

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

He has
rescued
us from
the
power of
darkness

and
transferred
us into the
kingdom of
his beloved
Son,

Colossians 1:13

OCTOBER 13, 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

Now Let Us Rejoice

Tucker/email permission

THE GATHERING

We stand and to 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.

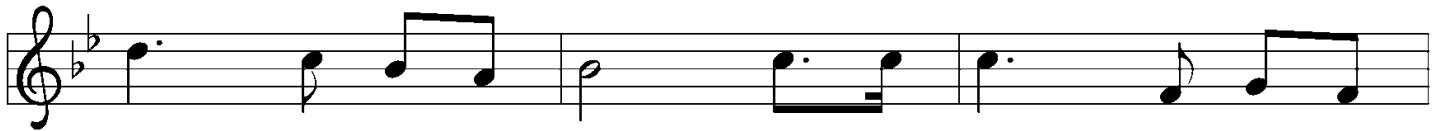
HYMN

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

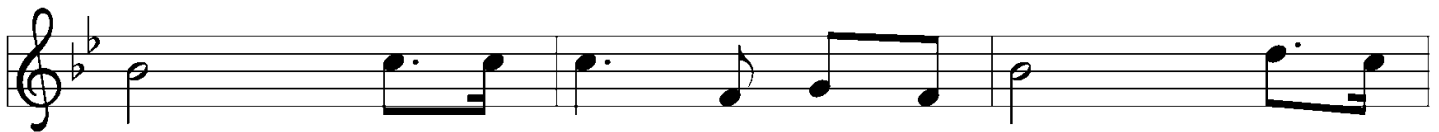
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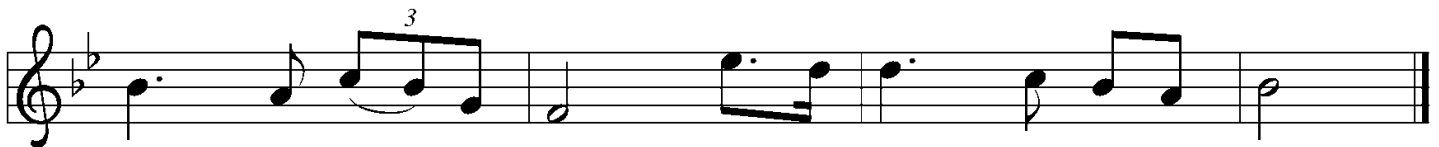
1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver
2 As a moth - er stills her child, thou canst
3 When at last I near the shore, and the



life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me
hush the o - cean wild; bois - t'rous waves o - bey thy
fear - ful break - ers roar twixt me and the peace - ful



roll, hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal; chart and
will when thou say'st to them: "Be still." Won - drous
rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I



com - pass come from thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
sov - 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
hear thee say to me: "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

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

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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,



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

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together.

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

We sit.

THE WORD

COLOSSIANS 1:9B-20

A reading from Colossians.

we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers — all things have been created

through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME

praying for friends

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

Jesus is the image of God

We stand.

HYMN

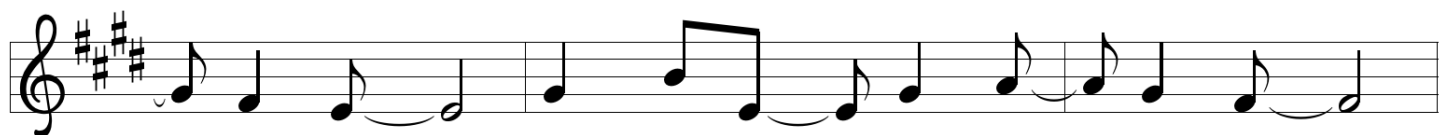
Take My Life That I May Be

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Refrain/Estribillo



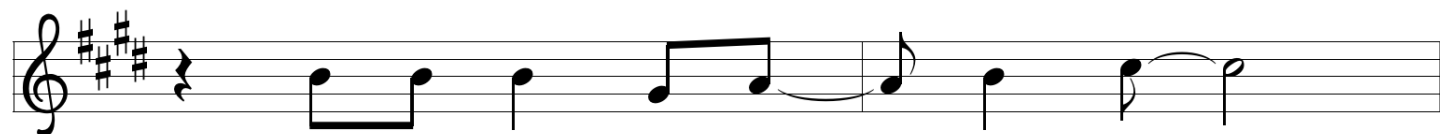
To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té
1 Take my hands and let them move
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
3 Take my voice and let me sing
4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;
at the im - pulse of thy love;
not a mite would I with - hold;
al - ways, on - ly for my King;
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que_a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
take my feet and let them be swift and
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
take my lips and let them be filled with
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall



Refrain/Estrillo

pul - so de tu_a - mor.
beau - ti - ful for thee.
pow'r as thou shalt choose.
mes - sag - es from thee.
be thy roy - al throne.

