



# Tidings

April 2025

# Mt. Tabor LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Growing a deeply connected family of faith*



## HOLY WEEK

Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

**6:30 PM**  
Fish Fry

Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>

**7:00 PM**  
Maundy Thursday  
First Communion

Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>

**7:00 PM**  
Tenebrae Service



**6:30 AM**  
Sunrise  
Service  
Holy  
Communion

**7:30 AM**  
Easter  
Breakfast

**8:45 AM**  
Children's  
Sunday  
School  
Flowering of  
the cross

**9:30 AM**  
Adult  
Sunday  
School

**10:00 AM**  
Festival  
Service  
Holy  
Communion

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## 2024 Congregational Council Executive Committee

Tex Davis, President  
David Yoder, Vice President  
Julie Ann Payne, Secretary  
Nick Skorzewski, Treasurer  
Tammy O'Quinn, Financial Secretary  
Stella McGee, Recording Secretary  
Pastor Wade T. Roof, III, Senior Pastor

### Committee Assignments

Property - David Yoder  
Stewardship - Bob Livingston  
Community Outreach - Amanda Driggers  
Youth Ministry - Megan Lyons  
Worship & Music - Tammy O'Quinn

Christian Education - Beth Branham  
Fellowship & Recreation - Scott Wilson  
Information Technology - Ron Tryon  
Marketing/Social Media - Julie Ann Payne  
Evangelism - John Matthews

## Council Highlights - March 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting

### Council Highlights:

- Minutes were voted on and approved unanimously.
- The Easter Offering Goal, which was recommended by the Finance Committee for \$20,000, was voted on and approved unanimously with 10% of offering to be divided between 3 charities: Palmetto Place, Midlands Orphan Relief and Dickerson Children's Advocacy Center. The remaining will be used for personnel assistance and staffing.
- We are grateful to Harry Prim and Joyce Riley who have agreed to serve on our Archive Committee.

# Pastoral Ponderings

*Jesus said, “‘It is finished.’ Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.” John 19:30*

As I write this article, we are in the middle of the third week of Lent and walking faithfully together toward the cross of Christ. Of all the congregations I have been associated with, I think Mt. Tabor “Does Lent” better. Thanks to the help of several ladies in the congregation this year’s Lenten journey has been one of the best yet.

One of the new Lenten practices that has been enjoyed, but not understood fully, is the snuffing out of purple candles during worship. I thought I would take this opportunity to explain that practice a little more fully, and hopefully, as always, point to Christ and His cross through word and deed.

Our Lenten journey doesn’t start on Ash Wednesday (I guess technically it does, but...). Actually, our Lenten journey starts with the first Sunday of Advent – the very beginning of the Church calendar year. The Church has a long history of lighting candles during each Sunday in Advent around an Advent Wreath, which represents the light of Christ coming into the world. The closer we get to Christmas, the brighter those lights become; helping us count the Sundays of Advent and prepare for the coming Christ Child. As we get closer to the nativity, the light gets its brightest on Christmas Eve, reminding us of “The light no darkness can overcome.”

As we make our way through the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, and now into Lent, we follow the scriptures of Christ’s life from His birth, baptism, and ministry. We are now walking together towards His Last Supper, His suffering, and His death upon a cross. Walking this path together can be a difficult Trek. We acknowledge all the ways the darkness is pushing back against Jesus and His people. So, each Sunday in Lent, we do the reverse of the Advent Wreath, and we extinguish the light of the Kingdom of God through the sins we commit and the unfaithful ways we lived. As we move toward the cross and the death of Christ, we see the darkness of this world take back over.

There are seven candles on the Tenebrae block and each week watch the darkness grow in our world, and in our lives. We are reminded each week that following Christ leads us to the suffering of Christ and to Good Friday. We count down the days we have left in the wilderness of Lent, and the darkness closes in around us. As we reach Good Friday, the last candle is suffocated and the lights go out. It’s at this point, every year, that two things become very apparent. First, it feels like death and sin have won, and that there isn’t hope for us left, and two, one candle off in the distance remains – the Eternal Flame.

