

*He has
Risen!*

LUKE 24:6



EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 20, 2025 AT 8, 9 & 11 AM

Mount Tabor
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Welcome Home to Mount Tabor United Methodist Church!

Thank you for joining the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on this glorious day. We hope that you have come expectant of experiencing God's presence, of being inspired by the Holy Spirit, and being challenged to live faithfully in relationship to God through Christ.

We especially want to welcome those of you visiting with us.

We appreciate your presence and invite you to come and be with us again in worship, fellowship, and service. Our worship services are at 9:00am and 11:00am each Sunday along with Sunday School classes for all ages at 10:00am. Please let us know how we can help you in your walk of faith!

—Pastor David Beam

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Just a reminder, we will not be having Sunday School or TaborKIDS today. We invite families to worship together for Easter. Our Nursery is available for all children (infant to Kindergarten) in the Children's Building.

8:00am Easter Service and Recessional to the Memory Garden Sunday, April 20, 2025

Prelude *Alleluia* Palestrina

Welcome Pastor David Beam

Introit *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* REGENT SQUARE

* Call to Worship (based on 1 Peter 1:3-5) Kim Harvey

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. **He has given us new life and hope.**

He has raised Jesus from the dead. **God has claimed us as his own.**

He has brought us out of darkness. **He has made us light to the world.**

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* Hymn # 302 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* (verses 1-4) EASTER HYMN

*Affirmation of Faith #888 Kim Harvey

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #71 *Glory Be to The Father* GREATORIX

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.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer Pastor David Beam

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem *Christ Arose* arr. Mary McDonald

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

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Illumination

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world. Fill our minds with your peace and our hearts with your love. Amen.

Scripture Luke 24:1-12 (NRSV)

Message "An Idle Tale?" Pastor David Beam

Recessional

Hymn # 159 *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER

(Refrain): **Lift high the cross, The love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name.**

¹ **Come, Christian, follow this triumphant sign. The hosts of God In unity combine.** (repeat refrain)

² **Each newborn servant of the Crucified bears on the brow the seal of him who died.** (repeat refrain)

³ **O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.** (repeat refrain)

⁴ **So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory!** (repeat refrain)

The Litany of Resurrection

Pastor David Beam

The women came running to tell us. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
Out of darkness, light has come. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
The tomb is empty, our hearts are full. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
Our mourning has been turned to dancing. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
Our tears have been turned to laughter. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
The stone has been moved away from the door of the tomb. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
Captives at liberty, prisoners set free. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
Death clothes cast aside to bind broken hearts. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
The lowly are lifted, the mighty brought down. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed.**
Today the promise of God is fulfilled in our hearing. **Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Reading of Scripture

1 Corinthians 15:42-47

Kim Harvey

The Unison Prayer

God of power and majesty: with the rising of the sun you have raised Jesus Christ and delivered him and us from death's destruction. We believe that you are present with us because of Christ's rising from the dead, and that you persist in lifting us to new life in him.

We bring to you our prayers for this world in need of resurrection. Especially we pray for nations and people in strife, for the poor and distressed, for the diseased and dying, for the grieving and the lost.

God, we praise you on this bright day for all your gifts of new life. Especially we thank you for all victories over sin and evil in our lives, for loyalty and love of family, for the newborn, the newly baptized, and those now in your eternal home, for the renewal of nature, and for the continuing witness of this church across 180 years. As we stand on this sacred ground, we claim the resurrection as our foundation, and we offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord and Savior. Amen.

Hymn

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

HYMN TO JOY

¹ *Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song! Death and sorrow, earth's dark story, to the former days belong. All around the clouds are breaking, soon the storms of time shall cease; in God's likeness we, awaking, know the everlasting peace.*

² *O what glory, far exceeding all that eye has yet perceived! Holiest hearts, for ages pleading, never that full joy conceived. God has promised, Christ prepares it, there on high our welcome waits. Every humble spirit shares it; Christ has passed th'eternal gates.*

³ *Life eternal! heaven rejoices; Jesus lives, who once was dead. Join we now the deathless voices; child of God, lift up your head! Patriarchs from the distant ages, saints all longing for their heaven, prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages, all await the glory given.*

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Dismissal with Blessing

Pastor David Beam

Chiming of the Trinity

*Please stand in body or in spirit

On April 9, 1939, Mt. Tabor's 1st Easter Sunrise Service was held. On April 16, 1939, a Church Conference was held and it was decided that the Easter Sunrise Service would be an annual event. This year will be 86 consecutive years that the service has been held.

