

# **MT. TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**9:15 AM - May 19, 2024 - Day of Pentecost  
ALIVE! Worship Service**

## INTRODUCTION

*Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Crossing all boundaries that would separate us, the Spirit brings the wideness of God's mercy to places we least expect it—to a crowd of strangers of different lands and tongues, to dry bones, to our weak hearts. Jesus promises his disciples that they will be accompanied by the Holy Spirit, and that this Spirit reveals the truth. We celebrate that we too have been visited with this same Spirit. Guided by the truth, we join together in worship, and then disperse to share the fullness of Christ's love with the world.*

### *Spirit, Open My Heart*

*Refrain*



Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of



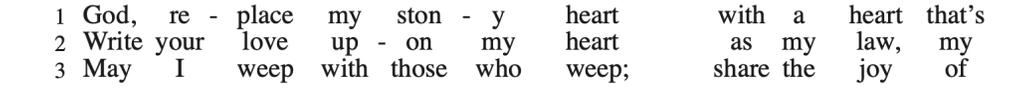
liv-ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing



and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.



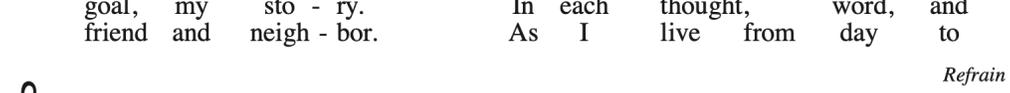
1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's



2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my



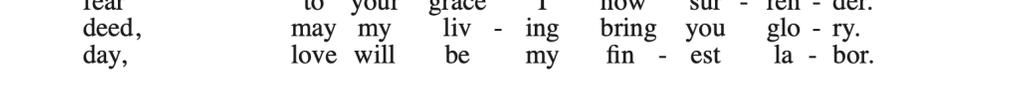
3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of



kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and

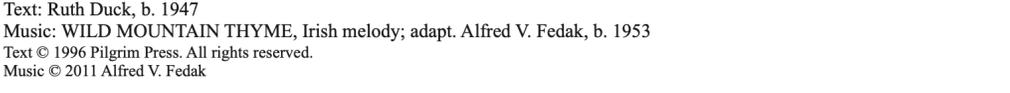


goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and

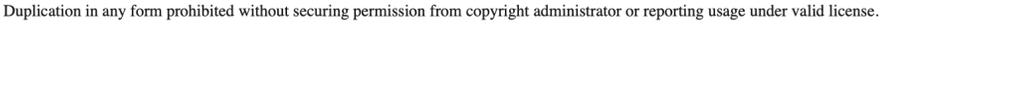


friend and neigh - bor. As I live from day to

*Refrain*



fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.



deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.



day, love will be my fin - est la - bor.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME, Irish melody; adapt. Alfred V. Fedak, b. 1953

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## *Come, Holy Spirit, Descend*

\*Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, de - scend on us, de -

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note C5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

scend on us. We gath - er here in Je - sus'

The second system continues the melody from the first system. The treble staff features a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass staff continues with accompaniment. A slur is placed over the final two notes of the treble staff.

name. (hm)

The third system concludes the piece. The treble staff has a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and Bb4. The bass staff has a half note G3, followed by quarter notes A3 and Bb3. A slur is placed over the final two notes of the treble staff. There are decorative symbols (circles with dots) above and below the first notes of both staves.

*\*Additional verses ad lib:*

Come, Breath of heaven, . . .  
Come, Word of mercy, . . .  
Come, Fire of judgment, . . .  
Come to inspire us, . . .

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: BREATH OF HEAVEN, John L. Bell

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## As the Wind Song



1 As the wind song through the trees, as the stir - ring of the  
2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the hope that's born a -



breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of God,  
gain, so it is with the Spir - it of God,



as the heart made strange - ly warm, as the voice with - in the  
as the green in the . . . spring, as a kite on a . . .



storm, so it is with the Spir - it of God.  
string, so it is with the Spir - it of God,



Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has  
mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come



blown bring - ing life, bring - ing pow'r to the world,  
true, bring - ing gifts, bring - ing love to the world,



as the danc - ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de -  
as the ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the . . .



sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God.  
feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.

