

Tabor Talk

June 2023

the monthly newsletter of

Mount Tabor United Methodist Church
3543 Robinhood Road • Winston-Salem, NC 27106 • 336-765-5561

located in the Yadkin Valley District of the
Western North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church

gather joyfully • grow spiritually • go faithfully

Worship

OPPORTUNITIES

— SUNDAYS —

9 a.m. Modern Worship

a new modern, contemporary service in-person and online in the Alspaugh Worship Center.

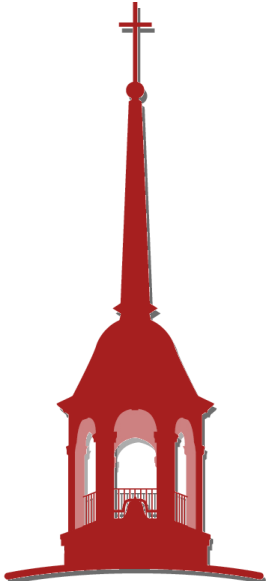
11 a.m. Traditional

a worship service incorporating the traditional hymns of faith and the historic creeds of the church, in-person and online from the light-filled Sanctuary.

Nursery care and a Mother's Room are available in the Children's Building.

Wheelchairs are available for use while on church property and hearing enhancement devices, as well as large print bulletins, are available. See an usher for details.

Livestream the services at www.YouTube.com/MountTaborUMCVideoStreaming and on Facebook Live at Mount Tabor United Methodist Church



“Man vs. Wild”

One of the most intriguing sections of the Bible comes from Jesus' time in the wilderness. Matthew chapter four begins with these words, “Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.” Please know the Judean Wilderness looks nothing like what we think of when we imagine a wilderness in the United States. It is a rather desolate section of that region of the world. I do believe it has its own form of beauty. In fact, certain sections are breathtaking. However, it can be a very lonely place, and it is surely not a wilderness in the way I envisioned a wilderness from my childhood and early adult life. A better description for it would be to call it a desert. In fact, when describing that region, the term desert is used more often than wilderness by most people today.

This June we are going to journey this wilderness (or desert) with Jesus with our news series “Man vs. Wild”. We will breakdown each of the temptations our Savior endured. When you break down each temptation, I believe you will find you have been tempted in similar ways throughout your life, and we can all learn from how Jesus responds to the temptations he encounters. Below is the schedule for the series:

June 11: The Temptation of the Bread
(Matthew 4:1-4; Hebrews 4:15)

June 18: The Temptation at the Pinnacle
(Matthew 4:5-7; Exodus 17:2-3, 7; Deuteronomy 6:16)

June 25: The Temptation of the World
(Matthew 4:8-11; Matthew 16:24-26)

Ultimately, as we dive deeper into Christ's temptations, we will find we are faced with the same question – will we choose the way of the world or the way of the cross/the way of Christ? Temptation is often viewed as a taboo or uncomfortable subject, but I sure hope you will join us this June as we discover how important this topic is for our spiritual journey. I hope you will join us as we learn from Jesus himself.

Summer Blessings,
Pastor Lonnie

Summer Fun for our TaborKids- 3-Years old Through 5th grade

In *TaborKIDS Junior* this month and all summer long, we will be talking about the absolute best friend you could ever have with our preschoolers, Jesus! We want every child to know that not only is Jesus the best friend ever, but Jesus wants to be THEIR friend . . . forever! We want everyone that joins us for TaborKIDS Junior to hear over and over that Jesus wants to be their friend today and forever.

Not only does Jesus want to be their friend, but Jesus is a friend worth following. That way, when the time comes, our TaborKIDS will be ready to follow Jesus here, there, and everywhere!

As *Club 252* and *TaborTWEENS* continue their journey through God's Big Story, they have learned that since the beginning God has always been deeply involved in the world. We see God's handiwork on display in creation. We can also see God's love on display through Jesus—who came to rescue us. We respond to God in faith, believing in what we can't see because of what we can see. When we focus on what we know to be true about God and the world He created, we can have faith in what we can't see or fully understand. We put that faith into action as we follow Jesus and show His love to the world.

