

Welcome to Mt. Hebron

**All Music Service** - Join us *Next Sunday* during the 11:15am Worship Service for Songs of Love and Praise. Please note, we will not have communion during this worship service.

**UMM Fish Fry Dinner Meeting** - Thursday, June 8, 6:30pm in the Family Life Center. Menu includes Fried Boneless Fish, Chicken Breast (Boneless) for those that do not eat fish, French Fries, Hush Puppies, Cheese Grits, Slaw and Desserts.

**Reception for Leigh Curry** - A reception for Leigh Curry to wish her a special farewell upon her retirement will be held Sunday, June 11, 12:30 - 2pm in the Family Life Center. As part of the celebration, come leave Leigh a video message. Matt Fink (A/V director) will be set up in the Historical Rm (the old church office) on Sunday mornings thru June 4 before and after Sunday school. Join us in making this a special time for Leigh and help us show how much we appreciate her!

**Cooking Classes** - All kids ages 8 -12 are invited to attend cooking class with Tyler Jackson on June 13 & 15, 9am-12noon. Cost for both classes will be total of \$15. Sign up now in the gathering areas!

**JW. Hendrix Scholarship** - The J.W. Hendrix Scholarship Committee would like your feedback! James Day, Vice Chair of the Scholarship Committee, would like suggestions and feedback regarding the guidelines and availability of the J.W. Hendrix Scholarship (i.e. multi-year, criteria, participation). A copy of the current scholarship application and guidelines is available in the church office and online at [www.mthebronumc.com](http://www.mthebronumc.com). Please email any suggestions to James through July at [Day24JD@aol.com](mailto:Day24JD@aol.com).

**Pictures with Dad!** - Please send us a picture of you with your dad, all ages! You can submit your picture via email to [office@mthebronumc.com](mailto:office@mthebronumc.com), or you may bring your picture to be scanned in the church office Mon-Thurs, 9am-1pm. By sending us a picture, you are giving us permission to use it during a special Father's Day Presentation on Sunday, June 18. Please send your pictures in by June 14. We are excited to celebrate our dads!

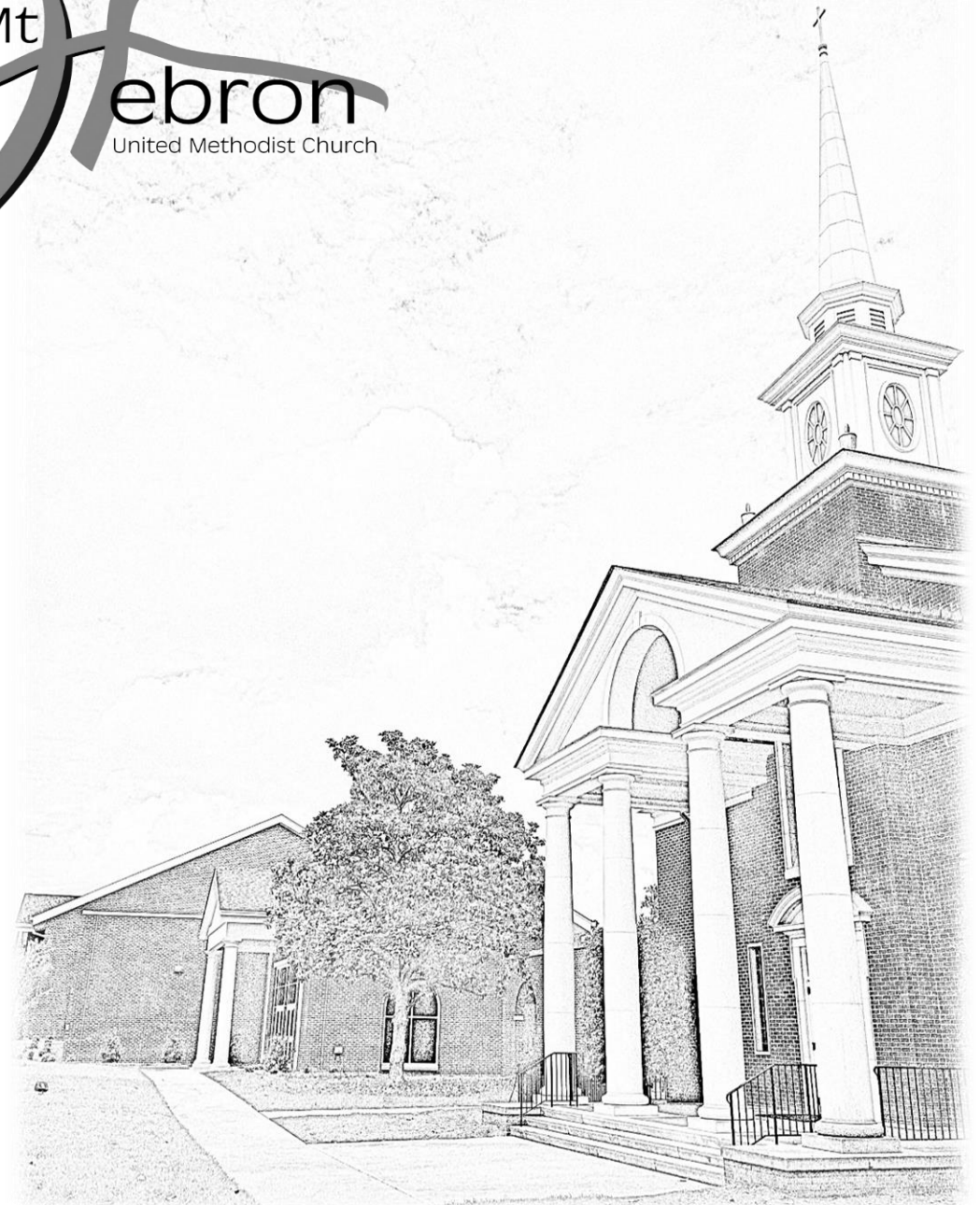
**Information Session, June 11, at 4pm:**

