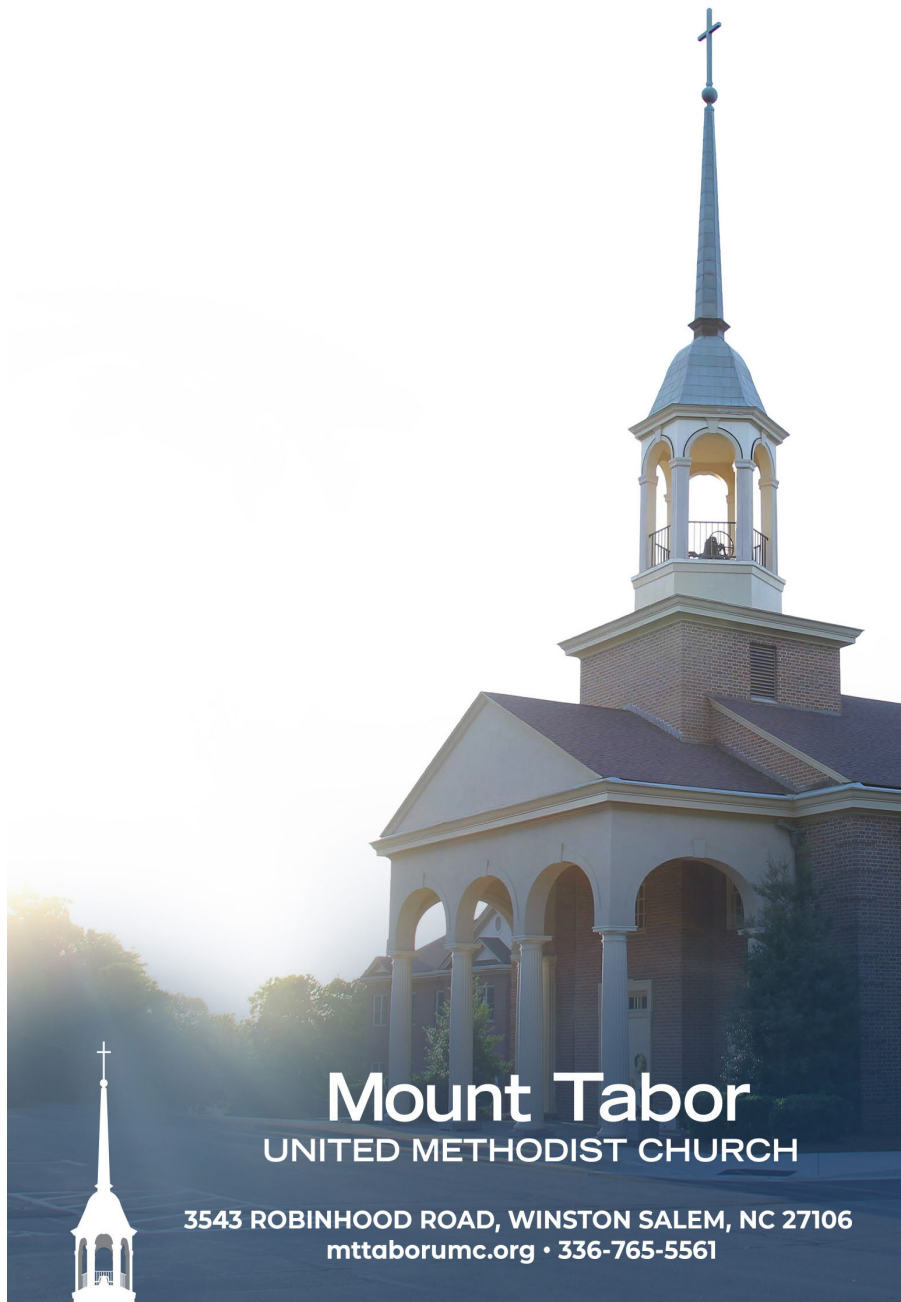


February 2, 2025
The Truth Is!



