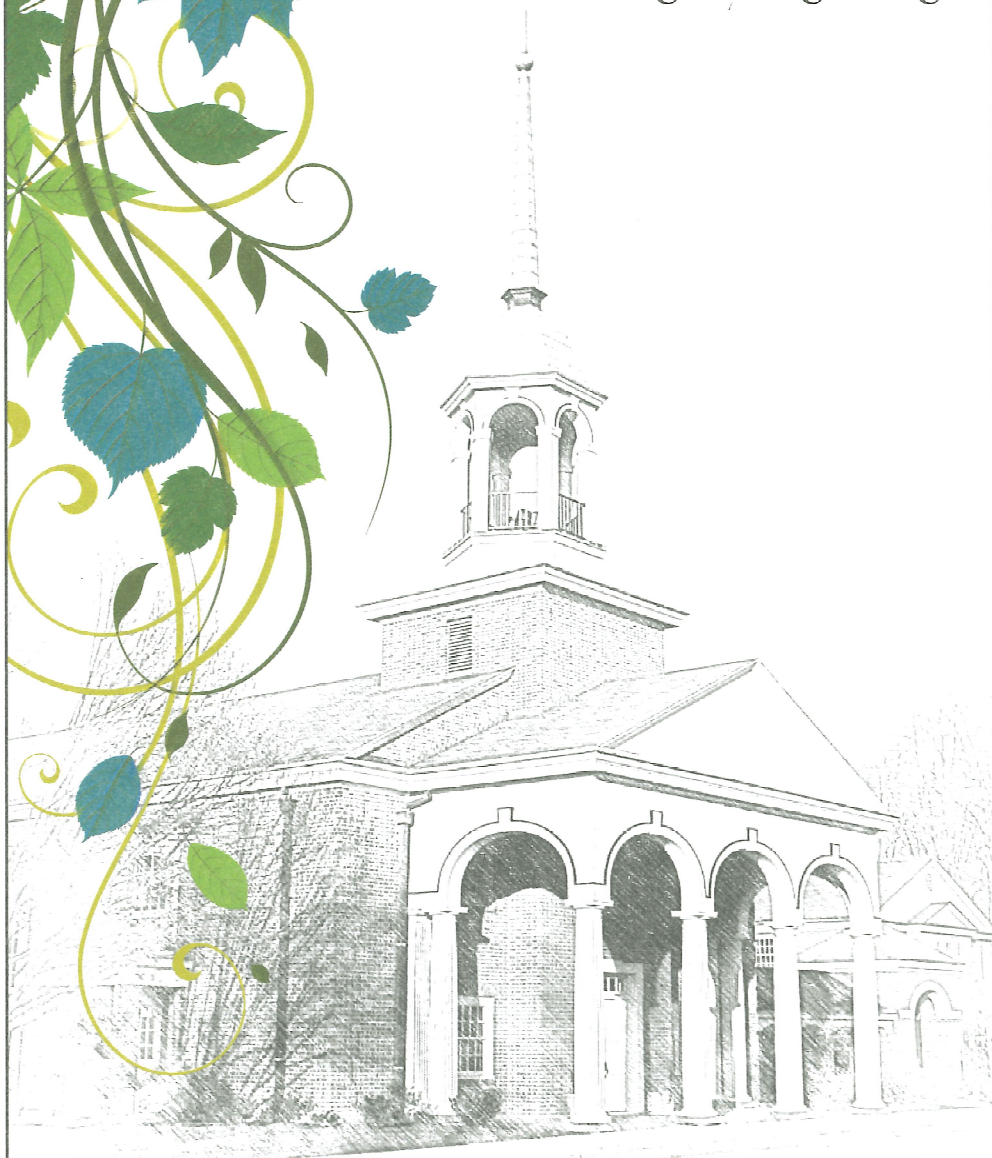


Mount Tabor

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Maranatha!

DECEMBER 3, 2023

Advent

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Traditional Order of Worship
Sunday, December 3, 2023 • 11:00am

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

Prelude	<i>He Shall Feed His Flock</i>	G. F. Handel
Welcome		Beth Orrell
Introit	<i>Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence</i>	PICARDY
* Call to Worship (adapted from the O Antiphons)		Beth Orrell
O King of the nations, and their desire, Come save the human race, which you fashioned from clay. O Morning Star, splendor of light eternal and sun of righteousness: Come and enlighten those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death. O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth of the Most High, Come and teach us the way of prudence. O Emmanuel, the hope of the nations and their Savior. Come and save us, O Lord our God.		
* Processional Hymn # 211	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i> (verses 1, 2, 6 7)	VENI EMMANUEL
Lighting of the Advent Wreath		Beth Orrell
Choral Response	<i>Come, Lord Jesus</i>	Anna Laura Page
* Time of Greeting		Charli Mills
<i>Children (3 years old–5th graders) may leave to participate in TaborKIDS Worship today.</i> <i>Parents will pick them up in the Children's Building immediately following the service.</i>		
Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer		Michael Brown
Anthem	<i>In the Bleak Midwater</i>	arr. Mark Hayes
Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings		Beth Orrell
Offertory	<i>What Is this Lovely Fragrance?</i>	arr. Burton
* Doxology #95	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100th
Prayer of Illumination		Beth Orrell
Lord Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world. Fill our minds with your peace and our hearts with your love. Amen.		
Scripture	Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Corinthians 16:22	Michael Brown
Message	<i>"Maranatha"</i>	Michael Brown
Sacrament of Holy Communion		Michael Brown
* Hymn #196	<i>Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus</i>	HYFRYDOL
* Benediction		Michael Brown
* Response	<i>Bless Us, Father</i>	Anna Laura Page
* Chiming of the Trinity		
* Postlude	<i>Good Christian Men, Rejoice</i>	14th Century Carol
<i>*Please stand in body or in spirit</i>		

WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor: Dr. Michael B. Brown
Liturgist: Beth Orrell Acolyte: Leah Heitman
Traditional Worship Arts Director: Charli Mills
Organist/Accompanist: Mike Hendrix
Guest musicians: Charley Shafer and Monica Wilmot, violin;

Christmas

AT MOUNT TABOR

**Truman Capote's
"A Christmas Memory"**
performed by **Robin Voiers**
with dinner, skit, and carols
December 9 at 5 PM in the
Alspaugh Worship Center



Angel Tree
in the Welcome Center
or view a virtual list at
mttaborumc.org/angel-tree

Advent Devotionals
for all ages are
available in the
Welcome Center



Christmas Eve Services

Modern Worship at 9 AM
in the Alspaugh Worship Center

Traditional at 11 AM and 4 PM
in the Sanctuary

Family Nativity at 2 PM
in the Alspaugh Worship Center

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Thursday, December 7 at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall.
*The purpose of this annual meeting will be to elect and
approve our 2024 leadership and the 2024 budget.*

Modern Worship
Sunday, December 3, 2023
9:00am

First Sunday of Advent

“MARANATHA!”

Scripture

Jeremiah 33:14-16 and 1 Corinthians 16:22 (RSV)

— **Welcome and Call to Worship** —

— **Lighting of the Advent Wreath** —
(The Mason Family)

— **Praise Songs** —

Song of Hope
(Robbie Seay)
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
(Big Daddy Weave)

— **TaborKIDS Dismissal** —

— **Congregational & Offertory Prayer** —

— **Offertory** —

Come Thou Fount
(Crowder)

— **Message** —

— **Sacrament of Holy Communion** —

— **Closing Song** —

Light of the World
We the Kingdom

— **Announcements & Sending Forth** —

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor: Dr. Michael Brown
Modern Worship Coordinator: Jim Annas
Worship Host: Dave Stith
Prayer Leader: Kim Harvey

The rosebud on the altar today is dedicated to the glory of God in celebration of the birth of Callie Jeffrey Jarrell, daughter of Alex and Logan Jarrell.

GATHER JOYFULLY • GROW SPIRITUALLY • GO FAITHFULLY

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., 1-4pm 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 & GO FAITHFULLY

- * **Advent Devotionals** - Advent is the season of the church year when we prepare our hearts for the coming of the Christ child. The prophet Isaiah writes of the promise of a peaceful kingdom initiated by the coming of the Messiah, the Prince of Peace. Peace is something we long for as we look at the world around us and though it may seem impossible sometimes, we must remember that with God nothing is impossible. This year's Advent Devotional, "A Little Child Shall Lead Them" is now available in the Trinity Welcome Center. A Family Advent Devotional Kit is also available for families.
- * **Weds. Women's Bible Study** meets on Wednesdays at 9:30 am, in person in the Fellowship Hall and also via Zoom. Please contact our Director of Congregational Care and Spiritual Formation, Kim Harvey (kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org) for questions or to receive the Zoom link.
- * **Wednesday Tabor Table Fellowship Dinner** will meet Wednesday, **November 29, 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 \$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 is: Cheeseburger or Hamburger Sliders, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetables, Salad Bar, Drinks, and Desserts. The kid's option Kraft Mac and Cheese.
- * **Dewey's Bakery Sale for Mount Tabor UMC Preschool:** Get your Dewey's Bakery items and support our preschool! Visit <https://bit.ly/mtpsdeweys2023> and order by December 6th. Items will be available for pickup on December 13th, 17th, and 17th.
- * **All the men of Mount Tabor UMC** are invited to join us for breakfast on the first Sunday of each month at 7:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome and reservations are not needed.

