

TABOR TALK

Dear Church Family,

What a humble privilege it is to say the words, "church family". I have certainly come to celebrate and give thanks for persons who are as close to us as our biological families or closer with whom we have come to live life and faith together. And I am falling in love with you, Mount Tabor United Methodist Church! These relationships are a hallmark of the church from its inception. The Acts of the Apostles recounts how followers of Jesus gathered for worship, prayer, study, fellowship, and mutual care for one another. I hope that all of you experience the authentic love and community that is such a part of Mount Tabor United Methodist Church. From our Sunday School Classes, small groups, women and men's groups, congregational care ministries and all our offerings, we are always reaching out and helping others experience God's love and the fellowship of pilgrims on the same journey of faith. Let's continue to work together and grow our faith community by intentionally loving and caring for one another and welcoming our guests who worship with us, inviting them to come join the family!

As August is rapidly passing, our church leaders are already beginning to plan for 2025 and beyond. Our Finance Ministry is busy working with each of our ministry chairpersons to plan our church budget for next year. Our Stewardship ministry is preparing to help us embrace our needs and response for the fall. And our Lay Leadership (formerly known as Nominations) ministry is beginning to pray and plan to fill our ministry needs by helping you exercise your gifts for ministry in the area you would like to serve Christ in the coming year. You can help us by letting me know where you have passion and gifts to serve! We really want persons serving where you feel God is leading you, so please contact me (david.beam@mttaborumc.org) and share where you have interest in ministry. I can't wait to see all that God will do in, among, and through us as we invest ourselves in seeking where God is leading us.

I am blessed to already feel and say to everyone who comes to us, "Welcome home! And welcome to the family!"

In Christ,
Pastor David

What we're talking about this month in TaborKIDS Junior and TaborKIDS:



TaborKIDS Junior (2yo-Kindergarten)

Have you ever watched a cooking show where kids are doing the cooking? They are SO creative! A little of this and a little of that and voila! A culinary delight! Now imagine God creating each and every person . . . even more creative right? Two brown eyes, some curly black hair, and a splash of freckles. Then, God adds a dash of compassion, a spoonful of kindness, a large cup of creativity . . . and voila! Psalm 139:14 says, "How you made me is amazing and wonderful." God made me wonderful! God made you wonderful. God made every person on the planet wonderful! Our prayer for TaborKIDS Junior is that they will know that God made us, God loves us, and Jesus wants to be our friend forever. We're cooking up a lot of fun to go with these foundational truths. We hope this month leaves our youngest disciples smiling with confidence as they look into a mirror because they know that God made me wonderful!

TaborKIDS (1st-5th Grades)

This month's decorating theme is construction because we're talking about building our lives on the foundation of God's wisdom! King Solomon is best known for his wisdom and for building God's temple. Thankfully, he passed on his wisdom so others could have a strong foundation for building up their faith. In this 5-week series, kids will hear from Solomon and the wisdom he shared about the kind of life God wants to help us build. They'll see that God gives them directions to follow, listens to their requests, is worthy of their worship, gives them true wisdom, and helps them do big things!

Hey TaborKIDS! We'd love to see you on Sunday mornings in TaborKIDS Worship offered during all worship services. We love our TaborKIDS!

For more information on any of these activities or Children's Ministries in general, check your TaborKIDS Weekly email or please contact Marcey Davis (marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org)

Tabor Kids Events & Announcements:

- ◆ **TaborKIDS on Wednesdays kicks off on September 4!** Every Tabor Table Wednesday, children are invited to come to the Children's Building from 6-7:15 PM for faith, fun, fellowship, and back this year - Worship Arts! Check your TaborKIDS emails for more information!
- ◆ **Interested and invested in discipling the next generation?** All current and prospective TaborKIDS & Fusion Leaders Coaches are invited for dinner and training on September 8 at 5 PM! Join the Family Ministries Team for an evening of fun, fellowship, and food while flexing your leadership skills! Questions? Contact Marcey marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org or WillyB will.busch@mttaborumc.org RSVP for dinner here: bit.ly/mtldrtraining
- ◆ **Training for acolytes will be September 29 12:15-2 PM.** If your child is in 3rd grade or up and is interested in helping lead worship as an acolyte in the Traditional Worship Service, please register here: bit.ly/mtacolyte2024



Just like that summer, is over and the school year has begun!

