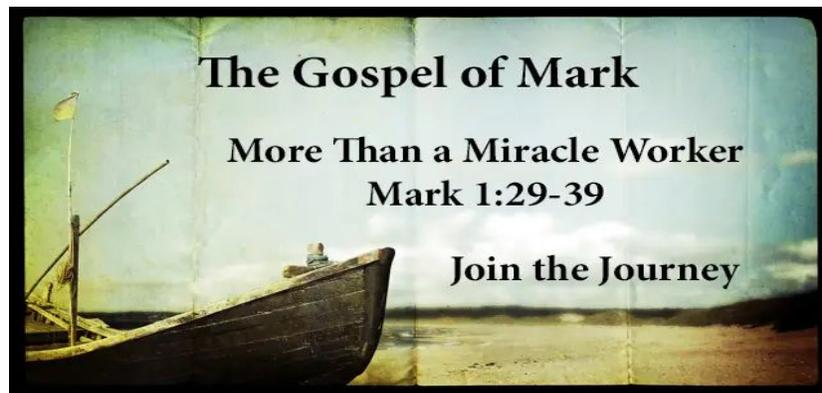




Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church

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February 7, 2021
5th Sunday after Epiphany/Lectionary 5
10:00 am on YouTube
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WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

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

C: And also with you

KYRIE (read responsively)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

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

Lord, have mer - cy.

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.

Lord, have mer - cy.

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

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:21-31

A reading from Isaiah

21 Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you from the beginning?
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?
22 It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,
and spreads them like a tent to live in;
23 who brings princes to naught,
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.
24 Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,
when he blows upon them, and they wither,
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.
25 To whom then will you compare me,
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
26 Lift up your eyes on high and see:
Who created these?
He who brings out their host and numbers them,
calling them all by name;
because he is great in strength,
mighty in power,
not one is missing.
27 Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
"My way is hidden from the LORD,
and my right is disregarded by my God"?
28 Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
29 He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.

30Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;
31but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 147:1-11, 20c (Read responsively)

Praise the LORD! 1Praise the LORD!
How good it is to sing praises to our God;
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

**2The LORD builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.**

3He heals the brokenhearted,
and binds up their wounds.

**4He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.**

5Great is our LORD, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.

**6The LORD lifts up the downtrodden;
he casts the wicked to the ground.**

7Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre.

**8He covers the heavens with clouds,
prepares rain for the earth,
makes grass grow on the hills.**

9He gives to the animals their food,
and to the young ravens when they cry.

**10His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;**

11but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

**20He has not dealt thus with any other nation;
they do not know his ordinances.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

A reading from 1 Corinthians

16If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! 17For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. 18What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. 19For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. 20To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. 21To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. 22To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. 23I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

P: The word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL: Mark 1:29-39

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

C: Glory to you O Lord

29As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. 30Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. 31He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

32That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. 33And the whole city was gathered around the door. 34And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

35In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. 36And Simon and his companions hunted for him. 37When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." 38He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." 39And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

Karyn Dalton

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,

and 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

R: Have mercy, O God.

R: Amen.

All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor (+) and give you peace.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

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Lay Worship Leader

Worship Assistant

Streaming

Sound

Announcements

PLEASE Visit Sign-Up Genius to sign up for **Altar Flowers**...https://www.signup_genius.com/register or call the office to check for dates.

Altar Flowers	
02/07	Open
02/14	Linkers Rietfort
2/21	Lent - No flowers
2/28	Lent - No flowers

BIBLE STUDY: The Monday Night Bible Study meets on Zoom each Monday evening at 6:00 pm. If you would like to join them (it's a very informal platform) call the church to get the Zoom meeting ID and password.

CCM REQUESTS: Please see a list of their needs at the bottom of the bulletin.



Homebound: John & Brenda Thompson

In Special Facilities: Jeanine Woody (First Assembly Assisted Living), Peggy Morgan (5 Oaks Manor)

Continued Prayers for: Dick Tolbert, JoAnn Foster, Dan Gleason, Jo-Ann Popham, Nancy Wilcox, Mitch Simpson, Kelly Tanner, Brent Giles, Pastor Michael, Neal Fudge, Jeff Lorenz, Lisa McKinnon and her family, Kach Boyden, Family of Louise Isenhour upon her death

READINGS FOR FEBRUARY

Feb 7 Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, 20c; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39

Feb 14 2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9

Feb 21 Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15

Feb 28 Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38

Stewardship Corner	January 31, 2021
Operating Ministry Receipts	\$5,249.00
Weekly Ministry Receipts Needed	\$3,853.37
Total Weekly Over (Under)	\$1,395.63
Total for the Month (Under)	\$19,668.00



CCM is now receiving FRESH EGGS and are in need of EGG CARTONS. PLEASE SAVE AND DONATE YOUR EGG CARTONS TO THE CHURCH OFFICE. There is a TUB outside the church office for your donations.

I recently read a post on Facebook sharing wisdom from a food bank volunteer. She says that there are other things we don't think about donating to our food bank. I called CCM today and spoke to KRIS in charge of the food donations to see what exactly their needs are at this time. They **do not** need canned milk, salt & pepper, sugar or flour. What they do need is as follows:

CANNED VEGETABLES & CANNED FRUITS (pop top cans)

PEANUT BUTTER

CANNED BEANS (PORK & BEANS, BAKED BEANS)

ALL TYPES OF DRIED BEANS

JUGS OF WASHING DETERGENT

DISH DETERGENT (such as JOY, DAWN, PALMOLIVE)

CANS OF SOUP

PAPER TOWELS & TOILET TISSUE

Until we can all get back to church, you are welcome to drop by any food donations by the church office. If you are passing by or when you come for drive-through communion, you can bring your donations at that time.

Thank you in advance for your donations.

Barry Mizelle