

February 2021

**THE GOOD WORD**

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**The Story of Christian Symbols told by  
Taylorsville UMC Stained Glass Windows**

**Window Four – Wheat Sheaf and Wheat Sickle**



*Above is just the Inset of Wheat Sheaf image*

February represents two very important days in 2021 and both are associated with Christianity. St. Valentine’s Day, February 14, which is the day we share our love for those special in our lives, whether family, friend or our Father. Ash Wednesday also falls in February in 2021, on February 17, and represents the beginning of Lent, as well as a day of prayer and fasting.

I struggled a bit trying to find a symbol from our stained-glass windows that represented these special days and was surprised to find the wheat symbol was appropriate for both. The significance of the wheat symbol has many definitions, but the one I found at the top of the list was Love and Charity. A single sheaf of wheat also represents harvest and fertility. Wheat images are seen in two of our windows, one of which includes the sickle.

I am so impressed with the thinking of our predecessors when deciding on the images for the windows.



*The Gleaners by Jean-Francois Millet - 1857*

I had to include this picture because it represents one of the most beautiful love stories in the Bible, Ruth and Boaz – the gleaning of the wheat was a gesture made by field owners to help with the support for the poor. They would glean the field of left-over harvest to feed their families – ergo the meaning of Love and Charity.



*Above just inset of Wheat & Sickle image*

The Wheat and Sickle symbol has been associated with the harvesting of souls for God, but has been corrupted in some interpretations as being the opposite, with death being represented as a hooded figure carrying a sickle.

Have you had your “Wheaties” today – hope you served up a large portion of Love and Charity –

*Happy February - Pastor Patty*



**Next Church Council meeting is February 22nd. Meeting is on Zoom. Information will be emailed out.**

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Megan Gorsuch	21 Karen Mitchell Goff
10 Mary Burgess	22 Michele Bittner
14 Richard Wright	26 O.F. (Bud) Kibbe
19 Tad Leyh	27 Emily Novick

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

2 Lee and Sandy Wright
4 Joe and Lisa Martin
7 Michael and Shelly Laney
11 Gary and Vicki Young
17 Pastor Patty and David Robinson

If your Birthday or Anniversary is not listed in the Newsletter, please let the office know.

**March Newsletter**  
Deadline is: **February 23**

**REMINDER**  
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**Taylorsville, Mount Airy, United Methodist Church**  
We appreciate your support in helping TUMC earn a little extra cash.

**Inclement weather policy:**  
**Church:** Due to COVID restrictions on the number of persons attending church, until further notice the church services are on Facebook Live or our website at: [www.taylorsvilleumc.org](http://www.taylorsvilleumc.org)  
**Church Office:** If Carroll County Schools are closed due to bad weather, the church office will also be closed.

# Prayer List

*Lifting Our Hearts In...*

## *Praise*

- Family and friends
- People getting the vaccine
- Lisa's niece, Autumn, doing well

## *Prayer*

- Sandy's sister, Gail Hendry, passed on Monday, prayers for Sandy & Earl and family
- Eloise, Debra Taylor's mom-COVID
- Sam & Anna's daughter, Amy, husband, Hernan, grandchildren, Grace & Evan all have COVID
- Sharon's friend, Claudette Brown, home healing
- Gail's Aunt Chris passed, prayers for her family
- Families of Shirley Logue-who passed away
- Family of Kitty who passed, Kim & Doug cousin
- June Maring-shingles
- Glenda Beard-healing from knee replacement
- DJ Hudson-speech therapy from stroke
- Trent-Holstein's friend-rehab from accident
- Family of Carolyn Lawton who passed
- Cindy's friend, Sherry Fisher-lung cancer
- Lynda Arnold has health issues
- Bob Wilson, prayers for Sharon & family
- Sandi Mennerick's friend, Michelle C-cancer
- Healthcare workers
- The leadership of this country
- Loved ones who are sick, having surgery, or about to give birth. Family members not allowed in the hospitals now, which adds to anxiety & a sense of loss to all these situations.
- For those with small businesses and others who are financially at risk during this pandemic
- All those with COVID-19, cases spiking
- The United Methodist Church
- Pray for our church
- Amy, friend of Kathy Cinnamond
- Healing: Cindy Watts, Rhonda Berg, Bob & Phyllis Herbig, John Hortie
- The Landerholm Family (missionaries in Unalaska)
- For those in assisted living facilities, those with loved ones in assisted living who are unable to visit to love and care for these folks during this time. Employees who have extra responsibilities when they are extra vulnerable. Our members in assisted living are Bud Kibbe and Brenda Eaton.



### *Prayers for Service Persons*

Sean Grimes (U S Navy-Bahrain)

Thank you for your service Sean!!

