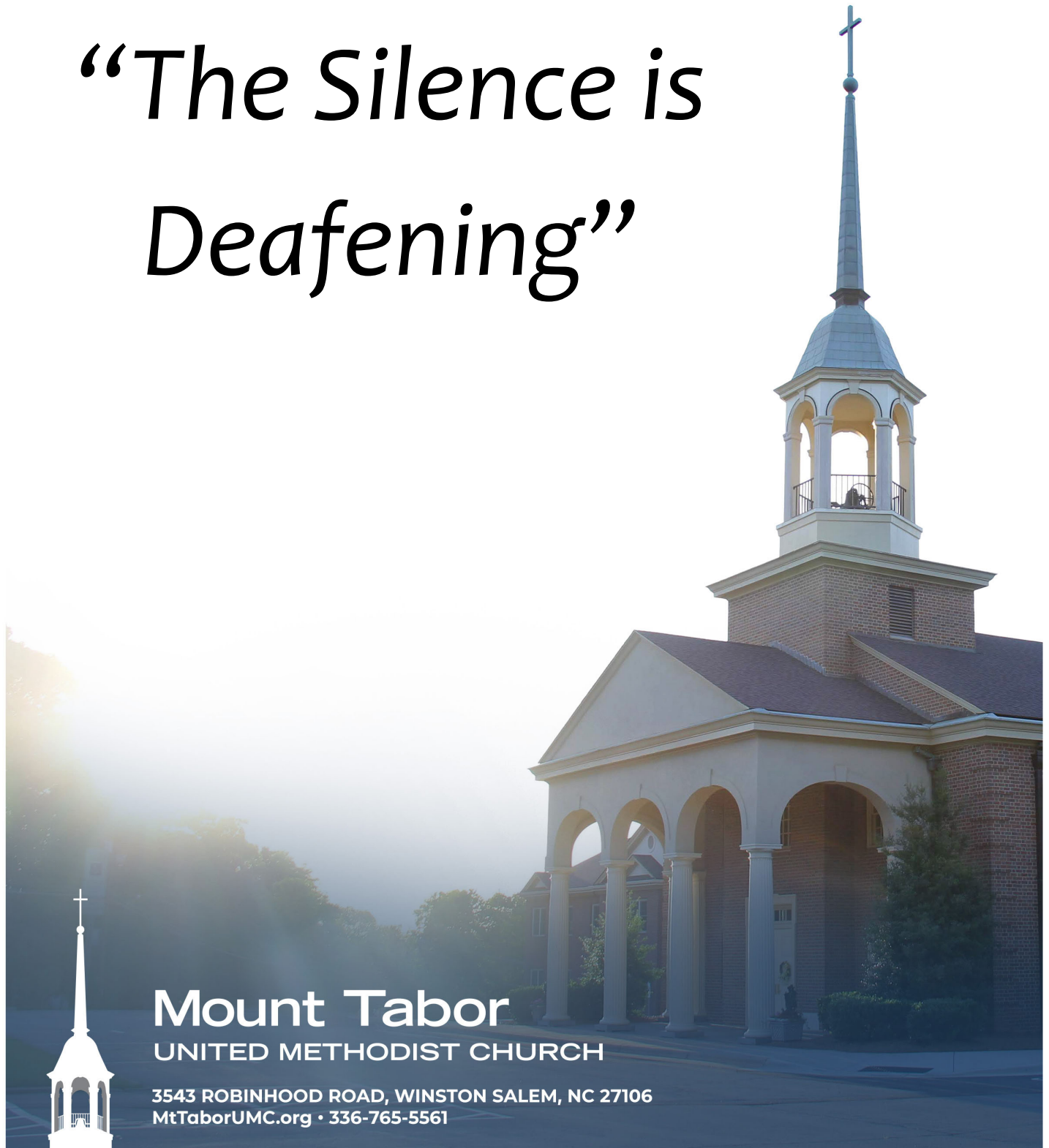


Sunday, August 17, 2025

# *“The Silence is Deafening”*



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# **Modern Worship Service**

**Sunday, August 17, 2025 at 9:00am**

## **Gathering Songs**

*House Of The Lord* — Phil Wickham

*Good Grace* — Hillsong

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **Call to Worship**

## **Praise and Worship**

*Forgiven* — David Crowder

## **Invitation to TaborKIDS & Passing of the Peace**

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.

## **Congregational and Offertory Prayer**

## **Offertory**

*Desert Song* — Brooke Ligertwood

## **Scripture**

1 Kings 19:1-14 (NRSVue)

## **Today's Message**

***"The Silence is Deafening"***

## **Prayer of Response**

## **Closing Song**

*Goodness of God* — Jenn Johnson

## **Sending Forth**

### **Today's Worship Leaders:**

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. David Beam    **Executive Pastor:** Rev. Michelle Foster-Beckerleg

**Modern Worship Coordinator:** Jim Annas    **Worship Host:** Dave Stith

**Prayer Leader:** Venessa Hinton

# Summer Sermon Series: “What You May Not Have Heard in Sunday School”

## “The Silence is Deafening”

August 17, 2025

### I Kings 19:1-14 (NRSVUE)

<sup>1</sup> Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup> Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” <sup>3</sup> Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. <sup>4</sup> But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, “It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.” <sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, “Get up and eat.” <sup>6</sup> He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. <sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, “Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you.” <sup>8</sup> He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. <sup>9</sup> At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>10</sup> He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” <sup>11</sup> He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake, <sup>12</sup> and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup> When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>14</sup> He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”

Where do you go when the going gets rough?

