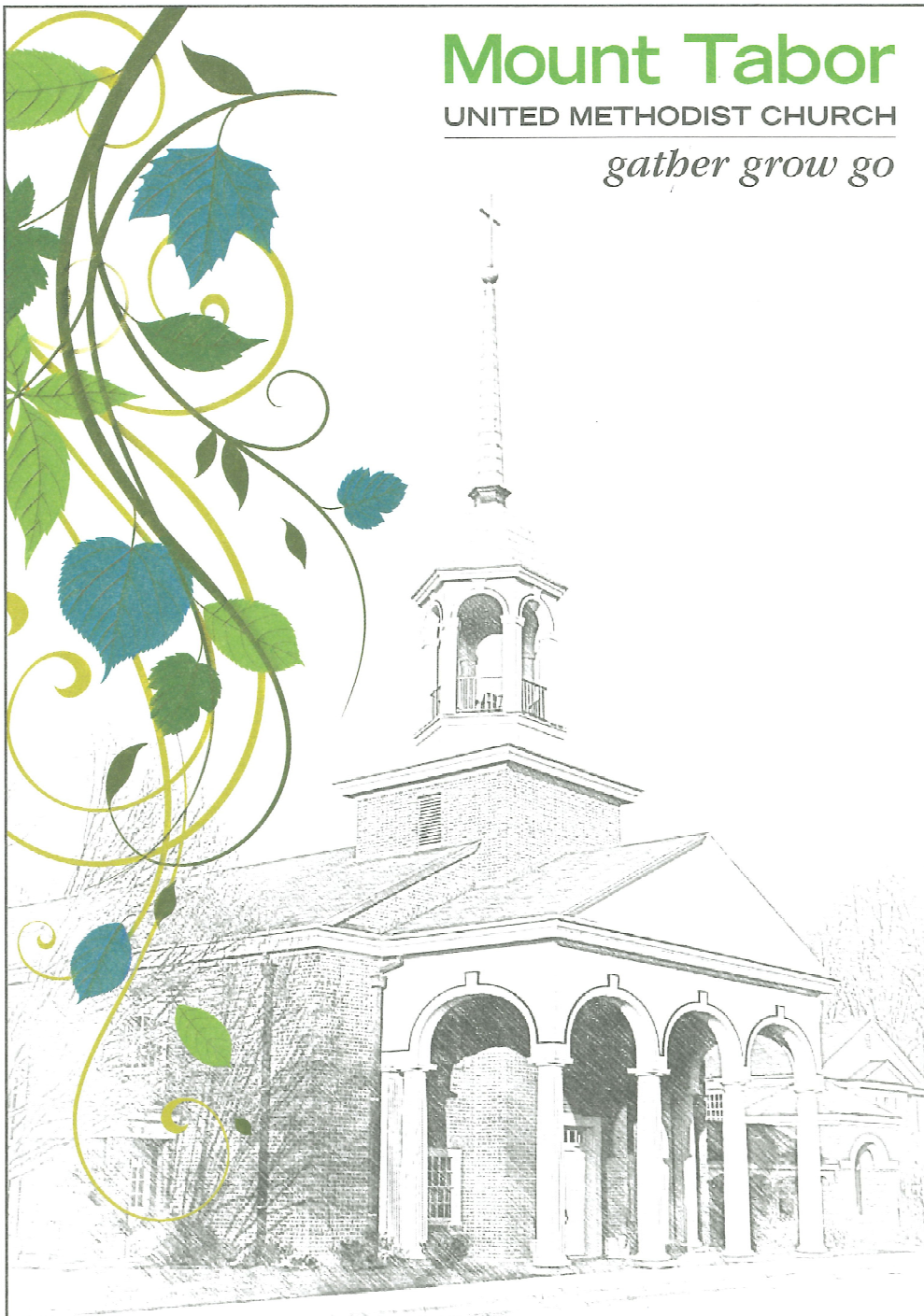


Mount Tabor

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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AUGUST 6, 2023



LIVING STONES

August 6, 2023

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Traditional Order of Worship

Sunday, August 6, 2023 • 11 a.m.