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

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

God of grace, hear our prayer.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior. ***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

Deep River

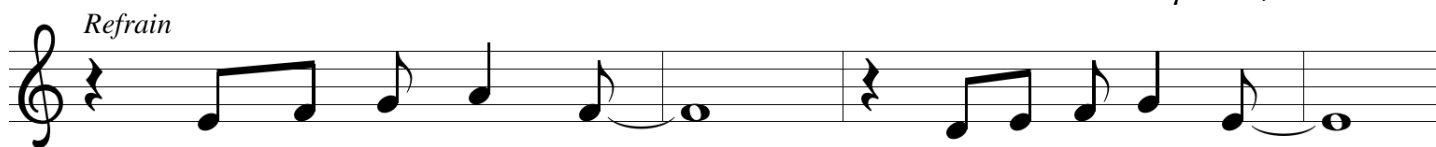
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We stand.

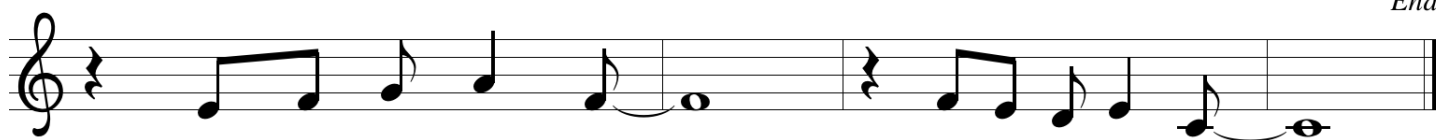
OFFERTORY

Change My Heart, O God

Espinosa/CCLI #1565



Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.



Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.



You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.



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

OFFERING PRAYER

We give thanks for these gifts and we pray together.

Blessed are you, O God,

source of every gift of your creation.

By these gifts and with our lives,

help us to serve one another and all in need,

through 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.

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

Here is Bread

Kendrick/CCLI#983717

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

Sing twice

Make Me A Servant

Willard/OneLicense#85970

The musical score is written in 3/4 time and consists of five staves. The lyrics are: "Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek. Lord, let me lift up those who are weak. And may the prayer of my heart al - ways be: Make me a ser - vant, make me a ser - vant, make me a ser - vant to - day." The chords are: F, Dm⁷, Gm⁷, C⁷, Gm⁷, B \flat /C, C⁷, B \flat /F, F, F^{sus}₂, F, A, Dm, Dm/C, G²/B, B \flat m⁶, F/A, Gm⁷, F/A, Gm⁷, F/C, C⁷^{sus}, F².

F Dm⁷ Gm⁷ C⁷
Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek.

Gm⁷ B \flat /C C⁷ B \flat /F F F^{sus}₂ F A
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.

Dm Dm/C G²/B B \flat m⁶
And may the prayer of my heart al - ways be:

F/A Gm⁷ F/A Gm⁷
Make me a ser - vant, make me a ser - vant,

F/C C⁷^{sus} F²
make me a ser - vant to - day.

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.

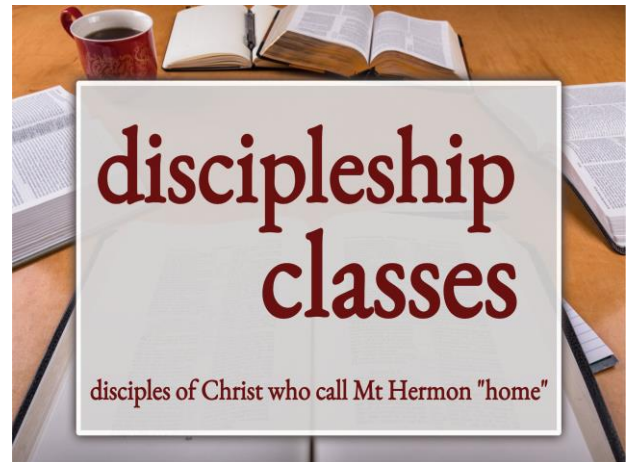
Amen.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Aura Swygert's birthday on October 17th by Terry and Allison Swygert.

New Discipleship Class:

If you are interested in becoming a "disciple of Christ who calls Mt. Hermon "home", please meet on October 20th at 10:30 in Pastor Gina's office.



LOTS OF FUN FOR ALL AGES!

Harvest Festival



**Saturday, October 26,
2024 5:00 - 7:30**

Needs:

**candy, volunteers, trunks,
candy, musicians, cooks,
candy, support staff, more
candy**

**If you have any questions,
please contact Frankie or
Melanie Jackson**



Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church 3011 Leaphart Road, West Columbia

All Saints Sunday

November 3rd, 2024

Memorials to honor loved ones who have passed will be listed in a special bulletin.

