



THE GOOD WORD

Taylorsville United Methodist Church
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◆ October 2026 ◆

A Message from Pastor Josh

I look forward to October every year. It's one of my favorite months. I like the cooler weather, the turning of the leaves, and the general autumn feel. I like preparing for trick-or-treaters, and I hope to have a nice outdoor fire going in the backyard soon.

September is okay, but it's way too busy a month, and it can't decide if it's still summer or fall most years.

Of course, October is going to be a busy month for the church. Church Conference happens this month, and October seems to mark the start of a new push for our church outreach and fundraising season. Everything from soup sales, Boscov's, and Texas Roadhouse fundraisers, and before you know it, we will be moving into bazaar season. We already have a bunch of people asking about the bazaar. Last year's Fall Fest and Trunk-or-Treat went so well as a community outreach; I hope we have an even better turnout this year.

There is a lot of work going into the church fundraising and outreach during the autumn, but let's not forget to give ourselves some rest and space to reflect. Take time to appreciate the change of the season and the good gifts of God in our lives. Let us remember to renew our strength in the lord.

“But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.” ~ Isaiah 40:31

Our Mission of Purpose

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

October Birthdays



8 Brynn Brodbeck
9 Doris Vicarini
11 Lisa Martin
11 Lynda Arnold
14 David Frazier
16 Vivian Overholtzer
24 Chris Parrish

October Anniversaries

21 John & Melinda Bennett
24 Bob & Debra Gillen
28 Tad & Gail Leyh



★ Men's Breakfast ★

All Men Are Welcome

October 3 at 9:00 AM

Bob Evans

206 Malcolm Dr., Westminster, MD

Worship Assistants

Ushers: Sam & Anna Grimes

Reader: Dee Haines

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



Mt. AIRY NET

The items needed for
October are:

Any Variety of
SOUPS



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

Baked Goods Needed for:

Oct. 18 Trunk-or-Treat Fall Fun Day

Oct. 21 Texas Roadhouse

See Susan if you can help



Prayer Requests

- Heidi, friend of Taylor's starting cancer treatments
- plumbing & appliance issues
- John Eaton
- Sarah Moon-hip issues
- Bob Gillen doing better
- Dean Parrish-fractured wrist
- Cindy Watts Turner needs prayers
- Holly's granddaughter, Alison as she transitions to Frostburg College
- Debbie Gillen doing PT and cancer treatment
- Carol: Jackie-brain tumor, surgery went well
- Pray for our military
- Lisa Martin & family on the passing of Joe
- Linda's friend, Carl, having brain surgery, tumor removed
- Carol's daughter-in-law's father, hospice care
- New Life for Girls Program
- Robin Wolfenden-Zion, recovering at rehab now
- Josh's neighbor has cancer, pray for her
- John's friend, Sam - terminal brain tumor, is now not doing well
- Pray for our country, world events, democracy, government, leaders
- 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-change of medicine
- People with colds, flu and Covid
- Persons that suffer with seasonal depression
- 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



Joys

Thank you to Mary Jane for playing the piano last Sunday



Prayers for Service Persons

Austin & Bella Flagler (Coast Guard)
Emily Gamber (U S Navy-Middle East)
Sean Grimes (U S Navy-Tampa)



Scripture Readings and Sermon Titles

October 4

Sermon: Faith Inbodied

Scripture: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9

Matthew 21:33-46

October 11

Sermon: Invitation Out of the Dark

Scripture: Exodus 32:1-14

Matthew 22:1-14

October 18

Sermon: Show Us Your Face

Scripture: Exodus 33:12-23

Matthew 22:15-22

October 25

Sermon: Greatness

Scripture: Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Matthew 22:34-46

★ Sunday School Classes ★

Adult Sunday School - Basement Fellowship Hall Dee Haines

As Joshua nears death, he urges the Israelites to remember the covenant commitments of previous generations and to claim them as their own. Following Joshua's death, a new generation arises, one that knows neither the Lord nor what he had done for Israel. They fall into apostasy, seemingly forgetting Joshua's warning. The book of Judges records a cycle of infidelity to God that plagues the Israelites for generations. Recognition of their sinful ways happens periodically and includes repentance. The people call on God when trouble ensues. However, after God intervenes to rescue them, they turn away from him and return to pagan gods.

Despite Israel's unfaithfulness, God remains faithful, raising judges like Ehud - a left-handed warrior who liberates Israel. However, peace does not last. The people repeatedly fall back into the cycle of apostasy and lawlessness; everyone does what is right in their own eyes. Chaos ensues, leading this generation to demand a king.

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

Adult Sunday School - 8:45AM Education Building Jeff Taylor & Steve Novick

"What is Worship?" Study continues. Contact Jeff if you are interested. Class will also be on Zoom.



**Christmas Cantata
practice starts soon
See Cindy**





Above
Guest Speaker,
Debbie Buckley

UWIF had their first meeting of the season on Sept. 24th at the home of Dee Haines. The program for the evening was presented by Debbie Buckley, a volunteer with Autumns Table, Inc. The organization provides nonperishable, nutritious food bags with recipes for people in need. The bags are packaged by volunteers and distributed to agencies and at community events. UWIF has decided to support the cause. Anna Grimes will be providing the monthly recipes, shopping list and bags. Any individual who wishes to participate can pack a bag or bags and return to Anna for distribution to the organization.

October will be a busy month for UWIF.

- October 2 at 8:30am, we will make soup.
- October 16 at 8:30am, we will make apple dumplings.
- October 27 at 9:00am, we will be deep cleaning the kitchen to prepare for the bazaar.
- October 29 at 7:00pm, will be our next meeting. We will be creating gift baskets for the bazaar. There are baskets available in the basement.

