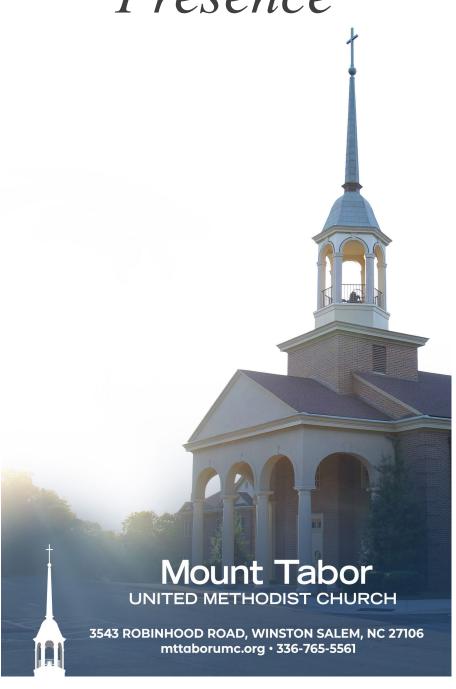
September 22, 2024 The Present of Presence



WORSHIPING GOD AT MOUNT TABOR UMC GATHER JOYFULLY • GROW SPIRITUALLY • GO FAITHFULLY

Traditional Order of Worship

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, September 22, 2024 • 11:00am

Hearing enhancement devices, as well as large print bulletins, are available in the Narthex.

PreludeBe Thou My Vision
Helen Rifas, harp

Welcome Lyn Worf

Introit Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word LIEBSTER JESU

* Call to Worship (Psalm 84)

Lyn Worf

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord;

My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

O Lord of hosts, my Ruler and my God, at your altars even the sparrow finds a home, And the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!

* Hymn # 660 God Is Here ABBOT'S LEIGH

* Affirmation of Faith # 881 The Apostles' Creed Lyn Worf

* Prayer of Confession Lyn Worf

Our heavenly Father, who by thy love hast made us, and through thy love hast kept us, and in thy love wouldst make us perfect: We humbly confess that we have not loved thee with all our heart and soul and mind and strength, and that we have not loved one another as Christ hath loved us. Thy life is within our souls, but our selfishness hath hindered thee. We have not lived by faith. We have resisted thy Spirit. We have neglected thine inspirations. Forgive what we have been; help us to amend what we are; and in thy Spirit direct what we shall be; that thou mayest come into the full glory of thy creation, in us and in all the people; through Jesus Christ our Lord...

* Gloria Patri # 71 Glory Be to the Father GREATOREX

* Assurance and Time of Greeting

Pastor David Beam

Children (3 years old-5th grades) may leave to participate in TaborKids Worship today. Parents will pick them up in the Children's Building immediately following the service.

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Pastor David Beam

Anthem Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

arr. Douglas Mears

Helen Rifas, harp, and Zella Ann Cooke, clarinet

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Pastor David Beam

Offertory My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Helen Rifas, harp

* Doxology # 94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow LASST UNS ERFREUEN

* Hymn # 369 Blessed Assurance Assurance

* Scripture Colossians 3:1-17 (The Message) Pastor David Beam Message "The Present of Presence" Pastor David Beam

* **Hymn # 68** When in Our Music God is Glorified ENGELBERG

* Benediction Pastor David Beam

* Benediction Response Blest Be the Tie That Binds DENNIS

* Chiming of the Trinity

Postlude Praise God, from Whom All Blessing Flow

Louis Bourgeois

*Please stand in body or in spirit

WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor: Rev. David Beam Liturgist: Lyn Worf Director of Traditional Worship Arts: Lauren Harris

Organist: Mike Hendrix Guest Musician: Helen Rifas & Zella Ann Cook

Modern Worship Sunday, September 22, 2024 9:00am

—Opening Song—
Song of Hope (Heaven Come Down)
(Robbie Seay)

— Welcome and Call to Worship —

— **Praise Songs** — Mighty to Save (Hillsong)

Honey In The Rock (Brooke Ligertwood)

- Tabor KIDS Dismissal—
- Congregational & Offertory Prayer —

— Offertory — Take My Life (Tomlin)

—Scripture— Colossians 3:1-17 (The Message)

— Message — "The Present of Presence"

—Closing Song— More Like Jesus (Kristian Stanfield)

