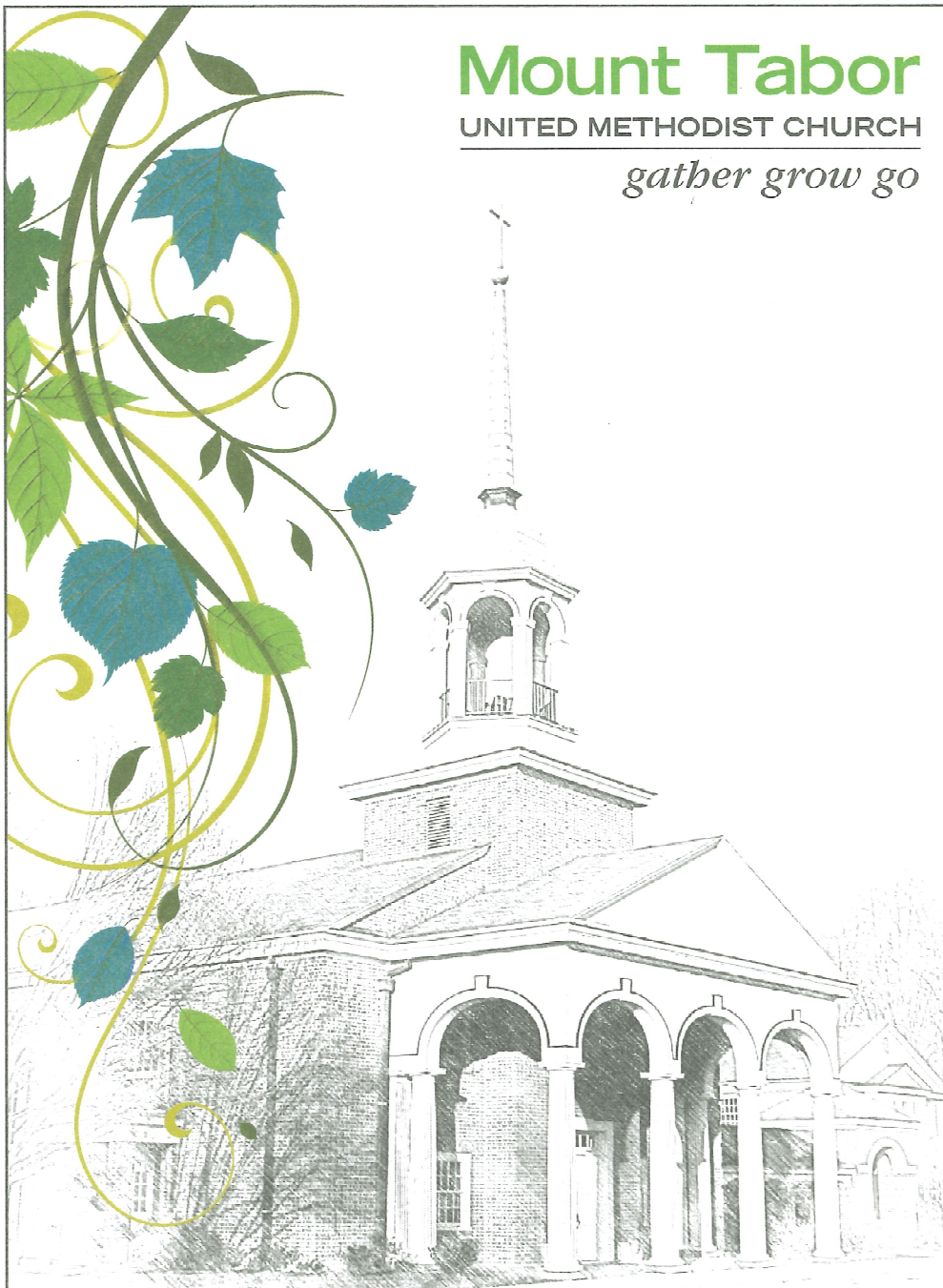


# Mount Tabor

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*gather grow go*



**JANUARY 14, 2024**

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

**Traditional Order of Worship**  
**Sunday, January 14, 2024 • 11:00am**

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

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Because He Lives</i>	Bill Gaither
<b>Welcome</b>		Charli Mills
<b>Introit</b>	<i>Alleluia</i>	ALLELUIA
<b>* Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 8)</b>		John Giles
O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. <b>O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.</b> You who have displayed your splendor above the heavens! <b>From the mouths of children you have ordained praise.</b> When I survey the heavens, the moon and stars you created, <b>What are we, that you are mindful of us?</b> Yet you have made us a little lower than the angels, <b>And you crown us with glory and majesty!</b> O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. <b>O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.</b>		
<b>* Hymn # 179</b>	<i>O Sing a Song of Bethlehem (all verses)</i>	KINGSFOLD
<b>* Affirmation of Faith #881</b>	<b>“The Apostles’ Creed”</b>	John Giles
<b>* Gloria Patri #71</b>	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	GREATOREX
<b>* Time of Greeting</b>		Charli Mills
<i>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.</i>		
<b>Pastoral Prayer &amp; The Lord’s Prayer</b>		Michael Brown
<b>Anthem</b>	<i>Amazing Grace</i>	arr. Mark Hayes
<b>Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings</b>		John Giles
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>He Touched Me</i>	Bill Gaither
<b>* Doxology #95</b>	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100th
<b>* Hymn #277</b>	<i>Tell Me the Stories of Jesus (all verses)</i>	STORIES OF JESUS
<b>Prayer of Illumination</b>		John Giles
Lord Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world. Fill our minds with your peace and our hearts with your love. Amen.		
<b>Scripture</b>	Luke 2:41-47 Luke 18:15-17	James Campbell Mary Ines Johnson
<b>Message</b>	<b>“The Divinity of Childhood”</b>	Michael Brown
<b>* Hymn #273</b>	<i>Jesus’ Hands Were Kind Hands (all verses)</i>	AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE
<b>* Benediction</b>		Michael Brown
<b>* Response</b>	<i>God Be with You till We Meet Again</i>	GOD BE WITH YOU
<b>* Chiming of the Trinity</b>		
<b>* Postlude</b>	<i>Get All Excited</i>	Bill Gaither

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit*

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Senior Pastor: Dr. Michael B. Brown  
Liturgist: John Giles, James Campbell, and Mary Ines Johnson  
Traditional Worship Arts Director: Charli Mills  
Organist/Accompanist: Mike Hendrix