Mount Tabor
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Traditional Order of Worship
4th Sunday after Epiphany
Sunday, February 2, 2025 — 11:00am

Hearing enhancement devices and large print bulletins are available in the Narthex.

Prelude	<i>Voluntary No. 4</i>	<i>Ed. Richard Peek</i>
Welcome		Kim Harvey
Introit	<i>Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness</i>	NETTLETON
* Call to Worship		Kim Harvey
God has called us to share the good news of God's love. But who am I, that God should call me? You are a beloved child of God. But I am weak I'm not a great speaker or preacher. God is with you; don't be afraid. Lord, help me to trust in your presence with me. Help me to serve you.		
* Hymn # 110	<i>A Mighty Fortress Is Our God</i>	EIN FESTE BURG
* Affirmation of Faith # 881	<i>The Apostles' Creed</i>	
* Prayer of Confession	God of great expectations, you know how easy it is for us to make excuses for inactivity. We love to run and hide when a task is set before us. We look at the expectation and think that we don't have the abilities, strength, or wisdom to accomplish this task. We think, too often, that we are doing these things all by ourselves. Forgive our ignorance and stubbornness, O Lord. Help us to understand that the opportunities for service that you offer to us also come with your abiding presence, love and support. It is your love which makes the impossible possible. Turn us around and place us back on the path of joyful service. Let our work be part of the fulfillment of the mandate of Jesus Christ when he made his proclamation in the synagogue so long ago.	
* Gloria Patri # 71	<i>Glory Be to The Father</i>	GREATOREX
* Assurance and Time of Greeting		Pastor David Beam
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Anthem	<i>The Gift of Love</i>	arr. Hal Hopson
* Doxology # 95	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100 th
Scripture	Luke 4:21-30 (NRSV)	
Message	<i>"The Truth Is!"</i>	
Sacrament of Holy Communion	Pastor David Beam and Kim Harvey	
* Post-Communion Prayer	Light of the World, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of blessing. You have made our humanity whole by the sacrifice of Jesus. When we doubt our worth, we remember your holy work, completed on our behalf, by the light and the shadow of heaven. Help us to live by the power of your love from this moment onward. Amen.	
* Hymn # 479	<i>Jesus, Lover of My Soul</i>	ABERYSTWYTH
* Benediction		Pastor David Beam
* Benediction Response #334	<i>Sweet, Sweet Spirit</i>	SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT
* Chiming of the Trinity		
Postlude	<i>Prelude in F Major</i>	J.S. Bach
*Please stand in body or in spirit		

WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor: Rev. David Beam
Liturgist: Kim Harvey

Dir. of Traditional Worship Arts: Lauren Harris
Acolytes: Grant Shipley and Leah Heitman
Guest Organist: Jessica Beitel

Modern Worship
Sunday, February 2, 2025
9:00am

—Gathering Songs—
Good God Almighty
(Crowder)

— Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship —

—Praise Song—
Faithful God
(I Am They)

— Tabor KIDS Dismissal—

— Congregational & Offertory Prayer —

— Offertory —
Forever Reign
(Hillsong)

—Scripture—
Luke 4:21-30

— Message —
“The Truth Is”

—Holy Communion —
O Come To The Altar
(Elevation Worship)

— Sending Forth—

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor: Rev. David Beam
Modern Worship Coordinator: Jim Annas
Worship Host: Susan Stimpson
Prayer Leader: Dave Stith

WELCOME TO MOUNT TABOR UMC

Welcome to Mount Tabor and please feel at home! If you are a first-time guest, **text the word "Hello" to 336-777-7990**. Also stop by the Trinity Welcome Center Desk or a Welcome Kiosk on your way out to receive a welcome gift. The mission of Mount Tabor UMC is to “Gather Joyfully, Grow Spiritually, Go Faithfully to spread the love of Christ.” **If you would like to explore ways to Gather, Grow, Go, text "Connect" to 336-777-7990**. Prayer requests can be submitted at www.mttaborumc.org/prayer or by contacting Director of Congregational Care & Spiritual Formation Kim Harvey (336-765-5561 or kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org).