We'd love to see you on Sunday mornings in TaborKids Worship offered during all worship services or during Sunday School at 10:00am. We love our TaborKids!



Save the date!
Families with children are invited to **Bikes & Trikes** on Sun., June 11 at 4 p.m. There will be food, fun, family and faith mixed into one event. Bring your child's bike or trike for riding, a bike rally, and a bike washing and detail station. Spread the word as this event is open to the community.



Summer Camps are now open for registration. Camps are \$100 and run from 9-12 each morning.

- Sports Camp June 12-15 (ages 4 as of Aug. 31 through completed 5th grade)
- Art Camp June 26-29 (ages 4 as of Aug. 31 through completed 5th grade)
- Tween Mission & Adventure Week July 10-13 (completed 3rd – 5th grades) Visit <https://bit.ly/mtumcreg> for more information and to sign up!



Ready, Set, MOVE! at Vacation Bible School July 24-27! Open to children ages 4 as of Aug. 31 through completed 5th grade as they learn to follow Jesus here, there, and everywhere. There is no cost and all are welcome. Snack Supper begins at 5:15 PM and the main program is from 6:00-8:00 PM. Visit <https://bit.ly/mtumcreg> for more information and to sign up!

For more information on any of these children's activities or our Children's Ministries, check your TaborKids Weekly Email or contact Marcey Davis (marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org).



Ready, Set, Move – Volunteer at VBS!

You're invited to get on board and volunteer at VBS this summer July 23-27.

Our theme is

“Ready, Set, Move: Follow Jesus Here, There and Everywhere.”

You will change the world by volunteering for VBS! Sign up today using this link— <https://bit.ly/mtumcvbs23> . Contact Marcey Davis (marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org) for information.

TaborKIDS Junior friends and their adult(s) are invited to a **Playground Playdate** on June 8 at 9:30am.

Join us as we will be gathering on the church playground for a time of fun and fellowship!



We WANT to Support and PRAY for YOU!

If you or your family are dealing with chronic or other illness, cancer, preparing for or recovering from surgery, caregiving, mourning, or dealing with a life transition, please let the church know how you can best be cared for and supported. Mount Tabor UMC's Congregational and Soul Care Director Kim Harvey is available for a visit in her office, Room 203, or you may contact her (kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org or 336-765-5561 ext. 1021). Or if you would like a pastoral visit or call, she can arrange that, and also pass along any prayer requests you may have.

On **Father's Day Sunday, June 18**, we will be accepting a special offering to benefit Mount Tabor UMC's two prison ministries, Forsyth Prison Ministry & Yokefellow, above and beyond tithe and budget pledges. You can support this ministry by making donations payable to Mount Tabor UMC, designating “Father's Day Offering” in the memo line, and placing in the offering basket. Or you may give online at <https://www.mttaborumc.org/give> selecting “Special Contribution” fund and designating “Father's Day Offering” in the memo box.

Congratulations to our 2023 COLLEGE and HIGH SCHOOL MTUMC GRADUATES

—COLLEGE—

Kristin Jean Yates
UNC-Greensboro
Ph.D in English

Emma James Barksdale
Wake Forest University School of Medicine
Medical Doctor

Caroline Claire Borchelt
Virginia Tech
Marketing Management and
B.A. Public Relations

Julia Grace Borchelt
UNC-Chapel Hill
Bachelor of Science in Biology

Ian Connor McPherson
Furman University
Bachelor of Science in
Environmental and
Conservation Biology

John Norman Hughes
Western Carolina University
Bachelor of Science in Interior
Design and a Minor in Studio Art

Elizabeth Nolan
Wake Forest University
Masters in Law

Alexandra “Alex” Thea Lee
Appalachian State University
Bachelor of Science Criminal
Justice

Lulu Baccari
Salem College
Master in Counseling

—HIGH SCHOOL—

Carolyn Kaye Binford
Andrew James Brown, Jr.
Madeline Gray Chappell
Caroline Roberts Clifton
Matthew Joel Fangmann
Lila Kim Gardner
Grayson Tyler Hughes
Kelly Kendall
Ryan Kendall
Andrew Garrett McAllister
Anna Reece McPherson
Mason Pike Mitchener
Kathryn Marie Nolan
David Garrett Settlemire
Joyner Sherron
Mary Stuart Stauffer
Kolemyn Poole Wyman
Scott Kenneth Young Jr.

