# November 2023

# THE GOOD WORD

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November is the season of thankfulness as we all prepare for Thanksgiving Day and the season of Advent. The season of giving and caring is fast upon us. Of course, we should always strive to be giving and caring, but it's an excellent time to remind ourselves of the many blessings we enjoy as the seasons change. Remember the gift of love we have, be thankful, and pass it on as you prepare for this season of grace.

November is also Bazaar Month at Taylorsville. This event is our most significant out-reach and fundraising activity of the year. People come out for the sales and food; for some, it's an opportunity to reconnect with the church and the people in it. The bazaar is a lot of work, but it's also a fun and exciting time. I can't wait to see you all at it as participants or as shoppers this year. Thank you for all that you do.

In the spirit of giving, the church has an opportunity this year to help some families for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. We can adopt a family that needs holiday dinners, groceries, and some children's gifts through Mount Airy Net. More information is on the way. But if you want to help out as an individual or a household, you can learn more by going to Mt Airy Net's website to learn about the great need in our area.

After Thanksgiving, we begin to prepare for Advent. This year, we will start our Advent study on **Tuesday, November 28**<sup>th,</sup> **at 7 p.m.** We are starting early this year to accommodate the overlap of Christmas Eve with the last Sunday of Advent.

The Advent study will be hosted at the church. I hope some of you can join us, but if not, I want to encourage you to take the study home and use it at home or in your small group setting.

The study is "The Angels of Christmas Hearing God's Voice in Advent" By Susan Robb. You can find it on Cokesbury.com; some copies are available at the church.

The season may be a time to find thanks in our hearts, but we can always strive for God's grace. Remember to not only find your reason for thanks but seek to give someone else a reason to be thankful in Jesus' name.

### Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.



# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Eileen Fries 16 Patricia Lentzner
- 10 Sharon Franklin 23 Sheri Maring
- 14 Candy McConchie 25 Sandy Wright

# NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

14 Jeff and Lisa Franklin

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



Soups, canned veggies, instant mashed potatoes, breakfast items

\* Any donation is appreciated

# **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

# <u>USHERS/GREETERS</u>

November Hearl & Sandy Wright

December Need someone

**READER** 

November Anna Grimes December Need someone

\*Let Office know if you can help\*



# All Men are Welcome! Saturday, Nov. 4-9:00 AM

Going to Buttersburg Inn in Union Bridge, MD Contact John with questions



# **December**

Newsletter Deadline is:

November 20

New on-line giving through our website.

Go to: <a href="https://taylorsvilleumc.org/">https://taylorsvilleumc.org/</a>

We are adopting a family for Christmas through Mt. Airy Net. Look for more information to be coming in the next couple weeks.

### Please keep the following in your prayers:

### **Prayer**

- Shootings in Maine
- Pat Bean surgery on October 31
- Chris's cousin serving overseas in Navy
- Anne's cousin, Melvin needs prayer
- Richard Wright in Lorien, Mt. Airy
- Storms, disasters in our world
- Carol's sister, Laura is starting chemo
- Pray for the homeless
- Linda Cole, continued prayers for healing
- Pastor Josh's family friend, Gail Sickle has bone cancer
- Eileen's brother-in-law, Ray-healing from broken arm, now can't do PT, healing prayers
- Sue's cousin, Steve-started new chemotherapy for pancreas cancer
- Sharon's niece, Jackie Eyler-surgery
- Amy's cousin, Alex-swelling is down in skull, pray for healing
- Carol's step-daughter, doing well, pray for healing
- Michelle Manco's sister, Diana finished round of cancer treatments
- Bonnie's great niece, Micah-leukemia
- Eileen's sister, Judy-has scoliosis-prayers for healing from back surgery
- Prayers for homeless near and far
- Eileen's brother-in-law, Jim, cancer
- Those that are sick with COVID and other illnesses
- Those grieving the loss of loved ones
- Taylorsville UMC
- The United Methodist Church
- Pray for our Country
- Pray for our World Peace
- Prayers for Ukraine
- Prayers for Israel
- For those in assisted living facilities, and employees.
   Our members in assisted living is Bud Kibbe,
   Hagerstown, Betty Carey-Lorien, Taneytown

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- Fun Trunk or Treat Saturday at church
- The warm weather
- Leaves changing colors
- God's love for everyone
- Everyone getting ready for church bazaar

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.

