



Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church

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March 7, 2021

10:00 am in -Person Service

Live on YouTube

Radio broadcast - parking lot 99.9 FM

<https://youtu.be/xdUieontspu>

Drive thru Holy Communion today

Interim Pastor

Pastor Michael Frye...Pastor@mounthermonchurch.org

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MINISTRY LEADERS:

Keith Opel – President

Kitty Smith – Vice President

Mark Jones - Treasurer

Valerie Frank– Secretary

PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN: Change My Heart, O God

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.

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above,

and for our salvation,

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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 mercy.

For this holy house,

and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Michael

FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17

A reading from Exodus

1Then God spoke all these words:

2I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; 3you shall have no other gods before me.

4You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

5You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, 6but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

7You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

8Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. 9Six days you shall labor and do all your work. 10But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work — you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. 11For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

12Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

13You shall not murder.

14You shall not commit adultery.

15You shall not steal.

16You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

17You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 19

1The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

**2Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.**

3There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;

**4yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.**

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

5which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

**6Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hid from its heat.**

7The law of the LORD is perfect,
reviving the soul;

the decrees of the LORD are sure,
making wise the simple;

**8the precepts of the LORD are right,
rejoicing the heart;**

**the commandment of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eyes;**

9the fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever;

the ordinances of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.

**10More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;**

**sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb.**

11Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

12But who can detect their errors?

Clear me from hidden faults.

13Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless,
and innocent of great transgression.

**14Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you,
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

A reading from 1 Corinthians

18For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 19For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

20Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? 21For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. 22For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, 23but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, 24but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

P: The word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL: John 2:13-22

P: The Holy Gospel according to John

C: Glory to you O Lord

13The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. 15Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. 16He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" 17His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." 18The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" 19Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" 21But he was speaking of the temple of his body. 22After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

P: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Chris

SERMON

Pastor Michael Frye

HYMN

Canticle of the Turning

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: Your mercy is great.

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GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**L: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.**

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

C: Amen

DISMISSAL

C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Communion will be celebrated with members in the parking lot and those who drive by until 11:30 AM.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Pastor Michael Frye

Ann Bolick

Patti Stuver

Zach Fox

Luke Fox

Brenda McCarn

Ross Gosse/Cyrus Sousley

Mike Faggart

Nancy Jones/Melissa Fox

Interim Pastor

Worship Assistant

Communion Assistant

Lay Reader

Crucifer

Piano

Streaming

Sound

PowerPoint

Announcements

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Adult Sunday School, each Sunday at 9:00 am in the Coffee House. Contact Ron Smith for more information.

Lenten services will be held each Wednesday at
7 pm via YouTube, you may join in person
<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.

An opportunity to serve..."Would you like to be part of the Sunday morning worship services? We are looking for members, especially older youth, to serve as Crucifer. The requirements are simple and training will be provided. Contact Tim Bolick or office if you are interested."

An opportunity to serve...Patti Stuver is looking for volunteers to assist with communion. If you are interested, please contact Patti.

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.

COMMUNION: Communion will be served each Sunday during our regular service. For those that will not be attending the in-person service, drive-thru communion will be offered the 1st and 3rd Sundays following our regular service.

WELCA: WELCA Quarterly Meeting, March 7th in Coffee House. Bring a finger food...Thank you.

2021-2022 scholarship applications process is open; due April 5th

Women of the ELCA's scholarship application process for the 2021-22 academic year is open. Scholarships are offered in two categories: Lutheran laywomen and ordained ministry.

Applications and all supporting documents must be emailed to **Women of the ELCA** by April 5, 2021.

Visit welca.org/scholarships for criteria and descriptions of the scholarships available. Scholarships recipients will be notified in late June.



Prayers

Homebound: John & Brenda Thompson

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

Continued Prayers for: Dick Tolbert, Harold Cook, Dan Gleason, Jo-Ann Popham, Nancy Wilcox, Lisa McKinnon and her family, Pat Rietfort, Dan Gleason, Cheryl Bolick, Larry Peacock.

READINGS FOR FEBRUARY/MARCH

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 28, 2021
Operating Ministry Receipts	\$5,289.00
Weekly Ministry Receipts Needed	\$3,853.37
Total Weekly Over (Under)	-\$1,435.63
Total for the Month (Under)	-\$1,775.48

Note from Linda...

I will be on vacation from March 14-21st. I can still receive and answer emails. See you on the 22nd.



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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In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

