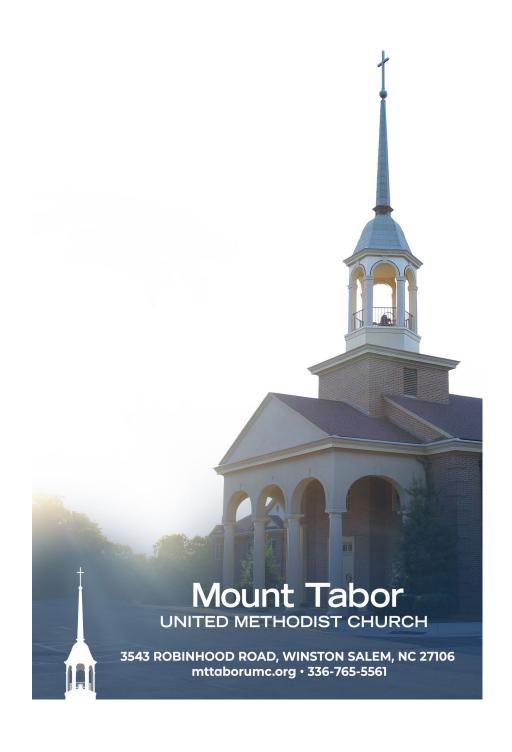
February 11, 2024 Love Is...



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

Traditional Order of Worship Sunday, February 11, 2024 • 11:00am

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

 Prelude
 Air from Water Music
 G.F. Handel

 Welcome
 Charli Mills

 Introit
 This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made
 TWENTY-FOURTH

* Call to Worship (adapted from 1 John 4)

Bobby Sharp

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

This is how God showed his love among us:

He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. If we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. This is how we know that we live in him and he in us:

He has given us his Spirit.

* Hymn # 384 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (all verses) BEECHER

* Affirmation of Faith #881 "The Apostles' Creed" Bobby Sharp

* Glory Be to the Father GREATOREX

* Time of Greeting Charli Mills

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer Michael Brown

Anthem Faith, Hope, and Love arr. Jason W. Krug

Believers who Expect to Live and Love Selflessly

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings Michael Brown

Offertory

Jesus Loves Me
B.E.L.L.S.

arr. Joel Raney

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

* Hymn #480 O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go (all verses) St. MARGARET

Prayer of Illumination Bobby Sharp

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

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

Scripture1 Corinthians 13:4-8a, 13 (NRSV)Michael BrownMessage"Love Is..."Michael Brown* Hymn #408The Gift of Love (all verses)GIFT OF LOVE* BenedictionMichael Brown

* Response Go Ye Now in Peace Joyce Eilers

* Chiming of the Trinity

* **Postlude** With Trumpets and Horns G.F. Handel

*Please stand in body or in spirit

WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor: Dr. Michael B. Brown Liturgist: Bobby Sharp Traditional Worship Arts Director: Charli Mills Organist/Accompanist: Mike Hendrix Piano: Michaele Cook

Modern Worship

Sunday, February 11, 2024 9:00am

—Opening Song— All The People Said Amen

— Welcome and Call to Worship —

— **Praise Songs** — Don't Tread On Me (We the Kingdom)

Gratitude

— Congregational & Offertory Prayer —

— Offertory —

Soon And Very Soon (Andrae Crouch Gospel's Greatest Hits)

— Message — "Love Is..."

Scripture
1 Corinthians 13:4-8a, 13 (RSV)

— 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.

GROW SPIRITUALLY & GO FAITHFULLY

- * Wednesday Tabor Table Fellowship Dinner will meet Wednesday, February 14, 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: Shrovetide Pancakes, Egg/Hashbrown Casserole, Sausage, Grits, Cooked Apples, Fruit Salad, and Drinks.
- * Mount Tabor's Weekday Preschool begins registration this month. We'd love to see more of our TaborKIDS during the week! Starting on February 6 currently enrolled church members begin registering; February 13 open enrollment begins for church members register. For more information, call the Preschool (336-760-2326) or visit their website mttaborumcpreschool.org.
- * Ash Wednesday is February 14. Everyone is invited to participate in a church wide special event, held in conjunction with Tabor Table, in the Family Life Center from 5-15-6:45pm. Lent: The Journey Begins is an intergenerational event geared to center our hearts and hands as our journey through the wilderness begins. Tabor Table reservations should be made separately: https://www.mttaborumc.org/tabor-table The event will be followed by the Ash Wednesday service at 7:00pm.
- * Easter Plant Orders are now being accepted on the church website, www.mttaborumc.org/event/2024-easter-plant-order. For \$12 each, you may buy your choice of a white Easter lily, 6-inch yellow mum or 6-inch salmon geranium plant in memory or honor of a loved one to help decorate the Mount Tabor UMC Sanctuary or Alspaugh Worship Center on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024. Please remember to memo EASTER PLANT on all payments. If paying online, also select "Special Contribution" in the FUND drop-down menu. Order deadline is Sunday, February 25, 2024.
- * All women are invited to attend a Women's Retreat on April 26-28 at Caraway Conference Center in Asheboro. The theme will be, "Lean In, Lighten Up, and Let Go" with speaker, Rev. Dianne Lawhorn. Don't miss the Early Bird Special!! Register and pay by February 25th for a \$25 per

person discount! (\$216/person, includes 5 meals, double occupancy room for 2 nights, and all materials) Registration Feb. 26-April 12 is \$241/ person, and includes 5 meals, double occupancy room for 2 nights, and all materials. Spaces are limited so register early! (payment due with registration) Registration forms can be found in the Connect Corner of the Welcome Center, in the church office, and on the website. Questions? Contact Kim Harvey, Director of Congregational Care & Spiritual Formation at kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org or 336-765-5561 ext 1021

