

Welcome to Mt. Hebron

Wednesday Night Small Group - *Mere Discipleship*, by Alister McGrath, addresses the question - What does it mean to follow Christ? Christian discipleship forms the core of what a life of faith in Christ should be. For many, the Christian faith is not nearly so life-transforming and relationship-empowering as it could due to a less than robust participation in Christian discipleship. Wherever you are as a follower of Christ, this small group will help. Sign-up sheets are in the gathering area and on our website. Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Family Life Center and via zoom. Led by our pastors, Rev. Kevin and Rev. Gerald.

Graduation Sunday – We will be celebrating our high school seniors in worship services on Sunday, May 23.

Youth Group – Reminder, today (6pm) is our last youth group before we break for summer!

Youth Summer Kick-Off Event – Sunday, June 6, 3-7pm. Join us for guided kayaking down the Saluda and BBQ to kick-off the summer! Email Jared Lee, Dir. of Student Ministries, JLee@mthebrnumc.com for details.

Nursery and Wee Worship – Kids nursery (infant – 3) and Wee Worship (ages 3-5) return next Sunday, May 23, during all worship services!

Welcome Back Sunday School! – Sunday School will be available for *ALL AGES* beginning June 6.

Save the Date for VBS! – Mission Possible, FAMILY VBS 2021, July 18-20. More details coming soon!



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Worship Attendance 5/9/2021 – 348 8:45 NewLife! – Online 51, In-Person 96; 9am Traditional – In-Person 76 11:15 Traditional – Online 55, In-Person 70	
Heritage Building Fund: Building Fund Balance to Date: \$297,320.00 Current Loan Balance: \$2,048,133.58	Year-to-Date 5/9/21: Contributions: \$324,880.69 Expenses: \$331,373.51 Surplus/<Deficit>: <\$6,492.82>

Please note, masks are encouraged to be worn at all times within the building.

May 16, 2021 ~ 11:15am
Serving Christ for the Transformation of Lives
Embrace... Engage... Empower

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

As many experts believe at this time singing in a large group of persons can be dangerous, we invite you to silently meditate on the hymn text while worship leaders offer their voices.

* Hymn, UMH #103 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ST. DENIO

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.
4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light;
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

* 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.*

Special Music *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Y
Chancel Choir

Prayer

Scripture Reading Habakkuk 2:2-3

² And the LORD answered me:

“Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so he may run who reads it.

Sermon ‘Vision Is Valuable’

1. Vision has value when we see that our _____ is God and not us.
2. Vision has value when our obedience to God is _____.

* Hymn, UMH #258 *O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair* DUKE STREET

1. O wondrous sight! O vision fair
of glory that the church shall share,
which Christ upon the mountain shows,
where brighter than the sun he glows!
2. From age to age the tale declares
how with the three disciples there
where Moses and Elijah meet,
the Lord holds converse high and sweet.
3. The law and prophets there have place,
two chosen witnesses of grace;
the Father's voice from out the cloud
proclaims his only Son aloud.
4. With shining face and bright array,
Christ deigns to manifest that day
what glory shall be theirs above
who joy in God with perfect love.
5. And faithful hearts are raised on high
by this great vision's mystery;
for which in joyful strains we raise
the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

* Benediction

* Postlude

Minister: Rev. Dr. Gerald Watford; *Liturgist:* Rev. Kevin Cooley; *Director of Music:* Tom Brunson
Organist: Dr. Louis Playford; *Altar Guild:* Debbie Houston & Ann Bolen; *Lay Reader:* Kathy Hornsby
Greeters: John Kelley & Marla Downey; *Ushers:* Calvin Gunter & Gretchen McCabe

Ray and Margie Adkins give the altar flowers to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones lost.