I am writing to you on behalf of the Advisory Committee on Discernment to let you know that we will have our second congregation-wide information session on June 11 at 4pm in the Family Life Center. This committee was created last December when the SC Conference released a discernment process for churches in light of the ongoing discussions of schism in the United Methodist Church. At the December meeting, Mt. Hebron's Church Council voted not to undergo this official discernment process at that time. Church Council instead decided to form the Advisory Committee on Discernment to gather information about what was going on in the denomination and present it to the congregation. Subsequently, on May 22 Church Council did vote to allow the Church to pursue possible separation from the denomination of which the first step is a minimum 30-day discernment process. Church Council has asked our Committee to provide one more informational meeting in case anyone was not able to attend the first meeting in April. Although confusing, this Advisory Committee on Discernment is separate from the vote on May 22 and this committee will end immediately after this meeting. A resource document was emailed out to all members with an email address known to the Church office. If you did not receive the document and would like one, please contact the Church office to discuss how to get a copy. If you have any questions, please reach out either to Rev. Cynthia, Rev. Morgan, or myself. Sincerely, Vaughan Dozier

*\*\*Please note, the church office will be closed Monday, May 29, 2023.\*\**

<b>Worship Attendance 5/21/2023 - 380</b>	
<b>8:45 NewLife!</b> - Online 28, In-Person 81; <b>9am Traditional</b> - In-Person 89	
<b>11:15 Traditional</b> - Online 35, In-Person 147	
<b>Heritage Building Fund:</b> <b>Building Fund Balance to Date:</b> \$2,227,278.49 <b>Current Loan Balance:</b> \$1,890,040.76	<b>Year-to-Date 5/21/2023:</b> <b>Contributions:</b> \$336,439.69 <b>Expenses:</b> \$402,385.80 <b>Surplus/&lt;Deficit&gt;:</b> <\$65,946.11>

*In case of an after-hour/weekend pastoral emergency, please call the church 803-794-8273, press 9 as prompted. You will be directed to the pastor on call.*



**May 28, 2023 ~ 11:15 am**

*Serving Christ for the Transformation of Lives  
Embrace... Engage... Empower*

# May 28, 2023 at 11:15 am

## Pentecost Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Come, Holy Ghost* Smith

\* Chimes

\* Hymn, UMH #697 *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* AMERICA

\* Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed) UMH #881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.**

\* Gloria Patri UMH #70

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was  
in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

Anthem *America The Beautiful* Arr. Parks  
Chancel Choir

Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer UMH #895

**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. Amen.**

Children's Time

Offertory *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* Thiman  
Jean Senn, soprano

\* Doxology UMH #95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\* Hymn, UMH #61 *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN

Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-21, NRSV

<sup>2</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." <sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Sermon

\* Hymn, UMH #328 *Surely the Presence of the Lord* WOLFE

\* Benediction

\* Postlude *Come Holy Spirit, God and Lord* Wyton

\* *Congregation is invited to stand if able.*

Minister: Rev. Larry Hays; Liturgist: Rev. Morgan Byars; Organist: Dr. Louis Playford

Ushers: Marla Downey, Charlie Senn; Lay Reader: Sue Herndon

Altar Guild: Debbie Houston & Ann Bolen; Greeters: Edie Burritt & Nancy Senn

*Jean and Steve Senn give the altar flowers to the glory of God in celebration of daughter and son-in-law, Dr. Christian and Mrs. Rose Baker, on their 10<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, May 26<sup>th</sup>.*