***Funds received will be used to assist
in the feeding of bereaved families.***

Funds to the office by October 28th



**Movies on the Mount
returns!**

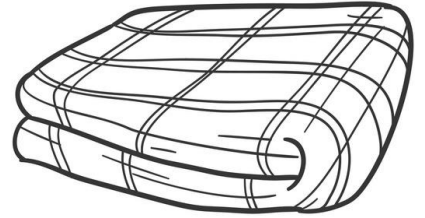
**October 4th – November 22
7:00 pm**

***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.



*Chartered Bus
to
Hendersonville*

**Fill the bus!
November 6th**

suggested donation \$20

**Sign up sheets in breezeway
or you may call the church office.
Contact Frank Bouknight
if you have any questions!**

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

10/06/2024

In Person 134 + Live Stream Worship 127 = 261

Current & Benevolent	Received	\$4,586.63
Building Fund	Received	\$880.00
Building Improvement	Received	\$440.00

Honorariums and Memorials:

- In memory of my brother, **Chris Porth**, on his birthday by Earl & Mary Frances with Love
- In memory of **Tom Roof** by Earl & Mary Frances Sease
- In memory of **Alberta Berry** by Earl & Mary Frances Sease
- In memory of **Dot Mathias** by Earl & Mary Frances Sease, Myra & Carl Kinard, the Friendship Class, Lynn Bouknight, Sheila Starkey, Ann Bouknight, Nancy & Jamie Addison, Diane & Parker Boulware, Herb Bucknam, Danny & Jenny Scott, Annette Price, Terry & Allison Swygert
- In memory of **Shirley Cooper** by Earl & Mary Frances Sease, Myra & Carl Kinard, the Friendship Class, Ann Bouknight, Diane & Parker Boulware, Herb Bucknam, Annette Price, Terry & Allison Swygert

SERVING IN WORSHIP

	Today	Next Sunday
Ushers:	Joel Price, Jr.	David Marsh
	Cindy Price	Terry Swygert
Crucifer:	Connor Eargle	Hayden Eargle
Acolyte:	Jacquelynn Hawlik	Cameron Bucknam
Lector:	Devona Price	Emily Morris
Communion Assts:	Connor Eargle	Hayden Eargle
	Joel Price, Sr	Cameron Bucknam
	Devona Price	Emily Morris
	Joel Price, Jr	Sheila Eargle
	Cindy Price	Melanie Jackson
Nursery:	Cassie Swygert	Alyson Price
		Brittany Allen
Flowers:	Terry & Allison Swygert	The Kinard Family

SERVING IN OCTOBER

COUNCIL MEMBER LOCK-UP: Laura Stevens

ALTAR GUILD: Jennifer Price, Angie Hydrick

TABULATORS: Ronnie Fulmer, Mary Price

USHERS: Marion Leaphart, Susan Busby, Dennis Thurman

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Arron & Quentin Kinard

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, *home*
Linda Waters-Hamilton, *home*

Members in Special Need of Prayer

Bonnie Bouknight
Mary Frances Sease
Erin Rose

Parker Boulware
Jim Whitaker
Bryson Johnson

Chris Carroll
Amanda Robinette
Marie Gardner

Family and Friends Who Have Requested Prayers

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
Lucas, *friend of Hayes Wingard*

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 Metztes*
Tim Burrows, *friend of Michelle Gantt*
Jodi Harper, *friend of Erin Rose*

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, October 20th

- 9:00 am Worship
- 10:15 am Children's Choir
- 10:30 am Sunday School
- 11:30 am CR: Teach Team

Monday, October 21st

- 6:00 pm CR: Outreach Team

Tuesday, October 22nd

- 6:00 pm GR: Grief Group
- 6:30 pm CR: Support Team

Wednesday, October 23rd

- 9:00 am Food Pantry
(David & Debra Butts, Mary Price)
- 12:05 pm OneBody Worship
- 6:00 pm Handbells
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 25th

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

Saturday, October 26th

- 9:00 am Food Pantry (Wayne & Charlene Corley)
- 5:00 pm Harvest Festival



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

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, October 13th

9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Children's Choir
10:30 am Sunday School
3:00 pm Confirmation Class for confirmands only

Monday, October 14th

6:30 pm Lutheran Men & Women

Tuesday, October 15th

6:00 pm GR: Grief Group
6:00 pm CR: Finance Team
6:30 pm Life Group at The Jacksons

Wednesday, October 16th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Rick & Debbie Duval, Parker & Diane Boulware)
6:00 pm Handbells
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 18th

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

Saturday, October 19th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Al & Laura Stevens)