tom Shaul, *friend of the Kinard Family*

Debbe Dearman, *neighbor of Kathy Cooper*
Jillian Stover, *friend of Erin Rose*
Bryce McKelvey, *friend of Regan Gross*
Max Schronce,
friend of the David & Scottie Marsh
Faye McCartha, *mother of Debra Butts*
Hayes Wingard,
grandson of Sam and Kathy Cooper
Robbie Rector, *friend Jennifer Miller*
Amy Morrison, *friend of many*
Bill Geddings, *father of Allison Swygert*
Jane Baxley, *cousin of Michelle Gantt*
Mark King, *coworker of Michelle Gantt*
Joyce Davis, *grandmother of Jaquelyn Hawlik*
Will & Summer Satcher,
friend of Courtney Bucknam
Family of David Kaylor,
friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price
Dorothy Collins, *friend of Ryan Price*
Lauren Addy, *friend of Kathy Cooper and Metz*
Jodi Harper, *friend of Erin Rose*
Sam Lockridge, *friend of Scottie Marsh*
Lutheran Disaster Recovery workers
Hurricane Helene survivors and families
Mary Duffie, *mother of Alyson Price*

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, November 24th

- 9:00 am Worship
- 10:15 am Children's Choir
- 10:30 am Sunday School
- 2:15 pm Christmas Program Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 26th

- 6:30 pm CR: Support Team
- 6:30 pm Life Group at The Jacksons'

Wednesday, November 27th

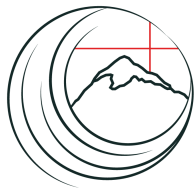
- 9:00 am Food Pantry
(David & Debra Butts, Rick & Debbie Duval)
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, November 30th

- 9:00 am Food Pantry
(Jamie & Nancy Addison, Elaine Clawson)



Work is progressing on Connor Eargle's Eagle project! The damaged section of concrete has been replaced and painting will begin soon. We welcome any donations that are made as the pickleball court begins to take shape. It is Connor's hope that the court will be a place where both church members and the community can play a sport that's rapidly increasing in popularity. Thank you for your support of this project.



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Terry Swygert, *Vice President*
Frank Bouknight, *Treasurer*
Ricky Bouknight & Terry Swygert, *Sextons*

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, November 17th

9:00 am Worship (Confirmation: Cameron Bucknam)
10:30 am FH: Annual Congregational Meeting
11:30 am CR: Teach Team

Monday, November 18th

6:00 pm CR: Outreach Team

Tuesday, November 19th

6:00 pm GR: Grief Group
6:00 pm CR: Finance Team

Wednesday, November 20th

9:00 am Food Pantry
(Parker & Diane Boulware, Mary Frances Sease)
10:00 am Staff Meeting
6:00 pm Handbells
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 22nd

6:00 pm BYODinner
7:00 pm Movie on the Mt.

Saturday, November 23rd

9:00 am Food Pantry (Parker & Diane Boulware)