We had a great night at Fusion Family Kickoff on Sunday, August 18. We spent the night catching up with friends, making new connections, laughing, racing on the bouncy house obstacle course, and making a b-line for our cars in the pouring rain.

Now that school is back in session, this means more homework, more stress, and all the other stuff that makes the school year difficult at times. However with all those struggles, school being back in session means we have a community with each other to help carry our loads, to bring us back down when the stress levels rise, to make new memories, and most importantly to connect us with Christ at a deeper level.

I invite you to join us in prayer for a new school year that brings growth and allows us to continue taking the step to living into who God has called us to be! For now, we celebrate that we get to see each other every Sunday night again at "Main Event."

Though we are sad about no longer being on summer break, we are grateful for all the adventures and memories this past summer brought us, and look forward to spending another school year together!

Contact Will Busch, our Student Ministries Director at 336-765-5561 or email him at will.busch@mttaborumc.org if you have questions about the Student Ministries of Mount Tabor UMC.

MORE Tabor Kids Events & Announcements:

- ◆ **At Mount Tabor, we believe in the study of God's word and want to impart that upon our children.** This year, we are delighted to be giving Bibles to 1st graders and others who have yet to receive one from Mount Tabor UMC. These Bibles will be at their reading levels and geared toward furthering their understanding of God's word. Bibles will be handed out at all worship services on Sunday, September 15. You are also invited to a special **Hands On Bible** event at 3 PM that afternoon. Please register here: bit.ly/mtbible24
- ◆ **Moms Fellowship meets the first Thursday of each month (September 5) 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 at SandyLHauser@gmail.com
- ◆ **Two & Three Year Olds, along with their parents, are invited to celebrate the faith milestone: "I am a Disciple"** on September 29 at 10 AM in the Clubhouse. Register at bit.ly/iamadisciple Questions? Contact Colleen at colleen.carr@mttaborumc.org

Locating our Missing Mount Tabor UMC Members

According to the United Methodist Church Book of Discipline, church members without a valid known mailing address may be removed from the membership roll after two years of publication. The members listed below are set to be removed at the end of 2024 unless an accurate address is provided. If you have a current mailing address for any of these members, contact our Church Administrator Charity Goff, at charity.goff@mttaborumc.org by **October 16, 2023**.

2023–2024: 1st Year Publication for 2024 Removal

Charles Alley	Jennifer Morgan	Michael Vargo
Rebekah Alley	Eddie Moser	Angela Vargo
Joshua Alley	Phillip Mullis	Jonathan Vargo
Peterson Avetta	Kathryn Mullis	Alexandra Vargo
Andrew Boyle	Debra Mullis	Scott Veenstra
Blenda Chavis	Donald Mullis	Ruth Veenstra
Shane Cilton	Sherrie Newton-Mullis	Gregory Westmoreland
Elizabeth Davis	Emily Pulley	Penny Westmoreland
Carol Forsman	Bradley Pulley	John Westmoreland
Graham Gardner	David Rights	Kyle Westmoreland
Ashley Goodnough	Wilson Robertson	Joseph Wilson
Keith Huskins	Michael Schrempp	Darrin Wolfe
Janet Huskins	Kimberly Schrempp	Justin Yates
Alexandra Huskins	Aaron-Elizabeth	
Michael Lauer	Schrempp	
Megan Lauer	Mark Smith	
Royanne Miller	Polly Smith	
William Moore	James Smith	
Joshua Morgan	Sloan Smith	

Adopt-a-College Student Program

The College Ministry program is seeking individuals/small groups to "adopt" a college student. This role will be to encourage, pray for, and reach out to their assigned college student throughout the school year. It is a wonderful way to keep our college students connected to their church family and for the students to know they are loved and supported! If you or your small group is interested in adopting or has questions, please reach out to Cheryl Bullard (cgbullard@gmail.com) or Misty Wooten (emwooten@yadtel.net).