While darkness makes us think it has won, the flame of God’s presence remains. When death has a grip, even on Jesus, God does not waiver or flinch. When all seems lost, God is there raising Jesus, resurrecting hope, and saving the world from sin, death, and the devil. And three days later, we see the light of Christ spread at Sunrise service, the Son Rise, and God’s people sing out in victory once again!

May this Lent lead you to the cross, drive away the challenges of darkness and gloom, and sustain our faith and hope until that Easter day when we sing Alleluia together once again. Amen.

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## Deadlines

Weekly Snap: *Wednesdays at 9:00 am*  
Tidings: *15<sup>th</sup> of each month*

Bulletin: *Wednesdays at 10:00 am*  
Email articles to: [Admin@mttaborlutheran.org](mailto:Admin@mttaborlutheran.org)

# Invitation

You're Invited!

Join us as we honor  
Pastor Rus Stilwell  
for 11 Years of Dedicated Service!

Date: May 4, 2025  
Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church  
Assembly Room  
after the 11:00 AM Service  
(roughly 12:15 PM)

Let's celebrate Pastor Rus'  
dedication to our home centered  
members, our hospitalized and the  
impact he has made as our  
Visitation Pastor.

## Sunshine Club!

We will meet on  
April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Noon.

Please bring a covered dish  
to share.

Our own Randy  
Klapman will speak  
about the Lion's Club.

Come enjoy the  
fellowship and learn  
information  
concerning the  
Lion's Club.



# Yearbook Updates

### April South

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### Cory & Anna Scyphers

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# Music Corner

## Music for Lent

Lent has already brought a return to Holy Communion Setting One and also more introspective music. In keeping with the more somber mood during Lent, there will be no postludes. Palm Sunday will see all three of our Children's Choirs join together to sing a Palm Sunday anthem at the 11:00 Service. The Seraphs will participate in the ALIVE! Service as well. Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter will feature new music presented by the choir but will keep the familiar hymns and liturgy. Easter Sunday will feature Mt. Tabor Ringers, Choir and Instrumentalists. Please prayerfully consider joining us for the Triduum (Maundy Thursday through Easter!).

## Lutheridge Handbell Retreat

Mt. Tabor Ringers had a great time at the annual retreat February 21-23 working with Michael Glasgow. He chose to direct two of his own pieces and also selections by Brian Childers, Robert James Lamb, Cathy Moklebus, and Sondra K. Tucker. We will play 3 selections from the retreat between Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Others may appear over the course of the calendar year. We appreciate the support of the church by having us participate in this wonderful experience.

## Consider Joining the Choir!

Even if you can't make a long term commitment to the choir, please consider joining us for the remainder of the year. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays and begin at 6:30. Please contact Kevin Davis at (803)796-5948 Ext. 21 or [music@mttaborlutheran.org](mailto:music@mttaborlutheran.org) for more information.



## CAMPUS MINISTRY MADNESS

Campus Ministry Madness is a month-long nationwide Fundraising event to support the amazing Campus Ministries of the ELCA, and **Gamecock Lutheran is in on the Madness!**

From now until Tuesday, April 1, you can donate to support USC's Campus Ministry (or another school!) and help them earn points and be this year's champion!

100% of your donation will go to the Campus Ministry site you choose to support! *Bonus points are given for First Time Donors, so donations of ANY size make a big impact!*

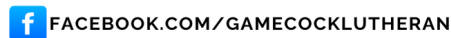
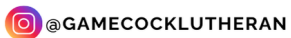


"My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD." Psalm 84:2a



Go to [LuminELCA.org/madness](http://LuminELCA.org/madness) to donate now, or scan the QR code.

Thank you for your support!



## Music on the Mount Concert Series presents ...



Palmetto Pipes and Drums

March 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM

Reception to follow in our assembly room.

# Thank you!

Dear Mt. Tabor Family,

All of your cards, calls, texts, and prayers were so uplifting and appreciated during my recent eye surgery and recovery. It was a good reminder of how important reaching out is and how much more I need to do. Thank you for caring!

