

Tidings

December 2025

Mt. Tabor

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Growing a deeply connected family of faith

Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 14th at 4:00 PM

Come and enjoy the sounds of the season!

Performances by Mt. Tabor's Choirs.

Reception to follow in the assembly room



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December 24th

**There will be live Nativity Animals
at our 5:00 PM & 7:00 PM services.**

4:45 PM Prelude

5:00 PM Children's Service

6:30 PM Prelude

7:00 PM Candlelight Service w/ communion

10:30 PM Prelude

11:00 PM Candlelight Service w/ communion



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Council Highlights - November 9th Meeting

Council Highlights:

- Minutes were approved unanimously.
- The 2026 Proposed Budget was amended to approve the separate line items for Evangelism \$1,500 and Community Outreach \$2,000.
- A vote was taken for the budget and was unanimously approved to be mailed to the Congregation to discuss November 16th and to be voted on by Congregation November 30th.
- The December Council Meeting will be held Monday, December 15th at 6:00 PM.

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Deadlines - Email articles to: Admin@mttaborlutheran.org

Weekly Snap: Wednesdays at 9:00 am

Bulletin: Wednesdays at 10:00 am

Tidings: 15th of each month

Pastoral Ponderings

Can you imagine it? Could you imagine walking roughly 93 miles, pulling and fighting with a donkey, hanging out with a fiancé (that you barely knew), trusting them with your life, expecting your first born to arrive any minute, not knowing where you would stay, not knowing what you could eat, or how you might survive; but setting out, and going because the government said they needed you to be counted? Could you imagine trying to figure all this out while also holding onto the fact that God called you into this life without your permission, trusting you to bring about the salvation of the whole world?

On this road and on this journey is where we find Joseph and Mary ultimately arriving at what we have come to understand as an inn; yet there was no room for them, and so they take up residence in a local barn where animals are kept for the night. What we have come to think of as a hotel style place must have been full of people all waiting to register for the census. A group of strangers - not willing to see the plight of an unwed mother and her companion. Casting them aside with their only offer being a barn full animals, leading them to use a feeding trough as a bed for their newborn baby. Yet, while this makes for a wonderful back drop of many Christmas Children's plays, maybe we have missed what was really happening to this holy family.

For starters, this inn was not a hotel, motel, or Holiday Inn like we think it was. In reality, houses were usually three stories tall, housing the host family on the middle floor and reserving the upper room for guests of the family. The same word that is usually translated as "inn" in the Christmas story is the same word in Greek used to host Jesus and His disciples for the Last Supper before the crucifixion. Joseph and Jesus both ask to use the Upper Room for their stay, as God prepared the world for a miracle.

The families that owned the Upper Room would not have been innkeepers like we have come to understand them today. They would be family, relatives and friends, who open their door, not to strangers, but close kinship. However, in the Christmas story, family turned family and friends away. As harsh as that sounds to our ears, we know a world in disarray like that - it is the world we live in today. Family member against family member, friend against friend.

Yet, the bottom floor, the "stable", the place that the masters kept their beasts of burden and their workhorses warm throughout the night, housed their livelihoods. It was this place, this lower level that they made room for the Emmanuel to enter into the world. It was here in the places of rejection and division, the places of unclean animals, the places of the huddled masses trying to keep warm, and the places of the unwelcome that Jesus enters in. Among the unforgotten, misunderstood, and lowly Jesus makes His first home. It's in the same places in your life, where the little Lord Jesus still lies His head.

These uncomfortable, rejected, workhorse havened hearts that you and I carry every day is where Jesus feels the most at home, and where He happily resides with and in you and me. This is where the story starts, where love takes hold, and where Jesus prefers to be. And this "so called inn" of our broken rejected hearts is where the story continues to thrive. For to you and me a child is born, a savior given! And it's for you and me, that the Emmanuel, God with us, comes close to heal, to feed, and to love us forever.

Merry Christmas Mt. Tabor!



**We will receive new members the second Sunday
of every month!**

**Let Pastor Wade or the office know if you are
interested in joining!**

Yearbook Update

Ray and Tina Conrad - rtconrad2@gmail.com



Are You Ready?

May you and your family find a quiet peace this Advent Season.