Spiritual Formation – What is it and why is it important?

Spiritual Formation is the process of being formed in the image of Christ for the sake of others. It is being open to the work of the Holy Spirit, being intentional, and cooperating with the Holy Spirit by engaging in spiritual practices that make us more open to transformation such as bible study, worship, prayer, silence and solitude, gratitude, and participating in small groups, to name a few. It is a lifelong process, a slow walk, and it begins with longing. What are you longing for? Do you long for a closer relationship with Jesus? A deeper relationship? I think most of us would answer yes but while our intentions are good, our world is a busy place full of obligations and other things vying for our attention. We are always being formed by something but we can choose what that something is. Spiritual growth is an important component of spiritual formation and takes place too. But it's the intentionality of coming to God open, receptive, and responsive to the Holy Spirit to be changed, that sets the two apart.

Spiritual Formation Opportunities

- **Sunday School Classes and Small Groups for Adults** – please let me know if I can help you get connected.
- **Weds. Women's Bible Study** — All women are invited to attend "A Life of Prayer" Sept. 4th - 25th at 9:30 am, in person in the Fellowship Hall and also via zoom. We will learn how to cultivate a life of prayer, including praying the scriptures, and other prayer practices.
- **Growth Guides**, based on each Sunday's sermon scripture, are available for personal and group study each week at mttaborumc.org/growthguide

Coming in October ...

- **A Church Wide Study: Three Simple Rules -a Wesleyan Way of Living by Rueben P. Job.** In this book, Rueben Job says these simple rules have the power to change the world. John Wesley taught and practiced these rules: 1)Do no harm 2) Do good 3)Stay in love with God. You are encouraged to read this small but powerful book, and get connected with a group studying it.
- **Wednesday Night Gatherings** 6:00-7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall: Oct 2,9,16,23.
- **Lunch & Learn** 12:00 noon- 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24.

—Kim Harvey

Director of Congregational Care & Spiritual Formation
kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org — 336-765-5561

Hello, Friends!

I am so excited to be here and to be at Mount Tabor! Thank you for welcoming me with open arms and treating me like family. I can already tell I am going to LOVE being here! Thank you for your patience as I settle in and get the "lay of the land." If you have ever been interested in joining the Chancel Choir or Handbell Ensemble, now is the time! We are just beginning to learn new music for the fall and winter, and we'll be starting Christmas music soon! Please feel free to come and sit in on a rehearsal, and reach out to me if you have questions! We have a seat and robe waiting for you!

Blessings always,
Lauren

Mount Tabor Spotlight

Here's what is coming up and what you need to know!



TABORKIDS ON WEDNESDAYS
BEGINS SEPTEMBER 4
6-7:15 PM

SCHEDULE WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON
- WORSHIP ARTS FOR KIDS IS BACK!



UNPLUGGED TWEEN RETREAT
@ CAMP MERRIWOOD

SEPTEMBER 20-21
6:15 PM - NOON
COST \$70

Registration Deadline 8/28
bit.ly/tweenretreat2024
Contact Marcey for more info



GriefShare

Meets weekly on Wednesdays
September 11 - December 11
3:30 - 5:00 PM in Room 101

GriefShare is a biblical and Christ-centered group that gathers to help each other heal and find encouragement following the death of a loved one.

Register at GriefShare.org or contact Beverly Burton at GriefShare@mttaborumc.org with questions.



I AM A DISCIPLE

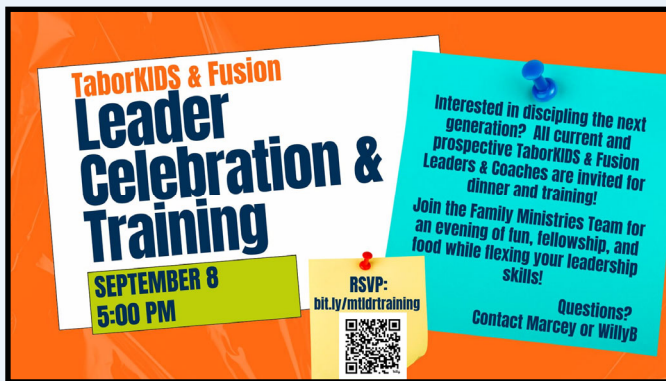
Two & Three Year Olds, along with their parents, are invited to celebrate the faith milestone: "I am a Disciple" on September 29 at 10 AM in the Clubhouse.

