

Welcome to Mt. Hebron

**Church Office Hours** – Beginning August 15, the church office will be open Monday – Thursday, 9am – 1pm, with Nicole working remotely until 4pm. Thank you all in advance for your patience and understanding during this transition.

**Shrimp and Grits Dinner** – UMM is hosting a church wide Shrimp and Grits Dinner on Aug 19 at 6:30pm in the Family Life Center. Ticket sales (\$10/adult; \$6/kid) end Aug 16. Purchase your tickets from a UMM member or in the Church Office. Get to know Rev. Cynthia and Rev. Morgan with a time of Q&A as well!

**Fireflies Night Out** – ALL are invited! Hebron Kids are sponsoring a night out at a Fireflies Game, Saturday, Aug 20. Tickets cost \$20; include: hotdog, chips, drink, padded seat behind home plate, and fireworks show following the game! For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Gena, Dir. of Children’s Ministry, at genafturner@gmail.com.

**Promotion Sunday and Book Bag Blessings** –Aug 21 during the 11:15 Worship Service. Rising first and sixth graders will be presented with Bibles. If your child is not on the Sunday School roll and is a rising first or sixth grader, please email Gena, Dir. of Children’s Ministry, at genafturner@gmail.com. All children please bring your book bags as well! Meet in the Family Life Center at 10am for the Promotion Parade!

**HDS Teacher Blessing** – Join us in the NewLife! 8:45am Service on Aug 28 as we pray for Hebron Day School’s teachers and their upcoming school year!

**Ice Cream Social Welcoming Pastors** – Help us give Rev. Cynthia and Rev. Morgan a *sweet* welcome on Aug 28, 4:30-6pm in the Family Life Center.

This Week at a Glance:

**Monday** – Wrapped in Prayer, 6:30-8pm, Rm 115

**Tuesday** – Wrapped in Prayer, 9:30-11:30am, Rm 115  
Games, 1:30pm, Family Life Center

**Thursday** – Song Circle, 1pm, Family Life Center

**Saturday** – Wrapped in Prayer, 9:30-11:30am, Rm 115

**Worship Attendance 7/31/2022 – 314**

**8:45 NewLife!** – Online 29, In-Person 86; **9am Traditional** – In-Person 97  
**11:15 Traditional** – Online 31, In-Person 71

**Heritage Building Fund:**

**Building Fund Balance to Date:** \$209,781.83  
**Current Loan Balance:** \$1,959,015.51

**Year-to-Date 7/31/22:**

**Contributions:** \$512,027.34  
**Expenses:** \$566,706.29  
**Surplus/<Deficit>:** <\$54,678.95>



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**August 7, 2022 ~ 9:00 am**

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

# August 7, 2022 at 9:00 am

## Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

\* Chimes

\* Hymn, UMH #64      *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*      NICAEA

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

\* 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.*

\* Scripture Reading      Matthew 7:13-23  
<sup>13</sup>Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. <sup>14</sup>For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it.  
<sup>15</sup>Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. <sup>16</sup>You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles? <sup>17</sup>In the same way, every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. <sup>18</sup>A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. <sup>19</sup>Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup>Thus you will know them by their fruits.  
<sup>21</sup>'Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. <sup>22</sup>On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many deeds of power in your name?' <sup>23</sup>Then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; go away from me, you evildoers.'

Sermon      'A Wide Gate and an Easy Road'

The Invitation to Holy Communion

Confession and Pardon

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your**

**law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...We praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

...glory is Yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Prayer after Receiving

\* Hymn, UMH #618      *Let Us Break Bread Together*      LET US BREAK BREAD

\* Benediction and Congregational Response

*God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.*

\* Postlude

\* Congregation is invited to stand if able.

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*Minister: Rev. Larry Hays; Director of Music: Tom Brunson; Organist: Al Cromer  
Lay Reader: Margaret Canova; Ushers: Marshall New, Gary Lain, Butch Salters, Sid Staudt  
Altar Guild: Brenda Middleton; Greeters: Barbara Harpe & Georgia Heise*

*John and Pam Kelley give the altar flowers to the glory of God in  
memory of John's mom and in honor of Pam's mom.*