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Do you find solace or frustration in God’s silence?

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How do you know and discern God’s voice?

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# Traditional Worship Service

Sunday, August 17, 2025 — 11:00 am

*Hearing enhancement devices are available in the Narthex.*

**Prelude**

*Élévation*

César Franck

**Welcome**

Lyn Worf

**Introit**

*Surely the Presence of the Lord*

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## Call to Worship

Come, all who are weary from burdens too heavy to carry,  
disillusioned by life's struggles,  
and overwhelmed by fear or failure.  
Come, all who are seeking hope in the midst of chaos,  
rest in the midst of busyness,  
and healing in the midst of dis-ease.

**We come, seeking rest, hope, and healing.**

**We come, longing to hear God's voice again.**

Just as Elijah fled to the wilderness, broken and afraid,  
God met him—not with thunder, not with fire, but in a still, small voice.

**In our silence, in our questions, in our wandering,  
in our pain and our prayers—God is with us.**

**\* Hymn # 166**

*All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine (v. 1-4)*

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**\* Prayer of Confession**

God of mercy, we confess that we grow weary and lose hope.  
In fear and frustration, we forget You are near.  
We hide, we doubt, we despair.  
Yet You come to us in stillness, with grace, not condemnation.  
Forgive us. Meet us again in the stillness.  
Feed us with Your grace.  
Renew our strength and restore our hope, that we may rise and follow You.  
Amen.

**\* Assurance of Forgiveness**

Michelle Foster-Beckerleg

**\* Gloria Patri # 71**

*Glory Be to the Father*

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**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever  
shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**\* Sharing the Peace of Christ and Time of Greeting**

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in the Children's Building immediately following the service.*

**Anthem**

*How Can I Keep from Singing*  
Shannon Overman, soloist

Greg Gilpin

**Congregational and The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory	<i>Sonata in B-Flat Major, K.544</i>	Domenico Scarlatti
Scripture	1 Kings 19:1-14 (NRSVue)	
Message	“The Silence is Deafening”	Rev. David Beam
* Hymn # 102	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	NUN DANKET
* Benediction		
* Benediction Response	<i>God Be with You till We Meet Again</i>	
* Chiming of the Trinity		
Postlude	<i>Chaconne</i>	Louis Couperin

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

## WORSHIP LEADERS

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. David Beam

**Executive Pastor:** Rev. Michelle Foster-Beckerleg

**Interim Director of Traditional Worship Arts:** Robert Overman

**Organist/Accompanist:** Jessica Beitel

**Soloist:** Shannon Overman

**Acolyte:** Grant Shipley

**Liturgist:** Lyn Worf

# Welcome to Mount Tabor United Methodist Church

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](http://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](mailto:kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org)).

## General Information

- Nursery care and Mother's Room are available for all services.
- Children (K-5th grade) interested in participating in TaborKIDS worship may leave the service at the appropriate time.
- Wheelchairs are available for use while on church property.
- The Church Office is open Mon.-Thurs., 9:00am-4:00pm and Friday 9:00am-NOON.
- See the church website at [www.mttaborumc.org](http://www.mttaborumc.org) for more information.
- Please submit ministry announcement information at least two weeks in advance to [charity.goff@mttaborumc.org](mailto:charity.goff@mttaborumc.org).

## GATHER Joyfully

- Worship at Mount Tabor United Methodist Church on Sundays: Modern Worship, 9:00am in the Alspaugh Worship Center and Traditional, 11:00am, in the Sanctuary.
- Both services are also available via Facebook Live and <https://www.YouTube.com/MountTaborUMCVideoStreaming>.

