



Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church

# TIDINGS

December 2019

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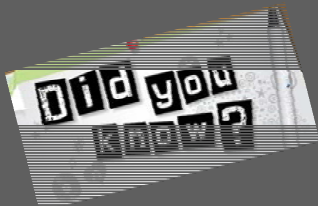
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**God becomes flesh and dwells among us!  
The mystery of the incarnation is our  
spectacular Good News for  
Christmas Eve: God is with us!**



## **Christmas Eve Schedule**

***We celebrate Christ's birth with three Christmas Eve services:***

### **5:00 Service for Children and Families**

Enjoy familiar Christmas hymns, special music provided by our young people, a Christmas Eve message, and our traditional birthday cake and reception in the Assembly Room. Special music for this service begins at 4:45.

### **7:00 Festival Service of Holy Communion**

Join us for traditional Christmas hymns, special music by our choirs, sermon by one of our pastors, the sacrament of Holy Communion, and the candlelight singing of Silent Night. Special music for this service will begin at 6:30.

### **11:00 Festival Service of Holy Communion**

Our traditional service of welcome and worship, as Christmas Eve gives way to Christmas Day. The service includes prelude music by our choirs, beloved Christmas hymns, sermon by one of our pastors, Holy Communion, and the candlelight singing of Silent Night. Special music begins at 10:30.



## Congregational Council of Mt. Tabor

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Betsy Sippel, Vice President

Erica Collum, Secretary

Joe Jones, Treasurer

Paul Hinson, Financial Secretary

Stella McGee, Recording Secretary

Pastor Emily Willhide, Pastor of Faith Formation

Pastor Wade T. Roof, III, Senior Pastor

### Council Meeting

The next scheduled Council meeting will be Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Easley Conference Room.

## Council Highlights

- ◆ Minutes were approved unanimously.
- ◆ Motion was made to take 2020 Proposed Budget to the congregation with a recommended 3% Raise and ELCA Benefits to be calculated from new salary amounts. Motion was approved unanimously.
- ◆ A motion was made to change Congregational Meeting date to vote on budget and elect new council from December 8 to December 15 and was approved unanimously.
- ◆ A vote was taken to move forward with polishing the concrete flooring in the Sanctuary to be completed by December 14<sup>th</sup>. If not, we will have to wait until after Christmas. The motion passed unanimously.

## Pastoral Ponderings

One of the things that I value most about this church is its ability and willingness to serve as a teaching parish for our local seminary. Not only is this a valuable means of learning for future pastors and leaders of the church, but it also gives your pastors ample opportunities to nerd out with fellow theology buffs. And those conversations so often lead to something interesting that will inevitably show up in our preaching or latest newsletter article.

Take, for example, my most recent conversation with our newest seminarian, Lorie Gladyness. While our conversation began as a reflection on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, it quickly shifted into a reflection of the many ways that we in the church live out this cycle of life, death, and, yes, even resurrection. We don't have to look far to find an example; our own church calendar takes us through this process each year. And we are about to begin it again as we enter into the season of Advent, preparing our hearts and minds for the coming of Christ.

No matter how many times I experience it, this journey from the manger to the cross to the empty tomb never seems to get old. It is both familiar and new, comforting and challenging, each time. I suspect some of that familiarity and comfort is because we all live our lives in cycles. There are times of growth and learning, and times of senescence. There are periods of life that are overflowing with abundance and, in equal measure, times of drought and difficulty. There are irrepressible moments of joy and overwhelming times of grief. But through it all runs this thread of new life, even in the face of death. It is there that we find the challenge and the novelty.

We sum it up colloquially as, "when God shuts a door, God opens a window". While this can seem a overly simple way to talk about the agency of God, it is certainly how many of us experience a life of faith. God never fails to use whatever it is that is going on in our lives to create moments of grace, opportunities for the gospel, and a chance at new life. Even in the midst of endings, God is doing a new thing and inviting us to participate.