We are offering several special activities to help you prepare for the birth of Jesus.

Advent in A Bag

November 23rd and November 30th: Distribution of “**Advent in A Bag**,” which contains several activities for everyone to participate in as a family, or individually. On 11/23, we will be in the Assembly Room, and on 11/30, we will be in the Nursery hallway.

Advent Spiral, Soup Lunch and Longest Night Service

On December 21st, we are excited to offer an **Advent Spiral, Soup Lunch and Longest Night Service**. The spiral symbolizes the journey towards the light of hope and the fulfillment of God’s promises. Weather permitting, the Spiral will be in the park on the basketball court. This event will be open to our neighboring churches and homes.

Tentative Schedule of Events (stay tuned for details!):

The spiral will be open from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. We are planning a soup lunch for those who would like a quick bite to eat after the late service. Participants will walk to the center of the spiral to receive a candle, then walk back out, placing the candle somewhere in the spiral. The spiral will reopen at 4:15 pm until the conclusion of the Longest Night Service, led by Pastor Wade. The Assembly Room will be open, serving cocoa, hot cider and water. The service will begin at dusk, approximately 5:20 pm.



Blanket Drive

Now collecting new twin sized blankets for students at Congaree Elementary and Busbee Academy for the Arts!

Donations need to be in the church office by **December 7th**!

Join the Sunshine Club at Noon on December 4th
for our annual Christmas Carol sing-a-long.

Ham will be provided. Please bring a festive dish to share.

Come enjoy the fellowship and get into the
Christmas Spirit!



Christmas Concerts!

Please mark your calendars! We will have 2 Christmas Concerts again this year. Christmas on the Mount 2023 will be December 7th at 6:30 and has been organized by our own Kevin Oliver. He has produced this concert for twenty years and this year it will benefit Central Carolina Habitat for Humanity. This concert will feature a wide variety of talent from our region.



Our Christmas Concert will be held on December 14 at 4:00 PM with a reception to follow! Participants will include Cherub Choir, Angel Choir, Seraph Singers, Youth Choir, Mt. Tabor Ringers, Adult Choir and the Alive! Musicians. Jeff Clearman (organ) will join us as guest organist.

Choir

Singers are encouraged to volunteer for the Adult Choir and Alive! It's not too late to join us for Christmas! Please contact Kevin Davis if you would like to join—even for the holiday season!

Christmas Prelude for 7:00 and 10:30 services

We would like to have our talented children participate in the prelude for the 7:00 pm service. Please consider sharing your child's talent with the congregation. Please contact Kevin Davis at (803)796-5948 Ext. 21 or music@mttaborlutheran.org and include the name of the piece, composer, performer's name as you want it to appear in the bulletin, and also the length (minutes) of the piece. If the piece is short (2-3 minutes) you can do a second selection as well!

In addition to the Adult Choir and Mt. Tabor Ringers, we would encourage small ensembles and soloists to participate in the prelude for the 10:30 service. If you are interested, please contact Kevin Davis and include the name of the piece, composer, performer's name as you want it to appear in the bulletin, and also the length (minutes) of the piece.

..... **ALIVE NEWS!**

Sunday, November 30th "We Are Waiting for Jesus" as we start a new church year with the season of **Advent**. So "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" for "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

Sunday, December 7th NO 9:15 service. The children's Christmas play will take the place of the ALIVE and Traditional services.

Sunday, December 14th Advent continues with "Joy to the World" and we sing praise as Mary did in "The Magnificat" while we are "Waiting Here for You" – "Jesus, What a Wonderful Child."

Sunday, December 14th **4:00 Christmas Concert with all Mt. Tabor Musicians**

Sunday, December 21st We celebrate **Holy Communion** this Sunday as we move from the fourth Sunday of Advent to Christmas. We are "Almost There." "Emmanuel" will come and before you know it, "It's Christmas."

The **ALIVE Service starts at 9:15** with pre-service music beginning between 9:12 and 9:15.

Holy Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month and at festival services.

If you are interested in joining the ALIVE music group, please see any ALIVE musician, or contact Gale McLeod at gwmcleod7@gmail.com or Irelou Moye at irene.moye@gmail.com for more information.