**We want to keep our prayer list as up to date as possible. Please let the office know if there is a prayer request that we have missed or one we need to take off the list. Thank you for your help with this.**



*William J. Fries V was born on December 18, 2020 to Krista and William Fries IV, big sister, Samantha; and grandparents, Eileen and William Fries*



## Sermon Series for **February** and **Beginning of Lent**

The “Follow Me” series continues into the first two weeks of February with scriptures continuing from Mark. The second Sunday in February is Transfiguration Sunday, as well as, Valentine’s Day, what a wonderful combination. We then transition to the beginning of Lent, which will take us through the end of February. The Lenten series is called “Rend Your Heart: Claim the Promise” and we will be reading Psalms.

The Ash Wednesday service information is on the next page.

**February 7<sup>th</sup>** - Fifth Sunday after Epiphany – She Began to Serve – Follow Me - Mark 1:29-39

**February 14<sup>th</sup>** – Transfiguration Sunday – But Only Jesus – Follow Me - Mark 9:2-9

## LENT



**February 21<sup>st</sup>** – 1st Sunday in Lent – This is the Sign - Rend Your Heart: Claim the Promise - Psalm 25:1-10

**February 28<sup>th</sup>** – 2nd Sunday in Lent – Walk Before Me - Rend Your Heart: Claim the Promise - Psalm 22:23-31



**February 17<sup>th</sup>** – Ash Wednesday - Worship Series: Yet Even Now

Rend Your Heart: Claim the Promise Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent and is a time to confess our sins and recognize our own mortality.

Due to the unique importance of this service, we are opening the sanctuary for in-person service. The capacity will be limited to 25. Therefore, please contact the church if you wish to attend.

The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. for those who wish to participate within the community of faith.

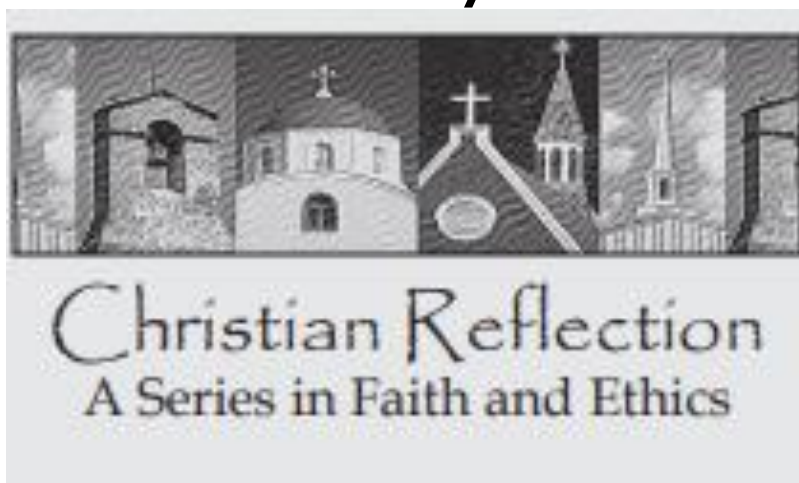
For those of you who prefer to avoid gatherings over 10 people, on Ash Wednesday the sanctuary will be open 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for those of you who want to drop in and have the mark of the cross placed on your forehead with ashes.

We will comply with all COVID-19 guidelines, so wearing masks will be required.

We hope you take the opportunity to participate in one of the two services offered, as we Christian believers begin the journey through one of the holiest periods in the Christian year.

Come and give your burdens to God – Pastor Patty

## Lenten Study – 2021



The Lenten Study will be held for five weeks, stopping right before Palm Sunday.

The sessions will be led by **Kathy Cinnamond and Jeff Taylor**.

All sessions will be on ZOOM and start at 7:00 p.m.

Below is the schedule and topics:

Week 1 – Sunday, February 21 – PREPARING FOR JOY

Week 2 – Sunday, February 28 – THE EARLY HISTORY OF LENT

Week 3 – March 7 – RESPONSIVE FASTING

Week 4 – March 14 – WALKING THE WALK (OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS)

Week 5 – March 21 – KEEPING VIGIL

If you would like to participate, please contact the church and we will email you the PDF of the study and each week we will send out a ZOOM meeting reminder.

For those of you without computers or email, we will mail you a copy with the call-in number, so you can join by phone.

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**Adult Sunday School Class ~ 9:00 a.m. on Zoom**

We are continuing our study of the Book of Revelation through Zoom. All are welcome to join us.

Contact Jeff Taylor with questions.

# READING REVELATION IN CONTEXT

JOHN'S APOCALYPSE AND SECOND TEMPLE JUDAISM

**The following classes are canceled until we are back in the church:**

- Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study ~ 9:00 a.m. Questions call Jean Knill.
- Adult Sunday School Class in Basement Fellowship Hall ~ 10:00 a.m. Questions call Dee Haines.

We have had two fellowship "chat" calls. Seven joined on first call and 9 on second call. It was nice to just chat and catch up on what is going on in our lives.

Mark your calendars. Our next fellowship chats are **Wednesday, February 10th and Wednesday, February 24th at 7:00 PM.** You can join for just a few minutes or stay for the whole call.