— Announcements & Sending Forth —

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor: Rev. David Beam Modern Worship Coordinator: Jim Annas Worship Host: April Surber 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 ext. 1021 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.You Tube.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, September 25, 5:15-6:30pm in the Family Life Center with reservations made either at https://www.mttaborumc.org/tabortable or in the Trinity Welcome Center. Suggested donation is \$8 for adult (age 13 and up), \$5 for child (age 3-12), free for children under 3. For those living in same home, family max is \$25. The menu Hamburger Steak, Vegetables, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Salad Bar, Desserts, and Drinks. Kids Option: Chicken Tenders.
- * During the month of October, we are offering a church wide study of the book, Three Simple Rules A Wesleyan Way of Living by Rueben P. Job. John Wesley taught and practiced these simple rules that have the power to change the world: 1) Do No Harm 2) Do Good 3) Stay in Love with God. Wednesday Night Gatherings: 6:00 -7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall -- Lunch & Learn on Thursdays: 12:00 noon-1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall donations accepted for light lunch. Books will be available at no cost beginning Sept. 29 at these events and in the Welcome Center, Sanctuary Narthex, and Church Office. For questions or to connect with a class or small group study, contact Kim Harvey at kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org
- Next Steps Everyone Has One! Would you like to learn more about the ministries of Mount Tabor or learn about joining our church family? Is so, you are invited to join us on Sunday, September22 from 10:15-10:45am in the fellowship hall.

- * 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.
- * Wednesday Women's Bible Study All women are invited to attend, "A Life of Prayer" Sept. 4-25 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. There is nothing to purchase to participate, just bring a Bible and feel free to invite a friend. For questions or the zoom link, please contact kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org
- * Training for acolytes will be September 29 12:15-2:00pm. 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
- * Moms Fellowship meets the first Thursday of each month (October 3) 9:15 10:30am in 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
- * You are invited to a Special Consecration Sunday Worship Service on Sunday, October 20 at 10:30am for One Combined Service (our Sunday School Classes will not meet on Oct. 20). A FREE meal will be served following the service. Please let us know you will be joining us and make your reservation on the church website (mttaborumc.org). A full congregational portrait will be taken after our service before lunch. The Alspaugh Worship Center will be open for overflow seating, if needed.
- * 2024 CROP HUNGER WALK is Sunday, OCTOBER 20 at 2:30 at Corpening Plaza -- TO WALK: Sign up in the Welcome Center and pick up a packet. Then visit www.cropwalkforsyth.org and join Team Mount Tabor. TO DONATE: Sponsor the walker of your choice with cash or check ("CWS/CROP"). Give to John or Denise or place in Outreach Box (put "Denise Peterson" on envelope) OR online at www.cropwalkforsyth.org. HELP PROMOTE the WALK BY PICKING UP a FLYER or BROCHURE on the CROP TABLE in the WELCOME CENTER and DISPLAY at YOUR WORKPLACE, GYM, etc. Questions? contact your Team Captains: John Giles (johnlgiles55@gmail.com 336-414-2526) Denise Peterson (mamapete3@gmail.com 336-922-1717)
- * The Fall Festival at MTUMC will be Sunday, October 29, 4:30-6:30pm. Enjoy a hot dog supper, bingo, inflatables, games, and more. Invite your friends and family. If you would like to volunteer, please visit https://bit.ly/mtfall2024 to sign up. Please contact Marcey Davis (marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org) if you have any questions.
- * Individually wrapped candy donations are needed for the Mount Tabor UMC Fall Festival. Packages must be unopened. Candy may be dropped off in the Trinity Welcome Center at the Donation Table in the basket marked & Fall Festival Candy by Wednesday, October 25.

Mount Tabor at a Glance — Church Calendar

$Real-time\ calendar\ is\ available\ at\ \textbf{TinyUrl.com/MTUMC-calendar}$



Sunday, September 22, 2024

9:00 AM	Modern Worship Service— Alspaugh Worship Center	
10:00 AM	Child, Tween, Youth, & Adult Sunday School Classes	
10:15 AM	Next Step New Member Meet & Greet — Fellowship Hall	
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service — Sanctuary	
4:00 PM	Liturgical Dance Practice — Alspaugh Worship Center	
5:00 PM	Fusion Youth Main Event — Rm 113	
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8:00 AM	Bulletin & In The Know Email Submission Deadline
10:00 AM	Staff Prayer Time — Rm 200
11:00 AM	TaborWOMEN Circle 7 Meeting — Fellowship Hall
12:00 PM	Nar-Anon Family Support Group — Rm 108-
6:30 PM	Lay Leadership Committee Meeting — Rm 207
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts Troop 934 Meeting — Rm 113
7:00 PM	Men's Basketball — Family Life Center
7:00 PM	Women's Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