Apple Dumpling Order Form



Name _____ Phone # _____

Baked _____ @ \$5.00 each = \$ _____

Unbaked _____ @ \$5.00 each = \$ _____

Frozen Unbaked _____ @ \$5.00 each = \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Order deadline is **October 11, 2026**.

Orders can be picked up on **Sunday, October 18th** between 10:30-11:30 am.

- Start thinking about decorating your trunk.
- We need baked goods for this event. See Dee or Susan if you can help.



Bosco's
Shopping Day
is

**Wednesday,
October 21.**

We are selling
passes again
this year. The
church makes
the \$5.00 for
each pass
sold and you
get great
deals all day
at the store
and online.

After
shopping
enjoy a
meal at
Texas
Roadhouse.
Baked
goods are
needed for
the bake
table.

Taylorville UM Church
(Non-Profit Organization)



Bosco's
FRIENDS
HELPING
FRIENDS

IN-STORE
& ONLINE

ONE DAY ONLY - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026
SHOP 8AM - 11PM

DONATE \$5 AND ENJOY:

- **25% OFF** DISCOUNT SHOPPING PASS*
- **REGISTER TO WIN** A \$100 BOSCO'S GIFT CARD
One Winner at every Bosco's store

100% OF YOUR DONATION GOES TO OUR ORGANIZATION

For Shopping Passes or information, contact:
Anna Grimes
Sheri Maring

*Exclusions apply. For more details visit [boscovs.com/category/friends-helping-friends-event](https://www.boscovs.com/category/friends-helping-friends-event)



The time is near and the bazaar is only a month away. It's time to put the final touches on your crafts. It's also a time to volunteer if you haven't already. We need people to relieve workers for lunch or time to rest. You can also make a donation to the kitchen to offset the expense of the oysters. See Susan, Dee or Sandy. Thank you!

Sue slepp@comcast.net



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

at Taylorsville United Methodist Church

4356 Ridge Road, Mt. Airy, MD 21771
¼ mile south of Route 26 on Route 27

November 14, 2026

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Crafts & gift baskets, baked goods,
train garden, regifting, and more!**

LUNCHEON

Served 10:30am-3:00pm (or until sold out)

**Fried Oysters, sandwiches, chicken
strips, & soups**

Desserts featuring homemade pies & cakes

Credit cards & cash accepted

See Cindy if you want to sponsor a Wreath.
Deadline to order is **Sunday, November 1st.**



Sponsor A Wreath Today!

NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY
Saturday December 19, 2026
12 Noon

Name: _____
Company Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Sponsorship Levels	Price	Total
Individual - 1 wreath	\$17.00	
Family - 4 wreaths	\$68.00	
Business - 10 wreaths	\$170.00	
Business - 25 wreaths	\$425.00	
Business - 50 wreaths	\$850.00	
Corporate - 100 wreaths	\$1700.00	

Apply my sponsorship to the
following approved cemetery:

or

☐ apply wherever needed

Make Checks Payable to: Wreaths Across America

Credit Card QR code: visit BabylonVaultCompany.com under the community tab

Group ID: MD036 (please use this group ID to keep donations in Carroll County, MD)

Family Wreath Placement Request

A portion of the ceremony allows family members to place a wreath on a family members' grave at our approved cemeteries. Please indicate:

Cemetery: _____ Veteran Name: _____

Volunteer Opportunities (check your interests below):

___ Deliver wreaths ___ Ceremonial Wreath Assembly ___ Lead Ceremony
___ Vocalist ___ Bugler ___ Wreath Cleanup

Babylon
VAULT
& MONUMENTS

New Windsor, MD

Wreaths Across America Approved Group #MD 036

BabylonVaultCompany.com

410-848-0313

Tammy@BabylonVaultCompany.com

HUB Event



Trusting in Him – Embodied Prayer Group

October 10, 17, 24 & 31, 2026: Ordinary Time

Four Saturday mornings – 11am-12:15pm

Linganore UMC Sanctuary or the Linganore Pavilion

*For the congregations of the New Windsor Hub – Ages 13+
All bodies are welcomed and encouraged!*

These gatherings will be time set apart to explore prayer through the body, to cultivate “Trusting in Him” with Matthew 14:23-33 and Psalm 139 as our Biblical themes. The stand-alone workshops will consist of a simple movement warm up, structured improvisational invitations and short, memorable choreographed prayers to practice together and at home. Come once or every week. All movement is accessible for all bodies.



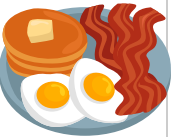
Led by Kathryn Sparks Carpenter, who has been dancing all her life and particularly in churches for the last 30 years. Kathryn has taught creative dance for all ages since the year 2000 and was previously adjunct professor of liturgical dance at Wesley Seminary in Washington, DC.

*There is no cost to participate! If you'd like to make a donation, all monies collected will be given to The Shepherd's Staff in Westminster, MD.
For questions and to RSVP, please email dancingsparks@yahoo.com.*



October Church Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
				1	2	3  9:00AM Men's Breakfast
4 Communion 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	5	6	7 6:30PM Choir	8	9	10
11 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	12	13	14 6:30PM Choir	15	16	17
18 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website Trunk or Treat-2 to 4	19	20	21 Bosco's Texas Roadhouse 6:30PM Choir	22	23	24 11:00AM Church Conf.
25 8:45AM Sun. School 9:45AM Worship- facebook live/ website	26 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	27	28 6:30PM Choir	29 7:00PM UWIF	30	31

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Sunday, October 18-Apple Dumpling Order Pick-up

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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[Recipient Name]
[Street Address]
[City, State ZIP]

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www.taylorsvilleumc.org

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✦ HOPE TO SEE YOU IN CHURCH THIS MONTH ✦