**WORSHIP SCRIPTURE**  
**Sunday, January 14, 2024**

## “The Divinity of Childhood”

## Luke 2:41-47 RSV

<sup>41</sup> Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover. <sup>42</sup> And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom; <sup>43</sup> and when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, <sup>44</sup> but supposing him to be in the company they went a day's journey, and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintances; <sup>45</sup> and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking him. <sup>46</sup> After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions; <sup>47</sup> and all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

## Luke 18:15-17

<sup>15</sup> Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them; and when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. <sup>16</sup> But Jesus called them to him, saying, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God. <sup>17</sup> Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

Notes:

Celebrate the Life & Legacy of  
**Martin Luther King Jr.**  
THROUGH SONG AND SPOKEN WORD



**Monday, January 15 at 4 PM  
in the Sanctuary**

**FEATURING**

Joy Singers of the Yadkin Valley District  
The Voices of God's Children  
Mount Tabor UMC Chancel Choir

*"I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear."*  
- Martin Luther King Jr.

**DIVORCE** *Care*®

**Meets weekly on Wednesdays**  
January 17 – April 17 (except for February 14)  
6:30-8:00 PM in The Parlor

Questions? Contact David Rigby  
at [Divorcecare@mttaborumc.org](mailto:Divorcecare@mttaborumc.org)

**Grief**  **Share**®

**Meets weekly on Wednesdays**  
January 17 – April 10  
3:30 – 5:15 PM in Room 101

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.

Register at [GriefShare.org](http://GriefShare.org) or contact Beverly Burton  
at [GriefShare@mttaborumc.org](mailto:GriefShare@mttaborumc.org) with questions.



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**Modern Worship**  
**Sunday, January 14, 2024**  
**9:00am**

**—Opening Song—**  
*House of the Lord*

**— Welcome and Call to Worship —**

**— Praise Songs —**  
*The Beating Heart*  
(Newsong)

*Who You Say I Am*

**— TaborKIDS Dismissal —**

**— Congregational & Offertory Prayer —**

**— Offertory —**  
*In The Room*

**— Message —**  
**“The Divinity of Childhood”**

*Scripture*  
Luke 2:41-47 and Luke 18:15-17 (RSV)

**— Closing Song —**  
*Drenched*  
(Bethel)

**— Announcements & Sending Forth —**

**Worship Leaders**

Senior Pastor: Dr. Michael Brown  
Modern Worship Coordinator: Jim Annas  
Worship Host: Cheryl Vaughan  
Prayer Leader: Billie Mason

## 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](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 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](http://www.mttaborumc.org) for more info.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submit announcement info at least two weeks in advance to [charity.goff@mttaborumc.org](mailto: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