## GROW Spiritually and GO Faithfully

- \* **Interested and invested in discipling the next generation? All current and prospective TaborKIDS & Fusion Leaders & Coaches are invited to gather on September 3 at 5:15 PM!** Join the Family Ministries Team for an evening of fun, fellowship, and food while flexing your leadership skills! Questions? Contact Marcey ([marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org](mailto:marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org)) or WillyB ([will.busch@mttaborumc.org](mailto:will.busch@mttaborumc.org)) RSVP for dinner here: [bit.ly/mtldrtraining2025](https://bit.ly/mtldrtraining2025)
- \* **Calling all women looking for a Sunday morning fellowship group!** Now is a great time to visit the Women In The Word Sunday School class. They are hosting a "Missions Month" during August - led by women in our church sharing their experiences working with some "under the radar" service opportunities. Feel free to join us for one or more of these enlightening meetings - or find a permanent home doing life with us in our little corner of the world! We meet from 10:00-11:00am on Sunday mornings in Room 100 of the lower level of the Adult Sunday School wing, and we always welcome new faces - any age, any stage!
- \* **At Mount Tabor, we believe in the study of God's word and want to impart that upon our children.** This year, we are delighted to be giving Bibles to 1st graders and others who have yet to receive one from Mount Tabor UMC. These Bibles will be at their reading levels and geared toward furthering their understanding of God's word. Bibles will be handed out at all worship services on Sunday, September 14. You are also invited to a special Hands On Bible event on Sunday, September 21 during Sunday School. Please register here to receive a Bible: [bit.ly/mtbible25](https://bit.ly/mtbible25)
- \* **Wednesday, September 10 is going to be a BIG day at Mount Tabor** and you don't want to miss it. Join us for Wednesday Women's Bible Study, Tabor Table (see the menu below), the Kick-Off of TaborKIDS, an evening study, and so much more. Mark your calendar and make plans to be here!
- \* **TaborTWEENS (4th & 5th Graders) are invited to the District Tween Retreat September 26-27 at Camp Hanes.** For more information and to register, please visit: [bit.ly/tweenretreat2025](https://bit.ly/tweenretreat2025). The registration deadline is September 7!

- \* **Wednesday Tabor Table Fellowship Dinner will meet Wednesday, September 10** from 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 \$10 for adult (age 13 and up), \$7 for child (age 3-12), free for children under 3. For those living in same home, family max is \$30. The menu is: Chicken Enchiladas, Rice, Green Beans, Rolls, Chips, Salad Bar, Desserts, and Drinks. Children's option: Chicken Nuggets.
- \* **TaborKIDS on Wednesdays kicks off on September 10!** Every Tabor Table Wednesday, children (ages 2 years old - 5th grade) are invited to come to the Children's Building from 6-7 PM for faith, fun, and fellowship! Check your TaborKIDS emails in late August for more information!
- \* **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/Winter GriefShare series will begin on Wednesday, September 10-December 17 in room 102 from 3:30-5:00pm. For more information, please contact Beverly Burton at [griefshare@mttaborumc.org](mailto:griefshare@mttaborumc.org) or to register go to [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.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 10 thru December 10 in The Parlor (Rm. 108) from 6:30-8:00pm. For more information, please contact David Rigby at [divorcecare@mttaborumc.org](mailto:divorcecare@mttaborumc.org). Registration is easy at [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org).

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## Mount Tabor at a Glance Church Calendar

*A real-time calendar is available at [www.mttaborumc.org](http://www.mttaborumc.org)*

### Sunday, August 17, 2025

9:00 AM Modern Worship Service — Alspaugh  
 10:00 AM Child, Tween, Youth, & Adult Sunday School Classes  
 10:00 AM Next Step New Membership Gathering — Fellowship Hall  
 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service — Sanctuary  
 5:00 PM Fusion Youth Group — Youth Commons

### Monday, August 18, 2025

8:00 AM Bulletin & In The Know Email Submission Deadline  
 9:00 AM Church Business Admin Mtg — Rm 207  
 10:00 AM Quilting Ministry — Rm 107  
 12:00 PM Nar-Anon Family Support Group — Rm 108  
 7:00 PM Men's Basketball — Family Life Center  
 7:00 PM Women's Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

### Tuesday, August 19, 2025

10:00 AM Worship Planning Meeting — Rm 207  
 6:00 PM A Church for All People Ministry Meeting — Fellowship Hall  
 6:00 PM Circle 5 meeting — Rm 108  
 7:00 PM Modern Worship Band Rhrl — Alspaugh

### Wednesday, August 20, 2025

6:50 AM High School Prayer Breakfast — Bagel Station  
 12:00 PM Church Leadership Team Meeting — Rm 207  
 6:45 PM Adult Volleyball Game — Family Life Center

### Thursday, August 21, 2025

7:30 AM Band of Brothers In-person and via Zoom — Rm 306  
 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal — Choir Room  
 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal — Choir Room  
 7:00 PM Modern Worship Band Rehearsal — Alspaugh

### Friday, August 22, 2025

### Saturday, August 23, 2025

9:00 AM Pickle Ball — Family Life Center



September 10 – December 17  
**Wednesdays, 3:30 – 5 PM**  
**in Room 102**



September 10 – December 10  
**Wednesdays, 6:30 – 8 PM**  
**in The Parlor (Room 108)**

Learn more at [MtTaborUMC.org/support-groups](https://MtTaborUMC.org/support-groups)

# New Member Sunday

will be Sunday, August 31

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Interested in joining the church on  
New Member Sunday?

Contact Charity Goff, Church Administrator at  
[Charity.Goff@MtTaborUMC.org](mailto:Charity.Goff@MtTaborUMC.org)



## Our Response to God's Grace on Sunday, August 10, 2025

### Through our Attendance

Online Worship	189
In-person Worship	495

### Through our Giving

Budget Needs Each Week	\$34,811.00
Budget Gifts	\$38,581.12

**Budget Pledges for 2025:** Number of Pledges: 252  
Pledge Total of \$1,318,613