

November 2020

THE GOOD WORD

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The Story of Christian Symbols told by Taylorsville UMC Stained Glass Windows Window One – Epworth League Symbol



As mentioned last month, I will be writing a series of articles based on the Christian symbols inserted in the stained glass windows in the sanctuary.

It was a bit difficult to write this first one, because I did not know which window to select at first, but decided on one of the two hidden ones –

The Epworth League Window

An example of an Epworth League symbol in a stained-glass window. (this is not the window at Taylorsville UMC)

First of all, for those of you who are not familiar with the Epworth League it was founded in 1889 in Cleveland, OH and was a young adult association for people aged 18 to 35. At its conception, the purpose of the League was the promotion of intelligent and vital [piety](#) among the young people of the Church: To encourage and cultivate [Christ](#)-centered character in young adults around the world through community building, missions, and spiritual growth. The League takes its name from the village of [Epworth](#) in [Lincolnshire, England](#), the birthplace of [John Wesley](#) and [Charles Wesley](#). Its members are known as Epworthians. The original Epworth League existed from 1889 to 1939. After denominational mergers among Methodists in the 1930s, the Epworth League became known as the Methodist Youth Fellowship; it survives today as the United Methodist Youth Fellowship. This information was gleaned from Wikipedia and if you are interested in learning more you can go to [Epworth League](#).

The Epworth League symbol is a strictly Methodist symbol. In 1914 it was an extremely popular organization and had membership in the Northern League of nearly 600,000, so it is understandable why Taylorsville UMC included it in the stained glass window collection. Also, this is just supposition on my part, it was probably donated by the Epworth League membership.

Today you will not find this window in the sanctuary, it currently resides behind drywall in the elevator shaft. You can see the window from the outside, but not the symbol. Someday, if we ever have to overhaul the elevator, we have to make sure to at least get a picture of the window.

The Epworth League represented wonderful values for youth and young adult believers and it is good to know that residuals of it still exist today.

May November be a month of thankfulness for those who live by the Epworth League motto – “Look up, Lift Up”. Pastor Patty



Only known depiction of the Taylorsville UMC Epworth League stained glass window



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3	Sue Howes	14	Candy McConchie
4	Troy Waddell	16	Patricia Lentzner
4	Eileen Fries	17	Josh Squires
7	David Iden	23	Sheri Maring
10	Sharon Wechter	24	Zoe Bittner
10	Sharon Franklin	25	Sandy Wright
11	Garrett Patterson		

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

14 Jeff and Lisa Franklin

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

SAVE THE DATE: December 7th at 7:00 pm is the next Council meeting. We will provide meeting details when the time gets closer.

The Church has a Zoom account for meetings and Bible studies. If you want to schedule a meeting please let Anna know so she can schedule it and get you the call-in information.



December Newsletter
Deadline is: **November 23rd**



Service time is 10:00 AM

In November, we return to the book of Matthew and the beauty of the Beatitudes and lessons from three parables.

The sermon series for November is called "These Are They".

November 1st – All Saints Sunday –These Are They – [Matthew 5: 1-12](#)

November 8th - 23rd Sunday after Pentecost – The Shout at Midnight – [Matthew 25: 1-13](#)

November 15th – 24th Sunday after Pentecost – Enter Into the Joy – [Matthew 25: 14-30](#)

November 22nd – Reign of Christ/ Thanksgiving Sunday – In Christ’s Glory – [Matthew 25:31-46](#)

November 29th is the first Sunday in Advent and the Advent series will be communicated in the December newsletter.



Collecting Canned Soups for November
(The Net will take any items you are willing to donate.)

Please leave items in the basket in the back of the sanctuary.

Prayer List

Lifting Our Hearts In...