Love,  
Nancy Stone-Collum

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Dear Pastor Wade Roof and Mt. Tabor Lutheran,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to help our Families in Transition program at Brookland-Cayce High School. This program serves all students and families who qualify as homeless under the McKinney Vento Act. These families may be living in shelters, hotels, substandard conditions, vehicles or with other families or friends and often come to us in need of assistance. I am including a list below of ways that similar funding has been used in the past.

- Providing groceries for families who have experienced a house fire and are starting over without a large majority of their possessions
- Purchasing backpacks for the students whose families are in transition because theirs have been lost or damaged
- Buying pairs of tennis shoes for students who have outgrown their previous pairs and cannot afford new shoes
- Paying taxi fare for families who lack transportation to go to Mission Lexington to receive additional help with food, clothing, rent and/or utilities
- Assisting families with a hotel stay because of sudden and unexpected housing instability during shelter unavailability

I anticipate using the funds your organization has provided to assist students and families in similar ways. The BCHS family thanks you for partnering with us to support our students and families at their most vulnerable times.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Vance Jones, Principal

## April Love Offering

Sistercare's philosophy is to empower survivors of domestic violence and their children to live free of intimate partner violence; become educated about domestic violence; be able to make informed decisions; take responsibility for themselves and their children; and achieve self-sufficiency. This philosophy is applied by offering survivors of domestic violence and their children a range of supportive,



**SISTERCARE**

**We will receive new members the second Sunday of every month!  
Let Pastor Wade or the office know if you are interested in joining!**

Positively Fit meets Monday and Thursday at 5:30 - walking at 4:30  
All ability levels are welcome! Variations to exercises are offered!  
Ask Tammy O'Quinn, Brennen Hutto or Carol Busbee for details!

### Positively Fit: Body, Mind and Soul

#### **Body: Upper Arms**

We all admire the big muscles of the arms on body builders. They flex the arm and show off huge bulges between the shoulder and elbow. However, the anatomy of the upper arm is more important than showing off. These muscles allow the arm to flex, move the arm, move the hand, hold weight, and push and pull. Brushing your teeth or hair, taking a shower, or eating a meal are all movements we do every day because of our arm muscles. These muscles do not have to be bulging to be strong, but it is important to exercise them every day to build strength.

Most of us are familiar with biceps and triceps. The biceps are located on the front of the upper arm where we see that bulge when the arm is flexed. Biceps allow the arm to move at the elbow and turn the palm to face upward. Without this movement we could not get our fork to our mouth! The triceps are on the back of the upper arm. These muscles allow us to straighten our arms which allows us to push and pull and bear weight with our hands. Both muscles aid the shoulder too.

The upper arm muscles can suffer from injuries. Overuse, straining or repetitive movements or force can cause muscles strains. This is when the muscles fibers get over stretched or torn. These muscles are like all others in that they are attached to the bones by tendons. These movements can strain or inflame the tendons causing tendonitis. The best way to avoid these injuries is by keeping your muscles strong.

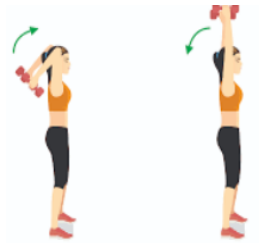
Use a small weight or resistance band to build upper arm strength.



Basic Bicep Curl

There are many variations to these exercises that target the muscles in different ways. After you have started the basics, you may want to add other upper arm exercises.

Hammer Curl, Front Raises, Overhead Raises, Planks, Push-ups, Triceps Row, Triceps Kickbacks, Lateral Raises, Halos, Arnold Press, Serve the Platter just to name a few.



Basic Triceps

#### **Mind:**

Strong arm muscles allow us to move and take care of ourselves. Being able to do things for ourselves can positively impact your state of mind. Giving these muscles a little extra attention with daily strength exercises can promote a positive mind and attitude, as well as, help you feel good about yourself. And... you might just develop that bicep enough to show off the arm bulge!

#### **Soul: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20**

<sup>19</sup>Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; <sup>20</sup>you were bought at a price. Therefore, honor God with your body.

**The Church office will be closed on April 21st.**

## Women's Bible Study

*Ten Women of the Bible*

*One by One They Changed the World*

By Max Lucado

Bible Study will be for TEN (10)

Mondays starting on March 10<sup>th</sup>.

