



MT. HOREB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2020

ANNUAL REPORT



*Listen, dear friends, to God's truth,
bend your ears to what I tell you.
I'm chewing on the morsel of a proverb;
I'll let you in on the sweet old truths,
Stories we heard from our fathers,
counsel we learned at our mother's knee.
We're not keeping this to ourselves,
we're passing it along to the next generation—
GOD's fame and fortune,
the marvelous things He has done.*

PSALMS 78:1-4 MSG



2020 has been a challenging year for most of the world. As Mt. Horeb continues to be a lighthouse of hope and bell-tower of God's truth, we are not keeping the good news of God's fame a secret. We are passing it on to our current and next generations. Because of your incredible faithfulness and generosity during one of the most challenging years in Church history, we are strong and ready to fully reopen and make an even greater impact for the Kingdom of God. Though limited by COVID-19, Mt. Horeb never stopped serving, never stopped singing, never stopped sharing the love of God and we never stopped sending financial support to our local and global partners. When we testify to God's faithfulness and the commitment of His Church, God is glorified and people are drawn to His presence. I cannot wait to see all of you in worship soon!

To God be the glory; great things He is doing!

Jeff Kersey

Senior Pastor

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rev. Jeff Kersey". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

WORSHIP



234 NEW MEMBERS





56 BAPTISMS

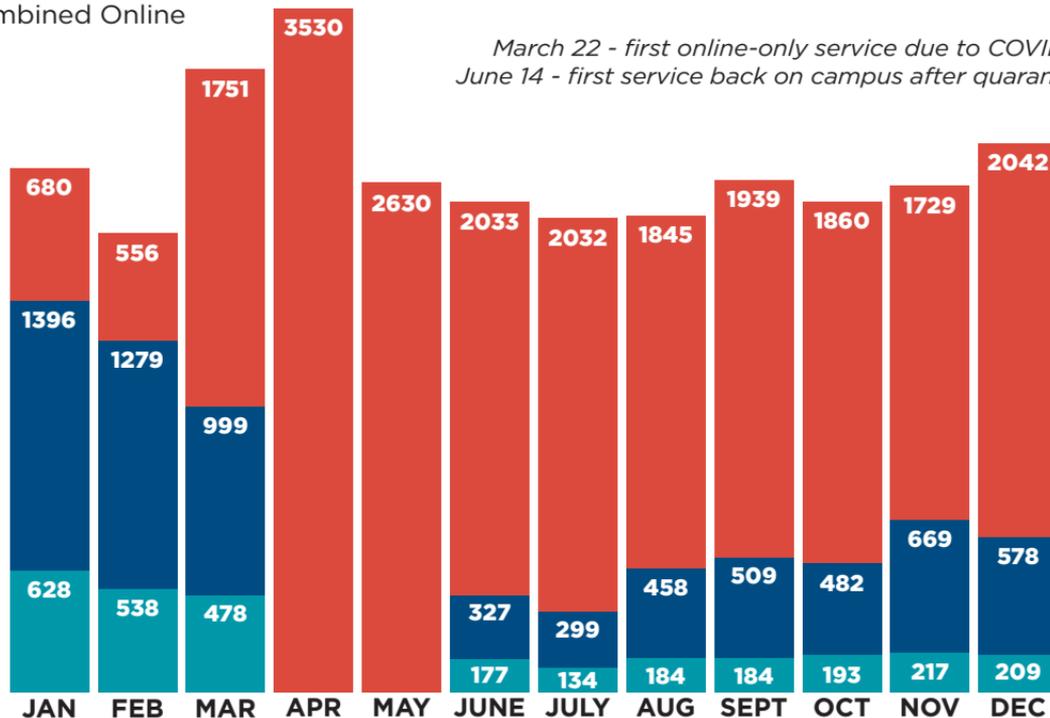
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MONTHLY ATTENDANCE

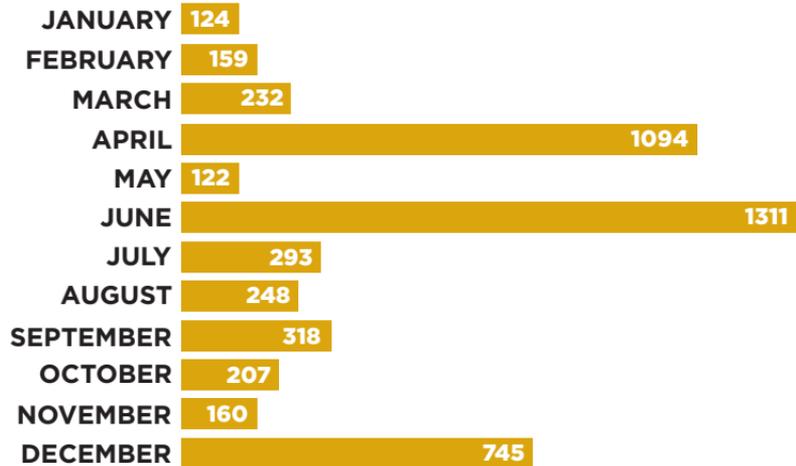
- Contemporary In-person
- Traditional In-person
- Combined Online