During these four weeks of Advent, we are asked to confront and name the sin and need of the world in order to better understand the incarnation and our desperate need for an encounter with God. We are reminded of the power of the dark, and look forward with incredible expectation to God's promise to dwell among us. We find hope, even in the midst of doubt, and we find joy even in the midst of grief. And we are able to do this because we understand that no season lasts forever. God has promised new life, incarnation and resurrection, and we find our hope in that promise.

May God bless you this Advent,

*Pastor Emily*



From Your Mt. Tabor Staff:

*Niki*

*Jim*

*Pastor Wade*

*Pastor Russ*

*Elise*

*Helle*

*Sandra*

*Pastor Emily*



## Poinsettia & Wreath Orders

We are currently taking orders for poinsettias, greenery, and Advent wreaths. Order forms can be found in the Church Hallway or Office. The deadline for placing orders is December 1.



*Join us at*

Faith Lutheran Church

December 4, 11, & 18

Meal at 5:15 pm

Holden Evening Prayer  
Service at 6 pm

### CHRISTMAS TREES NEEDED

After 15 years of creating the Winter Forest in the Assembly Room, some of the Christmas Trees are literally falling apart. For next year, 2020, we would like to have a few good artificial trees donated to replace the ones needing extensive repair. If you have an artificial Christmas Tree— green, gently used, & approximately 3 to 7 feet tall— that you would consider donating to the Winter Forest, please contact Elizabeth Klapman or Jennifer Smith.



## Baby, It's Cold Outside... The Homeless Need HUGS and COATS!!

Two years ago, the Early Rising Men's Group at Mt. Tabor urged you to participate with us and Lutheran World Relief to "Buy the Farm". The congregation responded and bought several farms (pigs, cows, goats, chickens) and farm implements for farmers in underdeveloped areas.

Last year, we asked you to participate in HUGS for the Homeless. We provided Hats, Thermal Underwear, Gloves and Socks (HUGS) for homeless men and women at Transitions Shelter in downtown Columbia. Together, we raised over \$3,000. A generous local business provided another \$5,000. We almost tripled our goal of \$2,700.

With the money collected last year, we have already been able to fund the HUGS program with Transitions again. We have provided HUGS for more than 80 homeless veterans at Central Midlands Transitional Retreat in Lexington. Since last November, we have provided hats, underwear, gloves and socks for over **750 homeless men and women**.

This year, we ask you to join us in raising funds for COATS for the homeless veterans at the Central Midlands Transitional Retreat in Lexington. Our goal is to provide 100 new coats to the men there. Any amounts over our goal will go into the HUGS account to fund clothing or food to the homeless and needy.

A \$10 donation will provide Hat, Underwear, Gloves and Socks for a homeless man or woman. A \$15 donation will provide a new coat. \$25 will provide both. Please partner with us to provide warm clothing for our less fortunate brothers and sisters.

In the past, we asked you to buy pigs and goats. This year, we're asking you to help us with HUGS and COATS! Baby, it's cold outside! Make donations payable to Mt. Tabor and designate HUGS for the Homeless.

—Thank you from your Early Rising Men's Group



**The MT Book Club will meet on Tuesday, January 14, at the home of Pam Burnett. The book discussed will be *The Indigo Girl* by Natacha Boyd. For information about future books and meetings, contact Norma Riddell at 803-319-4802 or email her at riddelln@aol.com.**

### Early Risers Prayer Breakfast

Our Lutheran Men Early Risers will meet for Prayer Breakfast on December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 a.m. at Lizard's Thicket on Augusta Road.



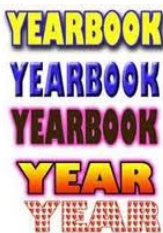
### Wednesday Noon Eucharist

Quiet communion services continue at Mt. Tabor at noon each Wednesday. The service lasts approximately 25 minutes, and fits well within your lunch break from work! Come taste and see that the Lord is good.