We will meet at 1:00 PM at the home of

Pam Burnett,

919 Beth Drive, West Columbia.

For more information contact Pam -

(803) 561-6070 or

pam.travels.20@gmail.com

The stories you will hear .....

..... about the women of faith

who helped to grow His Kingdom .....

Max Lucado tells some of his favorite accounts of women in Scripture and the remarkable way God broke down cultural barriers to use them in the unfolding of His story.

You will discover....

- **Esther**, a young queen whom God placed in the Persian court for "such a time as this" to prevent the genocide of the Jewish people. March 31<sup>st</sup>
- **Mary**, the young virgin pledged to Joseph, whom God would choose to give birth to Jesus, the promised Messiah who would save the world. April 7<sup>th</sup>
- **The Samaritan Woman**, who would meet this Messiah at a well one day. His words would forever after change her life. April 14<sup>th</sup>
- **The Canaanite Woman**, who made God smile with her wit and faith, and who received from Jesus an answer to her prayer. April 21<sup>st</sup>
- **Mary of Bethany**, a friend of Jesus who witnessed the resurrection of her brother, Lazarus, and then anointed Christ in anticipation of his death and resurrection. April 28<sup>th</sup>
- **Mary Magdalene**, who followed Jesus despite the injustice of a world that judged her for her past and said she would always be considered a failure. May 5<sup>th</sup>
- **Sapphira**, a woman in the early church who, along with her husband, made the unfortunate (and deadly) decision to lie to the Holy Spirit. May 12<sup>th</sup>

Join the journey, make new friends, renew old



Do not forget your  
flowers for the  
cross Easter  
Sunday!!



\$5.00 per plate

to be collected at the door.

Please use the QR Code to RSVP.