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

- **Prelude** *A Song of Hope* Wilson
- **Welcome** Pastor Lonnie & Gray Handwerk
- **Introit** *Alleluia* Jerry Sinclair
- **Call to Worship** (adapted from Psalm 71) Pastor Beth
 - In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
 - For you have been my hope, Sovereign Lord.**
 - Be to me a rock of refuge,
 - a strong fortress, to save me.**
 - I will hope continually,
 - and will praise you more and more.**
 - My mouth will tell of your deeds of salvation,
 - though their number is past my knowledge.**
 - I will come praising the mighty deeds of the Lord God,
 - for you are my rock and my fortress.**
- **Hymn #545** *The Church's One Foundation (verses 1, 2, 4, 5)* AURELIA
- **Affirmation of Faith #881** "The Apostles' Creed" Pastor Beth
- **Gloria Patri #71** *Glory Be to the Father* GREATOREX
- **Time of Greeting** Pastor Lonnie
 - Children (3 years old–5th graders) may leave to participate in TaborKIDS Worship today.*
 - Parents will pick them up in the Children's Building immediately following the service.*
- **Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer** Pastor Lonnie
- **Anthem** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* arr. Gordon Young
- **Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings** Pastor Marc
- **Offertory** *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* Marak
- **Doxology #95** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100th
- **Prayer of Illumination** Pastor Marc
 - Lord Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world.**
 - Fill our minds with your peace and our hearts with your love. Amen.**
- **Scripture** I Peter 2:4-12 (NIV) and Matthew 16:13-19 (NIV) Pastor Marc
 - From the worship series "The People of God"
- **Message** "Living Stones" Pastor Lonnie
- **Sacrament of Holy Communion, page 12** Pastor Lonnie and Pastor Beth
- John Madison, pianist
- **Hymn #368** *My Hope Is Built (verses 1, 4)* THE SOLID ROCK
- **Benediction** Pastor Lonnie
- **Response** *Amen* Danish
- **Chiming of the Trinity**
- **Postlude** *Grand Chorus in A Minor* Demorest

□ Please stand in body or in spirit

WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor and Message: Rev. Lonnie Pittman
Liturgists: Rev. Beth Orrell and Rev. Marc Werner
Traditional Worship Arts Director: Charli Mills
Organist/Accompanist: Mike Hendrix
Pianist: John Madison

WORSHIP SCRIPTURE

Sunday, August 6, 2023 • Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

“Living Stones”

1 Peter 2:4-12 (NIV)

⁴ As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him—⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says: “See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.” ⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” ⁸ and, “A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for. ⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

¹¹ Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. ¹² Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

Matthew 16:13-19 (NIV)

¹³ When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

¹⁵ “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

¹⁷ Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

Notes:

For further study of today's scripture, visit mttaborumc.org/growthguide.
The Growth Guide is provided by the Spiritual Growth Team and includes study questions for life application.



POP UP SUNDAY

August 13

We're ready to celebrate TaborKIDS
poppin' up to a new class!
Join us at 10 AM for Sunday School fun
& a **poppin'** good time!



FUSION FAMILY KICK OFF

AUGUST 13
STARTS AT 5 PM
WITH THE WHOLE FAMILY

KICK OFF THE NEW SEASON — OF MAIN EVENT

Sunday, August 20 from 8:30 AM - 12:15 PM

STUFF THE BUS

SCHOOL SUPPLY & FOOD COLLECTION

Collecting school supplies for North Hills Elementary School
and non-perishable food for Food for Thought



For more information please contact Craig Miller
or get all of the details in the August issue of
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from the series “The People of God”
“Living Stones”

Scripture

1 Peter 2:4-12 (NIV) and Matthew 16:13-19 (NIV)

— **Welcome and Call to Worship** —

— **Praise Songs** —

Oh How I Need You
(All Sons and Daughters)

Grace is Enough

— **TaborKIDS Dismissal** —

— **Congregational & Offertory Prayer** —

— **Offertory** —

Free Amen

— **Message** —

— **Sacrament of Holy Communion** —

— **Closing Song** —

Great Are You Lord
(All Sons and Daughters)

— **Announcements & Sending Forth** —

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor and Message: Rev. Lonnie Pittman

Modern Worship Coordinator: Jim Annas

Worship Host: April Surber

Prayer Leader: Gray Handwerk

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 Congregational and Soul Care Director 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 Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-noon and Monday-Thursday, 1-4 p.m.** 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, 9:00am, in the Alspaugh Worship Center, or

*Traditional, 11:00am, in the Sanctuary.