Jesus said "Let the little children come to me."
Matthew 19:14

Come learn what it means to be a disciple when you're Two & Three!



Register at bit.ly/iamadisciple
Questions? Contact Colleen at colleen.carr@mttaborumc.org




Taborkids & Fusion Leader Celebration & Training

Interested in discipling the next generation? All current and prospective Taborkids & Fusion Leaders & Coaches are invited for dinner and training!

Join the Family Ministries Team for an evening of fun, fellowship, and food while flexing your leadership skills!

SEPTEMBER 8
5:00 PM

RSVP:
bit.ly/mtldrtraining



Questions?
Contact Marcey or WillyB



DIVORCE Care

Meets weekly on Wednesdays
September 11 - December 11
6:30-8:00 PM in The Parlor (Room 108)

Questions? Contact David Rigby at Divorcecare@mttaborumc.org or visit divorcecare.org

Message from the Cemetery Committee - A limited number of graves are now available in our cemetery. If you joined Mt. Tabor between January 1, 1996 and December 31, 1999 AND you are an ACTIVE MEMBER of the church, you are eligible to request a grave. Requests will be honored based on the date of membership and available space. Requests must be emailed to cemetery@mttaborumc.org by Monday, September 30, 2024.

Mount Tabor Spotlight

Here's what is coming up and what you need to know!

Bible Sunday September 15

for 1st graders and other elementary aged children who have yet to receive a Bible from MTUMC.

Bibles will be handed out at all worship services. Children are also invited to a special "Hands On" Bible event at 3 PM that afternoon.

To participate, please sign up by September 10.

bit.ly/mtbible24

Contact Marcey Davis for more information.
marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org



Bethesda Center operates a day shelter and emergency night shelter for homeless men and women in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County.

Volunteer to serve dinner at Bethesda Center

- Volunteers needed in groups of 4 to 5 people
- Start serving dinner at 6:30 PM

For more information or to sign up, contact Sheri Nebinger at sheri.nebinger@mttaborumc.org




Acolyte Training

September 29
12-2:30 PM

*lunch included
3rd Grade & up*

Register:
bit.ly/mtacolyte2024

Contact marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org for more information



Mom's Fellowship

A MINISTRY FOR MOTHERS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

When: 1st Thursday of Each Month @ 9:15am-10:45am
Where: Fellowship Hall @ Mount Tabor UMC

Come join us for coffee, prayer, a short devotion, and fellowship.

We look forward to meeting you!

Childcare provided for \$5/child.
Please pre-register your child at bit.ly/mtmomfellowship
Questions? Contact Sandy Hauser at Sandy.Hauser@gmail.com



Wednesday Women's BIBLE STUDY

A Life of Prayer

Wednesdays, September 4 – 25 at 9:30 AM
in the Fellowship Hall and also via Zoom

Contact Kim Harvey (kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org)
for questions or to receive the zoom link

GROWTH GROUPS

SUNDAY CLASSES

Breakfast Club

Room 116, Lower Level

Men and women in their 20s, 30s & 40s; singles, couples, couples with young children.

Take a deeper dive into the Sunday sermon scripture.

- Every Sunday, 10:00 am
- Contact **Taylor Key** -- thkey17@gmail.com or **Heather Wilson** -- hrkey95@gmail.com

Modern Day Disciples

Room 102, Lower Level

Men and women in their 30s & 40s; singles, couples, couples with young children.

Join in applying the Bible to current situations.

- Every Sunday, 10:00 am
- Contact **Mark Wilson** — mwilson17@triad.rr.com

Covenant Class

Room 307, Upper Level

Men and women in their 40s, 50s and 60s; singles, couples
Join for a Bible study and discussion groups that follow the pastors' sermon topics.