Text: Shirley Erena Murray, 1931–2020

Music: WAIRUA TAPU, Lim Swee Hong, b. 1963

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## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYERS

### SERVICE FOR HOLY BAPTISM

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*Today we receive in Holy Baptism  
Annie Grace Cothran and John Allan Cothran  
children of  
Derek Cothran and Perryn Burkett*

## KYRIE

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN OF PRAISE

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

*Refrain*

Ev - 'ry time I feel the spir - it mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev - 'ry time I feel the

spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.

1 Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke,  
2 . . . All a - round me looked so fine,  
3 . . . Jor - dan riv - er, chilly and cold,

*Refrain*

out of his mouth came fire and smoke.  
asked . . . . my Lord if all was mine.  
chills the bod - y but not the soul.

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: PENTECOST, African American spiritual; arr. Melva W. Costen, b. 1933  
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## A READING

Romans 8:22-27

A reading from Romans.

*By pouring the Holy Spirit into our hearts, God gives us the promised first fruit of eternal life so that we await God's future in hope. In the meantime, the Spirit also intercedes for us by carrying the prayers of our weak human hearts to God.*

<sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

The word of the Lord.

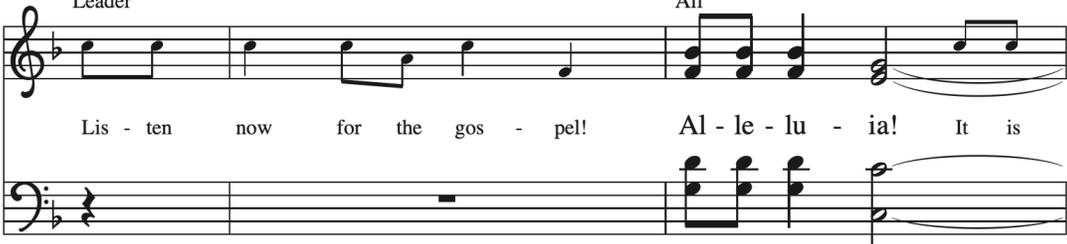
**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN

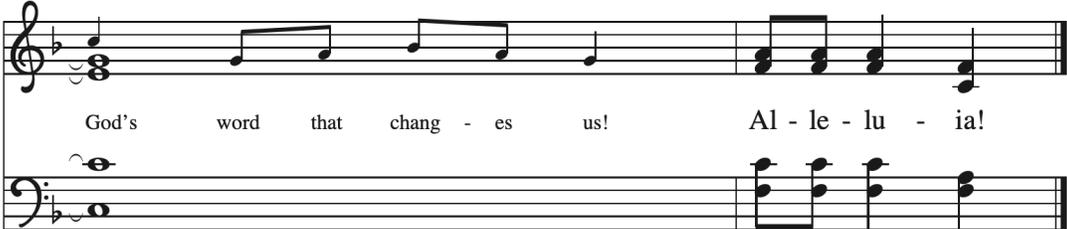
*Listen Now for the Gospel*  
verses 1&2

*Refrain*  
Leader

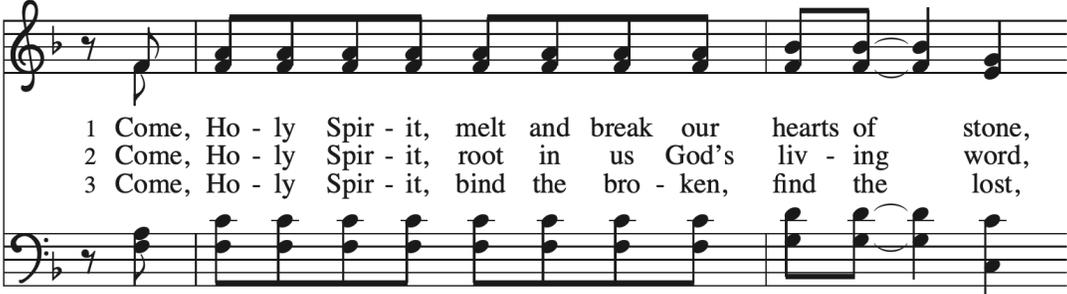
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Lis - ten now for the gos - pel! Al - le - lu - ia! It is



God's word that chang - es us! Al - le - lu - ia!



