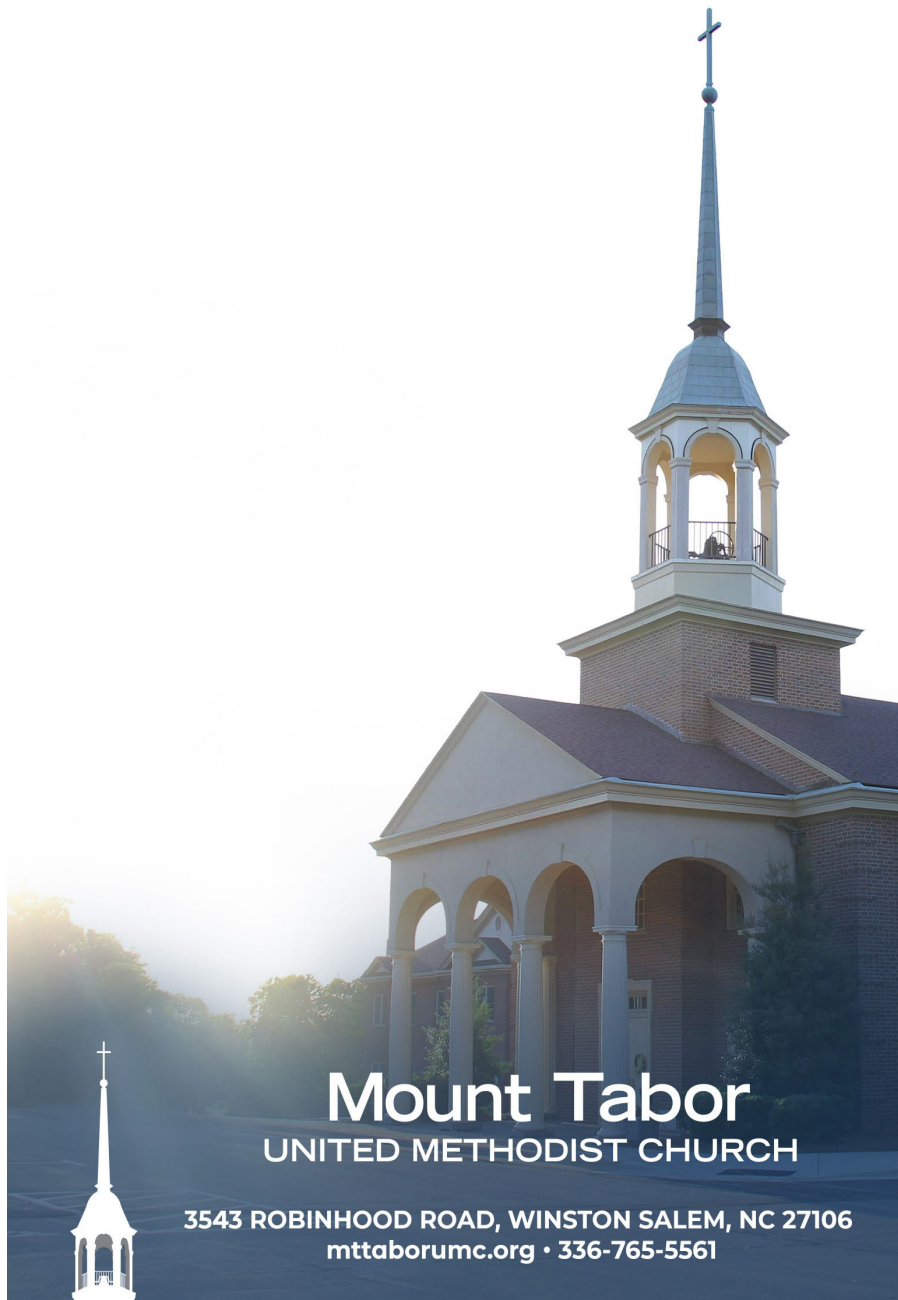


August 11, 2024

Why Can't We?