Praise

- Great-grandson for John & Brenda Eaton
- Granddaughter for Gary/Sheri Maring, great-granddaughter for Sharon Franklin
- Being back in the sanctuary
- Blessed with beautiful fall weather & colors
- Time spent with family and friends
- Jeff for all his technology help



Prayer

- Upcoming election, our nation & our leaders
- Richard Bradley-brother & sister-in-law healing from COVID
- Family of Bill Lawton who passed away
- Ray McConchie - back surgery
- Sue Leppert-decisions regarding health
- Cindy Thornton-healing for arm
- Cindy Harris-healing from concussion
- Sherry Fisher, Cindy Thornton's friends-lung cancer
- Lynda Arnold has health issues
- Linda Maring's friend, Paula-cancer surgery
- Lisa Martin's co-worker, Debbie Phelps-cancer has spread
- Sharon's son, Michael-healing from back surgery
- Melinda's nephew, DJ in rehab, gaining strength
- Sherry Fisher, Cindy Thornton's friend has lung cancer
- Jeanne Beard in nursing facility-not eating
- Gail, Sandy Wright's sister with rheumatoid arthritis
- Bob Wilson, prayers for Sharon & family
- Dee's grandson, Holt, tolerating cancer treatments well
- Sandi Mennerick's friend, Michelle C—cancer
- Healthcare workers
- Loved ones who are sick, having surgery, or about to give birth. Family members are 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
- The United Methodist Church
- Pray for our church

Prayer-continued

- Amy, friend of Kathy Cinnamond
- 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.
- Healing: Cindy Watts, Linda Lochstampfor's sister, Marlene, better, Wanda Haddaway, Bob & Phyllis Herbig, John Hortie
- The Landerholm Family (missionaries in Unalaska)

Prayers for Service Persons

Sean Grimes (U S Navy-Bahrain)

Thank you for your service Sean!!

Thanksgiving Prayer

by Ralph Waldo Emerson

For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.

For flowers that bloom about our feet;
For tender grass, so fresh, so sweet;
For song of bird, and hum of bee;
For all things fair we hear or see,
Father in heaven, we thank Thee!



2020 has been a year like no other - - and we still have two months to go! Events have been rescheduled and cancelled; school and work schedules have been changed dramatically as have church and worship services. Here at Taylorsville, we have had a long and proud tradition of holding our annual bazaar in November. Unfortunately, this, too, has been a victim of the pandemic as we have had to cancel this year's event. The bazaar has always been TUMC's biggest fundraiser and its cancellation has created a void. Soooo, how can we fill this void? How about conducting virtual bazaar, i.e., a vazaar?

Each year, TUMC members and friends contribute both time and money to make the bazaar a success. To make our vazaar a success, we are asking our members and friends, if able, to make a cash donation in place of what they would have given had there been a 2020 bazaar. If you choose to do so, you may write a separate check or include an additional amount with your regular giving, designated for that purpose. **Here's to a successful VAZAAR!!!**



Services Now on Church Website

Jeff has created a new webpage section called "Church Services" on the front page top menu. The website videos make the services available to everyone with a computer (you don't have to be a Facebook person).

Below are the links to the website and the worship service video page.

<https://taylorsvilleumc.org/>

<https://taylorsvilleumc.org/church-services>

Join a Bible Study...

The Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study ~ 9:00 a.m.

This group is still studying the **ARMOR OF GOD** and meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. Masks, social distancing and hand sanitizing required before entering the building.

We are studying THE ARMOR OF GOD -

Our **Spiritual** Personal **Protection** **Equipment**

The Belt of Truth,

The Breastplate of Righteousness

The Shoes of Peace

The Shield of Faith

The Helmet of Salvation

The Sword of the Spirit



Everyone is welcome to join us at any time it fits into your schedule. Contact is Jean Knill.

READING REVELATION IN CONTEXT

JOHN'S APOCALYPSE AND SECOND TEMPLE JUDAISM

Adult Sunday School Class One in Education Building ~ 9:00 a.m.

We are still studying the Book of Revelation.

All are welcome to join us.

Contact Jeff Taylor with questions.

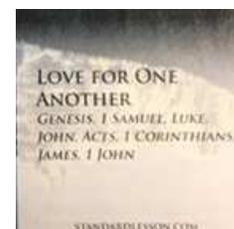
Adult Sunday School Class Two in Basement - Fellowship Hall ~ 9:00 a.m.

Our fall quarter lessons have the theme **Love For One Another**. Our November lessons demonstrate how the first-century church was characterized by those who put others before themselves, as opposed to the notion that the only way to thrive in a hostile world is to practice a selfish love by looking out for #1 - ourselves.