# **Prayers for Service Persons**

Sean Grimes

(U S Navy-Tampa)

Thank you for your service Sean!!





Saturday, November 5th

# Scripture Readings and Sermon Titles this November



# November 5, 2023 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday - a time to remember the Saint's Communion Sunday

Revelation 7:9-17, I John 3:1-3 Sermon Title: "Beloved, We Know the Lamb"

# November 12, 2023 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Philippians 4:4-13, Matthew 6:9-13 Sermon Title: "Content with Enough"

# November 19, 2023 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Corinthians 9:6-15, John 6:5-23
Sermon Title: "Grace Greater than our Gifts"

# November 26, 2023 Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, Matthew 25:31-36 Sermon Title: "Shepherd King"



In December we conclude our series **God's Law Is Love.** Conflict regarding circumcision and the role of the Law of Moses came to a head during the events described in Acts 15. Church leaders gathered in Jerusalem to discuss the relevance of the law for Gentile believers. Did they have to adhere to the law to become part of the people of God? The apostle Peter answered, no! All people can receive salvation by faith "through the grace of our Lord Jesus".

The Law of Moses cannot bring the presence of the Spirit. Through faith in Jesus, a person becomes a child of God, and receives God's Spirit. Because of the Spirit's indwelling, believers' lives would bear the fruit of their transformation.

Paul never condoned ungodly behavior. Christian liberty is not a license for sin. Instead, a believer's display of love to others fulfills the requirement of the law. Exhibiting personal freedom may cause weaker Christians to stumble. The people of God should use their freedom to love God and others.

We meet on Sunday mornings at 9 in the church social room. We welcome you to join us.

# Adult Sunday School Class 8:50 a.m.-Ed. Bldg. Contacts: Steve Novick/Jeff Taylor

Group meets in the house at 8:55AM. Zoom is available if you cannot meet in person.

# **Podcast News from Jeff Taylor**

The **TaylorsvilleUMC** webpage now has a section dedicated to podcasts produced by our church.

This page can be reached through the following link: <a href="https://taylorsvilleumc.org/podcasts">https://taylorsvilleumc.org/podcasts</a> <a href="https://taylorsvilleumc.org">https://taylorsvilleumc.org</a> <a href="https://taylorsvilleumc.org">https://t

On it you will find three different playlists. A playlist is a group of podcasts related by subject matter.

You simply click on the displayed video to access all videos in the playlist.

The first playlist is a collection of Pastor Josh's weekly sermons called "Just Preach Jesus".

The second is a collection of our 9:00 am *Sunday school* class discussions currently centered on Jewish/Christian Reflections on the Lord's Prayer.

The third is a collection of podcasts by me on various topics regarding religion, theology, and history.

A fourth playlist was added early in March that contains the six Lenten study Zoom sessions for the Easter season.

These podcasts are not just for members of our church but are designed to appeal to the wider community.

So please feel free to talk about them and share the links with anyone you feel may be interested.

This is all part of **TaylorsvilleUMC's** plan to grow our on-line congregation.



# When you receive this newsletter, the bazaar will be less than 2 weeks away!

Take note of the timeline below:

**Sunday, November 5** - After church service - Men are needed to set up tables in the Education Building.

**Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, November 6, 7, 9** - Set up rooms with items to sell in Santa's Regifting Store in the Education Building. Times may vary. Call Sue at 410-596-7537.

**Thursday, November 9** - Thursday evening the church will be open during the setting up of tables in the sanctuary from 6:30PM - 7:30PM. Men are needed to assist. Evening hours could be adjusted due to football games scheduled!

**Friday, November 10** - The kitchen will be open from 8:30AM to 1:00PM. Crafts and baked goods can be dropped off at that time. If you cannot make it during those hours, you may also bring them by 8:30AM Saturday morning or call Glenda at 301-703-5519.

**Saturday, November 11** - Bazaar - Come work, eat, buy, invite your friends and neighbors!!!

Sue Leppert slepp@comcast.net 410-875-4101 church office



Shoeboxes are available in the back of church.

Please turn in your box(es) by **Sunday**, **November 12th**.

