

Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church

TIDINGS

May 2020

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Sign Up for Mt. Tabor Emails

Did you know that Mt. Tabor can send you all correspondence electronically? This reduces our expenditures on postage and office supplies. If you are not already receiving correspondence electronically and would like to do so, please let us know by emailing niki@mttaborlutheran.org.

Zoom Meetings During COVID-19 Quarantine

Positively Fit Workout

Every Monday and Thursday at 5:45 pm Join this Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/98833355039 Meeting ID: 988 3335 5039

Mt. Tabor Men's Prayer Breakfast

2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:00 am
Join this Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/227684038
Meeting ID: 227 684 038

Mt. Tabor Wednesday Bible Study

Every Wednesday at 11:00 am
Join this Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/100237061
Meeting ID: 100 237 061

Mt. Tabor Coffee Hour

Every Sunday at 10:00 am
Join this Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/524463110
Meeting ID: 524 463 110

Mt. Tabor Youth Group Meeting

Every Sunday at 8:00 pm Join this Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/95930726509 Meeting ID: 959 3072 6509

Please note that at the time of printing this issue, all face-to-face worship services, activities, and calendar events have been cancelled. So, the events listed on the May calendar are tentative and may change based on recommendations and advisories concerning COVID-19. Please watch for email updates from our staff on when events may resume.

Gathering, Serving, Spreading

Congregational Council of Mt. Tabor

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2020 Congregational Council Executive Committee

Kendrick Kerr, President
Pam Hoskins, Vice President
Erica Collum, Secretary
Joe Jones, Treasurer
Fred Vallejo, 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, May $3^{\rm rd}$, at 6:00 pm. This meeting may be held on Zoom. Watch for an email update.



- Minutes were unanimously approved.
- A motion was made to empower the Executive Committee to name the president and treasurer to proceed with gathering information for the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) for a Small Business loan (SBA) and for the president and treasurer to sign on the loan. The motion was approved unanimously. It is a loan forgiveness with a 1% rate from the government.

THANK YOU!

Dear People of Mt. Tabor,

Thank you! Thank you for your generosity and thank you for all the ways you are giving of your time, talents, and treasure to the ministry and mission of God at Mt. Tabor. Even though we are in the middle of a worldwide pandemic, you have found it in yourselves to continue giving of your hearts and souls to what God is doing in us, around us, and through us. On behalf of the leadership of Mt. Tabor, I want to personally thank you for everything you are doing to faithfully witness to Jesus Christ.

While so much has changed over the last month, our mission has not. We are still called to share God's love through our witness to Jesus Christ, and provide ways for people to deepen their faith through worship, fellowship, discipleship, and stewardship. Within these "Ships" we not only encounter God, deepen our faith, and continue as the body of Christ, but we share the love and grace of God with people who need to meet Christ, and effectively grow God's church in the process.

While it might not look and feel the same as before, these ministries are having an awesome effect on the people of God, not only in our community and church, but literally around the world. We can tell very easily where people are connecting from, and people in Japan, Russia, and many other countries are hearing about and experiencing worship with us here around the state as well as from around West Columbia, Cayce, and Lexington. Mt. Tabor has truly become a global church. This is only possible because of your generosity and your willingness to fund the ministries that are taking place here at Mt. Tabor.

Around 7,500 people have engaged our worship on Easter Sunday. Over 5,000 people connect, on average, with our worship on other Sundays, and between 2,000 – 4,000 people connect with us every morning and every evening for devotion and prayer. While this is going extremely well, we feel that we can do more. This is where we need your help. Many of you are already giving to the general fund, and we appreciate that so much. However, due to this virus and our having to social distance from one another, many of you have been unable to give like you normally would. We are asking you today to give. While much of what you all do is through your time and talents right now, our general fund at Mt. Tabor is in need of your attention. If you have a way of giving right now that you are comfortable with, great – thank you. If you are not sure how to give, we can help you with that if you will call us to discuss how you might join into our stewardship efforts. Thank you for what you give and please try to consider new ways and raising your contributions to further our efforts in ministry.

