

June 2025

THE GOOD WORD

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As I write this, June is almost here, and it feels like early spring. There is a slight chill in the air, and the much-needed rain feels less welcome than it did earlier in the season. This June will be a transitional month as we prepare for the start of the new districts, the hubs, and our shared charge with Zion UMC of Shipley. For the most part, I don't expect much will change for everyone; but we may need to adjust worship times, as I will lead worship at two churches starting this July. While most of the changes will be for leadership and me, I plan to remain available, and I'm always only a phone call or text away.

As for the District and hub changes, what that means is that we will have another group of churches in our area that we can work with and share support. It also means we will have a new District Superintendent, the Rev. Jim Miller. But unless you regularly interact with the district, you probably won't have to worry too much about that. I will be busy with meetings this month to make some of these transitions and changes happen more smoothly. To learn more about the hubs and redistricting, visit the conference website at <https://www.bwcumc.org/news/creating-vital-change/>.



But before that happens, we must mention the recent Annual Conference. This year's conference worked relatively well despite technological problems. The bishop gave a rousing sermon during opening worship. Apart from the budget, I don't suspect that all of the decisions made at this year's Annual Conference will affect us locally, but it's good to be aware of that. At the conference this year, we voted on constitutional changes that affect the global nature of the church-the biggest of which was regionalization. Something that will put the church in the US and around the world on a more even footing and grant the US Church the opportunity to shape our rules

and structure to serve the US context better. However, we won't know the results of those votes until sometime this November when all the conferences worldwide have finished voting. So, stay tuned if you are interested. If you want to know more about the Annual Conference, I will make a fuller report for the church council before I share it with the rest of the congregation. You are, of course, welcome to ask me anything you want to know and welcome to become a lay representative for next year's conference if you feel so moved. You can learn more about the Annual Conference at <https://www.bwcumc.org/events/2025-annual-conference/>.

With all that business out of the way, I look forward to this month's activities, especially the Vacation Bible Camp. We still have some room, so if a young person is looking for something to do, they are welcome to sign up and have fun learning about God this year. This year's camp is called 'Road Trip on the Go with God,' our mascot puppet friend is a cute dog named Scout. With all this activity happening, we have much to look forward to as we seek to follow God through it all.



Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Pastor Josh



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

4	Emily Smith	24	Sue Leppert
10	Austin Flagler	25	Susan Maring
21	Betty Carey	27	Dee Haines

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1	Steve and Maria Novick
20	Dave and Jennifer Tingley
21	Doug and Kim Gorsuch
30	Bill and Pat Bean

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

USHERS/GREETERS

June - Sam and Anna Grimes

READER

June - Steve Iden

Let Office know if you can help

July 2025

Deadline is:

June 24th



On a break till September.

MT. AIRY NET

THIS MONTH'S NEEDED ITEMS

Canned:
Mixed Vegetables,
lunches, meat, soup
Oatmeal Syrup
Shampoo/Conditioner
Toilet paper
Paper Towels

June 30th after church



Bring a dish to share.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Vivian's son, Mickey fell, surgery went well
- Those who have served and lost their life for us
- Western MD & Baltimore areas-storms, damage
- Families with special needs children
- Audrey Parrish - hip issues, has MRI scheduled
- Mary Jane Frazier - back & mobility issues
- Upcoming changes to Districts, the hubs
- Our transition to 2 point charge with Zion UMC of Shipley
- John's father, Jack has heart issues
- Vivian's friend, Barb Conaway has cancer
- Lisa Twilley under hospice care
- Pray for people with job uncertainty
- Cindy Watts needs prayer - health issues
- Cindy's Harris' friend, Phil Anderson-liver cancer
- Pray we can keep God as our focus in all we do
- Pray we can be kinder, gentler, loving people
- Pray for our military
- Pray for country, leadership, democracy
- Chris-good outcome for disability, still in a lot of pain
- Persons that suffer with seasonal depression
- Sarah requests prayers for health
- Joe Martin-needs prayers
- COVID, pray for people who have it & are suffering
- Uncle Jerry needs prayers for cancer
- Chris's cousin serving overseas in Navy
- Pray for the homeless near and far
- Those grieving the loss of loved ones
- Taylorsville UMC
- The United Methodist Church
- Pray for our World, Peace, Enemies
- For those in assisted living facilities, and employees.
Our member in assisted living is Betty Carey-Lorien, Taneytown

**Joys**

- Audrey's play "Frog and Toad" went well
- Beautiful weather
- Thankful for rain
- New babies born
- Thankful for those who have served our country

Prayers for Service Persons

Austin Flagler (Coast Guard)
Sean Grimes (U S Navy-Tampa)

Thank you for your service!!

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.