"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being."
Psalm 104:33

The ALIVE musicians wish everyone a Joyful Christmas and a Blessed New Year!



Bell Ringers Needed

December 20th

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Our bell ringing location is the West Columbia Hobby Lobby.

The QR Code will take you to our registration page.
You may also call the church office to register.



Mt. Tabor's 2025 Angel Tree!

Remember to have all gifts wrapped and returned to the office by December 7th.

Thank you for sharing your blessings!



Sacrament of Holy Baptism

On Sunday, November 16th we celebrated the
Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Davis Robert Skorzewski!

We welcome Davis into the faith we all share through Jesus Christ.

DATES to REMEMBER

Christmas play at 10 am arrive by 9:30 am
Angel Tree Items Due!!

12/12 PARENTS NIGHT OUT

12/20 BELL RINGING AND CHRISTMAS
FELLOWSHIP DAY!!



Positively Fit: Body, Mind and Soul

We meet on Monday and Thursday at 5:30 in room 121, walking at 4:30. All ability levels are welcome! Variations of exercises are offered! (Join our group. If you have questions, please ask Tammy O'Quinn, Brennen Hutto or Carol Busbee)

Body: Knees

We use our knees hundreds or even thousands of times every day! They move us up to stand, or down to sit, which are added to all the walking we do with household chores, shopping, getting in and out of the car, and climbing stairs to name just a few. If you are active, you probably bend your knees hundreds of times per day. Maybe you add in a work-out during day which can add up to that much more movement. Common mistakes can hurt or injure the knees, such as worn out or incorrect fitting footwear, improper sitting that puts force on the joint, high impact exercise, or simply ignoring a pain that could be in the hip or the knee. Sometimes the knees hurt or ache from “over-doing-it” or arthritis. However, there are exercises that you can do to support the knee.

The muscles in your legs and glutes need to be strong to protect your knees. These muscles need to be stretchy and flexible to allow your knees to fully move and to move correctly.



Stretches for knee flexibility:

Seated hip stretch - sit in a chair like a kitchen chair, sit tall and scoot to the back of the chair. Place your right ankle on top of your left knee. Gently slide your chest forward until you feel a stretch in your right outer hip and glute. Hold for 10 -30 seconds. Repeat on the other side.



Seated Hamstring stretch - sit tall in a kitchen chair and scoot to the front edge of the chair. Keep the left knee bent and foot on the floor. Extend the right leg out straight with your heel on the floor while keeping the foot flexed. Gently slide your chest forward until you feel a stretch in the back of your thigh. Hold for 10-30 seconds. Repeat on the other leg.



Seated leg extensions - sit tall in a kitchen chair with both feet on the floor. Slowly straighten one knee until it is level with you hip or completely straight. Hold for a few seconds then lower. Do 10-20 reps on one leg then repeat on the other leg.

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You can do stretches daily but remember not to force a stretch further than what is comfortable.

Other exercises that you already do help the knees too. Exercises like squats and lunges that strengthen the quads which support the knees. Calf raises and step ups along with hamstring curls strengthen the muscles in the calf's, quads and glutes. Low impacts sports like swimming and cycling add benefit to knee strength. Stretches and strength training are important for the knees and to be able to support movement, help our balance and stability which protects the knees from pain and injury.

Mind:

Being mobile is important for general wellbeing. When you can get around and do the things you like to do, you are happier and healthier. Walking is good for the body but can help the mind too. Engaging in activities like walking releases endorphins which naturally increase mood and reduce stress. Strong knees make it easier to engage in regular exercise which combats anxiety and promotes a positive state of mind. Strong knees give us physical freedom to move around fully and do the things that make us happy!