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor & Message: Pastor David Beam
Liturgist: Kim Harvey
Director of Traditional Worship Arts: Lauren Harris

Guest Dir. of Traditional Worship Arts: Robert Overman
Organist/Accompanist: Jessica Beitel
Guest Pianist: Patricia Grace Hazard

**9:00am Modern Worship
on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025**

Gathering Song

Risen Today — Aaron Shust

Praise & Worship

In Christ Alone — Lauren Daigle

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise & Worship

Firm Foundation (He Won't) — Maverick City

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Congregational & Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Thank You Jesus For The Blood — Charity Gayle

Scripture

John 20:1-18 (NRSV)

Today's Message

"Best News Ever!"

Closing Song

Christ Is Risen — Bethel Music

Sending Forth

Today's Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor: Rev. David Beam
Worship Host: Deborah Daniels

Modern Worship Coordinator: Jim Annas
Prayer Leader: Chad Marion

Traditional Worship at 11:00am on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

Hearing enhancement devices are available in the Narthex.

Prelude

Psalm 19

Benedetto Marcello

Welcome

Pastor David Beam

Introit

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

REGENT SQUARE

* **Call to Worship (based on 1 Peter 1:3-5)**

Lyn Worf

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* **Hymn # 302**

Christ the Lord is Risen Today (verses 1-4)

EASTER HYMN

Time of Greeting

Pastor David Beam

* **Affirmation of Faith #888**

Lyn Worf

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Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Pastor David Beam

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen

Anthem	<i>Christ Arose</i>	arr. Mary McDonald
Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings		Pastor David Beam
Offertory	<i>Christ Arose</i>	Arr. Mary McDonald
* Doxology #95	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100th
	Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
* Hymn #327	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	DIADEMATA
Prayer of Illumination		Bob McHone
	Lord Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world. Fill our minds with your peace and our hearts with your love. Amen.	
Scripture	John 20:1-18 (NRSV)	Bob McHone
Message	<i>“Best News Ever!”</i>	Pastor David Beam
* Hymn #303	<i>The Day of Resurrection (all verses)</i>	LANCASHIRE
* Benediction		Pastor David Beam
* Response	<i>Christ Arose</i>	arr. Mary McDonald
* Chiming of the Trinity		
* Postlude	<i>Allegro Maestoso from Suite No. 2 in D Major</i>	<i>George Frideric Handel</i>
	<i>*Please stand in body or in spirit</i>	

WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor: Rev. David Beam
 Director of Traditional Worship Arts: Lauren Harris
 Liturgists: Lyn Worf & Bob McHone
 Guest Director of Traditional Worship Arts: Robert Overman
 Organist/Accompanist: Jessica Beitel
 Guest Pianist: Patricia Grace Hazard
 Acolyte: Lilly & Hallie Long

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 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 information.

Announcements

Submit announcement info at least two weeks in advance to charity.goff@mttaborumc.org.

GATHER Joyfully

- * **You can worship at Mount Tabor United Methodist Church** 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 and GO Faithfully

- * **A special offering** will be collected today to benefiting Samaritan Ministries and our North Hills Elementary Backpack Program. Please use the special offering envelope if you are planning on contributing to these outreach ministries.
- * **The Church Office will be closed on Monday, April 21 for Easter Monday.**
- * **Wednesday Tabor Table Fellowship Dinner will meet Wednesday, April 23** 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: Stuffed Shells, Pasta & Sauce, Rolls, Salad Bar, Desserts, and Drinks. Children's option: Grilled Cheese.
- * **Our Methodist Men's Breakfast** will take place on Sunday, May 4 in the Fellowship Hall at 7:30am. All men of Mount Tabor are invited to join us!
- * **Our May/June Upper Rooms** are here and available in the Church Office, Welcome Center, and the Sanctuary.
- * **Tabor Troupers (Seniors 60+)** will meet on **Monday, April 28**, at 11:30 am and we will enjoy a meal in the Fellowship Hall and a program featuring Deep Time, a Fresh Expression of the Western North Carolina Conference. We will learn how Deep Time is cultivating spiritual community for those impacted by incarceration. The menu will be Chicken Pie, Vegetable, Rolls, drinks, and dessert. Please register at the Connect Corner in the welcome center or in your Sunday School Class.