Jesus set the example as he shared a Passover meal with his disciples. Instead of being a domineering boss, Jesus took the role of a servant. He encouraged his disciples to abide in his love, following that example in daily life. The apostle John counseled believers to practice Jesus' love confidently. The earliest Christians selflessly gave to fellow believers – to the point where no one lacked what was needed. Finally, James warned fellow believers to show love without partiality.

The world may say that opponents of any kind do not deserve love or that true love is looking out only for ourselves. But we know that **love** has a very real meaning. We love because we are recipients of divine love!

Contact Dee Haines if interested in this class.





Again this year we are collecting shoeboxes for **Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child**. These boxes are delivered to needy children all over the world. Please consider making a child or children smile.

- * **SHOEBOX:** Use a standard-size shoebox to pack for a boy or a girl. We have some pre-printed shoeboxes.
- * **"WOW" item:** select a quality "wow" toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal.
- * **OTHER GIFTS:** Pack full with other fun toys, hygiene items and school supplies.
- * **PRAY:** Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift, including a personal note and photo to delight the heart of a child.
- * **INCLUDE \$9 DONATION:** A donation of \$9 helps cover shipping and other project costs.

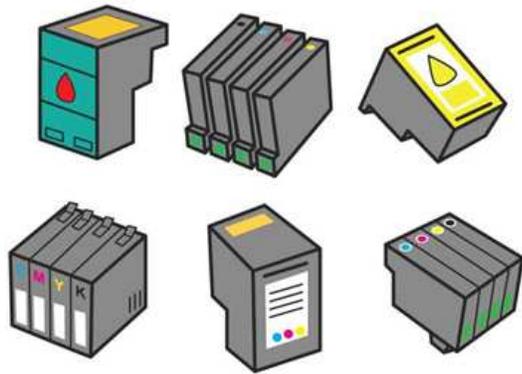
**ALL SHOEBOXES ARE DUE TO CHURCH BY
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH.
Contact is Cindy Thornton**



Two ways to help TUMC make some extra cash

TUMC is doing printer cartridge recycling!

Have used printer cartridges you want to get rid of? Bring them to the church and we will recycle them to make TUMC some extra cash!



There is a box in the office you can drop the cartridges into and we will do the rest!

Taylorsville United Methodist Church is now listed on AmazonSmile as a charity. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Just go to your Amazon Smile account and add Taylorsville United Methodist Church as your charity. We are listed as:

**Taylorsville, Mount Airy,
United Methodist Church**

We appreciate your support in helping TUMC earn a little extra cash.



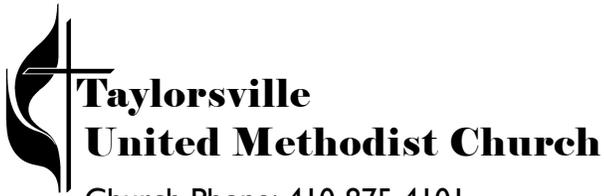
Inclement weather policy:
Church: In case of extremely bad winter weather, a decision of canceling church will be made by the trustees, the Lay Leader and the Pastor. The website and Facebook page will have that decision posted no later than 8:00 am and the announcement will be placed on the WTRR radio station (1470 AM).
Church Office: If Carroll County Schools are closed due to bad weather the church office will be closed also.



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TAYLORSVILLE UMC

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Office Hours M, W, T 9:00 AM-2:30 PM						
1 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship SAINTS DAY ALL Communion	2 6:30 PM Mission Team Meeting	3	4 7:00 PM Congrega- tional Care Meeting	5 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study	6	7
8 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service-Back in Church-Mission Giving Sunday	9	10	11	12 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study	13	14
15 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service Shoeboxes Due	16	17	18	19 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study	20	21 9:00 AM Church Conference on Zoom
22 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service	23 Newsletter Deadline	24	25	26 Church & Office Closed 	27	28
29 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service	30 1:30 PM Advent Bible Study on Zoom				Collecting Canned Soups for Mt. Airy Net all month	



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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.

We're on the Web!
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