10:00 AM	Worship Planning Meeting — Rm 207
12:00 PM	Band of Brothers — Foothills @ 4th Street
6:30 PM	Pack 934 Meetings — Alspaugh Worship Center

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

High School Prayer Breakfast — Chick-fil-A Peacehaven Road
Weds Women's Bible Study — Fellowship Hall
GriefShare Support Group — Rm 101
Tabor Table Fellowship Meal — Family Life Center
TaborKids — 263/265 The Loft
TaborKids Junior Pray'n and Play'n
DivorceCare Support Group —Rm 108
Adult Volleyball Game — Family Life Center
MTUMC Delivers to Bethesda Center

Thursday, September 26, 2024

7:30 AM	Band of Brothers In-person and via Zoom— Rm 306
4:00 PM	Stewardship Committee Meeting — Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	B.E.L.L.S. Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room
6:30 PM	Modern Worship Band Rehearsal — Alspaugh
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room

Friday, September 27, 2024

11:00 AM Bill Blackard Celebration of Life & Reception

Saturday, September 28, 2024

9:00 AM Pickle Ball — Family Life Center

Our Response to God's Grace...

	September 15, 2	024 ATTENDANCE
	Online Worship	127
BUDGET PLEDGES	In-person Worship	464
FOR 2024	Sentember 1	5 2024 GIVING

Budget Needs Each Week	\$31,382.00
Budget Gifts	\$25,509.15
Altar Guild	\$50.00
Memorials	\$425.00
Other	\$3,554.31
Total	\$29,538.46
	Budget Gifts Altar Guild Memorials Other

Stewardship Series: "Promises Worth Keeping!"

"The Present of Presence!" Colossians 3:1-17 (The Message) The 18th Sunday after Pentecost September 22, 2024

1-2 So if you're serious about living this new resurrection life with Christ, act like it. Pursue the things over which Christ presides. Don't shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with the things right in front of you. Look up and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that's where the action is. See things from his perspective.

3-4Your old life is dead. Your new life, which is your real life—even though invisible to spectators—is with Christ in God. He is your life. When Christ (your real life, remember) shows up again on this earth, you'll show up, too—the real you, the glorious you. Meanwhile, be content with obscurity, like Christ.

5-8And that means killing off everything connected with that way of death: sexual promiscuity, impurity, lust, doing whatever you feel like whenever you feel like it, and grabbing whatever attracts your fancy. That's a life shaped by things and feelings instead of by God. It's because of this kind of thing that God is about to explode in anger. It wasn't long ago that you were doing all that stuff and not knowing any better. But you know better now, so make sure it's all gone for good: bad temper, irritability, meanness, profanity, dirty talk.

9-11Don't lie to one another. You're done with that old life. It's like a filthy set of ill-fitting clothes you've stripped off and put in the fire. Now you're dressed in a new wardrobe. Every item of your new way of life is custom-made by the Creator, with his label on it. All the old fashions are now obsolete.

Words like Jewish and non-Jewish, religious and irreligious, insider and outsider, uncivilized and uncouth, slave and free, mean nothing. From now on everyone is defined by Christ, everyone is included in Christ.

12-14So, chosen by God for this new life of love, dress in the wardrobe God picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, discipline. Be eventempered, content with second place, quick to forgive an offense. Forgive as quickly and completely as the Master forgave you. And regardless of what else you put on, wear love. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. Never be without it.

15-17Let the peace of Christ keep you in tune with each other, in step with each other. None of this going off and doing your own thing. And cultivate thankfulness. Let the Word of Christ—the Message—have the run of the house. Give it plenty of room in your lives. Instruct and direct one another using good common sense. And sing, sing your hearts out to God! 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.

Are you content to live "old life?" Or do you desire to live in the "new life" that Christ brings?

In gratitude and thanksgiving, are you purposefully drawing close to God and to God's people?

Are you growing in God's grace and serving Christ in the world?



A Wesleyan Way of Living

Three Simple Rules by Rueben P. Job Church Wide Study October 2-27

Wednesday Night Gatherings

6 – 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Thursdays Lunch & Learn

12 – 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Donations accepted for light lunch. Books will be available at no cost. For questions, contact Kim Harvey at Kim.Harvey@MtTaborUMC.org