Soul: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

¹⁹Do 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; ²⁰you were bought at a price. Therefore, honor God with your body.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
	1 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 7:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers	2 10:30 - Staff Meeting 5:30 - Pipes Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR 6:30 - ALIVE! rehearsal	3 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline 11:00 - Bible Study/ECR 12:00 - Noon Eucharist 3:15 - Drop off begins S&C 3:30 - Sing & Celebrate 4:45 - Children's Choirs 6:30 - Adult Choir	4 12:00 - Sunshine Club/AR 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 5:45 - Chrismon decorating/Sanct	5 Play setup	6 10:00 - Play practice/AR
7 Second Sunday of Advent 8:00 - Mains Service - Holy Communion 10:15 - Christmas Program Service/AR 6:30 - Christmas on the Mount Sane & AR Angel Tree Gifts Due	8 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 7:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers Red Apple use AR all day	9 7:00 - Men's Breakfast/Lizard's 10:30 - Staff Meeting/PR B-Day 12 - 9:00 - Edna Holton/AR 5:30 - Pipes Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR 6:30 - ALIVE! rehearsal 9:00 - Organ tuned	10 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline 11:00 - Bible Study/ECR 12:00 - Noon Eucharist 3:15 - Drop off begins S&C 3:30 - Sing & Celebrate 4:45 - Children's Choirs 6:30 - Adult Choir	11 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 6:00 - Youth Setup/AR	12 All day - Youth Parents Night Out/AR	13 Concert Practice/Sanctuary Set up for Concert/AR Pastor Rus's Birthday
14 Third Sunday of Advent 8:00 - Mains Service - Holy Communion 9:15 - ALIVE! Service 10:00 - Fellowship time/AR 10:15 - Sunday School 11:00 - Traditional Service - Holy Communion 12:15 - Confirmation Class/ECR 4:00 - Christmas Concert New Members received	15 Tiding Deadline 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 6:00 - Council Meeting/ECR 7:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers	16 10:30 - Staff Meeting 5:30 - Pipes Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR 6:30 - ALIVE! rehearsal	17 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline 11:00 - Bible Study/ECR 12:00 - Noon Eucharist 3:15 - Drop off begins S&C 3:30 - Sing & Celebrate 4:45 - Children's Choirs 6:30 - Adult Choir	18 2:00 - Tea Time Circle/ECR 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers	19 all day - Ann Spanhour/AR	20 all day - Ann Spanhour/AR 10 - 6:00 - Bell ringing/Hobby Lobby Youth Christmas party off site
21 Fourth Sunday of Advent 8:00 - Mains Service - Holy Communion 9:15 - ALIVE! Service - Holy Communion 10:00 - Fellowship time/AR 10:15 - Sunday School 11:00 - Traditional Service - Holy Communion after 11:00 Service - Soup lunch/AR 5:20 - Longest Night Service All day - Longest Night see announcement/AR	22 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers 7:00 - Mt. Tabor Ringers	23 10:30 - Staff Meeting 5:30 - Pipes Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR	24 Christmas Eve 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline 5:00 - Children's Service 7:00 - Candlelight Communion 11:00 - Candlelight Communion 4 - 7:00 - Nativity Animals	25 Christmas Day Office closed	26 Office closed	27 10 - 12:00 - Girl Scouts/ed wing
28 First Sunday of Christmas 9:30 - Fellowship time/AR 10:00 - Lessons and Carols Service	29 9:30 - Quilting Ministry/intern house 4:30 - Positively Fit/New Seekers	30 10:30 - Staff Meeting 5:30 - Pipes Practice/AR 6:30 - NA Meeting/ECR	31 9:00 - Weekly Snap Deadline 10:00 - Bulletin Deadline			

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: Karen Foley, Shawna Busbee, Acy Flora, Gavin Carrion, Lynda Mason, Thomas Tuten, Marielle Downing, Aubrey Horton, Rachel Hunnicutt, Kevin Bozard, Andrew Hamson, Lucky Jones, Norma McKinley, Brittany Smoak, Mary Katherine King, Burns Roof, Sandy Dennis, Becky Newman, McKenna Cassella, Kenlee Cassella, Jake Jacobs, Vicki Smallwood, Drew Shealy, Tyler England, Koy McCullough, Curren Taylor, Rylee Jacobs, Sharon Rogers, Emily Addy, Cheryl Prim, Kylie Wilson, Trad Burton, Jackson Burton, Gerald Shealy, Allison Hostetter, Stephen Fulmer, Jack Latham, Julie Miller, Summer Insabella, Mallory Hartgrove, Meg Muir, Thomas Shealy, Adam Self, Robert Ward, William Wingard, Lev Taylor, Foster McLeod, Daniel Conrad, Sara Fulmer, Dennis Rybicki.