Join us on  
Wednesday,  
April 16<sup>th</sup>

6:30 PM



Signup  
sheet also  
located in  
the  
Assembly  
Room!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
 <p><b>6</b> Fifth Sunday in Lent 8:00 - Matins Service - Holy Communion 9:15 - ALIVE! Service - Holy Communion 10:00 - Fellowship Time/AR 10:15 - Sunday School 11:00 - Traditional Service - Holy Communion 5:00 - Youth dinner/AR All day - Sandra Lindler/ECR</p> <p><b>New Members received</b></p>	<p>Love offering Sister Care</p> <p><b>7</b> 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 1:00 - Women's Bible Study/ Pam Burnett's house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 7:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers</p> <p>Stage being used</p>	<p><b>1</b> 10:30 - Staff Meeting 3:30 - 7:00 - Amy Johnson - Violin/New Seekers 5:30 - Pipers Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR 6:30 - ALIVE! rehearsal</p>	<p><b>2</b> 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline 11:00 - Bible Study/ECR 12:00 - Noon Eucharist 3:30 - Sing &amp; Celebrate 4:45 - Children's Choirs 5:15 - Lenten Meal 6:15 - Lenten Service 7:00 - Adult Choir</p> <p>Floors done</p>	<p><b>3</b> 12:00 - Sunshine Club 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers</p>	<p><b>4</b> 12:30 - 3:00 - Amy Johnson - violin/New Seekers</p>	<p><b>5</b> 10 - 12:00 - Girl Scouts/ed wing 10:00 - 11:00 - Nursery Easter Egg Hunt 6:30 - 8:15 - Elementary Egg Hunt Entire property reserved</p>	
<p><b>13</b> Palm Sunday 8:00 - Matins Service - Holy Communion 9:15 - ALIVE! Service 9:15 - 1st Communion Class Bread making/AR 10:00 - Fellowship Time/AR 10:15 - Sunday School 10:15 - 1st Communion Class - Same 11:00 - Traditional Service - Holy Communion 12:15 - 2:15 - Confirmation/ECR 6:00 - Church Council</p>	<p><b>14</b> 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 1:00 - Women's Bible Study/ Pam Burnett's house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 7:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers</p> <p>Stage being used</p>	<p><b>15</b> Tidings Deadline 10:30 - Staff Meeting 1:00 - Book club - Pam Burnett's house 3:30 - 7:00 - Amy Johnson - Violin/New Seekers 5:30 - Pipers Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR 6:30 - ALIVE! rehearsal</p>	<p><b>16</b> 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline 11:00 - Bible Study/ECR 12:00 - Noon Eucharist 6:30 - Adult Choir NO Sing &amp; Celebrate 6:30 Fish Fry</p>	<p><b>17</b> Maundy Thursday &amp; 1st Communion 2:00 - Tea Time Circle/ECR 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 7:00 - Maundy Thursday Service</p>	<p><b>18</b> Good Friday 12:30 - 3:00 - Amy Johnson - violin/New Seekers 6:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers 6:25 - Adult Choir 7:00 - Tenebrae Service</p>	<p><b>19</b> 9:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers 10:30 - Adult Choir</p>	
<p><b>20</b> Resurrection of our Lord 6:00 - Adult choir/CR 6:30 - Sunrise service - Holy Communion 7:30 - Breakfast/AR --YOUTH-- 8:45 - Sunday School - flowering of cross 8:45 - Mt. Tabor Ringers 9:30 - Adult Sunday School 10:00 - Festival Service - Holy Communion</p>	<p><b>21</b> 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 1:00 - Women's Bible Study/ Pam Burnett's house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers</p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p><b>22</b> 7:00 - Men's Breakfast/Lizard's 10:30 - Staff Meeting 10:30 - Ladies Aid Society 3:30 - 7:00 - Amy Johnson - Violin/New Seekers 5:30 - Pipers Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR 6:30 - ALIVE! rehearsal</p>	<p><b>23</b> 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline 10 - 4:00 - BJ Roof/AR 11:00 - Bible Study/ECR 12:00 - Noon Eucharist NO Sing &amp; Celebrate</p>	<p><b>24</b> 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 5:30 - Centennial Circle</p>	<p><b>25</b> 12:30 - 3:00 - Amy Johnson - violin/New Seekers 5:00 - FFF - Nightcaps</p>	<p><b>26</b> 10 - 12:00 - Girl Scouts/ed wing</p>	
<p><b>27</b> Second Sunday of Easter 8:00 - Matins Service - Holy Communion 9:15 - ALIVE! Service 10:00 - Fellowship Time/AR 10:15 - Sunday School 11:00 - Traditional Service - Holy Communion</p>	<p><b>28</b> 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 1:00 - Women's Bible Study/ Pam Burnett's house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 7:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers</p>	<p><b>29</b> 10:30 - Staff Meeting 3:30 - 7:00 - Amy Johnson - Violin/New Seekers 5:30 - Pipers Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR 6:30 - ALIVE! rehearsal</p>	<p><b>30</b> 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline 11:00 - Bible Study/ECR 12:00 - Noon Eucharist 3:30 - Sing &amp; Celebrate 4:45 - Children's Choirs 6:30 - Adult Choir LAST DAY of Sing &amp; Celebrate</p>	<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px;"> <p><b>Online Giving</b></p>  <p>The QR Code will take you to Mt. Tabor's online giving</p> </div>			

### 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: *Cody Cooper, Luca Metts, Debra Morris, Norma Rae Blume, Lisa Spigner, Ann Spainhour, Sandra Hutto, Sylvia Nelson, Danny Baker, Rhonda White, Julianne Jones, Tim Self, Cathy Crawford, Vicki McFarland, Kristen Stockton, Kristen Pittman, Nellie Phillips, Ed Fuson, Michael Hook, Harry Prim, Emma Lou Easley, Sue Jones, Scott Shull, Todd Wilson, Flora Evans, James Hook, Brittany Looby, Matthew Hook, Rachel Bundrick, Tripp Owen, Rick Myers, Leah Conrad, JoEllen Anderson, Charlie Taylor, Gale Gantt, Bradley Gantt, Linda Harmon, Ryan Risinger, Derrick Hostetter, Lynn Arrington, David Shepherd, Keith Branham, DeeDee Horres, Mary Boyd, Jamie Cutter, Emily Cutter, Madison Chandler, Derek Monts, Michael Busbee, Janice West, Larry Davis, John F. Geiger, Jerry Livingston, Susan Stilwell, Hanna Monts, Lillian Minor, Wills King, Richie Moye, Chris Carrion, Daunte Carrion, Paul Addy, Owen Plane, Jennifer Allen, Sara Monts, Terri Vick-Phillips, Mallory Phillips, Lawson Assey, Charles Stearns, Emily Sippel, Garry O'Neal, Caroline Busbee, Beth Waring.*

