



HSP PARISH

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A Letter From The Pastor

BY MARK BALDWIN

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are few; therefore pray earnestly to the
Lord of the harvest to send out laborers
into his harvest”
Matthew 9: 37-38

Dear Friends,

As the air grows crisp and the leaves begin to turn, we are reminded once again of God’s faithfulness through the changing seasons. Fall is a time of beauty and reflection. It is a season when the work of planting gives way to the joy of harvest, and when creation itself seems to pause and give thanks before the quiet rest of winter.

Scripture often uses the image of harvest to teach us about spiritual life. Jesus said in Matthew 9:37-38 (ESV), “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” Just as farmers gather the fruits of their labor, we as believers are called to take part in God’s great harvest—the gathering of souls for His kingdom. Fall reminds us that God’s timing is perfect, and the fields around us are ready.

Fall also invites us to be grateful. In 1 Thessalonians 5:18 we are told, “Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” As we gather around tables with family, enjoy the bounty of the season, and see God’s provision in both big and small ways, may we cultivate hearts of thankfulness. Gratitude not only honors God, it deepens our faith and draws us closer to Him.

Finally, Fall teaches us about trust. As the trees release their leaves, we are reminded to let go and trust in the Lord’s care. Proverbs 3:5-6 encourages us: “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.” Just as the earth rests in God’s rhythm, so too can we find rest in His promises.

May this Fall season be for us not just a time of beauty in nature, but also a season of spiritual renewal—a time to join in God’s harvest, to practice gratitude, and to rest in His unfailing love.

Grace and peace, Pastor Mark

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28 10:30am - One Worship	29 9am - S- Prayer Shawl	2 9am - P-in-person Bible 2pm - Hershey ladies @ 2pm - Sutherland UMW	3	4	
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UP COMING EVENTS



October is pastor appreciation month, lets all take a minute this month to say thank you to pastor Mark for all that he does for us here at HSP Parish.

Tenth Year Paxton Appreciation Brunch for Pastor Mark
Sunday, October 12, @ 10 am MT
Come enjoy the celebration, fellowship & food.
Join us for Sunday Service to follow.

Online Thanksgiving Service will be on
Wednesday November 26th at 7 p.m. CT
HSP Parish Website
hspparish.com

Wednesday Evening Advent Services on the HSP Parish Website
December 3rd, 10th & 17th 7 p.m. CT

New Christmas Eve Schedule
Hershey United Methodist Church 4 p.m. CT Service
Paxton United Methodist Church 5 p.m. MT Service
Sutherland United Methodist Church 7:30 p.m. CT Service

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<https://www.hspparish.com/online-giving>**

Paxton UMC
PO Box 335
Paxton, NE 69155

Youth Group
October 15th 7 p.m. CT
Sutherland UMC
October 29th 7 p.m. CT
Paxton UMC

Sutherland Potluck October 19th

**Charge Conference
November 8th
3:00pmCT Sutherland UMC**

Paxton's Lord's Acre

November 23rd



Exodus 23:16 (NIV): "Celebrate the Festival of Harvest with the first fruits of the crops you sow in your field. Celebrate the Festival of Ingathering at the end of the year, when you gather in your crops from the field". God called His people to celebrate both the first fruits and the ingathering. The first fruits remind us to give to the Lord from the very beginning—not waiting to see if there's "enough left over." The ingathering reminds us to pause and thank Him at the year's end for His faithfulness through every season.





Parish Bible Study

9:00amMT in Person @ Paxton UMC
7:00pmCT Online on our website

Parish Bible Schedule and scriptures:

October 8th: Luke 1: 23-38
October 15th: Matthew 1: 18-25
October 22nd: **NO BIBLE STUDY**
October 29th: Luke 1: 39-45



October Birthday & Anniversaries

1st Judy Wever (S)
Claude Hoatson (H)
2nd Clate Cook (P)
4th Doug Downs (H)
Emma Vasquez (P)
10th Sara Vasquez (P)
13th Kyle Gartrell (P)
Grace McConnell (S)
15th Lois Gray (S)
Stacy Cravate (S)
18th Ben Schow (P)
19th Wanda Wilson (P)
Lane Wever (S)
21st Morgan Krajewski (S)
Jack Nelson (H)
23rd Alan Wilson (P)
24th Nicole Keller (P)
26th Jay Colburn (S)
27th Pat Fleecs (S)
Pat Albro (P)
28th Pat Pinion (H)
Brad Krajewski (S)
29th Brenda Johnson (H)



October Anniversaries

1st Kyle & Cheryl Schow (P)
14th Tony & Amanda White (P)
26th Cory & Brenda Johnson (H)

"Thanks be to God for his
inexpressible gift!" — 2 Corinthians
9:15
Paul ends his words on giving with a
burst of praise. God's greatest gift—
Jesus Christ—is beyond description,
beyond measure, beyond price.
When we think of Christ, our hearts
can only respond with gratitude. All
other blessings flow from Him, the
inexpressible gift who brings us life,
hope, and salvation.



MEETINGS

Hershey ladies
Oct 2nd 2:30pm @ Mugg

Sutherland Ladies
Oct 2nd 2:30pm

Paxton ladies
Oct 19th, 9:30am

Sutherland Ad-
TBA

Paxton Ad Board
Sep 19th, Following
Worship

Hershey Ad Board
TBA





HELLO OCTOBER



"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens."

— Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV)

Very Short Devotion:

As the leaves turn and the air grows crisp, fall reminds us of the beauty of change. Just as the trees release their leaves, we too are invited to let go of what weighs us down and trust God's timing. Each season—whether joyful or difficult—has its purpose under heaven. In this autumn season, may we pause with gratitude, embrace God's rhythm, and trust that He is leading us into a new chapter filled with His goodness.

Peter Has a Vision

Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. Acts 10:34-35. (NIV)



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If you have newsletter articles, pictures or any special news you would like to share with the parish please submit them to Pastor Mark, or the tech team by the 25th of each month.

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Sunday Worship: 9:00 a.m. CT



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Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. CT



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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. MT