Most Recent Prayer Concerns:

Addie Wilkerson Pinner, Dennis Rybicki, Jr., Liliana Stork, Natalie Cook
Karen Holton, Barbara Raulerson

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Jana Payne, Grace Kelly, Carolyn Dufries, Pastor Lavaughn Keisler, John Conrad, Linda Price
Bruce Merchant, Al & Judy Jordan, Luther Swicegood, Sandra Baker, Alice Pollock
Jimmy Williams, Mona Myers, Sadie Howard, Elmer Sundlie, Emma Lou Easley
Paul Addy, Paul & Jeanie Jacobs, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston

Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:

Bobby LoVine, Robbie Burgess, Ronnie Boland, Tonia Boland, Andy Rauch, Peggy Roessler, Sherwood Williams
John Bailey, John Sharpe, Bishop Ginny Aebischer, Bobby Brown, Steve Blake, Zach Wash, Jack Hayde, Barbara
Antley, Ty Arlet, Bill Baney, Tyler Corbitt, Eddie Porter, David "Bubba" Martin, Jr. Wayne Hall, Kimberly
Chapman, Nancy Waugh, Emily Waugh, Sam Waugh, Laura Ann Merrill, Johnny Smith, Anne Moyer

Members of Mt. Tabor Serving in the Military:

Adam Davis, Samuel Davis, Scott Hash, Alex Morris

Family and Loved Ones Serving in the Military:

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

The Family Of:

Fred Fetner

Mt. Tabor's Sunday School Department Presents



Babushka Christmas

December 7th - 10:15 AM

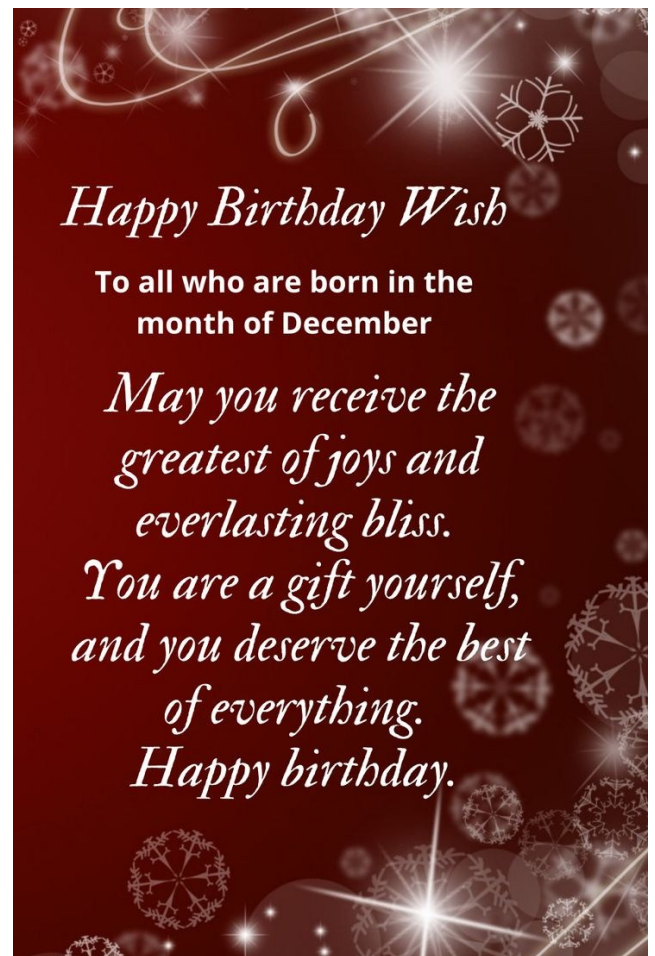


**The performance will take the place of our
ALIVE! and Traditional Worship Services.**

**Please join us in the Assembly Room as members of our
Sunday School classes share the story of a holy night, so long
ago, that became the very first Christmas.**



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



December Love Offering – Choral Scholars at Mt. Tabor!

December Worship Assistants

ALIVE!