#### Most Recent Prayer Concerns:

Carol Busbee, Kay Smith, Sylvia Nelson, Nancy Stone-Collum, John Conrad, Carolyn Dufries  
Lauren Addy, Linda Price, Kim Pittman, Lynda Mason, Bruce Merchant

#### Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Grace Kelly, Al & Judy Jordan, Luther Swicegood, Sandra Baker, Drewby McQuillen, Mary Davis  
Alice Pollock, Jimmy Williams, Mona Myers, Sadie Howard, Elmer Sundlie  
Dennis Rybicki Jr., Emma Lou Easley, Paul Addy, Paul & Jeanie Jacobs, Herman Bouknight  
Jane Sexton, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston

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

Dave Kohr, Helga Guyton, Judy Lazarczyk, Anne Powers, Mike Baxter, Allan Oliver  
John Holland, Tonia Boland, Misty Smith, Pastor Kenneth Taylor, Salvador Brau  
Johnny Smith, Pam Player, Beth Murphy, Anne Moye, Isabelle Sundlie

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

Adam Davis, Samuel Davis, Scott Hash, Alex Morris

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

Zachery Gayden, Josh Watson, Jacob Henry Burgan, Caleb Neff

#### The Family Of:

Betty Wise, David Baldwin, Kenny Skenes

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## Assisted Living & Retirement Homes

**The Pines** - Herman Bouknight

**Lowman Home** - Carolyn Smith, Pastor Luther Swicegood

**Laurel Crest** - Emma Lou Easley, Al & Judy Jordan

**Still Hopes** - Sandra Baker, Larry Sease

**Veteran's Victory House** - Elmer Sundlie

**Spring Arbor** - Margurite Culberson (located in Virginia)

**The Phoenix at Union Hill** - Jane Sexton

(located in Georgia)

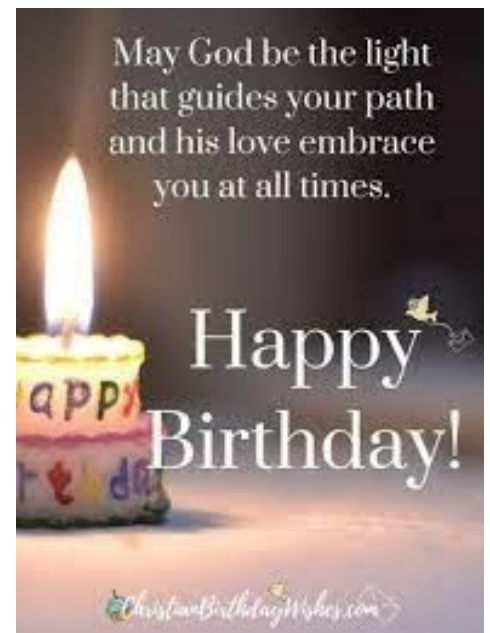
**The Harmony Collection** - Roberta Wessinger (Apt. 3037)



When my arms  
cant reach people  
who are close  
to my heart ,  
They are always  
with me in my prayer ..