- * A Message from the Cemetery Committee A limited number of graves are now available in our cemetery. If you joined Mt. Tabor between January 1, 1991 and December 31, 1992 AND you are an ACTIVE MEMBER of the church, you are eligible to request a grave. Request will be honored based on the date of membership and available space. Request must be emailed to cemetery@mttaborumc.org by Thursday, February 29, 2024.
- * The Ryan Shoaf Memorial Summer Grant which was established in May 2022 to celebrate Ryan's life and encourage MTUMC youth to participate in summer activities that brought him joy. Presented annually, the grant is open to all 6th-12th grade youth who plan to participate in a summer opportunity such as a music or art school, scouting camp, or foreign travel experience. Applications are available on the church website at https://www.mttaborumc.org//event/ryan-shoaf-memorial-summer-grant. Please complete the application online, save it, and email the application to charity.goff@mttaborumc.org or print and place the completed application in the designated box in the church office by 5:00pm on Sun., March 3, 2024.
- * The Traditional Service is in urgent need of volunteers to help with both sound and online streaming graphics for the Sunday morning service. Training is available! The livestreams are an important part of the ministries here at Mount Tabor, as they allow those who cannot attend worship in person to participate. Please contact charli.mills@mttaborumc.org if you have any questions.
- * Help Needed! We have babies to rock and hold in the Nursery during worship. If you are interested in showing love to our littlest disciples, please contact Marcey Davis marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org
- * Wednesday Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 9:30am, in person in the fellowship hall and also via Zoom. Please contact our Director of Congregational Care and Spiritual Formation, Kim Harvey at kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org for questions or to receive a Zoom link.
- * If you are a church member and have given birth, please let the church know so we can celebrate this joyous occasion with you. Contact Director of Congregational Care and Spiritual Formation, Kim Harvey at kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org or 336-765-5561 (ext. 1021).
- * If you or your family are dealing with chronic or other illness, cancer, preparing for or recovering from surgery, caregiving, mourning, or experiencing a life transition, please let the church know how you can best be cared for and supported. Kim Harvey, Director of Congregational Care and Spiritual Formation, is available for a visit in her office, Room 203, or you may contact her at (kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org or 336-765-5561 (ext. 1021). She can also arrange a pastoral visit or call, and will pass along any prayer requests you may have.
- * Please be aware that unknown persons are trying to scam Mount Tabor UMC staff and congregants. These attempts are impersonating Pastor Michael 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.

Mount Tabor at a Glance — Church Calendar

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



Sunday, February 11, 2024

9:00 AM Modern Worship Service — Alspaugh Worship Center

10:00 AM TaborKids, TaborTweens, Youth, and Adult Sunday School

11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service — Sanctuary

4:00 PM Disciple I Bible Study

4:00 PM Liturgical Dance Practice — Alspaugh Worship Center

Monday, February 12, 2024

8:00 AM Bulletin & In The Know Submission Deadline

9:00 AM ChurchBusinessAdmin Meeting

9:00 AM TABOR TALK newsletter submission deadline

10:00 AM Staff Prayer Time

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, February 13, 2024

8:45 AM Weekday Preschool Children Building

10:00 AM Worship Planning Meeting

11:00 AM Program Staff Meeting — Rm 200

4:00 PM TaborWomen Circle 8 — Rm 108

6:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting — Fellowship Hall

6:30 PM Pack 934 Committee Meeting — Rm 122

6:30 PM Pack 934 Den Meetings — Family Life Center

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

6:50 AM Fusion Youth Prayer Breakfast - BISCUITVILLE

9:30 AM Wednesday Women's Bible Study — Fellowship Hall

3:30 PM GriefShare — Rm 101

5:15 PM Lent: The Journey Begins — Family Life Center

5:15 PM Tabor Table Fellowship Meal — Trinity Welcome Center

6:15 PM Tabor Kids Worship & Nursery — 162 & 165

7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service — Sanctuary

7:00 PM MTUMC Delivers to Bethesda Center

Thursday, February 15, 2024

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

12:00 PM Band of BrothersFoothills @ 4th Street

6:00 PM B.E.L.L.S. Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room

6:30 PM Modern Worship Band Rehearsal — Alspaugh Worship Center

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room

Friday, February 16, 2024

Saturday, February 17, 2024

9:00 AM Pickle Ball — Family Life Center

Our Response to God's Grace...

BUDGET PLEDGES FOR 2024 as of February 7, 2024

Pledges: 200 for Pledge Total of \$968,594.00

February 4, 2024 ATTENDANCE Online Worship 178 In-person Worship

504

February 4, 2024 GIVING

Budget Needs Each Week \$31,382.00

Budget Gifts \$58,873.40 Seminary Support \$2,000.00 **Building Fund** \$300.00 Bethesda \$300.00 **Initial Offering** \$50.00 Outreach \$50.00

Other \$1,237.50 Total \$62,810.90 **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN** LOAN PRINCIPAL

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

Year-To-Date Loan Balance \$161,679.72 as of January 16, 2024









WORSHIP SCRIPTURE Sunday, February 11, 2024

"Love Is..." 1 Corinthians 13:4-8^a, 13 (RSV)

⁴ Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; ⁵ it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. ⁷ Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸ Love never ends; as for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away.

¹³ So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love

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