

**Advent and Christmas Season Events at Mt. Hebron**

**Dec 2 – Church Wide Christmas Dinner, Hosted by the UMM, Family Life Center, 6:30pm**

There will be a delicious dinner featuring a large ribeye steak (or chicken breast, if you specify in advance), baked potato, sautéed mushrooms, salad, and variety of desserts. Each couple or individual is asked to bring a non-gag wrapped gift to be auctioned following the meal for the benefit of Oliver Gospel Mission. Purchase tickets for \$15 online (click the UMM Graphic on the homepage at [www.mthebronumc.com](http://www.mthebronumc.com)), from a UMM member, or the church office by Nov 29.

**Dec 4 – Service of Lessons and Carols, 11:15 Traditional Service**

Mt Hebron’s Chancel Choir will present a wonderful service of scripture, carols and music.

**Dec 11 – Children’s Choir Christmas Program, 11:15am, Family Life Center**

Please note, the 11:15 worship service this Sunday will be held in the Family Life Center

**Dec 11 - Live Nativity, 5:00-7:00pm**

You are invited to join Friends in Christ Sunday School Class as we share the true meaning of Christmas with our community.

**Dec 19 – Adult Fellowship Christmas Celebration, 12:30pm**

Bring an hors d'oeuvre or sweet treat and enjoy a wonderful time of fellowship!

**Dec 21 - Service of the Longest Night at 7:00pm**

**Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Worship Services 12:00 noon, 5:00pm, 7:00pm**

**Dec 25 – Christmas Day ONE Worship Service, 10:00am, Family Life Center**

**Advent Study** – Join us for the pastor-led Advent Study, *Light of the World: A Beginner’s Guide to Advent*. We will meet at 10am Sunday mornings in the Cornerstone Room (406), beginning today, Nov 27.

**Alternative Christmas Gift Project** – Nov 27 - Dec 11 every Sunday in the Family Life Center gathering area. Please consider using this way to honor and/or remember special persons on your list this Christmas. Ministries available for donations include Killingsworth Home, Alston Wilkes Society, Free Medical Clinic, Snack Sacks, Toby’s Place, and Nancy Perry Children’s Shelter.

**Red Cross Blood Drive** – Tuesday, Nov 29, 2:30 – 7:30pm, Family Life Center. For an appointment, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: MtHebron or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Please contact Jamie at 803-730-2698 or the church office if you have questions or need additional information.

**Sole Stepping Volunteers Needed** – Shoe Distribution Day Volunteers needed! Would you like to help give new shoes to students at local elementary schools? (Dec 1, 7, 8) Forms located in the gathering areas or for more info, contact Connie Cothran at [cfcotran@sc.rr.com](mailto:cfcotran@sc.rr.com).

**GoForth Community Sale** – Saturday, Dec 10, 9am-12noon. Volunteers needed! Clothing, home goods, décor, and more! Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

**Contributions for 2022** are due in the church office by December 31, or must be postmarked no later than midnight, December 31.

**Guest Wifi Password: James5:13**

**Worship Attendance 11/20/2022 – 287**

**8:45 NewLife!** – Online 24, In-Person 57; **9am Traditional** – In-Person 85

**11:15 Traditional** – Online 21, In-Person 100

**Heritage Building Fund:**

**Building Fund Balance to Date:** \$215,043.08

**Current Loan Balance:** \$1,931,932.41

**Year-to-Date 11/13/22:**

**Contributions:** \$777,917.46

**Expenses:** \$884,892.28

**Surplus/<Deficit>:** <\$106,974.82>



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# Scripture

Luke 1:39-56, NRSV

<sup>39</sup>In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, <sup>40</sup>where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup>When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit <sup>42</sup>and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. <sup>43</sup>And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? <sup>44</sup>For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. <sup>45</sup>And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." <sup>46</sup>And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup>and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, <sup>48</sup>for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; <sup>49</sup>for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. <sup>50</sup>His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup>He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. <sup>52</sup>He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; <sup>53</sup>he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. <sup>54</sup>He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, <sup>55</sup>according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever." <sup>56</sup>And Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

November 27, 2022 at 8:45am

# Sermon Notes

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