Another thing we are very excited about here at Mt. Tabor is the generosity of several of our members who have given designated gifts for projects around the physical footprint of Mt. Tabor. Two of the gifts that were given that we are very excited about is the renovation of the Sanctuary floor and the replacement of the water fountains inside the church. The upgrades in the Sanctuary will add value and enhance our worshiping experience, and the upgrades to the water fountains will add a measure of safety from a health standpoint. These designated gifts are much appreciated and we are looking forward to having them, and projects like them, done by the time you come back.

While these designated gifts are wonderful, by law, they have to be spent on what they are designated for. We are asking once again for you to continue your generosity to God's church by giving to the general fund. By giving to the general fund of the church, we then are free and able to use these funds raised for the ongoing expenses of ministry. Some of these ministries are not seen directly like a church sanctuary floor or a new water fountain, but are just as important to what we do and how we share God's love with the people in our community. Please consider and pray about adding to the general fund of Mt. Tabor.

Lastly, we are excited about you coming back to church here in this place, but recognize that we might not be back as quickly as we once hoped we would. Through your generosity in past years, the church has built up a very good reserve fund to help us through times like these. However, this fund will not last forever, and we ask once more that you prayerfully remember the church in your generous giving.

There is a multitude of ways that you can give and we want to encourage you to give and give abundantly and generously to God's mission and ministry at Mt. Tabor. We know God is doing something amazing and new, and as we face this virus together, we know, that through you, God is working to bring His kingdom close. Thank you again for all the ways you are giving of yourself and what you have to God's church and to God' ministry in this place, and we continue to pray for your safety and health through all of this.

Until we meet again,

Pastor Wade Roof

Pastoral Ponderings

This is a strange time. There is just nothing normal about it. I know that when we were first asked to stay home and work remotely where possible, we made lists of things we wanted to accomplish: projects that have gone undone for years, closet organizing, deep cleaning of every part of the house, and, of course, all of those healthy meals we were going to cook now that we had the time. If your household is like our household, those goals and aspirations wore off after the first week. While we have settled into a new normal, it is not the new normal that we envisioned. Sometimes just getting through one more day at home is enough to exhaust us: helping kids with their online school, trying to maintain some sort of work schedule, all the while watching numbers of infections continue to climb. It is a strange sort of stress that many of us are currently experiencing.

Yet, it doesn't come close to the stress that those members of our society deemed "essential workers" are asked to manage, as they risk their health and safety keeping critical services open for the rest of us. The heroes of this pandemic don't wear tights and capes, but medical scrubs, grocery store polos, and delivery driver uniforms. They are keeping the rest of us supplied and cared for.

Crisis has a way of clarifying reality. In the face of chaos and illness, we suddenly have no problem prioritizing our needs. What are often times minimum wage jobs are now considered "essential" and we are reminded that we take far too much for granted. I know that I have begun exorbitantly tipping those workers who are helping keep my family safe. I don't know how else to thank them for their willingness to show up every day.

The promise of the gospel is for times such as these. When life is going well, when it is easy and comfortable, we are able to fool ourselves into thinking that we've got it all under control. But when everything in life seems to be chaos and craziness we are reminded of our absolute need for a God who is bigger than all of our troubles. The promise of the Gospel, of Christ's sacrificial love for us, is that nothing can separate us from the love of God, even when we are apart, even when we are sick, even when we are grieving, even when we are asked to teach our children algebra.

One day, life will revert to the way it was, and God's promise will be there, too. May this time of Easter joy be a time when we learn to appreciate and revel in God's goodness, to trust and to rejoice in the promise of resurrection, and to give thanks for the strength of our community in Christ.

 \sim Pastor Emily



Early Risers Prayer Breakfast

Our Lutheran Men Early Risers will meet online for Zoom Meetings for the time being. See the front cover for details on our Zoom meetings.

