

Welcome to Mt. Hebron

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

Church Office Closed on Monday, September 7 – Labor Day

Go Forth Yard Sale – Saturday, September 12 from 9 AM – 12:00 PM. Clothes, household items, furniture. Volunteers appreciated! Set-up 7:30 AM. Pack-up 12:00 PM. Will postpone if raining.

UMM Meeting – Sunday, September 13 at 7:00 AM in the Family Life Center. All men are members of the UMM by affiliation with Mt. Hebron UMC and are invited to join us. We will be planning the 54th Annual BBQ.

Safe Sanctuary Training – Sunday, September 13 at 5:00 PM in the Cornerstone Room.

Worship Committee Meeting – Monday, September 14 at 1:30 PM in the Conference Room.

Finance Committee Meeting – Monday, September 14 at 6:00 PM in the Cornerstone Room.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study – Beginning on Wednesday, September 16 from 9:30 – 11:00 AM in the Cornerstone Room. The study is on *Song of Songs*, a new series by Lisa Harper. Learn how this often misunderstood book of the Bible reveals God’s relentless love for you. Books (\$15) will need to be ordered early so sign up in the gathering area as soon as possible. Or call Susan Cline (803-917-2014).

Midweek Boost returns Wednesday, September 16! We will be studying *The Miracles of Jesus*, Rose Visual Bible Studies, led by Ben Treaster. Book is available on Amazon. Please order book in advance.

Adult Fellowship Trip – Come with us on September 18 to Beech Island, SC, to visit the Redcliffe Plantation State Historical Site built between 1857 and 1858. Cost is \$6 plus lunch. Bus holds 15 people so some drivers may be needed. Sign-up sheet will be on table in Gathering Area.

UMM Wood Splitting/BBQ Pit Building – Friday, September 18 at 4:00 PM; Saturday, September 19 at 8:00 AM; Monday September 21 at 4:00 PM; Friday, September 25 at 4:00 PM; Saturday, September 26 at 8:00 AM.

Mt. Hebron’s Cub Scouts Pack 331 is conducting their annual popcorn fundraiser from now – October 3. Prices range from \$15 to \$40 and are sold pre-popped and by the kernel with many flavors ranging from savory to sweet. Popcorn will arrive in early November for distribution. To purchase, visit www.mthebrnumc.com.

Altar Flower Calendar - There are still many open dates in October, November, and December on the church flower calendar located in the hall behind the sanctuary. Please sign up on the day you would like to put flowers in the church and leave a phone number. Any questions, please contact Betty Wise (803-360-0784).

Offering Envelopes Mailing List - If you want to remove or add your name to the list to receive offering envelopes by mail, please contact the church office by phone or email (office@mthebrnumc.com).

