



MOUNT HERMON LUTHERAN CHURCH

Member of North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

3600 Highway 601 South • Concord, North Carolina 28025



October 10, 2021

9:00 am

Lectionary 28

Pastor Michael Frye, Interim Pastor

PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN Eternal Father, Strong to Save

- 1 Eternal Father, strong to save,
 whose arm has bound the restless wave,
 who bade the mighty ocean deep
 its own appointed limits keep:
 oh, hear us when we cry to thee
 for those in peril on the sea.

- 2 O Savior, whose almighty word
 the winds and waves submissive heard,
 who walked upon the foaming deep,
 and calm amid the storm didst sleep:
 oh, hear us when we cry to thee
 for those in peril on the sea.

- 3 O Holy Spirit, who didst brood
 upon the chaos dark and rude,
 and bid its angry tumult cease,
 and give, for wild confusion, peace:
 oh, hear us when we cry to thee
 for those in peril on the sea.

- 4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,
 all trav'lers guard in danger's hour
 from rock and tempest, fire and foe,
 protect them wheresoe'er they go;
 thus evermore shall rise to thee
 glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.

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.

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,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

silence is kept for reflection

God our comforter:

Like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in +Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Michael

FIRST READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

A reading from Amos

6 Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

7 Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

10 They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

11 Therefore because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

12 For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins —
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.
13 herefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.
14 Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.
15 Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.
P: The word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 90:12-17 (Read responsively)

12 So teach us to count our days
that we may gain a wise heart.
13 Turn, O LORD! How long?
Have compassion on your servants!
14 Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
15 Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us,
and as many years as we have seen evil.
16 Let your work be manifest to your servants,
and your glorious power to their children.
17 Let the favor of the LORD our God be upon us,
and prosper for us the work of our hands —
O prosper the work of our hands!

SECOND READING: Hebrews 4:12-16

A reading from Hebrews

12 Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. 13 And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. 14 Since, then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**C: Alleluia,
Lord, to whom shall we go,
You have the words of eternal life,
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

C: Glory to you O Lord

17As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 18Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. 19You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" 20He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." 21Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." 22When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. 23Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" 24And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." 26They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" 27Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." 28Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." 29Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, 30who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age — houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions — and in the age to come eternal life. 31But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Michael

HYMN OF THE DAY

Take My Life, That I May Be

1 Take my life, that I may be
 consecrated, Lord, to thee;
 take my moments and my days;
 let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands and let them move
 at the impulse of thy love;
 take my feet and let them be

swift and beautiful for thee.

- 3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose.
- 5 Take my will and make it thine,
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own,
it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt.

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

ANTHEM

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

P: Come to the table of the Lord to receive this holy and precious gift of life.

BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN God of Grace and God of Glory

- 1 God of grace and God of glory,
 on your people pour your pow'r;
 crown your ancient church's story;
 bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
 for the facing of this hour,
 for the facing of this hour.
- 2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us
 scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
 From the fears that long have bound us
 free our hearts to faith and praise.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
 for the living of these days,
 for the living of these days,

- 3 Cure your children's warring madness;
 bend our pride to your control;
 shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
 rich in things and poor in soul.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
 lest we miss your kingdom's goal.
- 4 Save us from weak resignation
 to the evils we deplore;
 let the gift of your salvation
 be our glory evermore.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 serving you whom we adore,
 serving you whom we adore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969

DISMISSAL

Altar flowers were given to the glory of God by Pat Rietfort in honor of Anthony's birthday and by Ross, Emma, Michael and Brett Gosse in honor of Susan's birthday.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

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Sound Tech
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Tellers

Announcements

This year's **CROP Walk** is being held **TODAY, Sunday, October 10th at 2:00 pm** at **Forest Hill UMC**.
Registration starts at 1:00 pm.

MEN IN MISSION will meet Tuesday, October 12 @ 7 pm @Parkway House on Union St. South. All men are invited."

WELCA: Fall is officially here, cooler temperatures, new schedules along with new opportunities. Our next meeting is **October 14th**. We will meet in the Coffee House @ 10 am or 6:30 pm...Come join us!

CHURCH PICNIC - October 24th...Frank Liske Park – 3:00 -7 PM. More info to follow.

A.T. Allen Coat Drive runs thru October 31...New or gently used coats or hooded sweatshirts for kids...K-5th grades.

Altar flower donations. We have open vases in the coming weeks. Please consider signing up for a vase (or two). Each vase is \$27. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040a4bafaa2falfd0-2021>. Call Linda if you need assistance.

CCM needs for OCTOBER

canned chicken

canned corn, canned carrots, peas, potatoes, mixed vegetables

peanut butter & jelly

cans of diced tomatoes & baked beans or pork & beans

toilet paper

egg cartons

note* They no longer accept pet food. The Humane Society of Cabarrus County is now accepting pet food donations. Barry will still deliver to the Humane Society any pet food donations you bring to church.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00 am - Coffee House. Contact Ron Smith

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00 am - Children's Building. Contact Barbara Linker

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00 am - Conference Room. Contact Zach Fox

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: 7:00 pm - contact the office for sign-in information.

Prayers

Homebound: Bob Chertok

In Special Facilities: Jeanine Woody (First Assembly Assisted Living), Junior Barringer, Peggy Morgan (5 Oaks Manor), Sylvia Faggart (Concord Place), John Thompson (Acordiaus of Salisbury)

Continued Prayers for: Harold and Judy Cook, Pr. Larry Yoder, John Hahn, Barry Granda, Tim Kennedy, Kelly Tanner, Tim and Jeannie Burns, Anna Bromacher, Russell Gleason (Dan's brother), Kathy Benson (Eileen's mother)

Please remember to fill in your attendance slip...thanks!

Attendance	October 3, 2021
Adult SCS	25
Children's SCS	3 kids / 2 adults
Youth/Mid & HS	5 youth / 2 adults
Worship - 9:00 am	42
Worship - 10:55	21
YouTube Views	16

October Readings

Oct 10 Amos 5:6-7, 10-15, Psalm 90:12-17; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31
Oct 17 Isaiah 53:4-12; Psalm 91:9-16; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45
Oct 24 Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 126; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52
Oct 31 Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36