Wednesday Noon Eucharist

At this time, we are not holding our regular Wednesday Noon Eucharist services. However, the Sanctuary will be open on Wednesdays from 11 am until 1 pm for self-guided meditation and prayer. A bulletin will be provided for you. Please remember to maintain proper social distance while you worship.



There will be no **Sunshine Club** meeting during the month of May. We hope to have our next meeting in June. Watch for details to come.

Like Us on Facebook



Be sure to like Mt. Tabor's public Facebook page: @MountTaborLutheranChurch. Also, check in with us when you are at Mt. Tabor!



Church Office Schedule

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 25, in observation of Memorial Day.

Please note that during the COVID-19 Quarantine, our office staff has *limited office hours* and will be working from home as needed. You may contact the church office at anytime and our voicemail will direct you on how to reach a staff member. You may also use the phone numbers listed in our directory for staff members if needed.

May Love Offering

The Salvation Army offers programs that serve those living in the community with the most need. Their programs do



not discriminate with age, gender, or race but are focused on helping those who truly need assistance. The programs they offer: spiritual guidance, homeless services, disaster relief, emergency assistance, woodyard fund, Christmas, family store, kids to camp, clothes for kids, leveraging literacy, and seniors. To find out more about the Salvation Army visit their website at:

http://www.doingthemostgood.org/programs.aspx



Goal: \$44,000.00 Received: \$20,061.64

All special designated Easter Offering received will be divided as follows: 10% will be go to local charities in our community and 90% will be placed in the Reserve Fund. Why? Several years ago, Mt. Tabor started a Reserve Fund to set aside money should it be needed in future years. In the 2019 fiscal year, we had to use money from this fund to meet our operating expenses. For this reason and on recommendation from the Finance Committee, Church Council will use 90% of the Easter Offering to rebuild the Reserve Fund. On behalf of Council, thank you in advance for your generous support of the Easter Offering.

Discipleship Ponderings, Stewardship and COVID-19

What a difference a couple of months can make. Is that a good thing or does it leave us with a lot of questions? As we have started our Easter gladness, we still find ourselves wandering through the wilderness of COVID-19. We often give up things for Lent, but we have now heard the resurrection story. The time of being in the wilderness is over and we should be spreading the Good News. Are we spreading the Good News?

As we live amid the Coronavirus pandemic throughout not only our nation but the world, we may still be asking ourselves "Why?" How is this going to make me a better disciple? What does this mean for my faith? Stewardship.... how will I give my offerings? But most of all, "God, WHERE ARE YOU? ARE YOU STILL THERE??? The one thing that we do know for sure is that we must turn to God and his word during these tough times and he is there. We must remain faithful to God's word. Each day that we live through our "new normal" for now, we must pray daily for guidance, comfort and reassurance. But ask yourself, "Has there been anything good that has come from this 'new normal' and what have we learned so far?"

We can say with confidence that Mt. Tabor is spreading the Good News. Look at our services on Facebook Live and YouTube, not to mention Morning and Evening Prayer— and don't forget about "Story Time" on Wednesdays. It's hard to believe that the first time we did Facebook Live was in March 2019. Did you know that we have a Spanish Facebook page created by Vicar Justin so that we can help those in the community know they can come to join our self-guided worship service and receive information if they need it for COVID-19? We have members who have made masks for others. Some members have sewn buttons on headbands for healthcare workers called "Button Ears" so it will help them through their workday of wearing a mask for 12 plus hours. We have hosted ZOOM meetings for church council and other committees along with coffee time and fellowship. By diving into God's word and with each other in new ways, our relationships have become stronger with each other and our community.