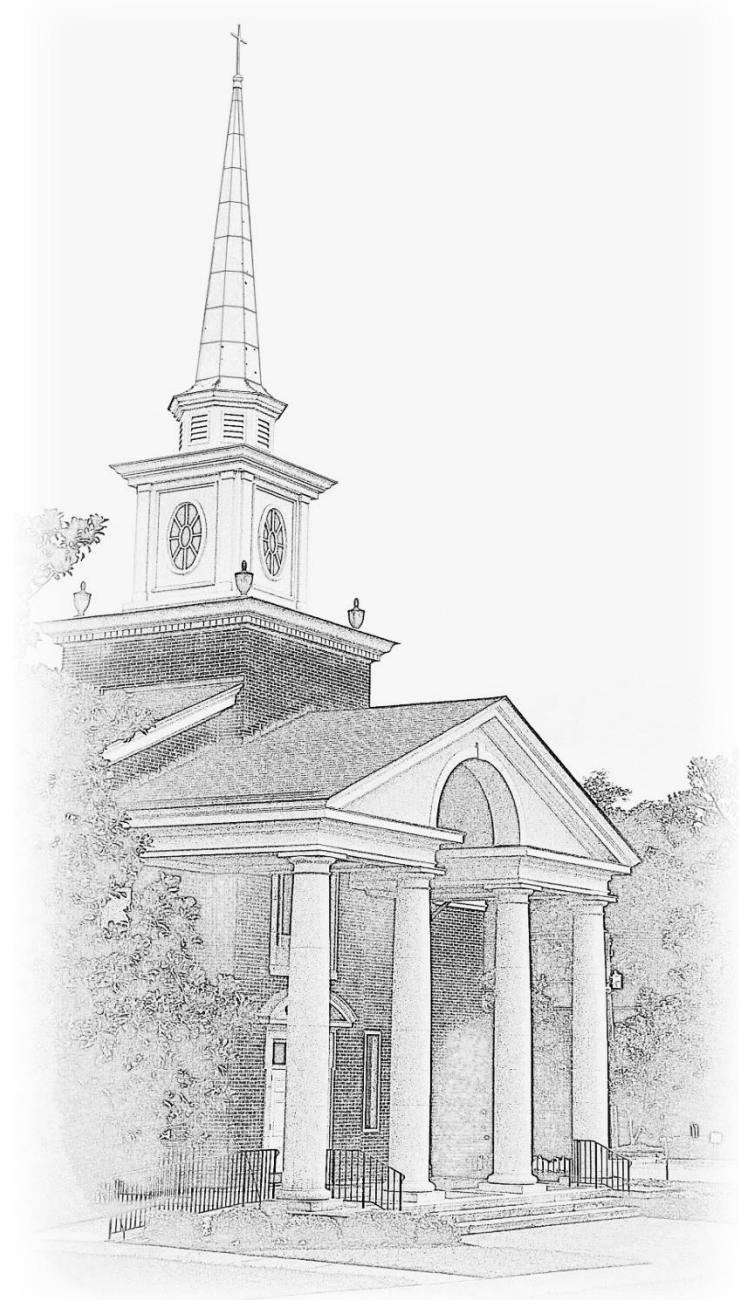
Today, during the New Life Service, we welcomed Judy Parham and Liz Vora into membership and celebrated the baptism of A.J. Vora. Please join us in welcoming them to the Mt. Hebron church family!

Minister: Reverend Dr. Ann Kovan; *Director of Music:* Dr. Becky Loar; *Organist:* Dr. Louis Playford; *Ushers:* Kellum Allen & Nicholas O’Connor; *Lay Reader:* Elizabeth Burritt; *Altar Guild:* Brenda Middleton & Liz Castles; *Greeters:* Cathy Neeley & Lois Pugh; *Crucifer:* Ward Smith; *Communion Servers:* Pam Gowan, Andy Gowan and Rev. Ken Barwick; *Acolyte:* Lili McBride

To Give Online



Sunday School Attendance 8/30/2026
Children & Youth - 35, Adult - 80
Worship Attendance: 8/30/2026 - 248
NewLife Service – Online 16, In-Person 113
Traditional Service – Online 15, In-Person 104



September 6, 2026 ~ 11:15 AM

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

Serving Christ for the Transformation of Lives

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face Lau

- * Chiming of the Hour
- * Call to Worship:
Leader: Let the sun and moon and stars praise the Lord!
People: Let the heavens praise the Lord!
Leader: Let us praise the Name of the Lord,
People: Whose glory is over all!
- * Processional Hymn, UMH #580 Lead On, O King Eternal LANCASHIRE
- * 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 #90
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.

Pastoral Prayer

Children are dismissed to Wee Worship

- Offertory Oh, That I Had A Thousand Voices Jay Althouse
- * 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!

Scripture Reading Matthew 18:15-20 NRSV
5“ If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. 16But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 18Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Homily How to Fight Like a Christian Reverend Dr. Ann Kovan

The Invitation to Holy Communion, UMH #12

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.**

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

UMH #621 Be Present at Our Table, Lord OLD 100th
Be present at our table, Lord; be here and everywhere adored;
thy creatures bless, and grant that we may feast in paradise with thee.

The Great Thanksgiving, UMH #13
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.

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.**

- * Giving the Bread and Cup (notify an usher if you are unable to walk and the elements will be brought to you)

Prayer after Receiving

- * Hymn, UMH #660 God is Here ABBOT’S LEIGH
- * Benediction
- * Postlude An Affirmation of Faith Ritter
- * Congregation is invited to stand if able.
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Hearing enhancement devices are available in the sanctuary entry way to the left of the front door.