**The Sunshine Club** meets Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Assembly Room. We will be treated to a Christmas dinner of ham with all the trimmings. The dinner will be provided. For the program, we will hear a Christmas story and sing carols of the season. Come—join us for all the good fellowship!

All reports and personal information for the 2019 Yearbook & Directory are due by **January 15**. Be sure to update the Church Office with any name, address, phone, or email changes. **Also, let us know if you DO NOT want your cell phone listed.**



### December Love Offering



Beloved has some GREAT news!

Beloved has been offered a gift of up to \$6000 by an anonymous donor, to be met alongside matching funds!

Would you consider contributing to this ministry? Beloved is a multi-denominational ministry aimed at children with special needs and their families. Beloved seeks to provide a welcoming, celebratory faith formation experience for God's children who experience the world and the Word differently.

### Tabs, Box Tops & Soup Labels



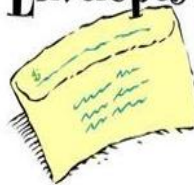
We continue to collect drink can tabs, box tops, Campbell's soup labels and plastic grocery bags. Your items may be brought to the Scatter Cheer Room.



### Church Office Closing

*The Church Office will be closed on December 25 & 26 and January 1 so that our staff can enjoy the holidays with their families.*

### Offering Envelopes



Offering envelopes for the new year are available in the hallway to the Assembly Room. Please pick up yours and others that you can deliver. If your family needs additional envelopes, please contact Stella in the Church Office.



The Ladies Aid continues to collect coats to donate to families in need at our local schools. If you have any unwanted coats that you would like to donate to this project, please bring them to the Scatter Cheer Room.



Sunday, December 15

10:00 am

Assembly Room

Purpose: Vote on Budget & Council Nominees

# ATTENTION PARENTS

## Date of Production

December 8<sup>th</sup>

9:45 AM

## Rehearsals

Sunday, November 24th  
9:45 AM

Sunday, December 1st  
9:45 AM

Saturday, December 7th  
9:45 AM

Parts will be assigned in November. If you do not attend Church regularly or Sing and Celebrate, and would like your child to participate, please contact Linda Spainhour at 414 - 5114

## Christmas Play Information

# Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 15, 2019

4:00 PM

Featuring the choirs of Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church, along with guest musicians.

The concert is free and all are invited.

MT. TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

1000 B Avenue, West Columbia

# Prayer List

## 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 month:* Emily Berrian, Kevin Bozard, Jackson Burton, Trad Burton, Shawna Busbee, Gavin Carrion, Kenlee Cassella, McKenna Cassella, Daniel Conrad, Sandy Dennis, Sara Dill, Marielle Downing, Eleanor Dunlap, Tyler England, Acy Flora, Karen Foley, Stephen Fulmer, Andrew Hamson, Mallory Hartgrove, Aubrey Horton, Rachel Hunnicutt, Carroll Hutchinson, Summer Inabella, Jake Jacobs, Rylee Jacobs, Lucky Jones, Sybil Kennedy, Mary Katherine King, Jack Latham, Lynda Mason, Koy McCullough, Norma McKinley, Foster McLeod, Meg Muir, Becky Newman, Julie Plane, Cheryl Prim, Sharon Rogers, Burns Roof, Dennis Rybicki Jr., Adam Self, Ella Senn, Drew Shealy, Gerald Shealy, Thomas Shealy, Vicki Smallwood, Brittany Smoak, Curren Taylor, Lev Taylor, Thomas Tuten, Robert Ward, Ben Willhide, Kylie Wilson, William Wingard, Luke Witherell.

## Most Recent Prayer Concerns:

Terry Tucker, Melvin Manus, Brittany Rister, Larry Taylor, Betty Wise.

## Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Marsha Reynolds, Michael Bradshaw, Hazel Rauch, Lynn Hostetter, Penny Timmerman, Matthew Hook, Elise Harmon, Ann Callison, Adele Rodgers, Mary Hamson, Faye Smith, Lisa Long.

## Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:

Gregg Avedisian, Tina Scott Frye, Vladimir Puzdrjakov, Jonathan Anderson, Tommy Roof, Vivian Gwin, Ed Rybicki, Elaine Jeffcoat, Gail Kneece, Tom Mosteller, Emily Windham, Christie Goldberry, Johnnie Blackburn, Byron Bullard, Wanda Hood, Murray Hoskins, Isabelle Sundlie, Bill Hunnicutt.

## Members of Mt. Tabor Serving in the Military:

Andrew Hamson, Samuel Davis, Mike Willhide, Scott Hash, John Post, Dallas Phillips.

## Family and Loved Ones Serving in the Military:

Marcus Hayes, Tristan Mullen, Cory Fabian, Hayden Henneman, Edwin Taylor, Patrick Taylor, Edwin Torres, Josh Watson, Jacob Henry Burgan, Patrick Morris, Ben Barron, Barry Duncan, Michael Barfield, Adam Mintz, David Mathews, Bernd Koehler, John Ward.

## The Family Of:

Charles Rogers, Jean Vasquez, Maurice Dunlap, Nancy Hutto, Cindy Maxheimer, Lois Cromer, Fred Carter.

*Please help us keep our prayer list up to date by calling the church office with any names to be added or removed. Otherwise, names remaining on the prayer list for more than 2 months will be removed.*

*Sympathy  
to the Family of:*

*Charles Rogers—Member of Mt. Tabor  
Jean Vasquez—Mother of Joe Vasquez  
Maurice Dunlap—Member of Mt. Tabor  
Nancy Hutto—Member of Mt. Tabor*

2019 Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
<p>1 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>  8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir  8:30 &amp; 11:00 – Holy Communion  9:45 – Coffee Fellowship/AR  10:00 – Sunday School  10:00 – Children’s Play Practice/AR  12:00—4:00 – AR reserved  12:30 – Confirmation/ECR  5:30 – Vespers  5:30 – Youth Mtg/AR</p>	<p>2  9:30 – Quilting Ministry/ECR  5:45 – Positively Fit/Park  6:00 – Transfigure Ringers  7:00 – Mt. Tabor Ringers</p>	<p>3  10:30 – Staff Meeting  12:30 – Day Trip to Mepkin Abbey  5:30 – Pipers Practice/AR  5:45 – Positively Fit/State House  5:45 – Tree Decorating/Sanctuary  6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR</p>
<b>AR reserved for Christmas Tree set-up December 1—5</b>		
<p>8 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>  8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir  8:30 &amp; 11:00 – Holy Communion  9:45 – Sunday School/Children’s Christmas Program/AR  12:30 – Confirmation/ECR  12:30—6:00 – AR reserved  6:00 – Standing Committees  7:00 – Church Council/ECR</p>	<p>9  9:30 – Quilting Ministry/ECR  5:45 – Positively Fit/Park  6:00 – Transfigure Ringers  7:00 – Mt. Tabor Ringers</p>	<p>10  7:00 – Men’s Early Risers Breakfast/Lizard’s Thicket  10:30 – Staff Meeting  5:30 – Pipers Christmas Party/AR  6:00 – Lutheran Men/ Faith  5:45 – Positively Fit/State House  6:30 – Internship Comm/Scatter Cheer  6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR</p>
<p>15 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>  <i>Vote for Budget/Council Nominees/Endowment</i>  8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir  8:30 &amp; 11:00 – Holy Communion  9:45 – Coffee Fellowship/AR  10:00 – Sunday School  11:00 – Emily Grace Addy Baptism  4:00 – Christmas Concert</p>	<p>16  9:30 – Quilting Ministry/ECR  5:45 – Positively Fit/Park  6:00 – Transfigure Ringers  7:00 – Mt. Tabor Ringers</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>TIDINGS DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>17  10:30 – Staff Meeting  4:00—8:00 – AR reserved  5:30 – Pipers Practice/Upstairs  5:45 – Positively Fit/State House  6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR</p>
<p>22 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>  8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir  8:30 &amp; 11:00 – Holy Communion  9:45 – Coffee Fellowship/AR  10:00 – Sunday School  12:30 – Confirmation/ECR</p>	<p>23  <b>10:00 – Bulletin Deadline</b>  9:30 – Quilting Ministry/ECR  5:45 – Positively Fit/Park  6:00 – Transfigure Ringers  7:00 – Mt. Tabor Ringers</p>	<p>24 <b>Christmas Eve</b>  4:45 – Prelude  5:00 – Children’s Service  6:30 – Prelude  7:00 – Candlelight Communion  10:30 – Prelude  11:00 – Candlelight Communion</p>
<p>29 <i>First Sunday of Christmas</i>  8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir  8:30 &amp; 11:00 – Lessons &amp; Carols Service  9:45 – Coffee Fellowship/AR  10:00 – Sunday School  12:30 – Confirmation/ECR</p>	<p>30  9:30 – Quilting Ministry/ECR  5:45 – Positively Fit/Park  6:00 – Transfigure Ringers  7:00 – Mt. Tabor Ringers</p>	<p>31 <b>New Year’s Eve</b>  10:30 – Staff Meeting  5:30 – Pipers Practice/AR  5:45 – Positively Fit/State House  6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR</p>



Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>4  <b>9:00 – E-News Deadline</b>            11:00 – Bible Study            12:00 – Noon Eucharist            5:30 – Blanket Class/ECR            5:15 – Advent Meal/Faith            5:45 – Positively Fit/State House            6:00 – Advent Service/Faith            7:00 – Adult Choir</p>	<p>5  <b>10:00 – Bulletin Deadline</b>            12:00 – Sunshine Club/AR            5:45 – Positively Fit/Park</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7            All Day – AR Reserved            9:45 – Children’s Play Practice            6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR</p>
<b>AR reserved for Christmas Tree set-up December 1—5</b>			
<p>11  <b>9:00 – E-News Deadline</b>            11:00 – Bible Study            12:00 – Noon Eucharist            3:15 – Sing &amp; Celebrate            4:45 – Children’s Choirs            5:15 – Advent Meal/Faith            5:45 – Positively Fit/State House            6:00 – Advent Service/Faith            7:00 – Adult Choir</p>	<p>12  <b>10:00 – Bulletin Deadline</b>            5:45 – Positively Fit/Park            6:00 – Staff/Council Christmas Party</p>	<p>13            11:00—8:00 – AR reserved            Organ Tuning – Sanctuary</p>	<p>14            All Day – AR reserved            Concert Practice            10:00—12:00 – Girl Scouts/Upstairs            5:30 – Cayce Christmas Parade            6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR</p>
<p>18  <b>9:00 – E-News Deadline</b>            11:00 – Bible Study            12:00 – Noon Eucharist            3:30 – Sing &amp; Celebrate            4:45 – Children’s Choirs            5:15 – Advent Meal/Faith            5:30 – Blanket Class/ECR            5:45 – Positively Fit/State House            6:00 – Advent Service/Faith            7:00 – Adult Choir</p>	<p>19  <b>10:00 – Bulletin Deadline</b>            10:00 – Livingston Circle/ECR            5:45 – Positively Fit/Park            6:30 – Beloved Planning/Library            7:00 – Centennial Circle            7:00 – 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Circle</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21            All Day – AR reserved            Youth Caroling/Party            6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR</p>
<p>25 <b>Christmas Day</b></p>  <p><b>Church Office Closed</b></p>	<p>26</p> <p><b>Church Office closed</b></p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28            10:00—12:00 – Girl Scouts/Upstairs            6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR</p>
<p>Love Offering</p> 	<p><b>God’s Helping Hands Emphasis</b></p> <p>Sweet Peas            Vienna Sausages            Pop-Tarts            Cookies            Crackers</p>		