We still encourage you to sign up for online giving. You can sign up at any time and you are always in control of your online giving. By doing this, you can remain faithful to your commitment with God. What else can we do? We can invite people to join our church's Facebook page, subscribe to our YouTube page and participate in our services. There are some churches that are not able to live-stream. Our new discipleship shirts say to "Be the Hands and Feet of Jesus." These shirts can still be ordered at any time. God is with each of us and in a world where we can be anything, be kind and show that God is present by being his hands and feet. If we look at scriptures, 2 Corinthians 5:7 tells us that "We walk by Faith and not by sight" and 2 Timothy 1:7 reminds us that "God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

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: Wanda Addy, Ashlyn Baxter, Blythe Baxter, Kase Boone, Trent Bozard, Michael Bradshaw, Pat Bradshaw, Nancy Brazell, Ashlynn Busbee, Veronica Cargile, George Caulder, Abigail Caulder, Ashleigh Christine, Clara Conrad, David Cook, Michael Cook, Natalie Cook, Adam Davis, Boggs Elledge, Chad Elledge, Miller Elledge, Griffin Evans, Mickey Geiger, Jeremy Goings, Milton Hall, Samuel Hilton, Paul Jacobs, Emilie Jeffries, Harold Jones, Al Jordan, Bob Livingston III, Sarah Mattern, Amaya McCoy, George Minor, Drew Myers, Mona Myers, Trent Myers, Jason Nelson, Kayla Newman, Adam Payne, Kaitlyn Pittman, Bennett Plane, Hazel Rauch, Kathy Risinger, Dalton Rodgers, Michael Rodgers, Abby Grace Roof, Evelynn Scyphers, Todd Sharpe, Venetia Sharpe, Katelyn Shealy, Darby Shepherd, Jack Sippel, Eric Smith, Ben Smith, Robert South, Kayla Sox, Wendy Spainhour, Todd Stilwell, Liliana Stork, Joey Sullivan, Helen Summers, Elmer Sundlie, Jessica Tablas, Emily Talley, Carolyn Taylor, Charles Taylor, Alex Tuten, Freddy Vallejo, Blake Vrana, Carlin Vrana, Annabelle Wilson, Isabelle Wilson, Tina Winter.

Most Recent Prayer Concerns:

Carolyn Creasman, Robert Cromer, Ray Conrad.

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Brenda Smith, Alice Pollock, Penny Timmerman, David Mellichamp, Lucky Jones, Gene Sexton, Dottie Ford, Rachel Bundrick, Pete Davis, Mary Hamson, Jennifer Brazell, Betty Wise, Hazel Rauch, Matthew Hook, Elise Harmon, Ann Callison, Adele Rodgers, Faye Smith, Lisa Long.

Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:

Chris Riggins, Bernice Collins, Nancy Reed, Carlie Hernandez, Maida Jean League, Debra Knotts, Father Marcin Zahuta, Tara Tygrett, Scott & Margean Stein, Wilbur Smith, Chuck Burns, Walter Brown, Murray Hoskins, Linda Goodson, Samantha Hustus, Tommy Roof, 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:

Tom Bryant, 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:

Robert Smith, Gregg Avedisian, Robert "Bob" Livingston Sr., Julian White, John Mark Swicegood.

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.

