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Sunday, October 18, 2026

Culmore United Methodist Church

Welcome and Good Morning!

Welcome and Announcements

Art by Sue Carroll

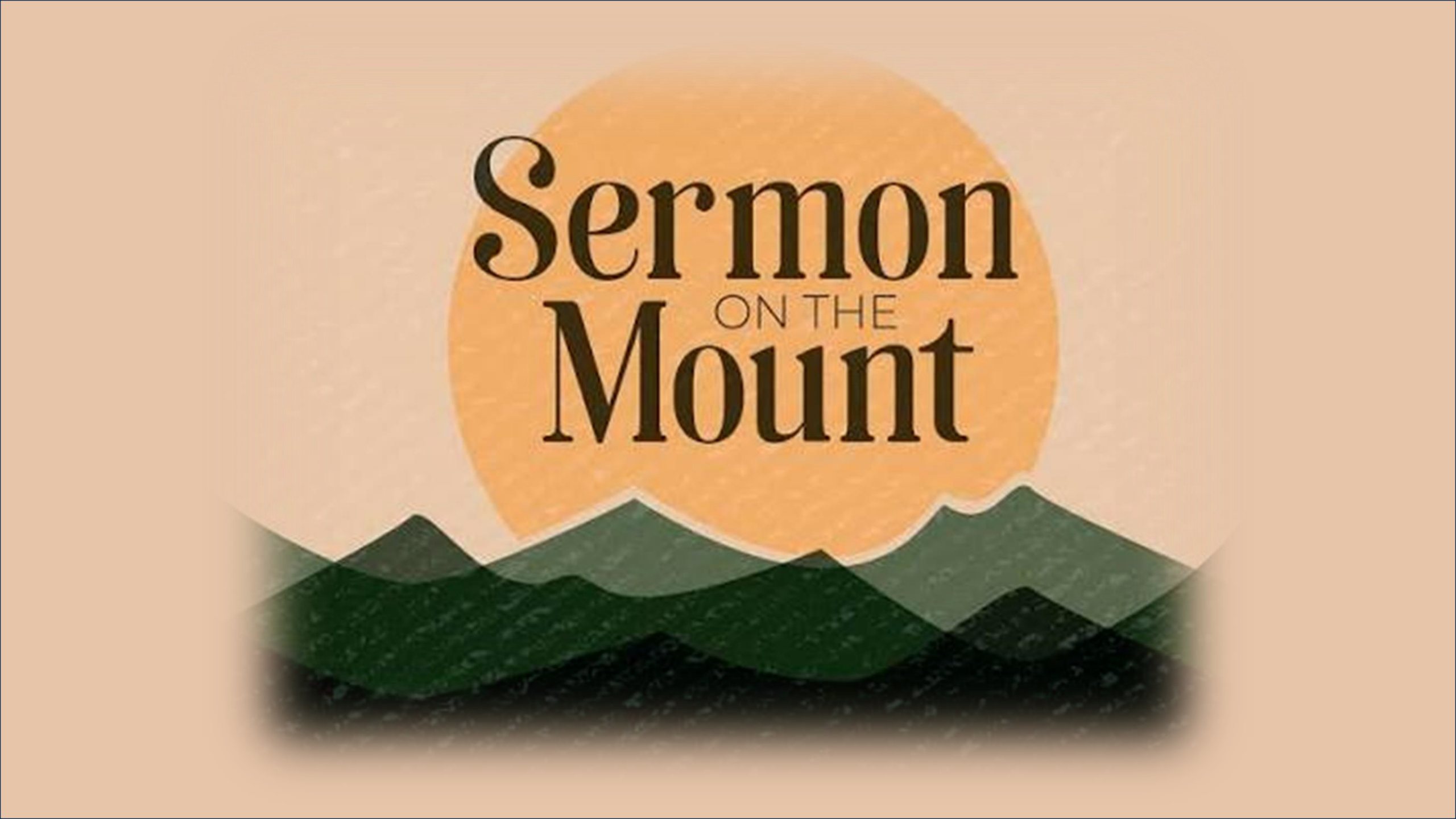
Yum! Me got cookies.
Thank you!

EXIT

Thank you, everyone!

Happy Birthday!

Once again it's your birthday. Once again the time is here.
What a loving gift from Jesus, He has given you one more year.
Happy time is your birthday, happy time this year.
What a loving gift from Jesus, He has given you one more year.
Oh happy birthday to you, oh happy birthday to you.
For you have Jesus Christ everyday of your life.
Oh happy birthday to you, oh happy birthday to you.
The Lord bless and keep you.
Happy birthday to you. And to Jesus with you.
God bless you and keep you. Happy birthday to you.


Sermon
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STAY TUNED for the answer!