- 2- Becky Day, Phil Hoffman, Brittany Jones, Kim Smith, Robert Wise
- 3- April South
- 4- Leah Miller, Brad Pittman
- 5- McKenna Cassella, Tammy O'Quinn, Hannah Williams
- 6- Beth Holliman, Nicole Thompson
- 7- Mary Hamson, Sara Pauly, David Senn
- 8- Elizabeth Caulder, Vance Hutto, Lauren Matthews
- 9- Anna Bryant, Barry Hallman, Caleigh Taylor
- 10- Shannon Dukes, Charlie Sharpe
- 12- Michael Gayden, David Mellichamp, Steve Rabon
- 13- Gordon Jeffcoat, Rus Stilwell
- 14- Aaron Cegelis
- 15- Vivian Baxter, Lyndsey Ebener, Kelly Hamilton, Laurie Young
- 16- Rhett Anderson, Chuck Goldsmith, Sammy Haftoglou, Larry Marchant Sr.
- 17- Kim Bessinger, Sara Dill, Pat Shealy
- 18- Mary Beth Henry, Cindy Pettway, Tyler Tuten
- 19- Lynn Arrington, Docia Jones, Jim Peterson
- 20- Kase Boone
- 21- Cody James, Lauren Jureka
- 22- Faye Smith, Jon Thomas
- 23- Adelaide Bowman, Julie Smith
- 24- Britt Belch
- 25- Hampton Miller Jr., Donia Price
- 26- Bill Derrick, Joe Popkowski Jr.
- 27- David Cook, Michael Cook
- 28- Herbert Brazell, Eli Haftoglou, Everly Insabella, Brian Plane
- 29- Sandra Baker, Brynn Young
- 30- Robert Cromer Jr., Brandi Fulmer
- 31- RexBozard, Patsy Fulmer, Kathy Humphrey, Nelli Phillips, David Prim, Brian Sox

If you are not listed on the birthday list, please call the church office at 796-5948 or email niki@mttaborlutheran.org.



### Sacrament of Holy Baptism

On Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, during the 11:00 am Worship Service, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Emily Grace Addy, daughter of Jason & Lauren Addy. We welcome Emily Grace into the faith we all share through Jesus Christ.

## Dear Mt. Tabor...

Thank you for all the cards, phone calls, and perhaps visits during mom's illness and her passing. The support meant more than words can ever express. Thank you for your continued love and support of dad.

—The Family of Lois Cromer

Thank you for being a partner with us in Campus Ministry. We appreciate your love offering of \$395.00. Thank you and God bless.

—Pastor Michele Fischer

## Thank You

Mt. Tabor's Halloween Committee would like to thank the congregation for their continued support of Halloween in the Park.

This event would not take place without your willingness to give time, talent and resources so that the community may come to Mt. Tabor and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship.

**The Halloween Committee would like to thank and acknowledge the following businesses for donating to Halloween in the Park.**

**Thrivent Financial  
Vella's  
Craig Jeffries -  
Republic National  
Chick fil A  
Zesto  
Publix  
Local Boy Outfitters**

**Greg Senn -  
Senn Brothers  
Produce  
Greclan Gardens  
Kristi Leigh Florist  
D's Wings  
Frankie's Fun Park  
Jarrett's Jungle  
Magic Nails**



*Joel Smith & Courtney Short*  
*Friday, November 15, 2019*

*Written in the Stars!*

The Stewardship Committee is offering an Advent Devotional, *Written in the Stars*, to help guide you through this Advent season. The devotionals will be available in the narthex on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Along with the devotional, we are challenging each family to a "Reverse Advent" this year to support Harvest Hope by setting aside a non-perishable food item each day as part of your Advent devotions. Your collection should be brought to the church Assembly Room by 9:00 AM on January 4<sup>th</sup>. The committee will deliver the boxes to Harvest Hope. A list of the daily items we are collecting is below. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Hoskins or Joyce Riley.

