



THE GOOD WORD

Taylorsville United Methodist Church
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◆ July 2026 ◆

A Message from Pastor Josh

July is one of my favorite months. I think of it as the high part of the summer. Outdoor activities, cookouts, camping, and swimming, July 4th, beach days, and so on. I tend to look at July as a month that is a shame to miss out on fun. At least that's how I looked at it as a kid. Of course, it's still a lot of work to make all that fun happen, especially as an adult. But July is still an opportunity, as all months are, to try and learn to enjoy and appreciate life.

Too often, we forget to enjoy the gifts of life, but these things are a blessing from God. So take a little time this summer to rest, relax, and enjoy life. There will be plenty of time to deal with the work and troubles of this world.

Ecclesiastes 8:15 ESV

And I commend joy, for man has nothing better under the sun but to eat and drink and be joyful, for this will go with him in his toil through the days of his life that God has given him under the sun.

Vacation dates and coverage: This July, I plan to take a two-week vacation, from July 8th to the 21st. While I'm away, Ron and Cindy will handle the worship services and preaching, and emergency call coverage will be handled by William Carpenter from Linganore UMC from the 8th to the 15th, and by Mark Gorman from Calvary UMC from the 16th through to the 21st.

You can reach William Carpenter at 904-729-9484 and Mark Gorman at 443-458-2092.

Should you need to call, please leave a message. Like most of us, they are now screening their calls because of the junk calls we all receive these days.

Events this month:

July 11th - Dinner on the Grounds at Zion. 2-6 pm Chicken dinner for \$15. The Salem Bottom Boys are playing at 4 pm.

July 20-24th - Private Art Camp at Taylorsville

July 25th - VBS at Zion

Pastor Josh

Our Mission of Purpose

We seek to faithfully display God's love through our actions toward everyone in our community.



July Birthdays

14 Cindy Harris
23 Josh Gillen

July Anniversaries

9 Hearl and Sandy Wright
16 Tim and Michelle Manco



★ Men's Breakfast ★

All Men Are Welcome

June 11 at 9:00 AM

Bob Evans
206 Malcolm Dr., Westminster, MD

Worship Assistants

Ushers: Hearl & Sandy Wright
Reader: Anna Grimes

Let the office know if you would like to read or usher.



MT. AIRY NET - Can You Help?

July Most needed items:
Canned veggies: Corn or
Green beans

Peanut Butter

Jelly

Soups (any)

Cereals



The Net takes any non-perishable items.
Place items in basket in back of church.

Winfield Carnival: July 6-11

Please consider joining us for our next community outreach event at the Winfield Carnival. We are there from 6 pm to approximately 9 pm. Join us for the evening or whatever suits your schedule. Bring a chair, sit under the canopy and help us represent TUMC. There's a sign-up sheet at church if you are able to join us. We would love to have TUMC well represented.

We also support the carnival by providing baked goods for the nightly dinners. (We do not have to pay a fee for our space at the carnival, but they ask for baked goods.) If you can help donate baked goods, you can bring them to church on Sunday or drop them off at the Fire Hall any afternoon.

Thank you!



Prayer Requests

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Glenda - pneumonia (at home)
- Deb Gillen - home, recovering, pray for healing
- Robin Wolfington-Zion, blood clot, at rehab now
- Joyce has neighbor that needs prayer
- Josh's neighbor has cancer, pray for her
- John's friend, Sam with terminal brain tumor is doing well, continue to pray
- Pray for our democracy, government, leaders
- Pray for our country, world events, military
- Cindy Watts needs prayer for health issues
- Emily, niece of Chris & Amy going back to Iran
- Pray that our hearts and minds continue to be followers of Christ and we keep God as our focus
- Stacey-needs prayer for breast cancer
- People with colds, flu and Covid
- Persons that suffer with seasonal depression
- Joe Martin-needs prayers
- Pray for the homeless near and far
- Those grieving the loss of loved ones
- Taylorsville & Zion UMC & the United Methodist Church
- Pray for enemies
- For those in assisted living facilities, and employees.

Prayers for Service Persons

Austin Flagler (Coast Guard)

Emily Gamber (U S Navy-Middle East)

Sean Grimes (U S Navy-Tampa)



Joys

- Sharon Wilson-in church
- Great VBC week
- Beautiful weather
- Vacations
- Picnics



Scripture Readings and Sermon Titles

July 5 - Scripture: Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
Sermon Title: Who Will Rescue?

July 12 - Scripture: Genesis 25:19-34
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
Sermon Title: Ron Zepp preaching

July 19 - Scripture: Genesis 28:10-19a
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
Sermon Title: Cindy preaching

July 26 - Scripture: Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
Sermon Title: What's the Kingdom Like?

★ Sunday School Classes

Adult Sunday School – Basement Fellowship Hall Dee Haines

In July we are continuing to look at examples of faithful witnesses from Scripture. In the New Testament we see many examples of faithful witnesses who encounter Christ and respond with a resounding “yes!” An unnamed centurion, a servant of the hated Roman Empire, demonstrates “great faith” by trusting that Jesus will heal his servant. A despised tax collector named Zacchaeus subverts expectations by following Jesus and repenting of his wrongdoing.

Even those closest to Jesus had to make their own commitments of faith. Simon Peter recognizes Jesus more clearly than any other, but that disciple still falters and needs restoration. Another disciple, Thomas, although known for his doubts, nevertheless expresses a faith that empowers him to share the gospel. Even Jesus’ mother says “yes” to him; she is chosen to bear the Son of God and demonstrates persistent faithfulness to her son throughout his life.

We meet on Sunday mornings at 8:45 in the Church social hall. We invite you to join us.

Adult Sunday School – Education Building Jeff Taylor & Steve Novick

This class is not meeting in person during the summer. Some Zoom meetings will be arranged. If you are interested let Jeff or Steve know.

The choir is off for the summer. Contact Cindy if you would like to share during the worship service.

Link to the VBC pictures. People can download the pictures by clicking on the down arrow in the upper right hand corner .

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Thank you Jeff for taking these!

◆ Zion Events ◆

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- July 25th VBS at Zion

Items collected at VBC for Mt. Airy Net



Here Comes the Christmas Bazaar!!



It's hard to believe, but, it is the month of **JULY !!** AND that is only about 4 months away!! We need to concentrate this year on our crafts. We will have a couple of classes. If you have a craft that you can share please let me know.



Sue Leppert

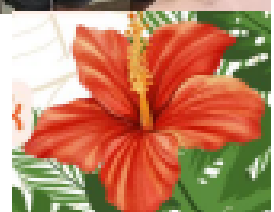
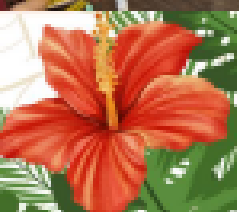
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**Thank you Emily,
Jen, and Krystal for
the pictures.**



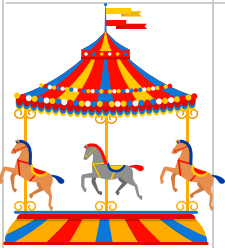
Making Frosted Glass Bottles





July 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5 Communion 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	6	7	8	9	10	11 9:00AM Men's Breakfast Carnival
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26 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	27	28	29	30	31	

Upcoming Events:

July 6-11 – See write-up on page 2.

August 30 – Church Picnic



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