As the Deer Pants for the Water – W&S 2025

As the deer pants for the water
So my soul longs after You
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

I want You more than gold or silver
Only You can satisfy
You alone are the real joy giver
And the apple of my eye

You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though you are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything

You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

Deuteronomy 31: 8

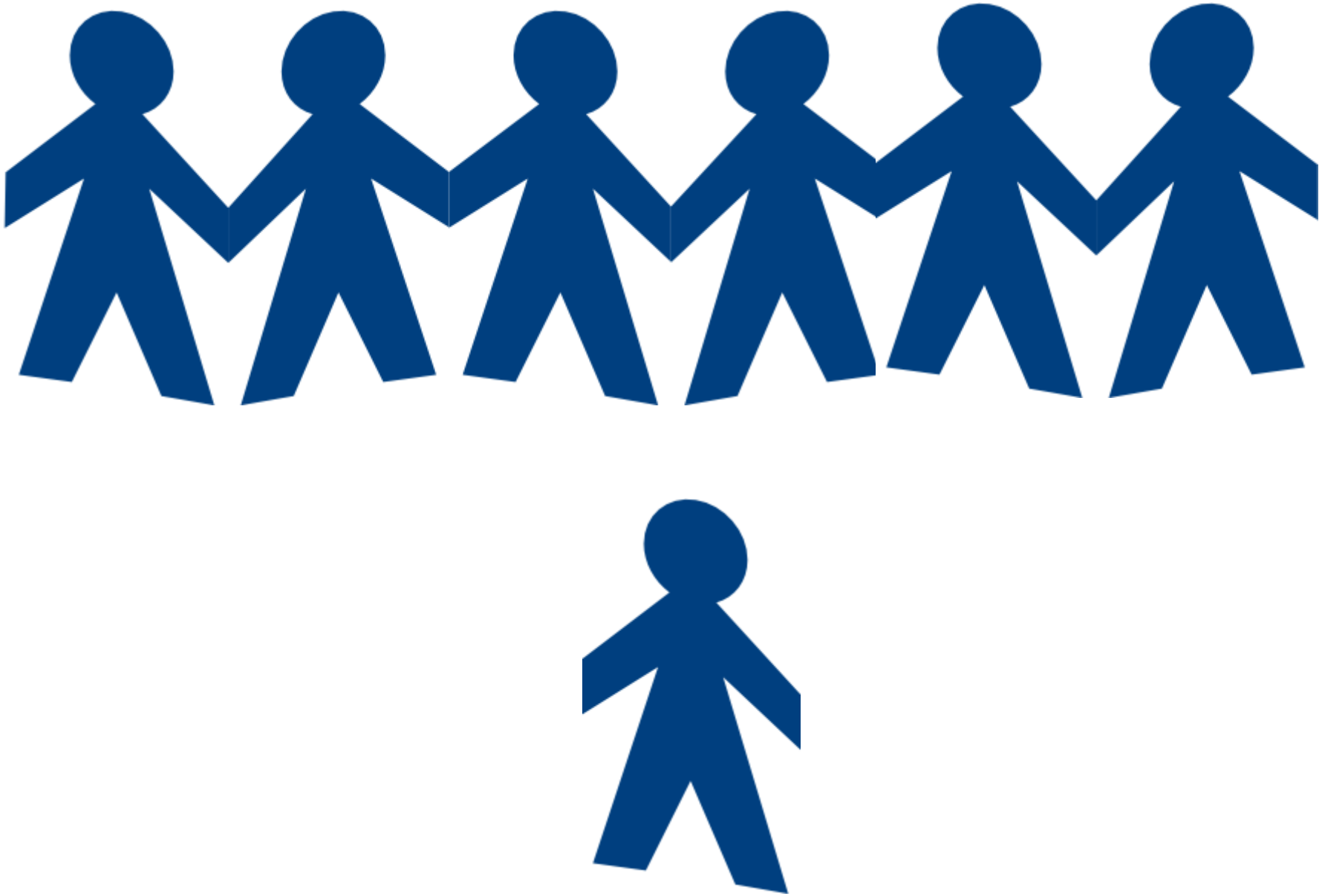
The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you. He will never leave you nor forsake you Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.

Opening Prayer

Loving God,

You know so well all our fears and anxieties. You know how we struggle not to worry, but sometimes our plates are just overloaded.

Help us not be afraid or discouraged. Let us feel Your comforting Presence and remind us You are always with us. You will never leave nor forsake us, no matter what. Truly, we are not alone. ***Amen***



Matthew 6: 25-34

Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?

Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?

Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? And why do you worry about clothes?
See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin.
Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.

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If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?

So do not worry, saying, '*What shall we eat*?' or '*What shall we drink*?' or '*What shall we wear*?' Your heavenly Father knows that you need them.

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Therefore do not worry about tomorrow,

for tomorrow will worry about itself.

Philippians 4: 5-8

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: *Rejoice!*
Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.
Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation,
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your
requests to God.

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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Luke 12: 33-34

Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a **treasure in heaven** that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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Community Prayer

LORD Jesus, why do we so often allow ourselves to worry when we are facing life's difficulties? This quite frankly shows that we don't trust You after You have told us we need to and can. We always want to do SOMETHING when times are tough, but often don't stop and ask You first.

Help us stop and recall all the times when we have brought complex situations to You, and You have resolved them so beautifully and completely. Your answers cover things in ways that may amaze us when we think about it. You have infinite resources to draw on, so many more than we can muster on our own.

LORD, we give You thanks and praise for the many ways You pour out Your love and grace when we trust in You. ***AMEN***

Seek Ye First – UMH 405

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness

And all these things shall be added unto you.

Allelu, alleluia.

Man shall not lie by bread alone, but by every word

That proceeds from the mouth of God

Allelu, alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you.

Seek and ye shall find.

Knock and it shall be opened unto you.

Allelu, alleluia.

Offering and Doxology
UM Hymnal 95

We give thanks for this wonderful,
generous community of faith.

Doxology - UM Hymnal 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Benediction