- Every Sunday, 10:00 am
- Contact **Phil Everhart** - phileverhart58@gmail.com

Summit Class

Room 308, Upper Level

Men and women in their 50s and 60s; singles, couples
Join for book and Bible study discussions.

- Every Sunday, 10:15 am
- Contact **Jim Graham** — jimgraham11@hotmail.com

Women in the Word

Room 100, Lower Level

Women of varying ages and places in their spiritual journey
Join for book and Bible studies with a life application focus in a discussion format.

- Every Sunday, 10:15 am
- Contact **Michaele Cook** — michaelemcook@gmail.com

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR
SPIRITUAL FORMATION GATHERINGS

Contact our Director of
Congregational Care & Spiritual
Formation, Kim Harvey at
kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org

For help finding the right
Growth Group for you,
contact:

kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org

Sunday Symposium

Room 304, Upper Level

Men and women in their 50s and 60s; singles, couples
Join to study practical applications of Christian teachings.

- Every Sunday, 10:00 am
- Contact **Susan Annas**— susanlannas@gmail.com

Koinonia Class

Room 306, Upper Level

Men and women retired professionals, grandparents
Join for book and Bible studies as well as mission activities outside of Sundays.

- Every Sunday, 10:00 am
- Contact **Craig Miller** — cnjinwsnc@gmail.com

Pioneers for Christ

Room 305, Upper Level

Men and women senior adults; singles, couples
Join for Bible studies with an Adult Bible Study curriculum as well as social and mission activities outside of Sundays.

- Every Sunday, 10:00 am
- Contact **Susan Stimpson** - stimpson@mindspring.com

Trinity Class

Room 301, Upper Level and on Zoom

Men and women senior adults; singles, couples
Join for Bible studies with an Adult Bible Study curriculum as well as social and mission activities outside of Sundays.

- Every Sunday, 10:00 am
- Contact **Rick Gilstrap**— rgilstrap44@yahoo.com

GROWTH GROUPS

SMALL GROUPS & SUPPORT GROUPS

Band of Brothers

Mens fellowship, book and Bible studies with a life application and prayer focus.

Tuesdays, 12:00pm

- Foothills on 4th Street
- Contact **Brad Wood** - brad.wood@wbd-us.com

Thursdays, 7:30am

- Room 306 and Zoom
- Contact **Jim Graham** — jimgraham11@hotmail.com

Wednesday Women's Bible Study

Women of all ages and places in their spiritual journey. Join us for a Bible Study and the occasional book study. Meets weekly during the school year and monthly during the summer.

Wednesdays, 9:30am

- Fellowship Hall and via Zoom
- Contact **Kim Harvey** — kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org

Moms Fellowship Group

Mothers of pre-school aged children

1st Thursday of each month, 9:30 am

- Fellowship Hall
- Contact **Sandy Hauser** — sandylhauser@gmail.com

SUPPORT GROUPS

DivorceCare

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm
Church Parlor
Sept. 11-Dec. 11
Contact David Rigby
divorcecare@mttaborumc.org

GriefShare

Wednesdays, 3:30 pm
Room 101
Sept. 11- Dec. 11
Contact Beverly Burton
griefshare@mttaborumc.org

*For help finding the right Growth Group for you, contact:
kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org*

Life Groups

Living In Faith Everyday groups meets every other Thursday night from 6:00-7:30pm at members' homes.

- Contact **Lisa Warren** - lwarren0000@gmail.com

Friday evening study group

Men and women of all ages and places in their spiritual journey

- Fridays, 7:00pm during Church-wide studies
- Contact **Christy Buchanan** - christymbuch@gmail.com





**Join us at Summer Tabor Table from
5:15-6:30pm in the
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

**Drinks and Desserts are available at each Tabor Table meal.*

—September 4—

Taco Salad (Beef or Chicken), Black Beans, Refried Beans, Rice, Queso, Salad Bar with Quesadillas as a kids option.