Both services are also available via Facebook Live and <https://www.YouTube.com/MountTaborUMCVideoStreaming>.

GROW SPIRITUALLY _____

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet on Wednesday, **August 16 at 9:30a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom. The theme for this study is "Inspiration from God's Holy Word: Hope, Peace, and Love." Come and bring a friend as the group will read and study scriptures to encourage and remind all of God's love for His children. There is nothing to purchase, just bring a Bible. Contact our Congregational & Soul Care Director Kim Harvey (kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org or 336-765-5561 ext. 1021) for questions or to receive the Zoom link.

Our Last Summer TABOR TABLE (FELLOWSHIP DINNER) will be served on **Aug. 16—5:15 -6:30 p.m.** 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 \$8 for adult (age 13 and up), \$5 for child (age 3-12), free for child under 3. **Our weekly Tabor Table Fellowship Meal will resume on September 13.**

COME FOR DINNER; STAY FOR GROWTH. After our August Summer Tabor Table meal, the Spiritual Growth Team invites you to participate in Summer Growth Gathering, from 6:15 to 7:00 pm. On **August 16**, Jim Graham will lead a session called Witnessing: My Story. No registration or preparation is necessary. For more information, contact Spiritual Growth & Community Engagement Coordinator, Gray Handwerk at gray.handwerk@mttaborumc.org.

DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY CLASS FORMING. "I love to tell the story, of Jesus and His love." This is your personal invitation from group leader, Brenda Wills, to join in a 34 week study of the Word. This study will give the Old and New Testaments equal time, emphasizing the wholeness of the Bible as a revelation of God. The class will be held on Sunday afternoons, **beginning September 10.** If you have questions or would like to register, email Brenda at politicalsciencemajor@gmail.com or Gray Handwerk at gray.handwerk@mttaborumc.org.

Join us for a CHURCH WIDE STUDY for the Fall 2023. Join this church-wide book study of Max Lucado's "Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World" which will run **September 10 to November 19, 2023**. Several of the church Growth Groups will join in this 11-week study of this 11-chapter book based on Philippians 4:6-7. Participants should purchase their own copy of the book, and read one chapter each week for discussion. To join a participating Growth Group for the study, contact gray.handwerk@mttaborumc.org.

GROWTH GATHERINGS DURING THE CHURCH WIDE STUDY: As part of the Church Wide study this fall on the topic of anxiety, the Spiritual Growth Team will offer Growth Gatherings on Wednesday nights beginning **September 13, from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall**. Growth Gatherings will amplify the book study on anxiety, and will focus on prayer and other spiritual practices that can help with anxiety. Come to one or all, as your schedule allows. This will be different content than what is covered in Growth Groups that are studying the book. No prior preparation is required. Participants may bring their Tabor Table tray into the study, and children's programming is offered at the same time. Questions? Contact gray.handwerk@mttaborumc.org.

SAVE THE DATE: Women's Festival of Tables will be held on **Saturday, October 14 from 9:00 to 11:30 am in the Family Life Center** (doors will open at 8:30 for table viewing). Beverly Burton will speak on the theme of Friendship. All women are invited for a delicious breakfast, a mission project, an encouraging word, and fellowship. To attend, sign up at www.bit.ly/festivaloftables. Cost is \$10, and attendees are encouraged to bring a pair of new children's pajamas for SPARK, who will distribute them to area children in need. Questions? Contact gray.handwerk@mttaborumc.org. If you would like to be a table hostess (and coordinate the decorations for a table for 8), please contact Fleeta Hall at fleemainhall@gmail.com.