2020 Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
	Love Offering THE SALVATION SALVATION	Emphasis for God's Helping Hands Canned or Powdered Milk Jello Gelatin Cups or Mix Jello Pudding Cups or Mix	
3 Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir 8:30 &11:00 – Holy Communion 9:45 – Coffee Fellowship/AR 10:00 – Sunday School 11:00 – Brazell Children Baptisms 12:30 – Confirmation/ECR 3:00-5:00 – Joint Council Mtg with Faith/ECR 3:00 – AR reserved 5:00 – Youth/AR	4 9:30 – Quilting Ministry/ECR 6:00 – Transfigure Ringers 7:00 – Mt. Tabor Ringers 5:45 – Positively Fit/Park	5 10:30 – Staff Meeting 5:30 – Pipers Practice/ECR 6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR	
10 Fifth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day 8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir 8:30 &11:00 – Holy Communion 9:30—10:00 – Breakfast/AR 10:00 – Sunday School 12:30 – Confirmation/ECR 3:00—6:00 – Beloved/AR 6:00 – Standing Committees	11 9:30 – Quilting Ministry/ECR 6:00 – Transfigure Ringers 7:00 – Mt. Tabor Ringers 5:45 – Positively Fit/Park	12 7:00 – Men's Prayer Breakfast/ Lizard's Thicket 10:30 – Staff Meeting 5:30 – Pipers Practice/AR 6:30 – Lutheran Men/AR 6:00 – MT Book Club 6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR	
17 Sixth Sunday of Easter Youth Sunday/Graduate Recognition 8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir 8:30 &11:00 – Holy Communion 9:45 – Coffee Fellowship/AR 10:00 – Sunday School 12:30 – Confirmation/ECR	18 9:30 – Quilting Ministry/ECR 6:00 – Transfigure Ringers 7:00 – Mt. Tabor Ringers 5:45 – Positively Fit/Park	19 10:30 – Staff Meeting 5:30 – Pipers Practice/AR 6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR	
24 Seventh Sunday of Easter 8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir 8:30 &11:00 – Holy Communion 9:45 – Coffee Fellowship/AR 10:00 – Sunday School	25 Memorial Day Church Office Closed	26 7:00 – Men's Prayer Breakfast/ Lizard's Thicket 10:30 – Staff Meeting 10:30 – Ladies Aid 5:30 – Pipers Practice/AR 6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR	
31 Pentecost 8:00 – Morning Hymn Choir 8:30 &11:00 – Holy Communion 9:45 – Coffee Fellowship/AR 10:00 – Sunday School TBD – Confirmation Banquet/AR	Church Office Closed		

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6 9:00 – E-News Deadline 11:00 – Bible Study/ECR 12:00 – Noon Eucharist 7:00 – Adult Choir	7 10:00 – Bulletin Deadline 12:00 – Sunshine Club/AR 5:45 – Positively Fit/Park	8	9 10:00 – Girl Scouts/Upstairs 6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR
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20 9:00 – E-News Deadline 11:00 – Bible Study/ECR 12:00 – Noon Eucharist 7:00 – Adult Choir	21 10:00 – Bulletin Deadline 10:00 – Livingston Circle 5:45 – Positively Fit/Park 6:30 – Beloved Planning/Library	22	23 10:00 – Girl Scouts/Upstairs 6:30 – NA Mtg/ECR
9:00 – E-News Deadline 11:00 – Bible Study/ECR 12:00 – Noon Eucharist	28 10:00 – Bulletin Deadline 12:00—8:00 – AR reserved 5:45 – Positively Fit/Park 7:00 – Centennial Circle 7:00 – 125 th Anniversary Circle	29 All Day – AR reserved	30 All Day – AR reserved

May Birthdays

- 1- Anna Evans, Alice Pollock
- 2- Kathryn Kelley, Miriam O'Neal, Jack Ragley
- 3- Elizabeth Goings, Cullen Mason, Mona Myers, Tyler Wiggers
- 4- Trent Bozard, Mary Beth Owen, Justin Steele, Katlynn Steele, Kaitlyn Stover
- 5- Stacy Sutton
- 6- Michael Bradshaw, Pat Bradshaw, Susan Hyde
- 7- Alexis Elledge, Marissa Linder, Christian Vallejo
- 8- Shannon Burton, Hannah Helms
- 9- Bobby Cromer, Wes Stilwell
- 10- Charley Moye, Rachel Paetow, Paula Taylor
- 11- Christy Pittman
- 12- Michael Lewis, Johnathan Marchant
- 13- Tina Conrad, Ron Hutto, Robin MacInnis
- 15- Emily Hutto
- 16- Sarah Mattern
- 17- Harold Jones, Tony King
- 18- Susan Hunnicutt
- 19- Nancy Allen, Gail Simmons, Benjamin Smith
- 20- Nikolaus Hostetter
- 21- Natalie Cook, Scott Hash, Melanie Yoder
- 22- Will Kelley, Mary Beth McLeod, Linda Spainhour
- 23– JoAnn Hook, Berley Rister
- 24- Ann Callison, Katie Giles, Bethany Paetow, Sally Williams
- 25- Charles Easley, Jody Glance, Renee Shealy
- 26- Kenlee Cassella, Bonita Taylor
- 28- Megan Addy, Bentley Knotts, Lisa Parker, Cheyenne Steele
- 29 Sandy Watkins
- 30- Louise Bowman, Clay Crawford
- 31– Chris Elledge, Dallas Phillips, Connelly-Anne Ragley, Randy Roddy