- * **Moms Fellowship** meets the first Thursday of each month (Dec. 7) 9:15 - 10:30AM in Room 268. 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: <https://bit.ly/mtumcmoms23> Questions? Contact Sandy Hauser SandyLHauser@gmail.com
- * **A Christmas Memory** -- Everyone is invited to attend a dramatic presentation of Truman Capote's "A Christmas Memory" performed by Robin Voiers, on December 9. "A Christmas Memory" was first published in 1956 as a short story and is Capote's tale of his humble childhood and holiday traditions in 1930's, Alabama. Many of you will remember Robin's one-woman adaptation of this beloved classic for many years at Reynolda House. This evening will include a dinner in the Family Life Center from 5:00- 6:00 pm (donations accepted for dinner), followed by a skit and Christmas carols in the Alspaugh Worship Center, and then the presentation of "A Christmas Memory." This will be a fun evening you do not want to miss. Contact Kim Harvey, Director of Congregational Care and Spiritual Formation at kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org.
- * **Nativity Camp** - All children ages 3 years old through 5th grade are invited to participate in the Nativity on Christmas Eve. Nativity Camp and rehearsals will be held December 20-22. Register here: <https://bit.ly/mtnativity2023> For more information, please contact Colleen Carr colleen.carr@mttaborumc.org
- * **Crisis Control Ministry Holiday Honor cards** are now available for purchase for a minimum donation of \$5/card. Each card purchase provides food, medication, housing, or utility assistance to a neighbor in need. Honor family members, friends, and colleagues by sending them one of three beautifully designed cards by local artists Barbara Campbell, Beth Jones, or William Mangum. Cards are located in the workroom in the church office.
- * Our **MTUMC Charge Conference** will take place on **Thursday, December 7** at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall. *The purpose of this annual meeting will be to elect and approve our 2024 leadership and the 2024 budget.*
- * **Starting in January 2024, Adult volleyball** is back on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm after Tabor Table. Anyone 18 and over with even a little bit of experience is encouraged to play. Interested persons can contact Rachel Jensen (336) 314-6808 or Thor Jensen (336) 707-2975 for more information."

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We Need Volunteers in the following areas of MTUMC Ministries:

- * **BETHESDA WATER EMERGENCY**—We currently only have enough water for this week. 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 the labeled cart in the Fellowship Hall; or order bottled water to be delivered straight to the church through Amazon online; or give online at www.mttaborumc.org/give selecting "Bethesda Benefit" (or make checks payable to MTUMC designating "Bethesda Benefit" and bring to the church).
- * **We have babies to rock and hold in the Nursery during worship.** If you are interested in showing love to marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org our littlest disciples, please contact Marcey Davis

Sunday, December 3, 2023

- 7:30 AM United Methodist Men's Breakfast— Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Modern Worship Service — Alspaugh Worship Center
- 10:00 AM Adult, TaborKIDS, TaborTWEENS, and TaborYOUTH Sunday
School Classes Admin/Education Building
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 4:00 PM Disciple I Bible Study — Rm 207
- 4:00 PM Liturgical Dance Practice — Alspaugh Worship Center
- 5:00 PM Fusion Main Event — Youth Commons

Monday, December 4, 2023

- 8:00 AM Bulletin Submission Deadline
- 8:00 AM IN THE KNOW submissions deadline
- 9:00 AM Church Business Admin Meeting — Rm 207
- 10:00 AM Quilting Ministry — Rm 107
- 10:00 AM Staff Prayer Time — Rm 303
- 12:00 PM Nar-Anon Family Support Group — Rm 108
- 6:00 PM Male BSA Troop 934 Meeting — Rm 113
- 6:30 PM Trustees Meeting — Conference Rm
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball — Family Life Center
- 7:00 PM Women's Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

Tuesday, December 5, 2023

- 10:00 AM Traditional Worship Planning — Rm 207
- 6:30 PM Pack 934 Den Meetings — Family Life Center
- 6:30 PM Staff Parish Relations Committee Meeting — Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

Wednesday, December 6, 2023

- 6:50 AM Fusion Youth Prayer Breakfast - BAGEL STATION
- 9:30 AM Wednesday Women's Bible Study — Fellowship Hall
- 3:30 PM GriefShare — Rm 101
- 5:15 PM Tabor Table Fellowship Meal — Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM DivorceCare Support Group — Rm 108
- 7:00 PM MTUMC Delivers to Bethesda Center

Thursday, December 7, 2023

- 7:30 AM Band of Brothers In-person and via Zoom — Rm 306
- 9:15am Moms Fellowship — Rm 268
- 12:00 PM Band of Brothers — Foothills @ 4th Street
- 6:00 PM B.E.L.L.S. Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room
- 6:00 PM Lay Leadership Committee Meeting — Rm 207
- 6:30 PM Modern Worship Band Rehearsal — Alspaugh
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room

Friday, December 8, 2023**Saturday, December 9, 2023**

- 5:00 PM Christmas Drama — Alspaugh Worship Center
- 8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

Our Response to God's Grace...

BUDGET PLEDGES FOR 2024 <i>as of November 20, 2024</i>	November 26, 2023 ATTENDANCE		CAPITAL CAMPAIGN LOAN PRINCIPAL
	Online Worship	185	
	In-person Worship	394	
# Pledges: 160 for Pledge Total of \$777,427	November 26, 2023 GIVING		
	BudgetNeedsEachWeek	\$30,244.10	
	Budget Gifts	\$38,242.00	
	Outreach	\$230.00	
	Memorials	\$145.00	
	Angel Tree	\$570.00	
	Building Fund	\$250.00	
	Bethesda	\$200.00	
Other	\$291.26		
Total	\$56,663.26		
		January 1, 2018 Balance \$2,440,522.29	
		Year-To-Date Loan Balance \$211,796.69 <i>as of November 15, 2023</i>	