The Stewardship Committee is offering a Reverse Advent Challenge this year! Beginning the first Sunday in Advent, we are asking you to set aside one food item designated on the list below to help support Harvest Hope Food Bank in January. Please bring your collection box to the Assembly Room no later than January 4<sup>th</sup>. Our committee will deliver the items to Harvest Hope. Your gifts will honor our Lord and Savior on the celebration of His birth!

<u>December</u>	<u>Food Item</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>Food Item</u>
1	box of cereal	13	canned beans
2	peanut butter	14	box of crackers
3	stuffing mix	15	package of rice
4	box of potatoes	16	box of oatmeal
5	box of macaroni & cheese	17	spaghetti sauce
6	canned fruit	18	box of pasta
7	canned tomatoes	19	canned soup
8	canned tuna	20	canned corn
9	dessert mix	21	canned mixed vegetables
10	jarred applesauce	22	canned carrots
11	canned sweet potatoes	23	canned green beans
12	canned cranberry sauce	24	chicken noodle soup



YOU CAN GIVE A GREAT  
 AND WONDERFUL *Christmas* IF YOU  
*remember the gifts* GOD HAS GIVEN YOU AND,  
 AS BEST YOU CAN, OFFER THEM TO OTHERS  
 as He would.

Henry B. Eyring



**Angel Tree & Bell Ringing**

Watch for details to come on Salvation Army Bell Ringing and Angel Tree donations.



*Congratulations!*

Dakota Campbell  
 USC—Beaufort  
 Bachelor Degree in Human Affairs

# Memorials & Honorariums

## Memory of

Cynthia Kirchdofer "Cindy" Maxheimer  
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**Honor of**

Betty Wise  
 Carolyn Ballington  
 Eleanor Dunlap  
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**Worship Assistants for December 2019**

	<b><u>8:30</u></b>	<b><u>11:00</u></b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	Leah Conrad	Hannah Fogle
<b>Crucifers</b>		Joey Sullivan
<b>Lectors</b>	Ray Conrad	Tex Davis
<b>Greeters</b>	Marion Lusk	Debbie McLeod
<b>Ushers</b>	Jimmy Williams	Paul Addy
	Lucky Jones	Curren Taylor
	Ricky Lusk	Harry Prim
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Dusty & Miley Rhodes	David Mellichamp
<b>Worship Assistant Coordinators</b>	Jimmy Williams	Paul Addy
<b>Altar Guild for the month</b>	Harry & Cheryl Prim	
<b>Communion Preparers for the month</b>	Harry & Cheryl Prim	

- 8:30**
- 1- Sheri Self
  - 8- Betsy Sippel
  - 15- Linda Spainhour
  - 22- Tammy O'Quinn
  - 29- Julianne Jones



- 11:00**
- 1- Barbara Stilwell
  - 8- Wanda/Lauren Addy
  - 15- Elizabeth Goings
  - 22- Lynn Arrington
  - 29- Whitney Glass

**Altar Flowers & Bulletin Covers for December 2019**

<p><b><u>Altar Flowers</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- Harry &amp; Cheryl Prim</li> <li>8- Kristi Hall</li> <li>15- Pam Burnett</li> <li>22- Paula Taylor</li> <li>24- Wise/Hutchinson</li> <li>29- Rachel Popkowski</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Bulletin Covers</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- Penny Timmerman</li> <li>8- Nancy Allen</li> <li>15- Pam Burnett</li> <li>22- Kay Yonce</li> <li>24- Rebekah Morris (5 pm)</li> <li>        Penny Timmerman (7/11 pm)</li> <li>29- Cook Family</li> </ul>
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The Flower & Bulletin Calendars are posted on the bulletin board near the Sanctuary. If you would like to reserve a date, please sign up on the bulletin board or contact the Church Office.