- * **Our American Red Cross Blood Drive** will be at Mount Tabor UMC on Tuesday, April 29 from 2:00-7:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Make your appointment online at <https://www.redcross.org/give-blood.html> using the church zip code 27106 for the April 29 date or contact Ron Grant 336-577-3687.
- * **Wednesday Women's Bible Study** is studying the Gospel of Luke on Wednesdays through May 14 at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall and also via Zoom. There is nothing to purchase, just bring a Bible. For questions or the zoom link, contact Kim Harvey at kim.harvey@mttaborumc.org or 336-765-5561.
- * **Calling All 2025 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, May 18**. 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 11:59pm Wednesday, April 30.**
- * **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.
- * **On Thursday, May 1, 2025 at 7:00am you are invited to join us for the annual National Day of Prayer Breakfast in the Family Life Center.** This year the Keynote Speaker will be Rusty LaRue. Questions or RSVP by emailing Jamie Post (j.post@ymcawnc.org).
- * **We are creating a 2025 Church Yearbook (otherwise known as a Pictorial Directory)** and are hoping that EVERY family at Mount Tabor will participate. Please sign up for a portrait appointment (APRIL 23-26 or MAY 7-10), and receive a FREE photo session, a FREE 8x10 and a FREE printed pictorial directory! (Additional portrait prints will be available for purchase during portrait sessions.) You can register for this project in person by calling the church office on weekdays, or completing a registration form on Sunday mornings in the Welcome Center and on Wednesday nights during Tabor Table - or you can register online at bit.ly/MTUMCphotos. Contact Michael Cook with questions at (336) 575-4786 or michaelcook@gmail.com.
- * **NEW Mount Tabor UMC Business Directory!** Are you a personal injury lawyer? An artist? A family therapist? Or a personal trainer? Are you a builder/contractor? Maybe you are a youth babysitter - or a pet sitter! Please consider listing your business or side hustle with us! We are gathering listings for a new ONLINE resource - where church members can list their businesses for free, and where other church members can find help when they have a need. This FREE directory will be found on our church website, and will be launching at the end of April. Use the website link to submit your business information now. bit.ly/MTUMCBusinessDirectory. Contact Michael Cook with questions.
- * **Kindergartners & their adults are invited to "I Can Worship with My Family"** on May 4 at 10:00am. This special event will introduce them to "big church" and what it's like "upstairs" with the "big" kids. Questions? Ask Ms. Marcey.
- * **Registration is now open for kids and volunteers for VBS June 16-19!** All are invited to join the fun at VBS camp where kids (and volunteers!) will "wannastay" all summer! Register here: <https://vbspro.events/p/91a6e7>

2025 Mount Tabor United Methodist Church

2025 Easter Plant Donations

Geraniums Given in Memory of:

- Andy Burton by Blaine, Beverly, and Hope Burton
- Betty Livengood by Jim and Susan Annas
- Bill & Pat Mainous by Herb & Fleeta Hall
- Blanche Craft Livengood by Tom & Pat Livengood
- Bob & Jean Shuping by Tony & Beth Tedder
- Bobb Reddick by Linda Reddick
- Charles & Fern Trottier by Charles and Waynetta Trottier
- Douglas Turnage by Betty Griffith
- Ed & Helen Miller by Ralph & Carolyn Miller
- Eugene Anderson by Kurt, Tom, & Michelle Petrich
- Fred Burton by Jean Winters
- Fred Turnage by Betty Griffith
- Helga Petrich by Kurt, Tom, & Michelle Petrich
- Howard & Elizabeth Hartman by Bob & Sandra Hartman
- Ivery & Mabel Carter by Bob & Sandra Hartman
- James M. Thompson by Brice & Lindsay Heitman
- John & Nelda McElrath by Marian & David Bell
- Josephine Pritchard by Janice Council
- Kara Chase by Brice & Lindsay Heitman
- Louis Winters by Jean Winters
- Margaret Turnage by Betty Griffith
- Michael McCammon by Don & Marcey Davis
- Miller Council by Janice Council
- Nancy Petree by Marian & David Bell
- Phil & Ruth Livengood by Tom & Pat Livengood
- Rev. & Mrs. Roy E. Bell by Marian & David Bell
- Rita Anderson by Kurt, Tom, & Michelle Petrich
- Roger & Judy Hall by Herb & Fleeta Hall
- Roger & Desiree Taylor by Charles & Waynetta Trottier
- Rush Bondurant by Ralph & Carolyn Miller
- Ruth Council by Janice Council
- Sara & Foy Annas by Jim & Susan Annas
- Shannon Meadows Moran by Bill & Lisa Meadows
- Susan Rudd by Linda Reddick
- Wes Burton by Blaine, Beverly, and Hope Burton

Mums Given in Memory of:

- Bill & Golda Pfaff by Mike Pfaff
- Bob Agnew by Martha Agnew
- Ed Snapp by Georgie Snapp
- Ellis & Martha Blanche Livengood by Martha Agnew
- Eugenia & Evan Kelley by Philip & Jeanette Kelley
- George & Mildred Hendrix by Martha Agnew
- Herbert N. & Laura Thomas by Sidney Morris and Herbert Thomas
- James Petree, Virginia Petree, & J.M. Petree by Sidney Morris & Herbert Thomas



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- Mike Hendrix by our MTUMC Chancel Choir
- Sam Gladding by Claire Gladding
- Sam Gladding by Steve & Laura Kelly

Lilies Given in Memory of:

- Ben Hunnicutt by The Hunnicutts
- Bob Reddick by Scout Troop 934
- Donnie by Patricia Thomas
- Gordon & Helen Leader by Carrie & Richard Leader
- Richard by Patricia Thomas
- Harry Bartley by Linda Kearsley
- Jon Thorne by Carrie & Richard Leader
- Louise Bartley by Linda Kearsley
- Pat Royall by The Hunnicutts
- Ron Davis by Kyle, Daphne, Cecillia, & Lucy Davis
- Sam Gladding by The Gladding Family

Geraniums Given in Honor of:

- Bob & Brona McHone by Matt & Jenn Love
- Don & Donna Davis by Don & Marcey Davis
- Harold & Jeannie Boyles by Matt & Jenn Love
- Harold Royall by The Hunnicutts
- Kim, Andy, Drew, & Ty Fansler by Wes & Marie Murph
- Kurt Petrich by Tom & Michelle Petrich
- Mac & Lisa Warren by Brice & Lindsay Heitman
- Mary Carolyn Bondurant by Ralph & Carolyn Miller
- MTUMC TaborKIDS by Patricia Thomas
- Navada Ingle by Tony & Beth Tedder
- Reagan, Reese, & Rylie by Evan & Misty Wooten
- Sam & Andrea Honeycutt by The Hunnicutts
- Susan, Mike, & Wes McCabe by Wes & Marie Murph
- The Hunnicutt family by Sam & Andrea Honeycutt
- Thurmond Livengood by Jim & Susan Annas

Mums Given in Honor of:

- Brittany, Tyler, & Eli Mac Webb by Bill & Lisa Meadows
- Jessica Beitel by our MTUMC Chancel Choir
- Keith Huffstettler by Scout Troop 934
- Kim Harvey by Georgie Snapp
- Lauren Harris by our MTUMC Chancel Choir
- Martha Agnew, Susan Annas, Janie Livengood, & Sally Klepcyk by Tom & Pat Livengood
- Phil & Kimberly Kelley by Philip & Jeanette Kelley

Lilies Given in Honor of:

- Donna Thorne by Carrie & Richard Leader
- Bill & Elva Owen by John & Stacy Owens
- Pam & Bill Poindexter by John & Stacy Owens



For more information on the ministries and ministry opportunities of Mount Tabor United Methodist Church, please visit our website, www.mttaborumc.org.