Mount Tabor’s Pastor Reappointed

Our Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) is pleased to announce that Bishop Kenneth H. Carter of the Western North Carolina United Methodist Conference has reappointed Rev. Lonnie Pittman to Mount Tabor for another year. It is the Methodist tradition to appoint pastors for a one year term.

Our SPRC is very pleased with this reappointment and greatly appreciate the leadership and discipleship of Rev. Lonnie Pittman.

SUMMER WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP DINNER



Wednesdays, 5:15-6:30 p.m. Family Life Center
Suggested donations are Adult (age 13-older) **\$8**; Child (ages 3-12) **\$5**;
Family in same house **\$25 cap.** Make reservations at

www.mttaborumc.org/tabor-table

— June 14 —

Taco Salad with your choice of Beef or Chicken,
Black Beans, Refried Beans, Rice, Queso
with Drinks and Desserts
Kids Menu Option: Quesadillas

**Mark your calendars and make plans to join us for
Summer Tabor Table on
July 19 & August 16. You won't want to miss it!**

Mount Tabor United Methodist Church is hiring a Church Business Administrator

Mount Tabor UMC is hiring a new
full-time Church Business
Administrator.

The job description and application can be
found at **[www.mttaborumc.org/
employment-opportunities](http://www.mttaborumc.org/employment-opportunities)** online.

If you have any questions about the
application process, contact Staff-Parish
Relations Committee member
John Kearns at 336-918-3944.

You are invited to join us for a Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

Our Wednesday Women's Bible Study will offer three Summer Sessions on June 21, July 19, and Aug. 16. These will be stand alone sessions with the theme "Inspiration from God's Holy Word: Hope, Peace, and Love." Come and bring a friend as we read and study scripture that will encourage us and remind us of God's love for His children. There is nothing to purchase, just bring a Bible.

All sessions will be on Wednesdays at 9:30 am, in person in the Fellowship Hall and also via Zoom. Please contact Director of Congregational & Soul Care, Kim Harvey (kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org) for questions or to receive the Zoom link.

GROWTH GATHERINGS
come for dinner, stay for growth
JUNE 14, JULY 19, & AUG 16
6:15 to 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall
led by members of the Spiritual Growth Team

June 25 at 10 AM in Pastor Lonnie's Office

COFFEE WITH PASTOR LONNIE

COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR

Questions? Contact Gray Handwerk at gray.handwerk@mttaborumc.org

MOUNT TABOR HIGH SCHOOL
Baccalaureate Service

Help us spread the word!

A Worship Service
 for Mount Tabor High School Seniors and their guests
 at Mount Tabor United Methodist Church
 June 4, 2023 at 7pm

Guest Speaker:
 Chief of Police
 William H. Penn, Jr.



A Church for All People Ministry shares this verse:

“Let every detail in your lives—words, actions, whatever—be done in the name of the Master, Jesus, thanking God the Father every step of the way.” Colossians 3:17 from *The Message*.

The Church for All People Committee encourages you to visit Delta Arts Center and see the works of Lavett Ballard on display through August 25.

The art of Lavett Ballard has appeared on the *Time* magazine covers two times. Now, here in Winston-Salem, her view of African American heritage and stories comes to life on the walls and fences of Delta Arts Center. Visit <https://deltaartscenter.org> for more information.

Mount Tabor UMC Afterschool is now enrolling for the 2023/2024 school year!

To enroll your child or to schedule a tour, please contact the program office at jeanna.hagan@mttaborumc.org.

