Liberty Hill Presbyterian Church 20 Meeting Lane, Liberty Hill, South Carolina 29074 Service at 10 am





May 18, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Easter Pastor Rev. Dr. David Leininger

Liberty Hill Presbyterian Church

Welcome to Worship
David E. Leininger, D. Min., Minister

~GATHERING of GOD'S PEOPLE~

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOISY OFFERING

Mica Jones

PRELUDE: "In the Presence of Jehovah" Carol Ghent

*GATHERING HYMN "O How He Loves You and Me" 622(blue)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

- L. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
- P. Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!
- L. Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!
- P. Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!
- L. Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.
- P. He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you call us to your merciful, gracious love, freely given without expectation or strings attached, like the unconditional love of a bridegroom. While we are eager to experience your mercy and grace in our own lives, we are quick to make our extension of your mercy and grace conditional for others, holding court in our own hearts. We would rather show mercy to those we judge worthy, forgetting the new commandment to love as you have loved us. We would rather extend grace to those who will show us grace in return, missing the trustworthy and true nature of your boundless forgiveness. Forgive us, Redeeming God. And transform our hearts with your amazing grace and unconditional love so that our relationships and your world are transformed.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Behold: The former things have passed away, and God's grace flows like a river of new life. Friends, hear the good news: through the grace of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! You are made anew!

Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

~THE GREAT THANKSGIVING~

PASSING OF THE PEACE (in place)

The Lord be with you. / And also with you. Lift up your hearts. / We lift them to the Lord.

Blest be the ties that bind/Our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds/Is like to that above.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Dr. David Leininger

OFFERTORY

"We Shall Behold Him"

Carol Ghent

*DOXOLOGY

CONCERNS & JOYS

Mica Jones

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

~THE WORD OF GOD~

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Come, We that Love the Lord"

550(blue)

SPECIAL MUSIC "I'm Standing on the Solid Rock with the Solid Rock"

LHPC Sanctuary Choir

2nd Lesson - Revelation 21:1-6

<u>SERMON</u> "PIE IN THE SKY"

Dr. Leininger

<u>AFFIRMATION OF FAITH</u> - (from Confession of 1967, Inclusive Language)

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong.

The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

*CLOSING HYMN "He is Lord" 234(blue)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE: "Hallelujah, Your Love is Amazing" Carol Ghent

*Congregation standing if able

Join us after the service in the Miss Bettie Richards room for refreshments.

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Shut-ins:

Merilyn Roll-2465 Harbor View Rd.-Camden-SC 29020 Jerry Flynn-3024 JB Denton Road-Lancaster, SC 29720

Ken Maree Veteran Village 1200 E National Cemetery Rd. Room 4218 Florence, SC 29506

Providence Presbytery Meeting today at 1:30. If you're bringing an item please have back to the church by 1:00.

The bible study girls meet on Mondays at 6pm, in the Miss Bettie Richards fellowship room. The group is studying Kelly Minter's "Esther".

When we drop our coins in the **DIMES FOR HUNGER** bucket we are making a difference in the lives of our neighbors who are hungry.

UPPER Room for May and June are located on the table at the back of the church, along with THESE DAYS.

Suggested items for Christian Community Ministries' pantry: Chef Boyardee, baked beans, pork & beans, greens, green beans, spam, tuna, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, Hamburger Helper, Mac & Cheese. And as always: cereal, peanut butter and jelly.

REMINDER

Summer Lakeside Services begin, 9am, Sunday, June 1

Last Week's Attendance & Giving

Offering: General Dimes for hunger	\$ \$	4925.00 21.34
Mother's Day offering		200.00
Total General Dimes for hunger Thornwell Souper Bowl One Hour of Sharing Sebastian Mother's Day	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	84,978.00 1000.77 900.00 426.38 1152.00 927.70 200.00



Sunshine Smith	11
Jim Hudson	12
Elaine Maree	13
Trish Flynn	20
Doug Macdonald	27
John Paul	30

Prayers For Our People

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. (Romans 12:12)

Andrew Adams (Mica Jones)

Marguerite Adams

Ed Baxley (Sylvia Hudson)

Kirk & Linn Bennett's son

Debbie Blackman (Robin's sister)

Rachel Blackmon (Lisa Knight)

Reese Brooks (Sylvia Hudson)

Amy Burns (Sylvia Hudson)

*Ed Bunch

Pat Bunch (Jeanette Robinson)

Christi Chambers (Donna "Sunshine" Smith)

Carole Cooke

Bill and Mary Crain (Rebecca Fairchild)

Terry Davis (Ben Cheatham brother-in-law)

Faye Dexter

Stephen Fairchild (Dorothy Fairchild's son)

Judy Finucane - (Margie Pokorney)

Trish & Jerry Flynn

John Foster

Lisa Funderburke (Margie Pokorney)

Carol Ghent

Scott Ghent

Elaine Gosnell (Diane Porter's sister)

Shane Granger (Tommy & Sandy's son)

Gloria Hamilton (sister-in-law of Jenny)

Billy Harris (needs kidney transplant)

Christopher Head (Carol Ghent)

Rodney Hegler (John Thompson)

Melissa Frost Henson (Elaine Maree)

Jenna Horton

Curtis Hurst

Carolyn Johnson (Sylvia Hudson)

Claudia & Roger Johnson (Carol Ghent)

Mica Jones

Darlene Knauer

Clydia Knight

Tonya Lancaster

Jill Locklair (knee surgery)

Pastor David

Nancy Macdonald

Cheryl McAbee

Ken & Elaine Maree

Scott Meadows (Lynne Bennett)

Dolly Miller (Ben Cheatham)

Mike Morgan (Wanda's brother)

Claire Oliver

Audrey & John Osipow (Karen)

Johnny Paul (John Paul dad's)

Daryl & Melinda Rabon

Brent Rainforth (Stan's nephew, cancer)

Vivian Ray (Robert & Diana Murphy)

Louise Reece (Gale Jent's mother)

Bill Rhodes

Wren & Bruce Ridgeway (Lisa Knight)

Nancy Small

Gerald Stone

Derrell Thomas

Shelby Thomas (Terry Hoffman)

Richard Vanooyen (Jim & Sylvia Hudson)

Shirley Varro (Jeanette & Pat)

Vivian Vinson (Karen Bailey)

Four friends of Joan Ward

Pam Warnock (Donna Hunter's sister)

Elizabeth Parfitt Webb (Elaine Maree)

Two year old boy (Sandy Granger)

Issac 6 year old (Fractured wrist)

Five friends of Sandy Granger

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Liberty Hill Presbyterian Church Mission Statement:

To connect with God, to connect with others, and to connect others with God.

Liberty Hill Presbyterian Church Vision Statement:

To be an inclusive church that surrounds people with

Love, Hope, Prayer, and Compassion..

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