

Welcome to Mt. Hebron

HDS Registration – Feb. 3 Community Registration

Acolyte Training – Feb. 23 @ 4:00pm in the Sanctuary – Calling all 8 year olds – Adults – We will be having acolyte training, if you are new or if you just need a refresher course, join us!

Valentine's Day Dinner & Show – Friday, Feb. 14, 2025 @ 6:00pm in FLC. A special fun night at Mt. Hebron. Like to eat Italian food? Sign up! Have a talent you would like to share? Sign up! All information is on the table in the Welcome Center or online at:

<https://mthebronstudents.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2702478>

Worship Committee – If you are looking for a meaningful way to help serve the church? We are looking for members to sign up to help with the following during the 11:15 service: Communion Servers, Ushers, Greeters, or Acolytes. Little training is required. A sign-up sheet is located in the Welcome Center.

Upcoming Youth Events –

- **Winter Jam** – Monday, Feb. 17, 2025 (Rescheduled due to weather). Information and sign-up at:

<https://mthebronstudents.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2640150>

- **Wednesday Night Midweek Boost** – starts at 5:00pm with supper then Spiritual Gifts Study
- **Youth Sunday Night** – starts at 6:00pm

J.W. Hendrix Scholarship Committee – Now accepting applications for 2025-2026 academic year scholarships until Mar.31st. Instructions and applications are available on the church's website or in the church office. For additional information, please email scholarships@mthebronumc.com.

SC UM Advocate – is accepting applications for one \$1,000 scholarship, which will go to a UM student enrolled at one of the four UM colleges in SC. Claflin University, Columbia College, Spartanburg Methodist College, or Wofford College. Applications are being accepted now for the 2025-2026 academic year. The deadline for all applications is Mar.1st. To apply, fill out the scholarship application found at:

<https://advocate.org/scholarships>

Capital City Band & Low Country Boil – Mar. 18th at 6:00pm. Information and tickets can be purchased at the church office or online at: <https://mthebronstudents.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2679321>

Commissioning of Church Officers – During both Services on Feb.9th.

Finance Meeting – Monday, Feb. 10 @ 5:45pm

Midweek Boost – Wednesday, Feb. 5th Dinner at 5:00pm will be provided by church, Chicken and Dumplings \$5.00/per person. Spiritual Gifts study begins at 6:30pm.

Girl Scout Cookie Booth – Every Saturday, Feb.15th- Mar.8th, 9:00am-5:00pm, a booth will be set up in the FLC parking area to buy some cookies. Come out and support our Scouts!