Mount Tabor Preschool is seeking teachers for the 2023-2024 school year

Looking for fun, creative, enthusiastic lead teachers in the 3 and 4 year old classes.

Applicants can contact the Preschool Office **336-760-2326** and ask for the Director.



Will Busch
 Student Ministries Director
 will.busch@mttaborumc.org
 336-765-5561 ext. 1008

(for youth in 6th-12th grades)

our May FUSION Recap

A common saying is "April Showers Bring May Flowers," and I can attest that the "May Flowers" is perfect way to describe the month of May.

From the last "Youth Main Event" for this school year, to seeing the High School Seniors finish up their last moments of school, we have witnessed the "showers" of this past school year "blossom" into beautiful flowers that remind us of the memories we have shared together over the years.

Our "May Flowers" were ultimately seen at the *Andy Burton Memorial Golf Tournament*. This tournament could not have been possible without the generous support of Mount Tabor UMC, our local community, countless volunteers, and of course members of our Youth Group.

The *Andy Burton Memorial Golf Tournament* is the largest (and really the only) fundraiser we have as a group. More importantly, the tournament reminds us that Andy Burton, Wes Burton, and Ryan Shoaf still actively live through each and every single one of us in this community.

When we need to remember that "April Showers bring May Flowers," all we have to do is look towards this loving and supportive community tethered in kinship. The difficult moments life brings all of us will continue to blossom into beautiful flowers and unforgettable memories.

As we enter into June and celebrate our High School Seniors, their accomplishments, and their next steps, let us all take a moment to bask in the present and soak up by the beauty of this community and the flowers that blossom from it.



Kim Harvey
 Congregational & Soul Care Director
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Summer Thoughts

As summer gets underway, our schedules and obligations ease up; we slow our pace, enjoy vacation, time in nature, or even some time on our porch.

This is also a great time to tend to our souls by spending time in God's Word. This can easily be accomplished by reading a chapter in Proverbs each day, reading through the Psalms, or slowly savoring the gospels.

Spending time in prayer is also good for the soul, by simply having a conversation with God about whatever is on your mind. Some people enjoy being still and quiet while praying, while others may pray better while moving. If you enjoy being still and quiet, try praying on the porch as the sun rises or sets, while in your garden enjoying the beauty of creation, sitting on the beach, or admiring a view of the mountains. If you pray better while moving, try a prayer walk. You can talk to God while walking in your neighborhood, on a sandy beach, or hiking.

This is a great opportunity to pray for your neighbors as you pass their house, or for strangers you may not know but whose path you cross. God is with us, wherever we are in this world. Thanks be to God!

Questions? Contact Gray Handwerk at gray.handwerk@mttaborumc.org

NEWCOMERS
 CONNECTION
 CLASS



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June 18 at 10 AM Welcome Desk

CONGREGATIONAL *Life*

Congratulations to:

Elly & William Shepley on the May 13 birth of their daughter Poppy James Shepley. Proud grandparents are **Suzanne & Jim Sarfert**.

Welcome newest members:

Andrew & Carmen Price
Russell & Karen Rose
Rosemary Steil
David, Melanie, & Nathaniel Eaton
Walter & Jennifer Lashley

Prayers, Support, and

Resurrection Faith to:

(Correction) Susan Henkle and daughter Abby on the April 18 death of Susan's father Charles Henkle of Winston-Salem.

Mount Tabor UMC Military Prayer List

Please keep these MTUMC service men and women in your prayers:

Matthew Blue
Matthew Burris
Adam Clapp
Audrey Clapp
Jason Clapp
Christopher Fisher
Robert Hines
Jennifer Penley
Carmen Roberts
Trey Wheeler
William Wilson
Edward Wolfe

List your active service loved one by emailing office@mttaborumc.org

www.MtTaborUMC.org

Memorial & Honorarium Gifts Given To Mount Tabor United Methodist Church

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In Memory of Lee Dixon

by Laura Hill,
Anne Wallen,
Tabor WOMEN Circle 9,
Jeff & Sherry Gallisdorfer,
Sonya & David Long,
Beth Tedder,
John & Tiffany Whitesides,
David & Ann Arthur