- \* **Wednesday Tabor Table Fellowship Dinner** will meet Wednesday, January 17, 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: White Chicken Chili, Baked Potatoes, Cornbread, Salad Bar, Drinks, and Desserts.*  
*Kids Option: Pancakes*
- \* **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.
- \* **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](mailto:kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org) for questions or to receive a Zoom link.
- \* **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 Spring GriefShare series will begin on Wednesday, January 17-April 10 in room 101 from 3:30-5:15pm. For more information or to register for GriefShare, please contact Beverly Burton at <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/171523>

- \* **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 January 17-April 17 in The Parlor (Rm. 108) from 6:30-8:00pm. For more information or to register for DivorceCare, please contact David Rigby at [divorcecare@mttaborumc.org](mailto:divorcecare@mttaborumc.org) or visit the website at [divorcecare.org](http://divorcecare.org).
- \* **Training for acolytes will be January 21 12:15-2:00pm.** If your child is in 3rd grade or up and is interested in helping lead worship as an acolyte in the Traditional Worship Service, please email [marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org](mailto:marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org) to sign up for the training.
- \* **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](mailto:marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org)
- \* **TaborTWEENS** (4th & 5th Graders) will gather on January 21 3:30-5:00pm at Alex's Grill in Lewisville. RSVP to [marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org](mailto:marcey.davis@mttaborumc.org).
- \* **Pastor Mark Key** has postponed his trip to the Holy Land to November 12-22, 2024 due to the war between Israel and Hamas in Gaza. Pray for a speedy end to the war and peace and reconciliation between Israel and Palestinians.
- \* **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](http://www.mttaborumc.org/give) selecting “Bethesda Benefit” (or make checks payable to MTUMC designating “Bethesda Benefit” and bring to the church).
- \* **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](mailto:charli.mills@mttaborumc.org) if you have any questions.
- \* **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](mailto: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](mailto: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.





**Sunday, January 14, 2024**

- 9:00 AM Modern Worship Service — Alspaugh Worship Center
- 10:00 AM Children, Youth, and Adult Sunday School Classes
- 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 Youth Board Game Night — Family Life Center

**Monday, January 15, 2024**

- Church Office Closed - MLK Holiday
- 8:00 AM Bulletin and In The Know Submission Deadline
- 12:00 PM Nar-Anon Family Support Group — Rm 108-Church Parlor
- 4:00 PM MLK Special Service — Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball — Family Life Center
- 7:00 PM Outreach Committee Meeting — Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Women's Alcoholics Anonymous — Rm 102

**Tuesday, January 16, 2024**

- 9:00 AM Church Business Admin Meeting — Rm 207
- 10:00 AM Worship Planning Meeting — Rm 303
- 11:00 AM Staff Meeting — Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM Church for all People Meeting — Rm 303
- 6:00 PM Circle #4 Meeting — Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM UMW Circle #5 — Rm 108-Church Parlor

**Wednesday, January 17, 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 Tabor Table Fellowship Meal — Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Church Council Meeting — Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM DivorceCare — Rm 108
- 6:45 PM Adult Volleyball Game — Family Life Center
- 7:00 PM MTUMC Delivers to Bethesda Center

**Thursday, January 18, 2024**

- 7:30 AM Band of Brothers In-person and via Zoom — Rm 306
- 12:00 PM Band of Brothers Foothills @ 4th Street
- 6:00 PM B.E.L.L.S. Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room
- 6:00 PM PickleBall Game — Family Life Center
- 6:30 PM Modern Worship Band Rehearsal — Alspaugh Worship Center
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal — Music/Choir Room

**Friday, January 19, 2024**

**Saturday, January 20, 2024**

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**Our Response to God's Grace...**

<b>BUDGET PLEDGES FOR 2024</b> <i>as of January 2, 2024</i>	<b>January 7, 2024 ATTENDANCE</b>		<b>CAPITAL CAMPAIGN LOAN PRINCIPAL</b>
	Online Worship	178	
	In-person Worship	477	
# Pledges: 194 for Pledge Total of \$938,557	<b>January 7, 2024 GIVING</b>		<b>January 1, 2018 Balance</b>
	Budget Needs Each Week	\$31,382.00	\$2,440,522.29
	Budget Gifts	\$17,602.16	
	Memorials	\$125.00	<b>Year-To-Date Loan Balance</b>
	Building Fund	\$100.00	\$186,066.38
	Bethesda	\$300.00	<i>as of January 2, 2024</i>
	Outreach	\$25.00.00	
	Other	\$225.38	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,377.54</b>	