Scripture Readings and Sermon Titles**JUNE****June 1, 2025****7th Sunday of Easter, Communion Sunday**

Acts 16:16-34, John 17:20-26

Sermon Title: "Shaking Foundations"

June 8, 2025**Pentecost**

Acts 2:1-21, Romans 8:14-17

Sermon Title: "Led by the Spirit"

June 15, 2025**Trinity Sunday, Father's Day**

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31, John 16:12-15

Sermon Title: "The Guide is Near"

June 22, 2025**Second Sunday After Pentecost**

Galatians 3:23-29, Luke 8:26-39

Sermon Title: "Until Christ Came"

June 29, 2025**Third Sunday After Pentecost**

Galatians 5:1, 13-25, Luke 9:51-62

Sermon Title: "Use Your Freedom Well"





Brianna Wagner, granddaughter of Kay Greer earned her Doctor of Physical Therapy from Lebanon Valley College. Brianna will be starting her new job shortly after graduation, doing what she loves, caring for her patients.



Amy Franklin, Karen Franklin's niece, graduated Summa Cum Laude from Stevenson University with Bachelor's Degrees in both Criminal Justice and Psychology.



Bo Goretsas, Sharon Franklin's great grandson has graduated from Preschool. He is headed to 1st grade in the fall.

*Wishing you
all the best!*

Austin Flagler, son of Devin and Mary, graduated from boot camp on Thursday, May 22. He is stationed at Cape May, NJ and will be serving as a Mechanical Technician.



Good News to Share



Isla Maryn Novick was born on Tuesday, May 20th to Cory and Rachel, grandparents are Steve and Maria, and Aunt is Emily.

Olivia Hannah Jones was born Sunday, May 25th to Samantha and Ben, Chris and Christina Franklin are grandparents and Sharon Franklin is Great Grandmom. This is Sharon's ninth great grandchild.



Rev. Sarah Dorrance is marrying Jerry Pierson on June 15th.



Miss Betty Carey is turning 89 on June 21st!
Let's shower her with birthday cards! Her daughter Jackie says "she opens all of her cards and has kept all of her cards that have been sent to her".
Her address is: Lorien Taneytown
100 Antrim Blvd.
Taneytown, MD 21787











New Adult Education Podcasts by Jeff Taylor

Below is a screenshot of the curriculum for Taylorsville UMCs Adult Education website. There are now 83 podcasts on the site. The site itself has over 6 GB of information.

Our S.S. class will be taking a break and not meeting during the summer. We will meet again in September.

Each podcast is associated with additional reference information such as topic summaries, essays, and frequently asked questions. All is original material not copied from any source.

The Curriculum: (Total 83 Podcasts)

-  [The Jewish Temple: Theology, Mysticism, and The Kingdom of God \(18 Podcasts\)](#)
-  [The Early Worship of Jesus \(17 Podcasts\)](#)
-  [James The Brother of Jesus \(12 Podcasts\)](#)
-  [The Nature of Reality, Is There A Place For God? \(15 Podcasts\)](#)
-  [Does Modern Science Support A Spiritual Worldview? \(8 Podcasts\)](#)
-  [The Mind of GOD \(4 Podcasts, More To Come\)](#)
-  [A History and Interpretation of Second Isaiah \(7 Podcasts\)](#)
-  [Apocalyptic Imagination: Jewish Apocalyptic Literature \(1 Podcast, More To Come\)](#)

Each class is centered around a podcast (average of 30 minutes) with additional support material. Each class has a cited reference source for people who want more information. I have personally curated every source for academic accuracy and appropriateness.

Since I have not used any original material from the sources, no copyrights are violated and all sources used are cited just like any academic publication.

Here is the link to the landing page which will get populated with more courses.

<https://jeff-taylor-database.notion.site/>

I can't imagine many other churches have free study material of this caliber and depth. I have used only the most current and respected resources from academia. In addition, many classes provide different points of view for controversial topics.

The podcast dialogues are lively, entertaining, and very understandable.

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

Contact: Dee



During the summer quarter we will continue our Standard Lesson series by looking at **Sacred Altars and Holy Offerings**. In June we consider the genesis of altars and sacrifices with emphasis on Cain and Abel, Noah, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

We meet on Sunday mornings at 9 in the social hall. We invite you to join us.

Our choir is taking a well deserved break for the summer. If you would like to share special music or something else please let Pastor Josh or Cindy know.



SHARING YOUR TALENTS & GIFTS

"Your talent is God's gift to you.
What you do with it is your gift back to God." *Leo Buscaglia*

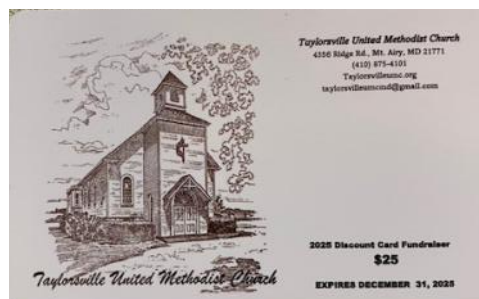


Saturday, June 14th ~ 9AM

Church Workday

Lunch will be provided.