Stuff the Bus—Sunday, August 20 from 8:30am-12:15pm

We will be collecting school supplies for North Hills Elementary School and non-perishable food for Food for Thought on August 20. The supplies and food that are collected to help nourish the mind and body of so many students in our area. For more information please contact Craig Miller or get all of the details in the August issue of *Tabor Talk*, our church newsletter.

GO FAITHFULLY _____

100 BOTTLES OF WATER ARE NEEDED EACH WEDNESDAY for the homeless individuals served dinner by MTUMC at the Bethesda Center. You may bring water donations to the church and place on a cart in the Fellowship Hall; or order bottled water to be delivered straight to the church through Amazon; or give funds online at www.mttaborumc.org/give selecting "Bethesda Benefit" (or make checks payable to MTUMC designating "Bethesda Benefit" and bring to the church).

GRIEFSHARE is a biblical and Christ-centered group that gathers together 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 **GriefShare** group will gather together from **September 6-December 6 in room 101 from 3:30-5:00pm**. For more information or to register for GriefShare, please contact Beverly Burton at griefshare@mttaborumc.org or visit the GriefShare website at griefshare.org.

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Mount Tabor at a Glance —

Real-time calendar is available at TinyUrl.com/MTUMC-calendar



Sunday, August 06, 2023

- 9:00 AM Modern Worship Service — Alspaugh Worship Center
- 10:00 AM Adult Sunday School Classes — Admin/Education Building
- 10:00 AM Youth Sunday School — Rm 118-Youth Area
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 4:00 PM Liturgical Dance Practice — Alspaugh Worship Center

Monday, August 07, 2023

- 8:00 AM Bulletin Submission Deadline
- 8:00 AM Devotion with Pastor Lonnie (FB & YouTube)
- 8:00 AM IN THE KNOW submissions deadline
- 9:00 AM ChurchBusinessAdmin Meeting — Rm 207
- 10:00 AM Quilting Ministry — Rm 107-Quilting Ministry
- 10:00 AM Staff Prayer Time — Rm 303
- 12:00 PM Nar-Anon Family Support Group — Rm 108-Church Parlor
- 6:00 PM The Voices of God's Children — Sanctuary
- 6:30 PM Trustees Meeting — Rm 207-MainLevel Conference
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball — Family Life Center
- 7:00 PM Women's Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

Tuesday, August 08, 2023

- 10:00 AM Traditional Worship Planning — Rm 207
- 1:30 PM Church Program Staff Meeting — Rm 303
- 4:00 PM TaborWomen Circle 8 — Rm 108-Church Parlor
- 5:30 PM Spiritual Growth Committee (In-person & Zoom)
- 6:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting — Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

Wednesday, August 09, 2023

- 6:30 PM Church Council Meeting — Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Modern Worship Band Rehearsal — Alspaugh Worship Center
- 7:00 PM MTUMC Delivers to Bethesda Center

Thursday, August 10, 2023

- 7:30 AM Band of Brothers In-person / Zoom — Rm 306-Adult Rm
- 12:00 PM Band of Brothers — Foothills @ 4th Street
- 12:00 PM Growing Spiritual with Gray (Facebook)
- 4:00 PM Choir Kick-Off Potluck — Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM B.E.L.L.S. Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary

Friday, August 11, 2023

Saturday, August 12, 2023

- 8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

Our Response to God's Grace...

BUDGET PLEDGES FOR 2023 as of May 22, 2023

Pledges: 242
for Pledge Total of
\$1,134,484.00
toward 2023 budget of
\$1,572,693

July 30, 2023 ATTENDANCE

Online Worship 44
In-person Worship 273

July 30, 2023 GIVING

BudgetNeedsEachWeek **\$30,244.10**
Budget Gifts \$15,529.25
Building \$129.01
VBS Tshirts \$260.00
VBS Snacks/lunch \$769.00
Other \$2,480.49
Total \$19,167.75

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN LOAN PRINCIPAL

January 1, 2018 Balance
\$2,440,522.29
Year-To-Date Loan Balance
\$289,819.15
as of July 12, 2023

Church Clergy & some of the Sunday Support Staff

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