Communion assistant

Julianne Jones

Lector

Ray Conrad

Ushers

David Yoder, Brandon Payne

11:00 AM

Communion assistants

Whitney Glass, Joyce Riley

Lector

Rachel Bundrick

Ushers

Foster McLeod, Ricky Glass

Patsy Gambrell

Greeter

Debbie McLeod

Acolyte

Brooklyn Glass

Crucifer

Volunteer Needed



December

Communion Preparer

Nancy Stone-Collum

Worship coordinator - Sarah Whitehead

December Altar Flowers & Bulletin Covers

Flowers

7 - Kristi Hall

14 - Elise Helms

21 - Pam Burnett &
Linda Gayden

28 - Rebekah Morris

Covers

7 - Available

14 - Nancy Allen

21 - Pam Burnett &
Linda Gayden

28 - Tammy O'Quinn

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.

ATTENDANCE

	8:00	9:15	11:00
10/26	23	55	123
11/2	23	79	123
11/9	17	70	109
11/16	20	78	102



MT TABOR EARLY RISERS BREAKFAST

December 9th 7 AM

Lizard's Thicket ~ Augusta Rd, Lexington



Sunday, December 7th

6:30 PM

Free Admission

Offering collected for

Central SC Habitat For Humanity

Christmas On The Mount is an annual holiday presentation hosted by Mt. Tabor choir member, Kevin Oliver. This will be its third year at Mt Tabor, and 20th annual concert overall.

The concert will feature local and regional musicians performing traditional and not-so-traditional songs of the season, with the Christmas story told in scripture readings between the different performers. You'll hear traditional carols, different arrangements of familiar holiday songs, and even some original Christmas songs written by the performers themselves.

The lineup of performers this year:

Admiral Radio
Band of Pilgrims
James Etheridge, Jr.
Danielle Howle and
Josh Roberts

Bentz Kirby
Brent Lundy
Rhonda Mooneyhan

Ashleigh Morse with
Jim Morse
Prettier Than Matt
Chris Reed
Riverstone



Thank you to everyone who supported the 3rd Annual Reformation Run!

We raised \$390.00 to help fund future youth trips at Mt. Tabor!

Hope to see ya next year.

Assisted Living & Retirement Homes

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 Harmony Collection - Roberta Wessinger (Apt. 3037)

Presbyterian Home - Charlie Sharpe

*So then,
while we have opportunity,
let us do good to all men,
and especially to those
who are of the
household of the faith.*

Galatians 6:10

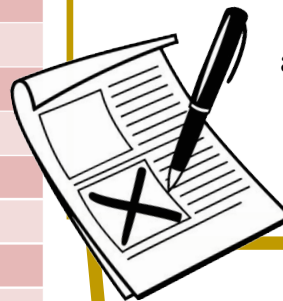
OCTOBER FINANCIAL NEWS

Funds Received for Budget		BUDGET
Envelope System	30,525.00	
Envelope System Cash	862.00	
Memorials	1,635.00	
Initial Offering	20.00	
Bulletin Covers	90.00	
Loose Offering	225.00	
Sunday School	100.00	
Simply Giving Envelopes	11,376.30	
	44,833.30	60,837.33
RESERVE FUND:		
Memorials/Splits	100.00	
	100.00	
DEDICATED FUND		
5K Race	105.00	
Birthday Offering	121.00	
Birthday Party	28.00	
Blessing Box	100.00	
Choral Scholars	800.00	
Fellowship & Recreation	159.00	
General Maint/Return Door Stops	12.00	
Halloween	352.00	
Handbell Retreat	943.50	
Ladies Aid	175.00	
Love Offering	201.25	
Music	174.00	
Office Equipment/Copier Lease	2,940.00	
Paraments Fund	40.00	
Pastor Discretionary Fund	500.00	
Pickle Jar	19.67	
Quilting	350.00	
Sing & Celebrate	50.08	
SLED	0.00	
Sunshine Club	26.00	
Use ECR/AR	125.00	
Youth Projects	109.00	
Youth Trips	75.00	
Sing & Celebrate/Splits	55.00	
World Hunger/Splits	200.00	
Love Offering/Splits	50.00	
Youth Projects/Splits	212.00	
Birthday Party/Splits	46.00	