GENERAL INFORMATION

Nursery care and Mother’s Room are available for all services. Children interested in participating in TaborKIDS worship may leave the service at the appropriate time. Wheelchairs are available for use while on church property and the church offices are open Mon.-Fri., 9am-NOON and Mon.-Thurs., 1-5pm. See the church website at www.mttaborumc.org for more info.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submit announcement info at least two weeks in advance to charity.goff@mttaborumc.org.

GATHER JOYFULLY

- * **You can worship at MTUMC** on Sundays at: Modern Worship at 9:00am in the Alspaugh Worship Center or Traditional Worship at 11:00am in the Sanctuary. Both services are also available via Facebook Live and <https://www.YouTube.com/MountTaborUMCVideoStreaming>.
- * ***Please remember that this is a meaningful and important moment of worship. In the spirit of this special time with our Lord, we ask that you silence and put away all electronic devices during our worship services.***

GROW SPIRITUALLY & GO FAITHFULLY

- * **Wednesday Tabor Table Fellowship Dinner** will meet Wednesday, February 5 5:15-6:30pm in the Family Life Center with reservations made either at <https://www.mttaborumc.org/tabor-table> or in the Trinity Welcome Center. Suggested donation is \$10 for adult (age 13 and up), \$7 for child (age 3-12), free for children under 3. For those living in same home, family max is \$30. The menu is: Taco Salad (Beef or Chicken), Black Beans, Refried Beans, Rice, Queso, Salad Bar Drinks, and Desserts with a kids option of Quesadillas.
- * **Moms Fellowship meets on February 6 9:15 - 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall.** This is a time for mothers of young children to meet for a heartfelt prayer, a short devotion with discussion, and fellowship. Childcare will be provided with registration done by 5 PM the night before the meeting. Register here: bit.ly/mtmomfellowship Questions? Contact Sandy Hauser SandyLHauser@gmail.com
- * **TaborTWEENS (4th & 5 th Graders)** are invited to participate in a special event Friday, February 7 – Saturday, February 8 called Created by God. Created By God is a program designed to communicate to tweens that we are a fantastic creation made by God. For more information and/or to register, please visit: bit.ly/mtcreated2025 or contact Marcey Davis.
- * **Save the date for the next TaborKIDS Takeover!** Children will be leading one combined worship service on Sunday, February 9 at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary. There will be lots of opportunities for children to lead worship through action, singing, or spoken word. Let’s worship together!