March 22 - first online-only service due to COVID-19
June 14 - first service back on campus after quarantine





VIMEO VIEWS



 **1,176**
APP
DOWNLOADS



WORSHIP

WORSHIP

CONTEMPORARY



MOST PLAYED SONGS

1

WAY MAKER

2

ANOTHER IN
THE FIRE

GRAVES
INTO
GARDENS

RAISE A
HALLELUJAH





MOST PLAYED SONGS

1 BECAUSE HE LIVES
BLESSED ASSURANCE
GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS
HOW GREAT THOU ART

TRADITIONAL

WORSHIP

PRODUCTION

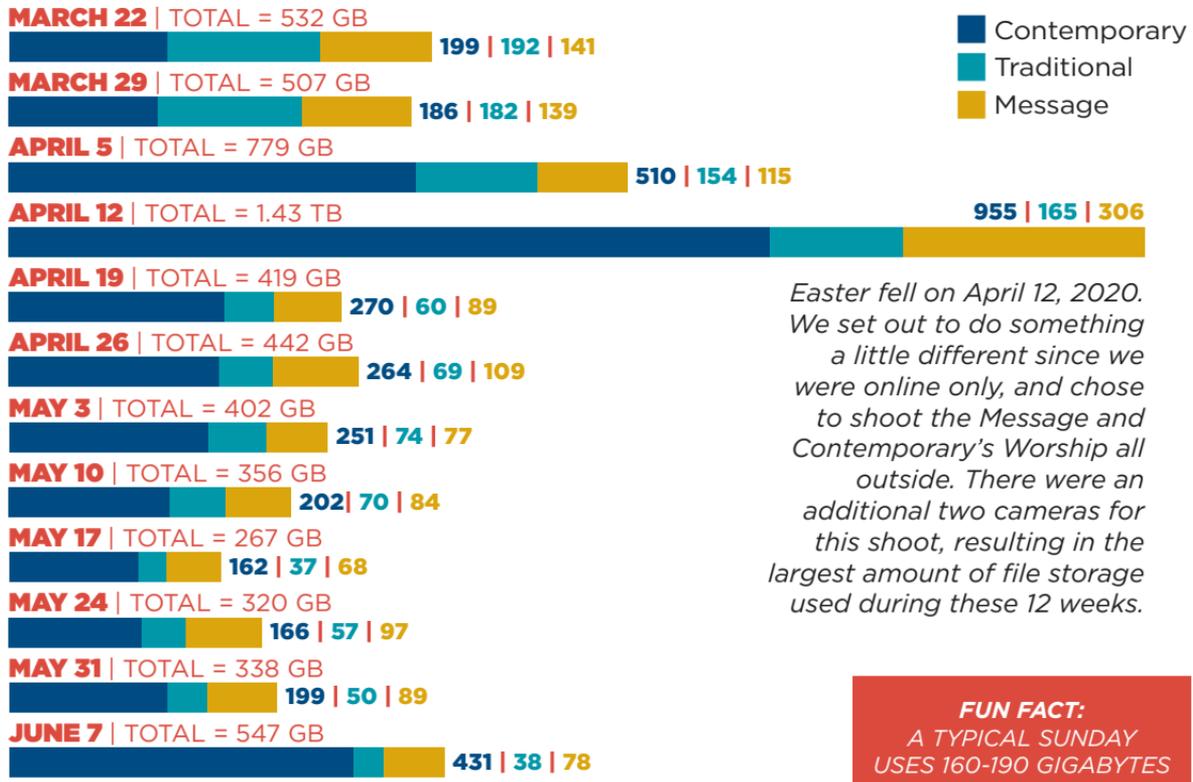
In March 2020, COVID -19 numbers began to rise exponentially. Concerned with the safety of our congregation and following CDC guidelines, we chose to close our doors to any on-campus activities, including Sunday services.

Our Production and Worship Teams quickly set out to bring Church into our homes in a newer, more personal way. Our Staff and a few volunteers came to the church each week to setup, film and edit each week's service during quarantine.