# April Birthdays!

- 1 Rhett Carnes, Marsha Reynolds, Sandy Dennis
- 2 Fred Vallejo, Olivia Williams
- 3 Rodney Edge, Drew Myers, Denise Cowles
- 5 Michael Marchant, Todd Stilwell, Pat Watts, Carol Williams
- 6 Corrine Hash
- 7 Helen Black
- 8 Caroline Osterhaus
- 9 Holly Sharpe, Aaron Prim
- 10 Betty Keisler, Linda Price, Jane Sexton, Antonio Lyons
- 11 Whitney Glass, Willie Wise, Clark Ebener, Marshall Rooks
- 12 Phyllis Campbell, Court Morris
- 13 Lisa Richardson
- 14 Bill Easley, Alicia Dickerson
- 15 Chad Elledge
- 16 Dottie Ford, Wolf Kleber, Hampton Roof
- 17 Paige Jeffcoat, Grayson Elledge, Morgan Witcher
- 18 Patsy Hutto, Adam Davis
- 19 Rick Lusk
- 20 Jacob Wilkerson, Laura Jack
- 22 Michael Rodgers, Todd Sharpe, Megan Lyons
- 23 Miley Rhodes
- 24 Trevor Anderson
- 26 Terri Vick-Phillips
- 27 Eric Smith, Peter Crawford, Lev Taylor
- 28 Hannah Vallejo, Paxton Goings, Lawson Assey, Hudson Yoder
- 29 Rick Myers
- 30 Chris Dowey, Charles Epting



# April Worship Assistants

## **ALIVE!**

### **Communion assistants**

Megan Lyons, Pam Burnett

### **Lector**

Pam Burnett

### **Usher**

Nick Skorzewski



**11:00 AM**

### **Communion assistants**

Rachel Bundrick, Miley Rhodes

### **Lector**

Sarah Whitehead

### **Ushers**

Sammy Haftoglou, Foster McLeod

Joe Jones, Tex Davis

### **Greeter**

Lacey Haftoglou

### **Acolyte**

Zoi Haftoglou

### **Crucifer**

Eli Haftoglou

### **Worship Coordinator**

Sarah Whitehead



## April

Communion Preparer

Nancy Stone-Collum

April Altar Flowers, Lenten Greenery & Bulletin Covers	
<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Covers</u>
6 - AVAILABLE	6 - Cecilia Dunlap
13 - Kristi Hall	13 - AVAILABLE
20 - Patsy Gambrell	20 - Tammy O'Quinn
27 - Kasey Davis	27 - AVAILABLE

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 Sunday or call the office during the week.

# Faith, Fun & Fellowship

Friday, April 25, 2025

5:00 pm

## Nightcaps

2722 Devine Street  
Columbia, SC 29205

Casual hangout for drinks, including beer and cocktails, plus eats such as pizza and mozzarella sticks.



# FEBRUARY FINANCIAL NEWS

Funds Received for Budget		BUDGET
Envelope System	37,146.68	
Envelope System Cash	814.90	
Memorials	305.00	
Loose Offering	237.00	
Bulletin Covers	150.00	
Initial Offering	34.00	
Sunday School	88.00	
Simply Giving Envelopes	8,747.01	
	<u>47,522.59</u>	<b>60,837.33</b>
<b>RESERVE FUND:</b>		
Memorials/Split	100.00	
<b>DEDICATED FUND</b>		
Birthday	45.00	
Blessing Box	100.00	
Choir	15.00	
Copies	15.00	
Fellowship & Recreation	171.00	
Handbell Retreat	792.50	
Ladies Aid	25.00	
Love Offering	450.00	
Music & Arts	50.00	
Parament Fund	285.00	

Pickle Jar	188.00
Postage	543.87
Sing & Celebrate	35.00
Souper Bowl	1,015.15
Sunshine Club	180.00
Use AR/ECR	50.00
Youth Projects	31.00
Youth Trips	164.00
HUGS/Splits	25.00
Ladies Aid/Split	50.00
Paraments Fund/Split	25.00
Love Offering/Split	50.00
Choral Scholars/Simply Giving	50.00
Bulletins/Simply Giving	30.00
Sing & Celebrate/Simply Giving	50.00
Souper Bowl of Caring/Simply Giving	50.00
General Memorials/Simply Giving	25.00
Youth/Simply Giving	12.00
Evangelism-Simply Giving	-25.00
	<u>4,497.52</u>

CEMETERY FUND:	
Memorial	0.00
	<u>0.00</u>

MUSIC AND ARTS FUND:	
Memorial	20.00
Gifts	0.00
	<u>20.00</u>

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND	
Memorials	0.00
Simply Giving	650.00
	<u>650.00</u>