1 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, melt and break our hearts of stone,  
2 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, root in us God's liv - ing word,  
3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, bind the bro - ken, find the lost,

*Refrain*



un - til we give our lives to God, and God a - lone.  
that we may show the faith - ful - ness of Christ our Lord.  
con - firm in us the fire and love of Pen - te - cost.

Text: Zimbabwean traditional; tr. John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: LISTEN NOW, Zimbabwean traditional

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## GOSPEL

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

The Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*While speaking to his disciples before his death, Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as “the Helper” and describes the difference the Spirit will make in their lives and in the world.*

[Jesus said,] <sup>26</sup>“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>16:4b</sup>“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

<sup>12</sup>“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

GOSPEL HYMN

*Listen Now for the Gospel*  
*verse 3*

SERMON

**Pastor Wade Roof**

ANTHEM

*Send Down the Fire*

**Haugen/arr. Hayes**

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

*Today we receive the following individuals as members. Welcome to our Family!*

*Derek Cothran*  
*Perryn Burkett*  
*Travis Driggers*  
*Amanda Driggers*  
*Raelyn Driggers*

## OFFERTORY

### *That We May Be Filled*



Not as we ought but as we are a - ble, we  
of - fer our thanks as we come to your ta - ble. Through  
Word and Spir - it bless us; through bread and wine re - fresh us that  
we may be filled, that we may be filled with love.

Text: Handt Hanson and Paul Murakami

Music: THAT WE MAY BE FILLED. Handt Hanson and Paul Murakami

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## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

## **COMMUNION**

COMMUNION HYMN

*Spirit of Gentleness*

*Refrain*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace. **Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

### *We Will Go Out with Joy*

*Leader* C F/C C G7 C

- 1 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.
- 2 Now an - y - one who's born of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy.
- 3 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.

*All* C F/C C C/G G7 C *Fine*

We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.  
 Now an - y - one who's born of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy.  
 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.

*Refrain* Fsus2 C F G C

Al - le - lu - ia! We will go out with joy.

Fsus2 C E<sup>b</sup> sus2 Dm7 Gsus G *to Stanzas*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Drawing on the phrasing of Isaiah 55:12, this joyful sending hymn was created by a musical Canadian father and daughter, beginning with the tune that emerged from a four-hand piano improvisation. The completed hymn later served as the recessional music for her wedding.

## DISMISSAL

## POSTLUDE

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### FOR FURTHER STUDY

#### **FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21**

*Originally Pentecost was a Jewish thanksgiving-type festival celebrated seven weeks after Passover. On this particular Pentecost, however, the Holy Spirit is poured out upon the entire community of believers just as Jesus had promised and the scriptures had prophesied. Empowered by the Spirit, the entire community bears witness to God's activity in multiple languages.*

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

#### **PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b**

<sup>24</sup>How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. <sup>25</sup>Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number living things both small and great. <sup>26</sup>There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it. <sup>27</sup>All of them look to you to give them their food in due season. <sup>28</sup>You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things. <sup>29</sup>When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. <sup>30</sup>You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth. <sup>31</sup>May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works. <sup>32</sup>You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke. <sup>33</sup>I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being. <sup>34</sup>May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD. <sup>35b</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

***ALIVE! Musicians***

*Gale McLeod, Co-Director*

*Clark Ebener*

*Vaughn Hall*

*Irelou Moye, Co-Director*

*Lyndsey Ebener*

*Ricky Lusk*

*Beth Branham*

*Bradley Miller*

*Ed Redmond*

*Leah Conrad*

*David Moye*

*Roxanne Rich*

*Brett Ebener*

*Erin Hall*

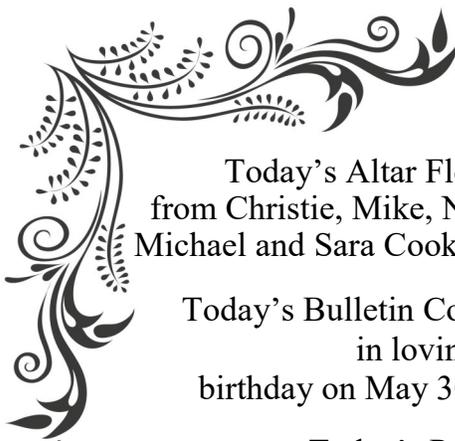
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*Lector ..... Cathy Crawford*