Mount Tabor
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Traditional Order of Worship

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, August 11, 2024 • 11:00am

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

Prelude	<i>Prelude in E Minor</i>	Frederic Chopin
Welcome		Kim Harvey
Introit	<i>Heal Us, Emmanuel, Hear Our Prayer</i>	GRÄFENBERG
* Call to Worship (Psalm 30:1-3)		Kim Harvey
I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and did not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit		
* Hymn # 364	<i>Because He Lives</i>	RESURRECTION
* Affirmation of Faith #881	<i>The Apostles' Creed</i>	Kim Harvey
* Prayer of Confession		Kim Harvey
God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.		
* Gloria Patri # 71	<i>Glory Be to The Father</i>	GREATOREX
* Assurance and Time of Greeting		Kim Harvey
<i>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.</i>		
Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer		Pastor David Beam
Anthem	<i>Come Thou Fount</i>	arr. Daniel Musselman
Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings		Pastor David Beam
Offertory	<i>Meditation</i>	Allegra McBirney
* Doxology # 95	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100th
* Hymn # 452	<i>My Faith Looks Up To Thee</i>	OLIVET
* Scripture	Matthew 17:14-21 (NRSV)	Pastor David Beam
Message	"Why Can't We?"	Pastor David Beam
* Hymn # 529	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>	FOUNDATION
* Benediction		Pastor David Beam
* Benediction Response	<i>Through It All</i>	Andrae Couch
* Chiming of the Trinity		
Postlude	<i>Exalt His Name</i>	Charlie Cooke

***Please stand in body or in spirit**

WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor: Rev. David Beam

Liturgist: Kim Harvey

Director of Traditional Worship Arts: Lauren Harris

Organist/Accompanist: Mike Hendrix

Modern Worship
Sunday, August 11, 2024
9:00am

—Opening Praise Song—
I Saw the Light/I'll Fly Away

— Welcome and Call to Worship —

— Praise Songs —
That Home Far Away
(Stanley Brothers)

Poor Wayfaring Stranger

— Tabor KIDS Dismissal—

— Congregational & Offertory Prayer —

— Offertory —
Thank You Jesus For The Blood
(Charity Gayle)

—Scripture—
Matthew 17:14-21 (NRSV)

— Message —
“Why Can't We?”

—Closing Song—
Free Amen

— Announcements & Sending Forth —

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor: Rev. David Beam
Modern Worship Coordinator: Jim Annas
Worship Host: Wende Rogers
Prayer Leader: April Surber

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.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

- * **Our Summer Tabor Table Summer Fellowship Dinner** will be served on Wednesday, August 14 —5:15-6:30pm in the Family Life Center. Reservations can be made either at www.mttaborumc.org/tabor-table or in the Trinity Welcome Center. Suggested donation is \$8 for adult (age 13 and up), \$5 for child (age 3-12), free for child under 3. Our Menu on August 14 will be Chicken and Rice Casserole, Roasted Chicken Tenders, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable, Rolls, Drinks, and Desserts; Kraft Mac & Cheese will be served as a children's meal option.
- * **Weds. Women's Bible Study** - All women are invited to attend "The Prayers of Jesus" on August 14 at 9:30 am, in person in the Fellowship Hall and also via zoom. We will look at the prayer life of Jesus and what it teaches us, along with the prayers Jesus prayed as recorded in the Bible. 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.

- * **TaborTWEENS (4th & 5th Graders)** are invited to the District Tween Retreat September 20-21. For more information and to register, please visit: bit.ly/tweenretreat2024 . The registration deadline is August 28! For more information, please contact Marcey Davis (Marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org).
- * **Our Modern Worship Service is in need of an experienced Kit Drummer** on our Worship Praise Team. If you are an experienced kit drummer and are available 1-4 Sundays a month, please contact Jim Annas at 336-407-2487 for more information.
- * **Mount Tabor's Afterschool Program registration is happening now!** We'd love to see more of our TaborKIDS during the week! For more information, call the Afterschool (336-760-0363) or visit their website mttaborumcafterschool.org.
- * **DIVORCECARE is a biblical and Christ-centered support group** where people find healing, hope, and encouragement after separation or divorce. For you, or someone you know, no matter what the cause of separation or divorce, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. You will learn how to recognize the symptoms of being stuck and learn valuable information about facing your "new normal" and renewing your hope for the future. Our DivorceCare group will gather on Wednesday nights, from September 11 - December 11 in The Parlor (Rm. 108) from 6:30-8:00pm. For more information, please contact David Rigby at divorcecare@mttaborumc.org. Registration is easy at www.divorcecare.org.
- * **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. No matter what the cause of your loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. You will learn how to recognize the symptoms of being stuck in grief and learn valuable information about facing your new normal in life and renewing your hope for the future. Our Fall GriefShare series will begin on Wednesday, September 11 – Wednesday, December 11 in room 101 from 3:30-5:00pm. For more information, please contact Beverly Burton at griefshare@mttaborumc.org or to register go to www.griefshare.org and search for Find A Group. Mt. Tabor is listed to begin on September 11.
- * **Please be aware that unknown persons are trying to scam Mount Tabor UMC staff and congregants.** These attempts are impersonating Pastor David (via text and email) asking for gift cards, money, and some of the emails even request that you speak with him. These requests are not coming from our Senior Minister or members of our church staff. Please know the church clergy or staff would never send cryptic messages or ask for any kind of money or gift card donations through email. Please do not respond to their messages, and please reach out to the church office (336-765-5561) if you ever have concerns of a message's authenticity.