ENDOWMENT FUND:	
	0.00
<b>Total Received for All Funds</b>	<u><b>52,790.11</b></u>

ATTENDANCE			
	8:00	9:15	11:00
<b>3/2</b>	21	89	90
Ash Wednesday	Noon	37	7:00 93
<b>3/9</b>	17	70	85
<b>3/16</b>	18	48	97
<b>3/23</b>	17	79	94

# In memory of ....

<u>Memorial</u>	<u>Given By</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Annie Ruth Addy	General
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Betty Jo Cato	General
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Bruce Rhodes	Paraments
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Carol Williams	General
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Chris Sox	General
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Debbie & Foster McLeod	General
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Jolene Marchant	Ladies Aid
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Mickey & John Geiger	General
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Patsy Gambrell	Capital Improvements
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Patsy Hutto	General
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Rachel Bundrick	Paraments
Kenneth "Kenny" Carroll Skenes	Sue & Lucky Jones	General
Wilmon Ronald "Ron" Hutto, Jr.	Betty Jo Cato	General

# In honor of ....

<u>Honor</u>	<u>Given By</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Adult Choir	Mitzi Epting	Music & Arts
Ann Spainhour	Mitzi Epting	Music & Arts
Annie Ruth Addy	Ladies Aid	Quilting Ministry
Betty Keisler	Ladies Aid	Quilting Ministry
Early Risers Men	Lee & Joy Smith	HUGS
Early Risers Men	Washington Street Methodist Church Soup Cellar	HUGS
Lynda Mason	Jolene Marchant	Ladies Aid
To the Glory of God	Donna Smith	Music & Arts
To the Glory of God	Virginia Hamson	Music & Arts



## Early Risers Men's Prayer Breakfast

April 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> 7 AM

Lizard's Thicket - Augusta Rd, Lexington

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## First communion class!

### Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:15 AM

If your child is ready to take communion for the first time, this class is for them! Please call the church office (803) 796-5948 or speak with Pastor Wade for more



information and to be added to our class list.

## Easter Egg Hunts - April 12, 2025

All Egg Hunts will occur rain or shine!

### PRESCHOOL EGG HUNT

**Age Range:** Nursery – 4K

**Time:** 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

**Location:** Nursery Hallway / Courtyard

**What to Expect:** snack, egg hunt, singing, time for photos

**What to Bring:** basket or bag (without grass) to gather eggs

### FLASHLIGHT EGG HUNT

**Age Range:** 5K – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Time:** 6:30 PM – 8:15 PM

**Location:** Assembly Room / Park

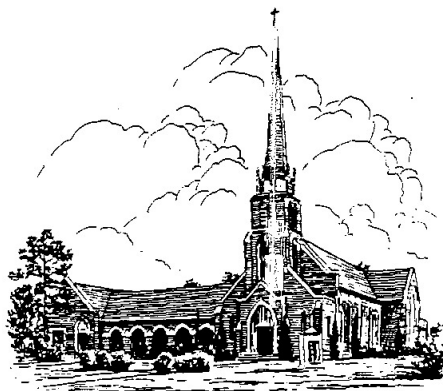
**What to Expect:** dinner, craft, games, story, time for photos, egg hunt in the dark

**What to Bring:** basket or bag (without grass) to gather eggs and a flashlight

Please contact the Mt. Tabor front office with any questions at [admin@mttaborlutheran.org](mailto:admin@mttaborlutheran.org) or 803-796-5948.

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## Worship Opportunities

### Sundays:

#### **Worship Services:**

- 8:00 am Matins with Holy Communion  
9:15 am ALIVE! Contemporary Service  
\*Holy Communion 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month and  
Festival Sundays\*  
11:00 am Traditional Service with Holy Communion

#### **Sunday School:**

10:15 - 11:00 am Children and adult classes offered

### Wednesdays:

- 11:00 am Bible Study  
12:00 pm Noon Eucharist  
3:30 pm Sing & Celebrate  
4:45 pm Children's Choirs  
6:30 pm Adult Choir

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.

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