*Communion assistants ..... Pam Burnett*

*Greeter ..... Grace Fuson*

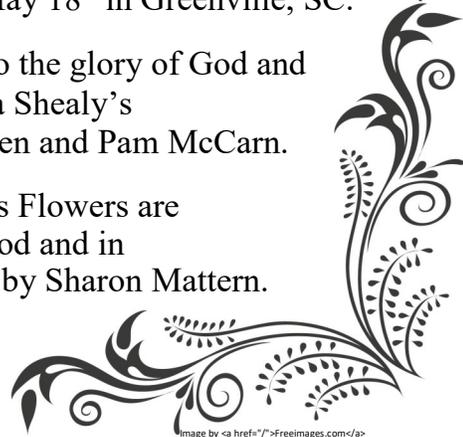
*Ushers ..... Paul Jacobs, John Matthews*



Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God from Christie, Mike, Natalie, and David Cook in celebration of Michael and Sara Cook's wedding on May 18<sup>th</sup> in Greenville, SC.

Today's Bulletin Covers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ira Shealy's birthday on May 30<sup>th</sup> by Nancy Allen and Pam McCarn.

Today's Processional Cross Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Linda Vallejo by Sharon Mattern.



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**Welcome to Mt. Tabor.** We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! If you are a visitor, please fill out and return the attendance card in your pew rack so we may have a record of your attendance. Our ushers and greeters will be glad to answer any questions you may have about our worship service. We hope that you will experience the presence of the Risen Christ today!

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**Lord Teach Us To Pray:**

*As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the following members of our church family, who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week:* Wanda Addy Michael Bradshaw, Pat Bradshaw, Jessica Tablas, Venetia Sharpe, George Minor, Alexander Tuten, Wendy Spainhour, Milton Hall, Carolyn Taylor, Charles Taylor, Natalie Cook, Michael Cook, David Cook, Ashlynn Busbee.

**Most Recent Prayer Concerns:**

Dennis Rybicki, Sr., Sandra Baker, Betty Keisler, Wanda Addy, Ron Hutto  
Bruce Merchant, Ann Crout, Al & Judy Jordan

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Drewby McQuillen, Mary Davis, Alice Pollock, Jimmy Williams, Mona Myers, Sadie Howard, Elmer Sundlie, Robert Cromer, Dennis Rybicki, Jr., Emma Lou Easley, Lib Manus, Paul Addy, Paul & Jeanie Jacobs, Barbara Bradshaw, Betty Wise, Herman Bouknight, Jane & Gene Sexton, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston

**Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:**

Jackson Bell, Pam Player, Nancy & Emily Waugh, Becky & Phil Frederick  
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Jacob Pittman, Beth Murphy, Justin "Cody" Spires, Billy Holton, Barbara Kohr, Jenny Mack  
JoAnn Davis, Diana Ruth Henricks, Tommy Cambell, Niko Bosley, Mary Famiglietti  
Angela Livingston, Bill Wood, Anne Moye, Isabelle Sundlie  
John Bundrick, Katie Blackwell Feaster

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Adam Davis, Samuel Davis, Scott Hash, Alex Morris

**Family and Loved Ones Serving in the Military:**

Josh Watson, Jacob Henry Burgan, Caleb Neff

**The Family Of:**

Sidney Ward, Sarah Cooper, Tony Jeffcoat, Todd Gayden

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**Worship Leaders**

*Rev. Wade T. Roof, III, Senior Pastor*

*Rev. Rus Stilwell, Pastor of Visitation*

*Mr. Kevin Davis, Director of Music*