



THE GOOD WORD

Taylorsville United Methodist Church
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◆ August 2026 ◆

A Message from Pastor Josh

This month looks to be a calmer, less eventful month for us. We will still have a Fundraiser at J&P soon, the Baking Class to look forward to, as well as the Church Picnic at the end of the month. But it looks to be a good month to slow down and count our blessings.

As many of us plan to take those last few weeks of summer vacations and gardening this August, it's a good time to slow down and consider the good things we have. Stop and smell the flowers, so to speak.

However, it won't be long before we are knee-deep in Annual Conference preparation season. This is also a good time to start thinking of budget items for the coming year and nominations to church committees and offices. I know I would rather smell the flowers too, but sometimes we also need to prepare for the next seasons of life even as we try to enjoy this season.

If you serve a church committee, take a few minutes to plan for what you want to see in the coming year. I will soon start asking people if they plan to remain in their office or if they want to take up an office or place on a committee.

Key committees that we always look for people to get involved with include:

Finance
Trustees

Evangelism
SPRC

Congregational Care
Missions

These are to name a few. If you feel a spiritual nudge to help out the church with any of these areas or something else, let me know.

I also want to encourage the church to keep up with the good work of caring for our wider community. The backpacks for students and the donations to Mount Airy Net are inspiring and help so many people. I just saw a statistic that the churches that grow the most are those that are community-focused the most. I pray that we can keep having an impact on the people around us as we care for all of God's people near and far.

Proverbs 24:27 English Standard Version

27 Prepare your work outside; get everything ready for yourself in the field,
and after that build your house.

Our Mission of Purpose

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

August Birthdays

1 Pat Bean 23 Linda Maring
4 Ruth Edder 25 Glenda Harris
9 Ed Edder 26 Anna Grimes
12 MaryJane Frazier 28 Gail Leyh
21 John Brodbeck

August Anniversaries

13 Ed and Ruth Edder
17 John and Stephanie
Brodbeck



★ Men's Breakfast ★

All Men Are Welcome

August 1 at 9:00 AM

Bob Evans

206 Malcolm Dr., Westminster, MD

Worship Assistants

Ushers: Sam & Anna Grimes

Reader: Steve Iden

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



Mt. AIRY NET

Thank you to everyone who brought in items for the pantry.

The items needed for **August** are:

deodorant
toothpaste
canned vegetables
soup



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

Shepherd's Staff



August 2nd is the last day for school supplies for Shepherd's Staff! Thank you TUMC for supporting this community outreach!



Prayer Requests

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Children, teachers, staff going back to school
- Family of Justin Quittner who passed away
- New Life for Girls Program
- Deb Gillen - pray for healing, going out for PT
- Robin Wolfington-Zion, blood clot, at rehab now
- Holly;s granddaughter, Allison needs clarity for college
- Josh's neighbor has cancer, pray for her
- John's friend, Sam - not doing well
- 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

- Flagler's going to Texas for Austin & Bella's wedding
- Pastor Josh thankful for vacation & birthday cards
- Rain



Scripture Readings and Sermon Titles

Aug. 2 - Scripture: Genesis 32:22-31
Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon Title: Blessings at This
Late Hour

Aug. 9 - Scripture: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Matthew 14:22-33

Sermon Title: Blessings at Bad Times

Aug.16 - Scripture: Genesis 45:1-15
Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon Title: My Hope Is Built On

Aug. 23 - Scripture: Exodus 1:8-2:10
Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon Title: He Did Not Know

Aug. 30 - Scripture: Exodus 3:1-15
Matthew 16:21-28

Sermon Title: On a Mission From God

★ Sunday School Classes ★

Adult Sunday School – Basement Fellowship Hall Dee Haines

The gospel spreads through the work of faithful witnesses. Stephen, the first martyr, serves God even in death. His boldness in proclaiming the message leads to the scattering of faithful witnesses throughout the region, enabling the gospel to disperse further.

After approving Stephen's execution, Saul encounters the resurrected Christ. This experience transforms him into the faithful apostle we now call Paul. He becomes a witness, sharing his firsthand experience with Christ Jesus. One of the recipients of Paul's message is Lydia, a seller of purple cloth and a worshiper of God. After responding to Paul's message, she is baptized and demonstrates hospitality as her own faithful witness.

Paul's ministry also involves training and equipping others to proclaim the gospel. He encourages Timothy to remember the gift of God and the promises of Scripture that Timothy received from his mother and grandmother - promises that make one wise for salvation. Though the circumstances surrounding the commitments of these witnesses vary, their stories inspire us to trust and follow the way of Christ.

We meet on Sunday mornings at 8:45 in the 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.



All are invited to TUMC's Potluck Picnic on August 30, 2026! Weather permitting, we will have our meal outside behind the Education Building after the church service. Drinks, paper goods and meat will be provided. Please bring a chair, a side dish or dessert to share.
See you there!

Our Next Fundraiser



JOIN US FOR FUNDS FOR FRIENDS NIGHT! TAYLORSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MONDAY AUGUST 10TH

J&P Mt. Airy will be donating 10% of their daily sales back to us!

Show this flyer or just mention to the staff you're with the fundraiser!

Can't dine in? Order Online for Takeout or Delivery.

Just add in the notes that you're with the fundraiser! 🕶️

Thank you for supporting!!

New York J&P Pizza - Mt. Airy

301-829-2200

409 E Ridgeville Blvd Mt Airy, MD 21771

Newyorkjandppizza.com

★ Celebrate Mt. Airy ★
August 29, 2026 - 5 to 8PM



Again this year, TUMC will have a spot at Celebrate Mt. Airy. We will have information about our church, crafts, peach dumplings and baked goods for sale. If you would like to help with this event contact Sheri.

***Here Comes the
Christmas Bazaar!!***

As of August 1



Sue Leppert
slepp@comcast.net





YOU ARE INVITED

to a **Kids Baking Class!**

What: Kids Baking Class

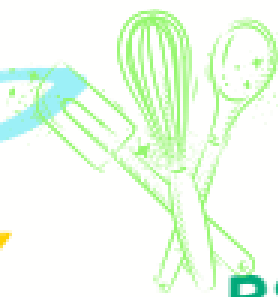
Learn basic baking skills & take
an item home to your family!

Who: Any kids ages 5-12

**When: August 20th, 2026
6:00-7:30pm**

**Where: Taylorsville United
Methodist Church**

Cost: FREE!

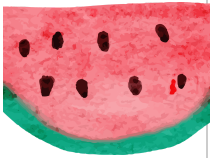
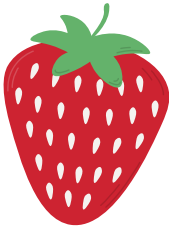


RSVP REQUIRED: Email
taylorsvilleumcmd@gmail.com



Church Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1  9:00AM Men's Breakfast
2 Communion 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	17	18	19	20  6:00-7:30PM Kids Baking Class	21	22
23 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	24 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	25	26	27	28	29 5 to 8 PM Celebrate Mt. Airy
30 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website Picnic after church	31					BACK TO SCHOOL