We're thankful for these teams and their volunteers who allowed us to remain engaged while online.



COVID SERVICE FILE SIZES

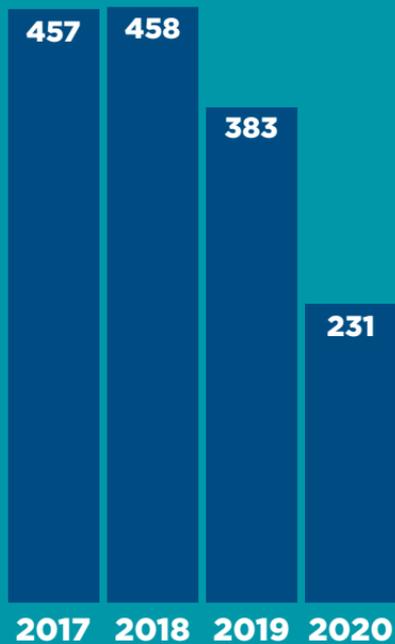


Easter fell on April 12, 2020. We set out to do something a little different since we were online only, and chose to shoot the Message and Contemporary's Worship all outside. There were an additional two cameras for this shoot, resulting in the largest amount of file storage used during these 12 weeks.

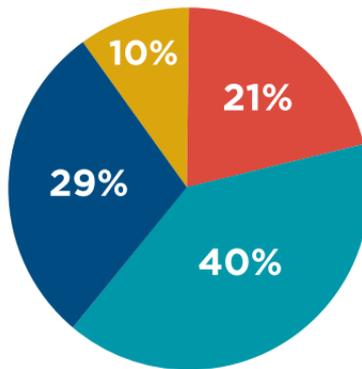
FUN FACT:
A TYPICAL SUNDAY USES 160-190 GIGABYTES PER VENUE FOR VIDEO.

FINANCE

FIRST-TIME GIVERS



OPERATING EXPENSE ALLOCATION



- Missions
- Discipleship
- Administration
- Facilities



MAIN BUDGET DISTRIBUTION

■ Operating Expenses ■ General/Missions Offering ■ End of Year Debt



29% OF EVERY DOLLAR GIVEN IN OFFERING GOES TO MISSIONS

FINANCE

MISSIONS



*In 2020, your generosity allowed us to partner with
26 local partners, 15 missionary partners and 15 global partners.*