T-Shirts Still Available



All proceeds from the sale of these shirts will be donated back to Mt. Tabor's Reserve Fund. Orders are made through the following link:

https://www.bonfire.com/mt-tabor-lutheran-church-discipleship-shirts/.

There are several different types of shirts and colors available with various prices. See additional information in the Discipleship Ponderings article in the March issue of the Tidings. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Hoskins at:

pamhhoskins@gmail.com or 803-546-5655.

Mark your calendars!

Music and Drama Camp - June 15th - 19th

Production date - June 21st

(open to children who have finished kindergarten and above)

Campfirmation - June 21st - 27th

(for youth who have finished their first year of confirmation)

Discipleship Camp w/ Ebenezer - June 28th - July 2nd (open to children who have finished kindergarten - 9th grade.)



VBS - July 19th - 23rd

These events are tentative & may change based on recommendations/mandates for COVID-19.

Worship & Giving Opportunities During COVID-19 Quarantine

Due to the fact that we are not in worship together, your church staff is working hard to find ways that worship can continue at home. Some of the things we want you to be looking for, and participating in, are as follows:

 Online worship through Facebook Live @MountTaborLutheranChurch or on our YouTube channel

If you need help setting up either of these options, please contact the MTLC office and they will be happy to assist with this.

DVD Recorded Worship

If you would like to receive a copy of worship, please let the MTLC office know. There is no charge for this, but a \$10/month donation is suggested to cover supplies and postage.

Self-Guided Worship in the Sanctuary

The MTLC Sanctuary will be open for prayer on Wednesdays (11 am 'til 1 pm) and Sundays (1 pm 'til 3 pm) for self-guided prayer and meditation. A special worship bulletin will be provided for you.

Online Daily Devotional

This devotional will be sent out through email and posted on Facebook.

- Morning Prayer (around 7:15 am) & Evening Prayer (around 9 pm) on Facebook Live @MountTaborLutheranChurch
- Email updates

If you do not already receive email updates, contact the church office to be added.

Your continued support during this time of need is greatly appreciated. Giving options are as follows: online giving on our website; QR code (located on back inside cover of this issue); electronic giving through the Simply Giving Program; Square credit/debit card donations in-person or pay by phone options available through the church office; US mail; or drop your donation by the church office during office hours. If the office is closed, you may slide your offering under the door and our staff with get it upon return. You may also place your offering in the offering plate if attending self-guided worship on Wednesdays or Sundays. If you need assistance with any of these giving options, please contact our church staff.