In Memory of Pat Mainous

by Laura Hill,
Al & Diane Hyatt,
Larry & Ann Pitts,
Lisa Nitz,
Anne Wallen,
Phil & Karen Everhart,
Jim & Gina Bigger,
Sonya & David Long,

Beth Tedder,
Georgie Snapp,
John & Tiffany Whitesides,
Dean & Karen Browder,
Jim & Patti Peacock,
Wynnette Alexander,
Joan Reeves,
Donald Yount

In Memory of Susie Braswell

by Martha Maynard

In Memory of Rev. Randy Waugh

by Beth Tedder,
Dean & Karen Browder

In Memory of Rev. Wannie Hardin

by Dean & Karen Browder

HONORARIUM GIFTS

In Honor of Libby Craven

by Laura Hill,
Tabor WOMEN Circle 8,
Bobby & Sharon Sharp

In Honor of Jean Burris and Nikki Barris Cartwright

by Miller & Janice Council

In Honor of the Prayer Chain

by Barbara Conley

In Honor of the Charli Mills

by Nicholas & Jillette Dalley

Memorials or Honorariums may be made online at
<https://www.MtTaborUMC.org/give> or by check payable to MTUMC.
Please remember to designate Memorial or Honorarium
along with the person's name.

Now Finish the Task

to build and enhance the ministries of MTUMC

Debt reduction funds are still being collected.
Prayerfully consider making a donation to reduce the debt at
<https://www.mttaborumc.org/give> or
by cash or a check made payable to MTUMC and returned to the
church.

As of May 16, current loan balance is **\$323,398.55**.



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Office hours are Monday-Friday 9am-noon & Monday-Thursday 1-4pm

Worship

IN JUNE

Sunday, June 4, 2023
COMMUNION SUNDAY
"Be"
Jonah 1:1-9

—"**MAN vs. WILD**"—
NEW SERMON SERIES

Sunday, June 11, 2023
"The Temptation of Bread"
Matthew 4:1-4 (NIV);
Hebrew 4:15 (NIV)

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Deuteronomy 6:16 (NIV)

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Matthew 4:8-11 (NIV);
Matthew 16:24-26 (NIV)

Nursery care available for these services

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Ongoing Gift
JUICE

Gift for June
Canned Meat:
Salmon, Beef, Spam, Tuna

Please place your donations in the
Crisis Control wooden bin in the
Trinity Welcome Center

RESPONSIBILITIES for June	
Altar Guild	Cheryl Smith Calae Runge
Kitchen Committee	Cheryl Vaughan
Crisis Control Delivery	Jim Graham

RECYCLING VOLUNTEERS		
	Group 1	Group 2
June 11-24	Lynn Church	Greg Hale
Jun 25-Jul 8	Ginny C Martin	Ron Hudnell
July 9-22	Judy Miller	Craig Miller

Photos and videos are taken during Mount Tabor UMC events for communication and/or historical purposes. If you want your image excluded, notify the church office (336-765-5561 ext. 1000)

June PREACHING SCHEDULE

Date	Modern (9am) in Alspaugh Worship Center	Traditional (11am) in Sanctuary
June 4	Gray Handwerk	Will Busch
June 11	Lonnie Pittman	Lonnie Pittman
June 18	Lonnie Pittman	Lonnie Pittman
June 25	Lonnie Pittman	Lonnie Pittman

All services are also available via livestream at
www.YouTube.com/MountTaborUMCVideoStreaming
and the **Mount Tabor United Methodist Church** Facebook page.
Worship Bulletins are available at <https://www.mttaborumc.org/bulletin>

Please submit newsletter contributions to the appropriate ministry leader for approval
or Church Administrator Charity Goff (charity.goff@mttaborumc.org) by **June 15, 2023** for the **July 2023 Tabor Talk**.