**Topic: Wednesday Evening Fellowship Time ~ Time: 7:00 PM**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3364052293?pwd=c0h0d0h0TTBzMVh4VFUyYmQ3cGlOdz09>

**Meeting ID: 336 405 2293**

**Passcode: 123456**

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# Healing for the Hurt

## February Faith Journal Prompts

1. Is there someone in my life that I need to forgive?
2. How do I deal with hurt and pain?
3. How have I made pain, bitterness, and anger an idol in my life?
4. What is preventing me from pouring my heart out to God?
5. What does Scripture say about forgiving others?
6. Write a letter to someone who is hurting.
7. God heals by...
8. I want to live in freedom because...
9. I feel God's embrace the most when...
10. Lord, steady my anxious heart when...
11. What God told me lately...
12. The people in your life who have comforted and supported you.
13. God is GOOD because...
14. Scripture that comforts me.
15. God has manifested Himself in me through...
16. The differences I see when I pray vs. when I don't.
17. Something beautiful I saw today...
18. I find encouragement in...
19. Bible character I admire for their strength.
20. A strong and faithful person I know.
21. I can show Christ's love to someone today by...
22. I saw God today in...
23. Ways the Lord has provided for me.
24. Ways I can stop having self-pity.
25. I feel empowered when...
26. How can I use pain and hurt for God's glory?
27. Write an encouraging letter to yourself.
28. Write a prayer of worship to God.






**FEBRUARY**

2021

TAYLORSVILLE UMC

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Office Hours M, W, T 9:00 AM-2:30 PM	1 7:00 PM Mission Team Meeting	2	3	4	5	6
7 <b>COMMUNION</b> <i>Scout-Sunday</i> 9:00AM Sunday School- Zoom 10:00 AM Worship Facebook live/website	8	9	10 7:00 PM Fellowship Chat on Zoom	11	12	13
14 9:00AM Sunday School-Zoom 10:00 AM Worship Facebook live/website	15	16	17 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service * see bottom*	18	19	20
21 9:00AM Sunday School-Zoom 10:00 AM Worship Facebook live/Website 7:00PM Lenten Study - on Zoom	22 7:00 PM Council Meeting - Zoom	23 <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	24 7 :00 PM Fellowship Chat on Zoom	25	26	27
28 9:00AM Sunday School-Zoom 10:00 AM Worship Facebook live/website 7:00PM Lenten Study - on Zoom				* 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM- sanctuary open for ashes		

# Love Word Search

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Find the hidden words.



K Y D S N G E G I P B E E E H  
 U P A E M L G A A V E A B O N  
 W R T V Q F P R R J A T P W E  
 U E I E Z J R B R Z R E O P Z  
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 N E B L B Q P P G F M H C J K  
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 D R A K F E Z E A G X M K O F  
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Is **PATIENT**

Does Not Take Into Account A  
Wrong **SUFFERED**

Is **KIND**

Does Not Rejoice In  
**UNRIGHTEOUSNESS**

Is Not **JEALOUS**

**REJOICES** With The Truth

Does Not **BRAG**

**BEARS** All Things

Is Not **ARROGANT**

**BELIEVES** All Things

Does Not Act **UNBECOMINGLY**

**HOPES** All Things

Does Not Seek Its **OWN**

**ENDURES** All Things

Is Not **PROVOKED**



**For February we are collecting:**  
**Pancake mix/syrup, peanut butter & jelly**  
**You can drop off items to the church office Monday,**  
**Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM.**  
*(The Net will take any items you are willing to donate.)*

**Thank you received from Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas for the 48 shoeboxes we sent in 2020. It is amazing to know that these boxes spread joy to so many children and reach over 100 countries.**

2020 Operation Christmas Child  
**PRAISE GOD,**  
**We are Celebrating**  
**9.1 Million Shoeboxes**

"nothing can separate us from God's love.. Not life or death, the present or the future. Nothing in all creation can separate us from God's love for us in Christ Jesus our Lord!"  
*We look forward to God's presence and purpose.*

From your house to our house: Thank you for your shoebox on behalf of children in over 100 different countries.

**COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS**

**LLP February Events-(contact information below)**

- Feb 2/9/16/23 Healing Prayer Service  
Tuesdays • 7:00 pm
- Feb 3/10/17/24 Women's Bible Study  
Wednesdays • 9:30 am
- Feb 15 Mini Women's Retreat-"A Time to Relax"  
Monday 9:30am-noon

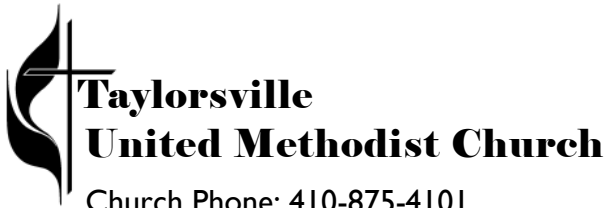
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**Our Mission of Purpose**

We of Taylorville UMC are a community of faith who believe in Jesus Christ and who value Bible study, prayer, mission and growing in discipleship. We will connect with our unchurched neighbors through small groups that present opportunities to share our faith and worship God together.



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