Sunday, August 11, 2024

- 9:00 AM Modern Worship Service—Alspaugh Worship Center
- 10:00 AM Children, Tween, Youth, & Adult Sunday School Classes
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 4:00 PM Liturgical Dance Practice — Alspaugh Worship Center

Monday, August 12, 2024

- 8:00 AM Bulletin & In The Know Submission Deadline
- 9:00 AM ChurchBusinessAdmin Meeting — Rm 207
- 9:00 AM TABOR TALK newsletter submission deadline
- 10:00 AM Staff Prayer Time —Rm 200-Church Study
- 12:00 PM Nar-Anon Family Support Group —Rm 108
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball — Family Life Center
- 7:00 PM Scout Troop 934 Meeting — Rm 113-Youth Commons
- 7:00 PM Women's Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

- 10:00 AM Worship Planning Meeting — Rm 207
- 12:00 PM Band of Brothers — Foothills @ 4th Street
- 12:30 PM Koinonia Class Gathering — Fellowship Hall
- 4:00 PM TaborWomen Circle 8 — Rm 108
- 6:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting — Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Go Team Meeting — Rm 306

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

- 9:30 AM Weds. Women's Bible Study — Fellowship Hall
- 5:15 PM Summer Tabor Table — Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 PM Adult Volleyball Game — Family Life Center
- 7:00 PM MTUMC Delivers to Bethesda Center

Thursday, August 15, 2024

- 7:30 AM Band of Brothers In-person and via Zoom — Rm 306
- 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, August 16, 2024

Saturday, August 17, 2024

- 9:00 AM Pickle Ball — Family Life Center

Our Response to God's Grace...

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Summer Sermon Series: "Jesus the Healer"

"Why can't we?"

August 11, 2024 — The 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 17:14-21 (NRSV)

¹⁴ When they came to the crowd, a man came to him, knelt before him, ¹⁵ and said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic, and he suffers terribly; he often falls into the fire and often into the water. ¹⁶ And I brought him to your disciples, but they could not cure him." ¹⁷ Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you? How much longer must I put up with you? Bring him here to me." ¹⁸ And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. ¹⁹ Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁰ He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you."

Some of the question below are adapted from James Wagner's devotional guide, The Spiritual Heart of your Health Upper Room Books, 2002

Carefully read and reread the Scripture passage. What thoughts, ideas, and questions come to you?

Name the specific illness in the is story and list all the factors that seem to work together for healing.

Just prior to this story in Matthew, Jesus and several of his disciples have been apart on the mountain top where Jesus was transfigured. This wasn't the first or last prayer. What would it take for you to get away from your everyday, unrelenting stress and worries for periods of personal rest and renewal?

In this story, Jesus is toughed by the father's persistence but not pleased with his own disciples and their inability to help the man's son. What could Jesus' disciples not heal the boy?

In Mark's telling of the story, the man says to Jesus, "I believe; help my unbelief?" What does this verse mean to you?

Does Jesus' reaction to the disciples' inability surprise you? Jesus tells them it is because of their lack of faith that they could not heal the boy. How does one receive such faith?

Some manuscripts of this passage add, "But the only way to force out this kind of demon is by praying and going without eating (fasting)." If we sometimes feel powerless to help certain people in our lives whom we love and care for deeply, how might we engage in purposeful prayer and fasting in seeking God's help?

What is Jesus saying to you? Have you faith, "The size of a mustard seed", to move the mountains and impossibilities in your life?

Summer



Tabor Table
A GREAT NIGHT OF FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

mttaborumc.org/tabor-table
5:15-6:30 PM

AUGUST 14

Chicken and Rice Casserole,
Roasted Chicken Tenders,
Vegetable, Desserts and Drinks
Kids Option: Pizza Quesadillas



**Next Steps
Everyone Has One!**

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, August 18 from 10:15-10:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

**FUSION
FAMILY
KICK OFF**

**AUGUST 18TH
STARTS AT 5 PM
WITH THE WHOLE FAMILY**

KICK OFF THE NEW SEASON — OF MAIN EVENT