**10:10 BRIDGE
AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM**

23 CHILDREN

1300 BOOKS DONATED WHEN
SCHOOLS CLOSED IN THE SPRING

**THANKSGIVING:
FROM FAMILY TO FAMILY**

50 THANKSGIVING BASKETS
DONATED, PACKED AND DELIVERED

EMMANUWHEEL

9 RAMPS BUILT

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

8 MEMBERS PROVIDED RELIEF
FROM TORNADOES IN APRIL

CONCESSIONS OF HOPE

1800 MEALS SERVED TO
150 HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

250 CHILDREN RECEIVED SUPPLIES

BACKPACK MINISTRY

500 CHILDREN SERVED IN LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS

45 FAMILIES RECEIVED **50 LBS** OF SHELF-STABLE FOOD DUE TO SHORTAGES FROM COVID-19

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

2 HOMES BUILT

CIRCLES® LEXINGTON COUNTY

22 CIRCLE LEADERS
25 CHILDREN

LEXINGTON COMMUNITY GARDEN

FOR **25 WEEKS**, OUR BRIDGE AND CIRCLES FAMILIES WERE ABLE TO PICK UP LOCAL PRODUCE BOXES & FRESH MEAT FROM OUR CAMPUS



MISSION LEXINGTON & HARVEST HOPE

\$45,000 DONATED TO PROVIDE FOOD FOR LOCAL FAMILIES

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

411 BOXES RECEIVED

CHRISTMAS: FROM FAMILY TO FAMILY

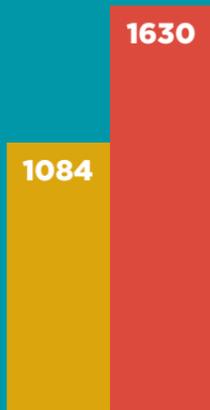
40 FAMILIES WERE ABLE TO SHOP FOR THEIR KIDS FROM OVER **400** GIFTS DONATED

INDIA COVID-19 RELIEF

\$20,000 DONATED TO PROVIDE **215** FAMILIES WITH TWO MONTHS WORTH OF FOOD

MISSIONS

KIDS



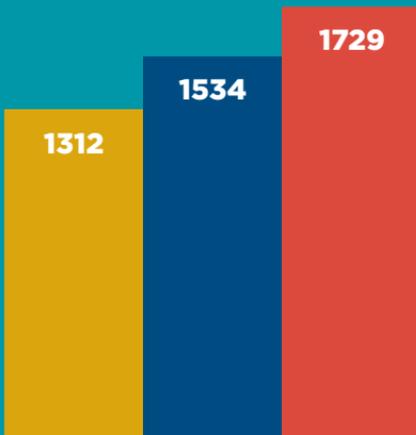
*With Covid-19 restrictions in place, we had to get creative for our Kids! **1,084 Curriculum Kits** were given out from August - December. **1,630 Worship Bags** were given out from July - December for our Kids in Sunday Services.*

68 THIRD GRADERS RECEIVED BIBLES WITH AN AT-HOME TREASURE HUNT

100 FAMILIES PARTICIPATED IN OUR ONLINE EASTER JAM EXPERIENCE

VIRTUAL VBS

**300 ADVENT KITS
WERE GIVEN OUT TO
KIDS & THEIR FAMILIES**



OUR VIRTUAL VBS ALLOWED US TO SEND OUT **1,312 KITS** LOCALLY AND TO 6 OTHER STATES, WITH **1,534 PRESCHOOL VIEWS** & **1,729 ELEMENTARY VIEWS**



KIDS

STUDENTS



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

WORSHIP

277 KICKOFF | MS, HS & PARENTS

60 AVERAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | WEEKLY

99 PEAK MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

60 AVERAGE HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | WEEKLY

75 PEAK HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

EVENTS

120 AT CHI ALPHA | HIGH SCHOOL

200 SENIOR SIGNS PLANTED IN YARDS

104 AT CONFIRMATION | 8TH GRADERS

20 CONFIRMATION BAPTISMS

108 AT MIDDLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY

66 AT HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY

ONLINE

45 ZOOM BIBLE STUDY | WEEKLY

270 YOUTUBE SUBSCRIBERS



With 2020 being a radically different year, we took some time in May to travel around to **seven middle schools** and **five high schools** in our school district to pray for students who had been out of school since March. We were hearing from our families, friends and church members in the schools that this was a very difficult time for students. We prayed for our teachers, students and families, that they would know God was still at work in their lives, even in these uncertain times.

MOST PLAYED SONGS

1

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME
KING OF GLORY
MY TESTIMONY

2

CHRIST BE
MAGNIFIED



STUDENTS

ADULTS



350 MEN AT THE OYSTER ROAST

WHERE SPEAKER,
CARLOS WHITTAKER,
HAD HIS FIRST OYSTER EVER

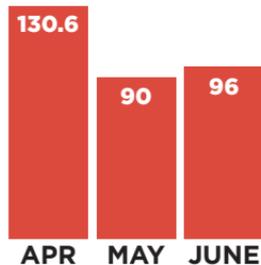


450 MEN AT THE MEN'S CONFERENCE



MIDWEEK ONLINE VIEWERSHIP (AVG)

*Due to Covid-19, MidWeek was one of the many things we offered online during quarantine. **Our first Online MidWeek was March 25 with 197 live viewers.** While most businesses were shutdown, we saw our congregation consistently seeking ways to be involved in our online opportunities.*



79 INVOLVED IN OUR FIRST EVER TOWN SCAVENGER HUNT

73
INVOLVED
IN OUR FALL
INTEREST GROUPS

SENIOR ADULTS

115 INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN
3 LUNCHEONS BEFORE COVID-19

ADULTS

OUTREACH



RECREATION

287 PLAYERS, COACHES, SCORE KEEPERS,
REFEREES AND CHEERLEADERS
INVOLVED WITH UPWARD SPORTS

52 PLAYERS & VOLUNTEERS INVOLVED IN THE
SC STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



**250 ATTENDEES &
450 VOLUNTEERS
ON CAMPUS FOR AN
UNFORGETTABLE
PROM NIGHT EXPERIENCE**

NIGHT TO SHINE



In the beginning of the pandemic, our Care Team decided to reach out to our congregation while we were unable to see anyone in person.

875 CALLS WERE MADE TO ACTIVE MEMBERS
400 CALLS WERE MADE TO INACTIVE MEMBERS
400 CALLS & LETTERS WERE MADE TO SENIORS



CONGREGATIONAL CARE



4122 VISITS, CALLS, EMAILS, TEXTS,
OR MEETINGS WITH THOSE
IN NEED OF CARE



OUTREACH



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