Memorials

Given By Memory of **Fund** Berry Gambrell Fred Vallejo Easter Berry Gambrell Fred Vallejo General Berry Gambrell Patsy Gambrell Easter Bob Wise Brad & Molissa Padgett & Bentley Knotts Easter Bob Wise Chuck & Ruth Goldsmith Easter **Butch Anderson** David L. Derrick General Fred Valleio **Butch Anderson** Easter Charlie & Paula Taylor Carolyn Sox General Chuck & Louise Willyerd Patsv Gambrell Easter Chuck Willyerd Fred Vallejo Easter Cindy Maxheimer Charlie & Paula Taylor Easter Fred Carter Fred Vallejo Easter Freda & Fred Fetner Garv Lown Easter Gary Lown Linda Lown & Family Easter John Mark Swicegood Charlie Sharpe General John Mark Swicegood Fred Vallejo Easter John Mark Swicegood Harris & Kristi Hall General John Mark Swicegood Patricia Elledge Capital Campaign John Mark Swicegood Penny K. Timmerman General John Mark Swicegood Sue & Lucky Jones General John Mark Swicegood Tommy & Janet Smith General Julian A. White Charlie & Paula Taylor General Debbie & Foster McLeod Julian A. White General Julian A. White Fred Vallejo General Gene & Jane Sexton Julian A. White General General Julian A. White Julie Plane Julian A. White Sue & Lucky Jones General Tommy & Janet Smith Julian A. White General Cousins Club-Christian & Hannah Vallejo Linda Vallejo Easter Linda Vallejo Cousins Club-Owen & Bennett Plane Easter Linda Vallejo Fred Vallejo Easter Linda Vallejo Fred Vallejo General Linda Valleio Patsy Gambrell Easter Mama, Daddy, Kenny & Nancy Patricia Elledge Easter Manell Lown Freda & Fred Fetner Easter Manell Lown Linda Lown & Family Easter Melton "Bud" Bundrick Patricia Elledge Capital Campaign Mike Lown Freda & Fred Fetner Easter Linda Lown & Family Mike Lown Easter Charlie & Paula Taylor Pam Shumpert General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Annie Ruth Addy General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Carolyn Taylor General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Charlie & Paula Taylor General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Charlie Sharpe General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Debbie & Foster McLeod General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Fred Valleio General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Harris & Kristi Hall General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Jean Latimer General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Julie Plane General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Rus & Barbara Stilwell General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Steve & Doris Rabon General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Sue & Lucky Jones General Robert E. Livingston, SR. Tommy & Janet Smith General Teresa "Terry" Summers Tucker David L. Derrick General Teresa "Terry" Summers Tucker Don & Gail Simmons Music & Arts Teresa "Terry" Summers Tucker Rhett & Michael Campbell Music & Arts Wade & Anna V. Miller Hampton Miller Easter

Claudia Hunter Shuler

Easter

Walter & Nettie Hunter

Honorariums

Honor	Given By	Fund
Church Staff	Fred Vallejo	Easter
Barnett Miller	Hampton Miller	Easter
Betty Wise & Family	Brad & Molissa Padgett & Bentley Knotts	Easter
Betty Wise & Family	Chuck & Ruth Goldsmith	Easter
Faye Smith	Patsy Gambrell	Easter
Fred Vallejo	Anonymous	Easter
Freddy Vallejo & Family	Fred Vallejo	Easter
Julie Plane & Sons	Fred Vallejo	Easter
Max Witherell	Anonymous	Easter
Pastor & Mrs. Easley	Fred Vallejo	Easter
Pastor & Mrs. Keisler	Fred Vallejo	Easter
Pastor Roof & Family	Fred Vallejo	Easter
Seekers Sunday School Class	Fred Vallejo	Easter

"Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord." Psalm 31:24 Our Deepest Sympathy & Prayers

To the Families of ...

Robert Smith — Son of Johnny & Jeanne Smith

Gregg Avedisian — Husband of Karen Carnes

Robert "Bob" Livingston, Sr. — Mt. Tabor Member

Julian White — Uncle of Tom Smith

John Mark Swicegood — Son of Rev. Luther & Caroline Swicegood

Worship Assistants for May 2020

	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
Acolytes	Leah Conrad	Heath Hutto
Crucifers		Emily Hutto
Lectors	Sarah Mattern	Nancy Stone-Collum
Greeters	Grace Fuson	Betsy Sippel
	Kelsey Skorzewski	
Ushers	Ed Fuson	Harry Prim
	Freddie Fulmer	Tex Davis
	Nick Skorzewski	Russell Pauly
Communion Assistants	Paul Jacobs	Sarah Whitehead
Worship Assistant Coordinators	Paul Jacobs	Tom Smith

