



Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church

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February 28, 2021
2nd Sunday in Lent
Bold Women's Sunday
10:00 am on YouTube

<https://youtu.be/xdUieontspw>

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WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

C: And also with you

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,
the keeper of the covenant,
the source of steadfast love,
our rock and our redeemer.

Amen.

God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Fountain of living water,
pour out your mercy over us.
Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free.
Rebuild what we have ruined
and mend what we have torn.
Wash us in your cleansing flood.
Make us alive in the Spirit
to follow in the way of Jesus,
as healers and restorers of the world you so love.
Amen.

Beloved, God's word never fails.
The promise rests on grace:
by the saving love of Jesus Christ,
the wisdom and power of God,
your sins are ✙ forgiven, and God remembers them no more.
Journey in the way of Jesus.
Amen.

LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

R: Thank you, God!

R: Thank you, God! Alleluia, Amen

GREETING

R: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

R: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Michael Frye

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

A reading from Genesis

1When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. 2And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." 3Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 4"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 5No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 6I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. 7I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. 15God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 22:23-31

23 You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

**24 For he did not despise or abhor
the affliction of the afflicted;
he did not hide his face from me,
but heard when I cried to him.**

25 From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

**26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the LORD.
May your hearts live forever!**

27 All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD;
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before him.

**28 For dominion belongs to the LORD,
and he rules over the nations.**

29 To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
and I shall live for him.

**30 Posterity will serve him;
future generations will be told about the LORD,**

31 and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying that he has done it.

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

A reading from Romans

13For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. 14If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. 16For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, 17as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." 19He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." 23Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, 24but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, 25who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

P: The word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

BOLD WOMEN OF FAITH

Patti Stuver

GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

C: Glory to you O Lord

31Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked

Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

34He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 35For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. 36For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? 37Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? 38Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Chris

SERMON

Pastor Michael Frye

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

God our Creator, you made us in your image

And you call us from wherever we are in time and place to be your disciples.

Through your Holy Spirit, we are empowered to bring the Gospel to all your people
by your grace, you listen to our prayers.

R: hear our prayer.

R: Make us your bold and faithful servants, this day and forevermore through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord. Amen.

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.**

BLESSING

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

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

May the Lord lift-up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS - Bold Women's Sunday

Pastor Michael Frye
Ann Bolick
Patti Stuver
Cyrus Sousley
Mike Faggart

Interim Pastor
Worship Assistant
Worship Assistant
Streaming
Sound

Announcements

Lenten services will be held each Wednesday at
7 pm via YouTube

<https://youtu.be/xdUieontspw>

The Easter Lily and geranium order form is below. Please email me your information, drop it in the mail or drop it off at the office by the deadline.

PLEASE Visit **Sign-Up Genius** to sign up for Altar Flowers...<https://www.signupgenius.com/register> or call the office to check for dates. We do not have flowers during Lent. They will return on Easter Sunday.

BIBLE STUDY: The Monday Night Bible Study continues to meet in January. This group meets on Zoom each Monday evening at 6:00 pm. If you would like to join in, call the church to get the Zoom meeting ID and password.



Homebound: John & Brenda Thompson

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

Continued Prayers for: Dick Tolbert, Dan Gleason, Jo-Ann Popham, Nancy Wilcox, Lisa McKinnon and her family, Pat Rietfort

READINGS FOR FEBRUARY/MARCH

Feb 28 Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38
Mar 7 Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22
Mar 14 Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21
Mar 21 Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33
Mar 28 Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1--15:47

Stewardship Corner	February 21, 2021
Operating Ministry Receipts	\$2,235.00
Weekly Ministry Receipts Needed	\$3,853.37
Total Weekly Over (Under)	-\$1,618.37
Total for the Month (Under)	-\$7,064.48



EASTER LILIES AND GERANIUM ORDERS
Easter Lilies and Geraniums \$13.00 each

Easter Lilies #ordered _____ \$ _____ Enclosed
Geraniums #ordered _____ \$ _____ Enclosed

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church with Easter Flowers designated.
You may call the office or send your orders to the church.

ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 21, 2021

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