- * **Everyone is invited to attend the study, "Devotional Life in the Wesleyan Tradition" by Steve Harper.** This is a 6- week study that will meet on Wednesday evenings 6:00 - 7:00 pm now-Feb. 26 in the Fellowship Hall, led by Pastor David and Kim Harvey. Whether you are new to the United Methodist Church, or a member of many years, this study will teach you about John Wesley's devotional life and how we can apply this to our own life. Some of the topics we will cover include prayer, scripture, the Lord's Supper, and others. Participants are encouraged to purchase their own copy of the workbook. For questions contact Kim Harvey at kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org or 336-765-5561.
- * **All Senior Adults are invited to join our MTUMC Youth Group as they host our Annual Young at Heart Luncheon on Sunday, February 16 at 12pm** in the Family Life Center. RSVP to will.busch@mttaborumc.org by Friday, February 14, 2025.
- * **Job Opening -- Mount Tabor UMC has an opening for a part-time Nursery Worker** and is now accepting applications. This is a 4-5 hour per week hourly position that reports to the Nursery Coordinator. The full Job Description and a Job Application can be found on the MTUMC website at <https://www.mttaborumc.org/employment-opportunities>. We look forward to hearing from you if you are interested!
- * **Ryan Shoaf Memorial Summer Grant** – Hey Youth! Don't forget to apply to the 2025 Ryan Shoaf Memorial Summer Grant which was established in May 2002 to celebrate Ryan's life and encourage MTUMC youth to participate in summer activities that brought him joy. Presented annually, the grant is open to all 6th-12th grade youth who plan to participate in a summer opportunity such as a music or art school, scouting camp, or foreign travel experience. Applications are available www.mttaborumc.org. Please complete the application online then save and email to charity.goff@mttaborumc.org or print and place in the designated box in the church office area workroom by 5:00pm on Sunday, March 16.
- * **Our Scouting For Food Drive on Scout Sunday, February 16** is an annual high priority community service project of our Scouts and congregation at Mount Tabor UMC to meet a critical need of providing food for the food pantry at our neighboring Church, Maple Springs UMC, to people who are having a difficult time and need assistance from our community food bank. Boy Scout Troop 934 members will distribute empty food bags following the worship services on February 9 and ask you to return them full of nonperishable items on Sunday, February 16. A collection bin will be placed at the Outreach Table in the Trinity Welcome Center. The most critical priority needs are cereal, cereal bars, Pop-Tarts, all types of crackers (saltines, Ritz, Nabs, and cheese crackers), ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, salad dressing, BBQ sauces. Questions? Please contact Steve Kelley at 336-399-4040.
- * **During February, TaborKIDS will be collecting items for Newborns in Need.** Newborns in Need provides kits filled with necessities for a newborn during the first few weeks of life. Most needed items are sleepers (0-3 months & 3-6 months), bottles, socks, washcloths, and receiving blankets. Items may be dropped off February 1-28 in the Children's Building Lobby. Questions? Contact Marcey marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org
- * **TaborKIDS needs your cardboard** tubes and egg cartons. Empty toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls, wrapping paper rolls, cardboard (not styrofoam) egg cartons... we need them! Leave them on the Children's Building Desk and we will put them to use!

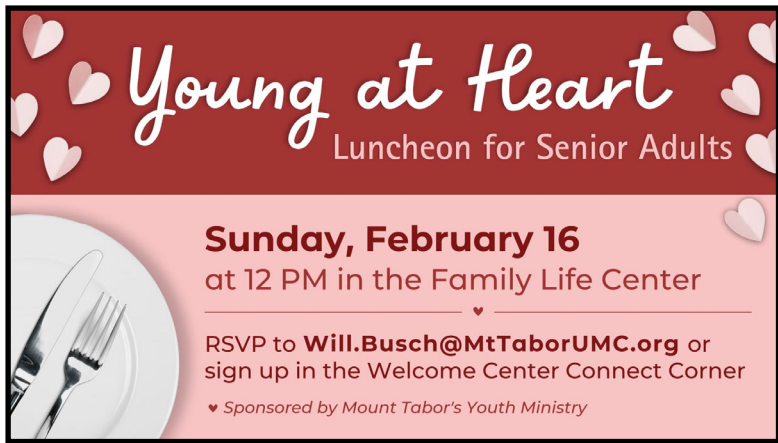


Tabor Kids are taking over Sunday Worship!

One Service on Sunday, February 9 at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary

No Sunday School. Nursery will be available for Infants & Toddlers.

All are invited to stay for lunch and a church wide service project following the service.



Young at Heart
Luncheon for Senior Adults

Sunday, February 16
at 12 PM in the Family Life Center

RSVP to Will.Busch@MtTaborUMC.org or sign up in the Welcome Center Connect Corner

♥ Sponsored by Mount Tabor's Youth Ministry



Next Steps
Everyone Has Them!

Would you like to learn more about the ministries of Mount Tabor or learn about joining our church family?

If so, you are invited to join us on Sunday, February 16 from 10:15-10:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Our Response to God's Grace...

<p>BUDGET PLEDGES FOR 2025 <i>as of Jan. 26, 2025</i></p> <p># Pledges: 252 for Pledge Total of \$1,318,613</p>	<p>January 26, 2025 ATTENDANCE</p>										
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The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty (almighty God), creator of heaven and earth. Before the mountains were brought forth, or you had formed the earth, from everlasting to everlasting, you alone are God. You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Elise Eslinger

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, in whom you have revealed yourself, our light and our salvation. In his baptism and in table fellowship he took his place with sinners. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: “Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.



By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and for ever.