Altar Guild for the month Ann Spainhour

Communion Preparers for the month Harry & Cheryl Prim / BJ Roof & Lucy Scarborough

8:30

3-	Tina Conrad
10-	Sybil Kennedy
17-	Cindy Edge
24-	Mindy Williams
31-	Nancy Stone-Collum



3- Lynn Arrington
10- Tammy O'Quinn
17- Linda Spainhour
for 24- Barbara Stilwell
May 2020 31- Betsy Sippel

Altar Greenery & Bulletin Covers for May 2020

	<u>Altar Flowers</u>	<u>Bulletin Covers</u>	
3-	Ragley Family	3-	Available
10-	Patricia Elledge	10-	John & Jana Payne
17-	Sharon Mattern	17-	Available
24-	Nancy Stone-Collum	24-	Available
31-	Pam Hoskins	31-	Nancy Allen

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.

11:00

Nursing Homes /Retirement Centers/Rehabilitation Centers

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

<u>Carolina Gardens</u> – Jane Eubanks

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); Lottie Gregg

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

<u>NHC—Parklane</u> – Mary Hamson

<u>Oakleaf Village</u> – Adele Rodgers (#119)

Still Hopes – Ann Callison; Jean Latimer





Budget Report For March 2020

Budget Report For	warch 20	20	
Funds Received for Budget		MONTHLY BU	JDGET
Envelope System	40,511.95		
Memorials	205.00		
Loose Offering	202.00		
Bulletin Covers	115.00		
Initial Offering	17.00		
Use AR	0.00		
Faith Lutheran	3,913.00		
Simply Giving Envelopes	6,896.28		
Sunday School	65.00		
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RESERVE FUND:	51,925.23	59,498.42	
Easter	3,489.00		
Easter from General Fund	325.00		
Birthday Envelopes	141.00		
Other donations	300.00		
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DEDICATED FUND	.,		
Choral Scholars	450.00		
Christ in Our Home/Faith	34.75		
Copies	15.00		1
DVD Ministry	60.00		Mt.
Fellowship & Rec	71.00		offer
Fellowship & Rec from General Fund	116.00		onlin
Flowers/Plants/Poinsettias	273.50		for y
Flowers/Plants/Poinsettias from Gen Fund	134.00		
HUGS from General Fund	100.00		Simp
Ladies Aid from General Fund	6,000.00		QR (
Love Offering	457.00		reade
Love Offering from General	165.00		mobi
Nursery Honorarium	200.00		
Pickle Jar	26.00		• 0
Postage from General Fund	33.00		• [
Sing & Celebrate WELCA	6.00 5.00		• U
Sunshine Club	8.00		• F
VBS	4.00		- 1
Youth Trips	427.00		
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CEMETERY FUND:	,		- 11
Memorial	0.00		
	0.00		
MUSIC AND ARTS FUND:			
Music and Arts from General Fund	80.00		
Memorials	1,825.00		
CARITAL CAMPAIGN FUND	1,905.00		
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND Gifts	70.00		
Memorials	20.00		
Pledged	930.00		r
Pledged from General Fund	500.00		
Pledged from Simply Giving	815.00		
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	2,300.00		,
ENDOWMENT FUND:	0.00		
Total Received for All Funds	69,005.48		

Deadlines

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

Attendance

8:30

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11:00

NA due to COVID-19

God's Helping Hands Needs

Canned or Powdered Milk Jello Gelatin Cups or Mix Jello Pudding Cups or Mix

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- Follow the steps to make your donation.

The world has changed and it's going to keep changing, So we are safe when we cling to Him. Chuck Swindoll

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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

Evening Vespers in the Park: 1st Sunday at dusk

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)

Youth Choir: 6:00 pm Adult Choir: 7:00 pm

Church Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

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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.