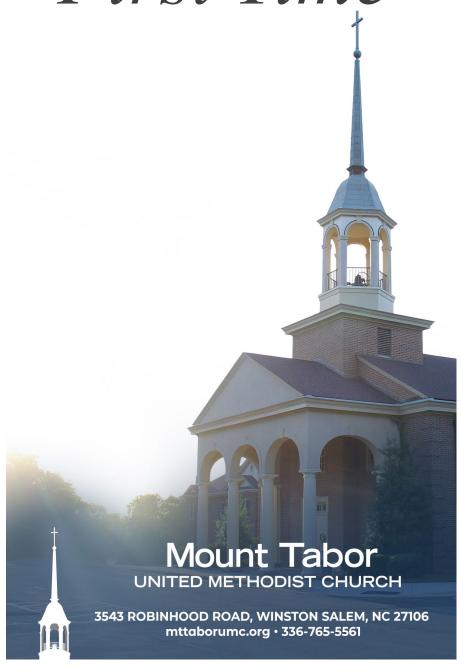
April 28, 2024

For the First Time



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

#### **Traditional Order of Worship**

Confirmation Sunday

#### Sunday, April 28, 2024 • 11:00am

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

Prelude Morning Mood Edward Grieg

Welcome Christin Barnhardt

Introit He Is Lord HE IS LORD

\* Call to Worship Will Busch

As in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function,

So we, though many, are one body in Christ.

Individually we are members one of another.

We, though many, are one body in Christ.

Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them.

We, though many, are one body in Christ.

Eyes and ear, hands and feet, all working together for God's glory.

We, though many, are one body in Christ.

We are The Church, the ongoing family of faith in the world.

We, though many, are one body in Christ.

\* Hymn # 156 I Love to Tell the Story (all verses) HANKEY

\* Affirmation of Faith #881 The Apostles' Creed Will Busch

\* Glory Be to The Father GREATOREX

Time of Greeting Will Busch

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 Michael Brown

**Anthem** Down by the Riverside arr. Mary McDonald

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings Michael Brown

Offertory Le Coeur Content Jon Baptiste

\* Doxology #95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow OLD 100th

Prayer of Illumination Will Busch

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world.

Fill our minds with your peace and our hearts with your love. Amen.

Scripture Acts 11:25-30 Michael Brown

**Message** "For the First Time" Michael Brown

**Reception of the 2024 Confirmation Class**Michael Brown and Will Busch

\* Hymn #545 The Church's One Foundation (all verses) AURELIA

\* Benediction Michael Brown

\* Benediction Response The Lord Bless You and Keep You Lutkin

\* Chiming of the Trinity

Postlude Psalm XIX Benedetto Marcello

\*Please stand in body or in spirit

#### WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor: Dr. Michael B. Brown Dir. of Student Ministries: Will Busch

 $Interim\ Traditional\ Worship\ Arts\ Director:\ Christin\ Barnhardt$ 

Organist/Accompanist: Mike Hendrix

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of our Confirmands

## Modern Worship Sunday, April 28, 2024 9:00am

— Opening Song — Lay Me Down (Tomlin)

- Welcome and Call to Worship
  - New Member and Baptism—

—Praise Song— Free Amen (We The Kingdom)

Great Are You Lord (All Sons and Daughters)

- TaborKIDS Dismissal—
- Congregational & Offertory Prayer —

## —Offertory—

I Can't Get Away
(Jonathan David and Melissa Helser)

## Scripture

Acts 11:25-30 (RSV)

## — Message — "For the First Time"

—Praise Song— Happy Day (Tim Hughes)

— Announcements & Sending Forth —

## **Worship Leaders**

Senior Pastor: Dr. Michael Brown Modern Worship Coordinator: Jim Annas Worship Host: Deborah Daniels 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., 1-4pm 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.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, May 1, 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: Taco Salad – Beef or Chicken, Black Beans, Refried Beans, Rice, Queso, Salad Bar, Desserts, and Drinks. Kids Option: Quesadilla
- \* Nourishment for the Soul: Lunch and Learn with Pastor Michael. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy a light lunch made by Sheri Nebinger and teaching from Pastor Michael as we nourish our body and soul and learn more about who Jesus is. Donations will be accepted to cover the cost of lunch. Come to any or all of the gatherings from 12:00 1:00 pm on the following Thursdays in the Fellowship Hall: May 9: The Gospel of Luke -- May 23: The Gospel of John
- \* TaborTWEENS (4th & 5th Graders) will gather on April 28 3:30-5 PM in the Loft in the Children's Building. RSVP to marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org.
- \* Calling All 2024 High School Seniors! MTUMC offers three scholarship opportunities for graduating high school seniors. The Wes and Andy Burton Memorial Scholarship, the Petree Scholarship, and the Goodchild Scholarship are awarded to select students on Graduation Sunday, June 2. To apply, go to www.mttaborumc.org/youth then scroll to the Scholarship Application Download graphic. Deadline for submission to will.busch@mttaborumc.org is 11:59 p.m. Sunday, May 12, 2024.

- \* Calling all graduates of any level. We as a church family are so proud of you and want to celebrate you. You are encouraged to fill out the graduating questionnaire, so we can highlight you and celebrate you. For all high school seniors you are invited to fill out the application for our senior scholarships. We are so proud of you and can't wait to continue to watch God work through you. Questions? Contact Will Busch at will.busch@mttaborumc.org.
- \* Start the Party: Celebrate the Good News at Vacation Bible School
  July 22-25! Open to children ages 4 as of 8/31 through completed 5th
  grade as Jesus gives us the most amazing reason to party. There is no
  cost and all are welcome. Snack Supper begins at 5:15 PM and the
  main program is from 6:00-8:00 PM. Visit bit.ly/mtumcvbs24 for more
  information and to sign up!
- \* Art Camp registration is now open! Camp is June 24-27 from 9-12 each morning. Registration is \$125. Children aged 2 through rising Kindergarten should be registered through the Preschool. Forms may be found in the Children's Building Lobby or be downloaded from the Preschool website: mttaborumcpreschool.org -- Children rising 1st grade through completed 5th grade should register here: bit.ly/ mtumcart24

Space is limited so sign up now!