—September 11—

Stuffed Shells, Pasta and sauce, Rolls, Salad Bar with Corndogs as a kids option.

—September 18 —

Chicken Pie with Veggies, Chicken Pie without Veggies, Roasted Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Salad Bar with Pancakes as a kids option.

—September 25 -

Hamburger Steak, Vegetable, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Salad Bar with Chicken Tenders as a kids option.

**Memorial and Honorarium Gifts Given to
Mount Tabor UMC**

In memory of Jay Dilworth given by:

- Carol Spencer
- David Holbrook

In memory of Blanche R Petree given by:

- her children, grandchildren, and great-Grandchildren

In memory of Miller Council given by:

- Janice Council

In memory of Mona Branscomb by:

- Jim & Teri Read
- Mike Pfaff

In memory of Emma Philpott given by:

- Women of Faith Circle #7
- Martha Agnew
- EC Morris
- Patsy King
- David Coltrane
- Frank & Sandra Phillips

In honor of Bobby Sharp given by:

- Rick & Joan Gilstrap
- Band of Brothers Men's Group
- Paul & Jean Deafenbaugh

In honor of Bonnie Bergman given by:

- Carol Ray

In honor of Charity Goff given by:

- Carol Ray

In honor of Becky Pfaff given by:

- Carol Ray

In honor of Laura Hill given by:

- Carol Ray

In honor of Cynthia Grant given by:

- Carol Ray

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.

Extending our Sympathies to

- Carol Ray upon the death of her husband, Butch Ray
- Lionel Branscomb upon the death of his wife, Mona Branscomb
- Donna Cooke upon the death of her mother, Betty Lamm
- Garry Fisher upon the death of his mother, Jeanne Fisher
- Jeff Livengood upon the death of his wife, Marriane Livengood

**Sharing our Joys with our new
church family members**

- Larry & Debbie Beitel
- Al Ray
- Maria Ogedengbe

Recycling Team Volunteers		
Dates	Group 1	Group 2
Sept 1-14, 2024	Cheryl Cassel	John Eller
Sept 15-28, 2024	Sue Spiegelman	Greg Hale
Sept 29– Oct 12, 2024	Sara Lynn Macy	Ron Hudnell
Additional Volunteer Teams		
Dates	Team	Volunteers
September 2024	Altar Guild	—
September 2024	Kitchen Team	Michelle Petrich
Crisis Control Ministry Gift of the Month		
<i>Please place your donations in the Crisis Control wooden bin in the Trinity Welcome Center</i>		
September 2024	Ongoing Gift: Juice	Gift of the Month: Instant Grits and Oatmeal

Worship with Mt. Tabor United Methodist Church				
Date	Preaching at our 9:00am Modern Service in the Alspaugh Worship Center	Preaching at 11:00am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary	Sermon Title	Sermon Scripture
Communion Sunday September 1	Rev. David Beam		<i>Don't Worry...Have Faith</i>	Luke 8:40-42;49-56
September 8	Rev. David Beam		<i>Bent Out Of Shape</i>	Luke 13:10-17
Stewardship Sermon Series: Promises Worth Keeping				
September 15	Rev. David Beam		<i>The Gift of Prayer</i>	Luke 11:1-13
September 22	Rev. David Beam		<i>The Gift of Presence</i>	Colossians 3:1-17
September 29	Rev. David Beam		<i>The Gift of Giving</i>	II Corinthians 8:1-7; 9:6-15
<p>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. <i>Photos and videos are taken during Mount Tabor Services and Events for communication and/or historical purposes. If you want your image excluded, notify the church office at 336-765-5561 ext. 1000.</i></p>				



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GATHER Joyfully • GROW Spiritually • GO Faithfully

Worship Opportunities at Mount Tabor UMC

9:00am Modern Worship Service

this is a modern and contemporary worship service that is held in the Alspaugh Worship Center. Join us in-person and online each Sunday.

11:00am Traditional Worship Service

this traditional worship service incorporates traditional hymns of faith and historic creeds of the church in the Sanctuary.

You are invited to join us in-person and online each Sunday.

- 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.

How to watch our services from home or while you are away:

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