

Welcome to Mt. Hebron

To see what is happening at Mt. Hebron UMC, check out our website at www.mthebronumc.com.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study will begin a new 4-week series entitled *Rahab* beginning October 29 at 9:30 a.m. in the Cornerstone Room led by Susan Cline.

Midweek Boost - Wednesday, October 29 at 5:30pm in the FLC. Meal is chicken & noodles, lima beans, salad, rolls and dessert. Cost of dinner is \$5 per person. Children activities start at 6 PM. Youth and adult Bible study at 6:15 PM.

Pumpkin Patch – Through October 31. Volunteers are needed from 11:30 AM – 4:00 PM and 4:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Contact Ben Treaster at btreaster@mthebronUMC.com if you can help.

Fall Festival – TODAY from 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM. Hayride will be provided by Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church. Trunk or Treat. Hallelujah Cake Walk. The National Guard and DEA will bring a “trunk” and present their *One Pill Can Kill* Red Ribbon Week campaign. We need your trunks and themes!

Vaccines to be Administered – Flu, Covid, RSV, Pneumonia, and Shingles vaccines will be administered on Wednesday, October 29 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM in the Cornerstone Room. Be sure to bring your Medicare on insurance cards. **You must sign up in advance.** Signup sheets are in the gathering areas of the church. If you have questions, please call Lincy Moorer (843-509-8973) or Judy George (803-257-5885).

UMM Fellowship Supper November 6 with speakers Oscar Gadsden, Director of Keeping it Real - A Ministry for the Homeless, and Jim Riser at 6:30pm.

GoForth Needs – Zero- to 3-month-old onesies. Drop off at side porch of GoForth Mission House.

WE ARE HIRING for the position of Financial Secretary. This is a part-time position that works with the Finance Committee to manage the finances of the church. For more information contact Pat Lawter @ Plawter@mthebronumc.com or 803.413.6723.

It's that time again!! Budget requests for 2026 are due by November 15, 2025. Copies of the request forms are available in the church office and in the gathering areas. If you are a member of staff or a lay person responsible for a budget area, please start your consideration for next year. For further information or a copy of the current year's expenditure details contact Cal Atwood in the church office.

We are in need of church members willing to count our Sunday offerings. Counters gather on Monday at a time to be determined by the counters themselves. It usually takes a maximum of 30-45 minutes to count the offering. The hope is that we can have four teams of three so that the responsibility can be spread over a larger number of people and no monthly team will have to count more than three times per year. Please contact Cal Atwood for further information.

November 2 is All Saints Day when we honor the memory of those members of our church who passed away during the year. There is a banner in the church narthex where you can pin a bell in memory of a loved one. The banner will be carried into the sanctuary on November 2 during the worship service.

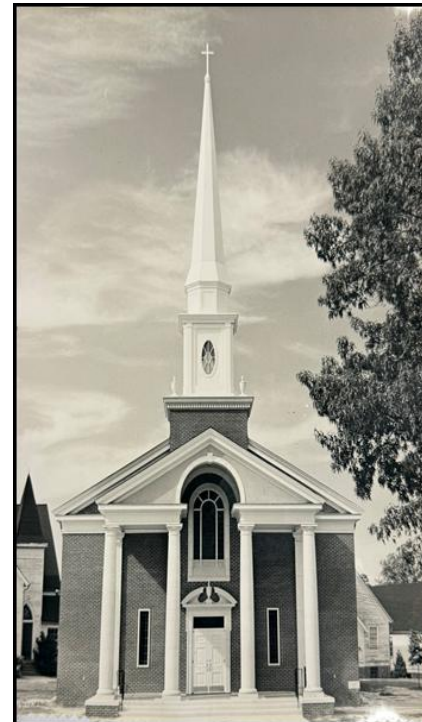
The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in memory of her mother, Marie Budden Bush, born October 26, 1894, and in honor of her sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Richard Harris, by Margaret Canova.

Give Online



Worship Attendance 10/19/2025 – 247
NewLife – Online 25, In-Person 98
Traditional – Online 33, In-Person 91

Generosity Campaign



Mt. Hebron celebrates 225 years of faithful ministry.

DID YOU KNOW: In July 1985, Mt. Hebron's wooden steeple was replaced with an aluminum one at the cost of \$21,090.

October 26, 2025 ~ 11:15 am

**Mt. Hebron United Methodist Church
3050 Leaphart Road
West Columbia, SC 29169**

Serving Christ for the Transformation of Lives

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude	<i>A Mighty Fortress is Our God</i>	Buxtehude
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* Chimes

* Call to Worship
Leader: Praise is due to God in Zion;
People: To God we will offer our praise!
Leader: God answers our prayers!
People: We rejoice to dwell in God's holy temple!

* Hymn, UMH #371 *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* MY SAVIOR'S LOVE

* 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 *Eternal Life* Craig Courtney

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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 Moment

Counseling Center Update Leigh Reedy

Offertory *Just As I Am* Burton

* Doxology UMH #94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

* Hymn, UMH #479	<i>Jesus, Lover of My Soul</i>	ABERYSTWYTH
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* Scripture Reading Luke 18:9-14 NRSV

9 He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." ¹³But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

Sermon Followers of Jesus Don't Judge Rev. Dr. Ann Kovan

* Hymn, UMH #365	<i>Grace Greater than Our Sin</i>	MOODY
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* Benediction

* Postlude	<i>A Mighty Fortress is Our God</i>	Chetwien
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* Congregation is invited to stand if able.

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Minister: Reverend Dr. Ann Kovan; *Director of Music:* Dr. Becky Loar; *Organist:* Dr. Louis Playford; *Ushers:* Kellum Allen & Nicholas O'Connor; *Lay Reader:* Ruby Catledge; *Altar Guild:* Judy Riser & Katy Renfroe; *Greeters:* Doris Layton & Sara Kay Jones; *Acolyte:* Lili McBride