- \* Mount Tabor's Afterschool Program begins registration this month. We'd love to see more of our TaborKIDS during the week! On March 18, open enrollment begins. For more information, call the Afterschool (336-760-0363) or visit their website mttaborumcafterschool.org.
- \* The Caring Friends Committee is looking to refresh and for additional volunteers. The Caring Friends Committee takes care of setting up, serving, and cleaning up after funeral receptions or lunches. If you are interested please contact our Church Hostess, Sheri Nebinger at sheri.nebinger@mttaborumc.org.
- \* This month, TaborKIDS on Wednesdays will only meet on Wednesdays, May 1 and May 8 from 6:00-7:00pm. TaborKIDS on Wednesdays will end for the school year on May 8.
- \* This month, TaborTWEENS (4th & 5th Graders) will lead a service project building Birthday Celebration Kits for the Children at Crossnore at the Pentecost Potluck & Cookout on May 19 at 12:15pm. Following the event, the TaborTWEENS will deliver the completed projects to Crossnore and a stop to celebrate. RSVP to marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org.
- \* Your help is needed! At the Pentecost Potluck & Cookout on May 19, TaborTWEENS will be leading the church in assembling Birthday Celebration Kits for each child at Crossnore. Help the Tweens collect the needed items by signing up to donate here: bit.ly/bdaykits2024 Many items can be found at the Dollar Tree, Walmart or similar store and must be delivered to the Welcome Center by May 15. Questions? Contact Marcey Davis marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org
- \* **Growth Guides are available** on our website for individual or group study each week. These are based on each Sunday's sermon scripture and include author information, context of scripture, and discussion questions. Go to mttaborumc.org/growthguide
- \* The May/June issue of The Upper Rooms are here. You can find copies in the Narthex, Welcome Center, and in the Church Office.

#### Mount Tabor at a Glance — Church Calendar

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



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Sunday, April 28, 2024 — Confirmation Sunday
      9:00 AM Modern Worship Service — Alspaugh
      10:00 AM Adult Sunday School Classes — Admin/Education Building
      10:00 AM TaborKIDS, TaborTWEENS, Tabor Youth, and Adult Sunday
         School—All Buildings
      11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service — Sanctuary
      3:30 PM TaborTWEENS — 263/265
      4:00 PM Disciple I Bible Study—Rm 207
      4:00 PM Liturgical Dance Practice — Alspaugh
      5:00 PM Fusion Youth Main Event — Rm 113
Monday, April 29, 2024
      8:00 AM Bulletin and In the Know Submission Deadline
      9:00 AM ChurchBusinessAdmin Meeting — Rm 207
      9:00 AM Preschool Spring Music Program Rehearsal — Alspaugh
      10:00 AM Staff Prayer Time — Rm 303
      12:00 PM Nar-Anon Family Support Group — Rm 108
      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, April 30, 2024
      9:00 AM Spring Music Program — Alspaugh
      9:00 AM Worship Planning Meeting — Rm 207
Wednesday, May 1, 2024
      6:50 AM Fusion Youth Prayer Breakfast — Bagel Station
      9:30 AM Wednesday Women's Bible Study — Fellowship Hall
      5:15 PM Tabor Table Fellowship Meal —
      6:00 PM TaborKids Programming — 168
      7:00 PM MTUMC Delivers to Bethesda Center
Thursday, May 2, 2024
      6:00 AM ROTC Practice — Family Life Center
      6:30 AM National Day of Prayer Breakfast — Family Life Center
      7:30 AM Band of Brothers In-person and via Zoom — Rm 306
      9:15 AM Moms Fellowship — 268
      12:00 PM Band of Brothers — Foothills @ 4th Street
      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, May 3, 2024
Saturday, May 4, 2024
   12:00 PM Children's Council Meeting — 263/265
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## Our Response to God's Grace...

BUDGET PLEDGES FOR 2024 as of February 27, 2024

# Pledges: 203 for Pledge Total of \$981,494.00 **April 21, 2024 ATTENDANCE**Online Worship 179

In-person Worship 179

April 21, 2024 GIVING
Budget Needs Each Week \$31,382.00

 Budget Gifts
 \$16,233.00

 Memorials/Honorarium
 \$910.00

 Burton Memorial Golf
 \$1,750.00

 Backpack Program
 \$25.00

 Music Endowment
 \$25.00

 Other
 \$3,438.91

 Total
 \$22,381.91

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN LOAN PRINCIPAL

January 1, 2018 Balance \$2,440,522.29

Year-To-Date Loan Balance \$98,952.58 as of April 10, 2024

## WORSHIP SCRIPTURE Sunday, April 28, 2024

### "For the First Time" Acts 11:25-30 (RSV)

<sup>25</sup> So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; <sup>26</sup> and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with[a] the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. <sup>27</sup> Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. <sup>28</sup> And one of them named Ag abus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. <sup>29</sup> And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea; <sup>30</sup> and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

Notes:			

# Our 2024 Confirmation Class Members:

- Holden Joubert
- Abby Wildman
- Myles Marion
- Amelia Brown
- Emma Torrey