# **Shoebox Gift Ideas**

# "WOW" Item

Soccer ball with pump

Doll

Stuffed animal

Shoes

# **TOYS**

Toy cars

**Jump ropes** 

Yo-yos

Toys that light up with

extra batteries

# PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

**Toothbrushes** 

**Washcloths** 

**Combs** 

**Hairbrushes** 

# **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
Notebooks and paper

Coloring and picture books

# **ACCESSORIES**

Socks

**Sunglasses** 

Jewelry and watches

Flashlights (extra batteries)

# **DO NOT INCLUDE**

Candy, toothpaste, gum, scary or war-related items,

food, liquids

breakable items or glass

containers

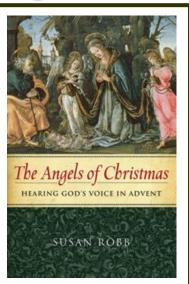


# **ADVENT STUDY** - The Angels of Christmas

The study presented by Susan Robb is 4 weeks and starts on November 26th. We will explore the four Angelic visits surrounding the birth of Jesus.

Sign up sheet in back of church or let the office know.

Cost of book is \$12.50





# Office Hours M, W, TH 9:00AM-2:30PM

# TAYLORSVILLE UMC

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed I 6:30PM Choir	Thu 2	S Fri	Sat 4 9:00AM Men's Breakfast- Buttersburg Inn Turn clocks back
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<b>26</b> 9:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM Worship- Facebook live/website	27	28 7:00PM Advent Study	29 6:30PM Choir	30	Save the Date: UWIF Christmas Party Thursday, Dec. 7th	Mt. Airy Net Collecting: soups, canned vegetables, instant mashed potatoes, breakfast items

# **Church Contact is Cindy Harris**



# Sponsor A Wreath Today! NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY Saturday December 16, 2023

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Sponsorship Levels	Price	Total	
Individual - 1 wreath	\$17.00		Apply my sponsorship to the
Family - 4 wreaths	\$68.00		following approved cemetery:
Business - 10 wreaths	\$170.00		
Business - 25 wreaths	\$425.00		or
Business - 50 wreaths	\$850.00		apply wherever needed
Corporate - 100 wreaths	\$1700.00		
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Please call or email for more information.

410-848-0393

Wreaths Across America Approved Group #MD3016

Tammy@BabylonVaultCompany.com



# Sponsor a Wreath Today

Your \$17.00 sponsorship places a wreath on a Carroll County Veteran's grave at one of the 39 approved Carroll County cemeteries on National Wreaths Across America Day Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Sponsor a wreath for \$17.00 from August 1<sup>st</sup> through December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and you will automatically be entered into a drawing to win one of the following...



Micah Crone, Union Bridge – Hand Carved Wooden Epoxy Finished Flag (value \$350)

This is absolutely stunning!! 36" x 20"

Weis Markets, Westminster - Gift Card (value \$50)





## Lowes, Westminster - Birdhouse (value \$35)

This <u>hand made</u> birdhouse was built and finished by the employees of Lowes, Westminster. Special touch: their veteran employees signed the birdhouse. Thank you for service Lowes veterans.

Babylon Vault Company – Handmade Patriotic Quilt (value \$350)





The Hive Warehouse, Westminster – (value \$100)
This handmade wooden flag is 12" x 22"

Trendy Twist Designs (Karen Logue), Dream Bridge Union Bridge Shop – (value \$35)

This beautiful 20 oz. tumbler is handmade. Picture shows front & back of tumbler.



Checks payable to Wreaths Across America | mail to Babylon Vault Company, Attn: Wreaths Across America, 926 Wakefield Valley Road, New Windsor, MD 21776 | Drawings to be held Wednesday, December 6º 2662 at 7:00pm | Winners will be notified by phone | Must be 18 years or older to enter in the drawings | Winners will be listed on Babylon Vault Facebook page & website www.BabylonVaultCompany.com.

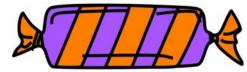






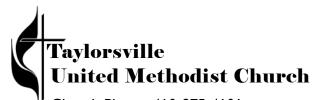
Thank you to these local and small businesses for their support!

# Trunk or Treat - Saturday, Oct. 28









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### **Our Mission of Purpose**

We of Taylorsville 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.

We're on the Web! www.taylorsvilleumc.org



Join us for Worship each Sunday at 10AM in person or FB live

To unsubscribe or to receive this through e-mail please call the church office at 410-875-4101 or e-mail taylorsvilleumcmd@gmail.com

### ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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