**Nursing Homes/Retirement Centers/Rehabilitation Centers**

*Brian Center—St. Andrews – Faye Smith (Rm. 317)*

*Generations-Batesburg-Leesville – Charles Shull*

*Heritage at Lowman Home – Carolyn Smith (Bolick Apt. 201)*

*Laurel Crest – Pastor Charles & Emma Lou Easley (Apt. 320); Al & Judy Jordan (Apt. 312)*

*Morningside of Lexington – Hazel Price (#133), Lib Manus (#110)*

*NHC—Parklane – Mary Hamson*

*Oakleaf Village – Adele Rodgers (#213)*

*Still Hopes – Ann Callison; Jean Latimer; Jane Eubanks (Rehab)*





# Budget Report For October 2019

## Funds Received for Budget

Envelope System	30,667.37
Memorials	1,095.00
Bulletin Covers	40.00
Loose Offering	230.00
Faith Lutheran Church	3,913.00
Simply Giving Envelopes	4,908.51
Sunday School	44.00

## MONTHLY BUDGET

**40,897.88    64,751.17**

## RESERVE FUND:

Birthday from General Fund	100.00
Birthday	25.00
Other donations	100.00
	<b>225.00</b>

## DEDICATED FUND

Bachman Scholarship-Return	500.00
Choral Scholars	450.00
Fellowship & Rec	15.00
Halloween in the Park	540.24
Hymnals	300.00
Ladies Aid	20.00
Ladies Retreat	540.00
Love Offering	319.55
Love Offering from General Fund	45.00
Lutheran World Relief from General Fund	100.00
General Maintenance	631.32
Opening Doors	100.00
Pickle Jar	19.05
Sing & Celebrate	3.85
SLED	16.00
SOS Donations	50.00
Sunshine Club from General Fund	10.00
Sunshine Club	118.77
Youth Trips	466.00
	<b>4,244.78</b>

## CEMETERY FUND:

Memorial	105.00
	<b>105.00</b>

## MUSIC AND ARTS FUND:

Memorials	150.00
	<b>150.00</b>

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND

Gifts	170.03
Memorials	100.00
Pledged	2,737.00
Pledged from General Fund	1,202.00
Pledged from Simply Giving	805.00
	<b>5,014.03</b>

## ENDOWMENT FUND: 0

**Total Received for All Funds    50,636.69**

## Deadlines

E-News: *Wednesdays at 9:00 am*  
 Bulletin: *Thursdays at 10:00 am*  
 Tidings: *15<sup>th</sup> of each month*  
 Email articles to:  
 niki@mttaborlutheran.org

## Attendance

	<u>8:30</u>	<u>S S</u>	<u>11:00</u>
10/27—one service			162
11/3	92	75	101
11/10	84	90	87
11/17	129		79

## God's Helping Hands Needs

Sweet Peas, Vienna Sausages,  
 Pop-Tarts, Cookies, Crackers

## MOBILE GIVING



Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church now offers a mobile version of our online giving page to make it easy for you to give anytime from your smart phone. Simply scan the above image using your phone's QR code reader. If you do not have a QR code reader app, here is how to get one and make your mobile donation:

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- Download a free QR code reader app.
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## Mt. Tabor's Weekly Schedule

### **Sundays**

Morning Hymn Choir: 8:00 am

Worship Services: 8:30 am & 11:00 am

A nursery is provided for both services.

Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday

Sunday Church School: 10:00 am

Classes for All Ages

Confirmation: 12:30 pm

7th & 8th Grade

### **Mondays**

Transfigure Ringers: 6:00 pm

Mt. Tabor Ringers: 7:00 pm

### **Tuesdays**

Men's Prayer Breakfast: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 am/Lizard's Thicket

### **Wednesdays**

Bible Study: 11:00 am

Noon Eucharist: 12:00 pm

Sing & Celebrate: 3:30 to 5:15 pm (Please note: Sing & Celebrate will not meet when Lexington 2 is scheduled for Early Release)

Adult Choir: 7:00 pm

### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday

8:30 am to 4:30 pm

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### **Visit SC Synod Website**

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### **Visit the ELCA Website**

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*Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church is committed to being a safe place for children and youth. Our congregation has enacted policies and procedures designed to minimize the risk of abuse. Copies of our Child Protection Policy are available in the narthex, and in the Church Office.*