Girl Scout Sunday – Sunday, Feb.9th during 11:15am Traditional Service

Boy Scout Sunday – Sunday, Feb. 16th during 8:45am New Life Service

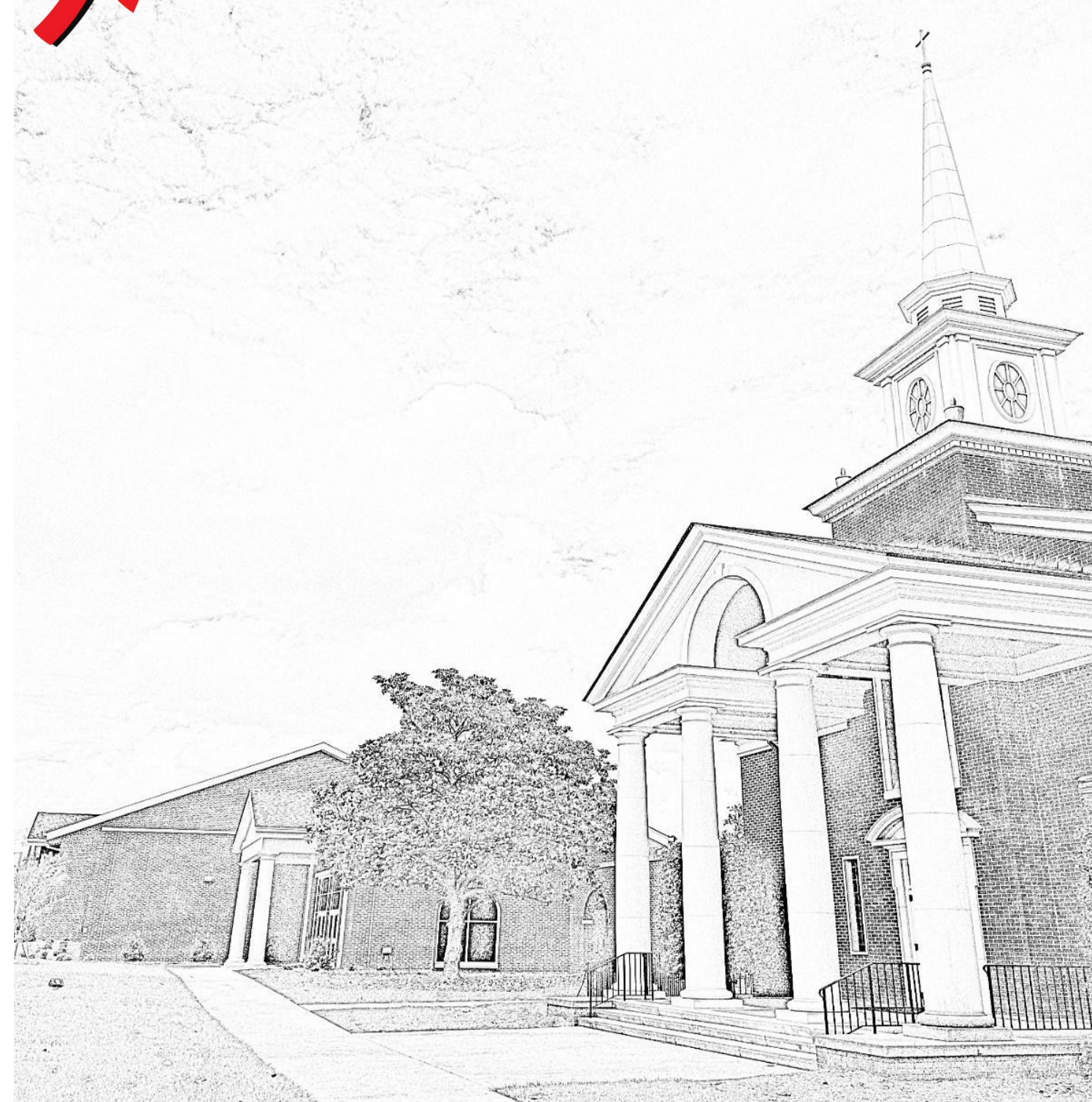
Children's Council Meeting – Sunday, Feb. 16th @ 4:00pm

Day School Committee Meeting – Tuesday, Feb. 18th @ 6:00pm

SPRC Committee Meeting – Tuesday, Feb. 18th @ 6:30pm in Conference Room.

Missions Committee Meeting – Monday, Feb.24th @ 6:00pm

Trustees Meeting – Monday, Feb.24th @ 6:00pm



Scan the Code to Give Online!



Worship Attendance 01/26/2025

Totals: 177 in-person, 30 online

New Life Contemporary Service 8:45am – 75 In-person, 15 online

Traditional Service 11:00am – 102 In-person, 15 online

In case of an after-hour/weekend pastoral emergency, please call the church 803-794-8273, press 9 as prompted. You will be directed to the pastor on call.

February 2, 2025 at 11:15am

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

Making Disciples for the Transformation of the World

February 2, 2025 at 11:15am

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Chimes

*Hymn, UMH #384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Piper Reese Wadford

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this child now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround her with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her trust of God, and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

... Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.

... share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

Declare His works to the nations, His glory among all the people.

... dying and being raised with Christ, they may share in His final victory.

All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen.

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Now it is our joy to welcome this child in Christ.

Through baptism you are made a new creation by God's Holy Spirit and given the tools of faith. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

"The Gift of Love"
Chancel Choir

arr. Hopson

*Doxology

*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

1 Corinthians 13: 1-13; NRSV

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Sermon

The Invitation to Holy Communion

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 #549

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ST. PETER

*Benediction

*Postlude

* *Congregation is invited to stand if able.*

*Minister: Rev. Morgan Byars; Liturgist: Rev. Cynthia Taylor; Director of Music: Tom Brunson;
Organist: Dr. Louis Playford; Altar Guild: Teresa Calcina;
Ushers: Sid Staudt & Ed Harmon; Greeter: Cathy Neeley & Carolyn Jackson;
Lay Reader: Joyce Wingate; Acolyte: Drew White & Rivers Alley*

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Tyler Jackson and his cooking crew by Georgia Heise