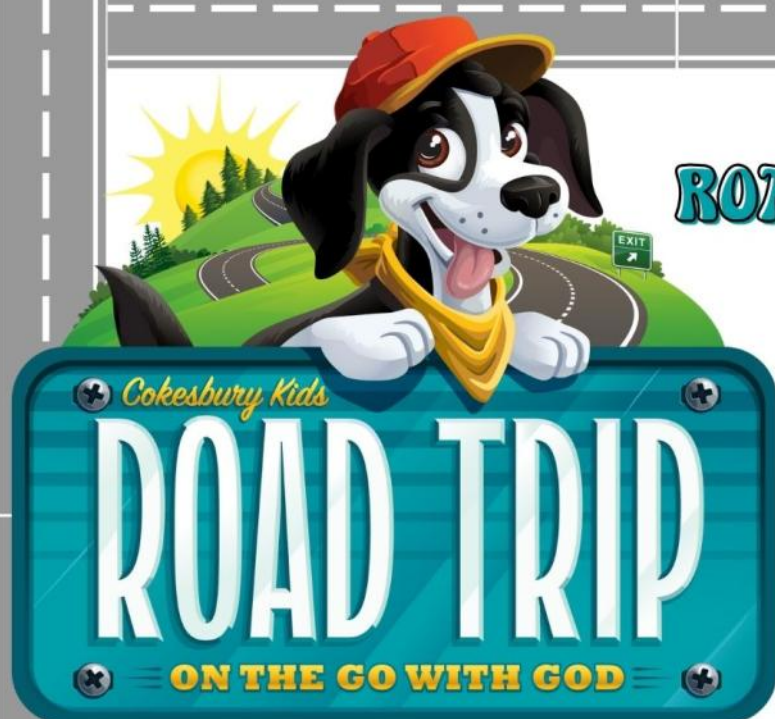
Discount Cards are still available to buy.
See Sheri Maring.



2025 Bazaar Date is
November 15th

9:00AM to 3:00PM

**Now is the time to work on
your crafts.**



Join us on a
ROAD TRIP with God at
Vacation Bible Camp
to discover God's
goodness and
presence everywhere
**ON THE GO WITH
GOD!**

Who: Children of all ages

Dates: June 23rd-26th, 2025

Time: 5:45-6:15pm- Light meal for families

6:15-8:00pm- Music, story, games, & crafts

Where: Taylorsville United Methodist Church

4356 Ridge Rd., Mt. Airy, MD 21771

To register, visit www.myvbs.org/taylorsville
or scan the QR code!



June's Fundraiser-Church makes 20% profit!

GET IN THE SPIRIT!

A FUNDRAISER WITH CALIFORNIA TORTILLA

WHEN: Wednesday, 11th June, 11 AM to 10 PM (Open to Close)

WHERE:

Orders must be placed in-store* or online for in-store, pickup, curbside pickup, or delivery from the Mount Airy restaurant.
Address: 1311 S Main St., Mt. Airy, MD 21009

20% of group sales will be donated to:
Taylorsville United Methodist Church

HOW:

1. Start an online order on www.CaliforniaTortilla.com or the app.
2. Scroll to the bottom, find and click on the category called "Spirit Night."
3. Click on the avocado labeled "Spirit Night" and add to cart. This will ring up as a \$0 item.
4. Complete the rest of your order and enjoy!

* If ordering in-store, inform the cashier that you are with the fundraiser.



DON'T FORGET WE CATER!

California Tortilla is happy to cover catering for your upcoming student event, graduation parties, and more! Simply call **855-CALTORT** or learn more at **CalTort.com**.

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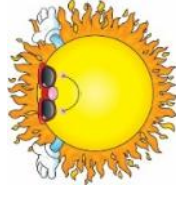
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Office Hours
M, W, TH
9:00AM-2:30PM



TAYLORSVILLE UMC



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion 9:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM Worship- Facebook live/website	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Pentecost – wear red 9:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM Worship- Facebook live/website	9 7:00PM Council	10	11	12	13	14 9:00AM Church Work Day
15 Happy Father's Day 9:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM Worship- Facebook live/website	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 9:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM Worship- Facebook live/website	23 5:45-8:00PM VBC	24 5:45-8:00PM VBC Newsletter Deadline	25 5:45-8:00PM VBC	26 5:45-8:00PM VBC	27	28
29 Potluck after church 9:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM Worship- Facebook live/website	30			Looking Ahead: Pray for TUMC & Zion UMC as we become a 2pt charge July 1	In July Mt. Airy will have "Fill The Net" event- more information to come	



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



**HOPE TO SEE YOU IN
CHURCH THIS MONTH**

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