Choral Scholars/Simply Giving	50.00
Memorials/Simply Giving	84.00
Quilting/Simply Giving	25.00
Youth Trips/Simply Giving	12.00
Halloween-Quilt Auction	85.00
Evangelism/Simply Giving	25.00
	8,249.50
CEMETERY FUND:	
Memorial	50.00
Columbarium	0.00
	50.00
MUSIC AND ARTS FUND:	
Music & Arts/Splits	70.00
Music & Arts/Simply Giving	25.00
Memorial	360.00
	455.00
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND	
Memorials/Gifts	200.00
Simply Giving	200.00
	400.00
ENDOWMENT FUND:	
	0.00
Total Received for All Funds	54,087.80

**Sign up for our Weekly Snapshot,
prayer requests and pressing
information!**

E-mail Linda at
admin@mttaborlutheran.org
to enroll.



Online Giving

The QR Code
will take you to
Mt. Tabor's
online
giving page.



In memory of ...

<u>Memorial</u>	<u>Given By</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Betty Monts Wise	Betty P. Morris	Ladies Aid
Herman D. Bouknight	Patricia M. Shealy	General
Jane Sexton	Bruce Rhodes	Capital Improvements
Jane Sexton	Rus & Barbara Stilwell	Capital Improvements
JoAnn Harkness Davis	Dwight & Lynn Arrington	General
JoAnn Harkness Davis	Linda & Travis Spainhour	Birthday Party
JoAnn Harkness Davis	Nancy Stone-Collum	Music
JoAnn Harkness Davis	Ray, Tina & Leah Conrad	Music & Arts
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Jolene Marchant	Ladies Aid
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Julie & Michael Miller: Owen & Bennett Plane	General
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Linda & Travis Spainhour	Quilting Ministry
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Linda Jackson	Quilting Ministry
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Mary B. & Sarah Long	General
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Nancy Stone-Collum	General
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Patricia M. Shealy	General
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Rick & Hazel Rickenbaker	Ladies Aid
Michael MacInnis	Rus & Barbara Stilwell	Capital Improvements
Chris Davis	Kevin, Alice, Blake, Delaney & Lilli Jane Davis	Sing & Celebrate
JoAnn Harkness Davis	Janice West	General
Mary Ellen "Mickey" Taylor Geiger	Janice West	General

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<u>Honorarium</u>	<u>Given By</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Annie Ruth Addy	Joe & Docia Jones	General
Annie Ruth Addy	Linda & Travis Spainhour	Capital Improvements
Joe Jones	Bonnie M. Cherry	General
Joe Jones	Bruce & Barbara Robinson	General
Joe Jones	Sue & Lucky Jones	General
Ricky Lusk	Linda & Travis Spainhour	Capital Improvements
Travis & Linda Spainhour	Patsy Hutto	General

Pastor Roof,

Once again, we are singing "Mt. Tabor to the rescue" at Candyman Homeless Outreach Ministry. I could not be more grateful. Your generous donation of \$3k has literally purchased blankets for the shelterless, homeless of the greater midlands for the entire winter! I found a vender in Pakistan who sells for the best deal. I have to wash them (dye) but they are 1/2 price of anywhere else. As you may guess blankets are one of the top three most critically needed items we request. God Bless Mt. Tabor and the HUGS Men's Group. From the heart, Bubba Cromer

To the Mt. Tabor Lutheran Family,

On behalf of the vulnerable homeowners served each year, thank you for your generous support of the Home Works Mission!

Your donations help ensure that critical repairs remain free of charge for the neighbors in need on your waitlist. As you know, the ripple effects of each repair effort are immense, strengthening community relationships, building volunteers' skills, and allowing some of our state's most vulnerable residents to continue living safely in their homes. Thank you sincerely for being part of this lasting impact through your generosity!

Building for Him, Madelyn Smith, Home Works

Thank you!

Dear Foster,

Thank you for your recent donation of \$1000.00. The continued support of Mt. Tabor means so much to our organization and the individual we serve.

As you know, Mirci is a 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is to provide wrap-around behavioral healthcare, outreach services, and supportive housing to those in our community experiencing the adverse effect of mental illness. The kindness of individuals like you allow us to continue upholding mental health across the Midlands everyday.

We greatly appreciate your generosity!

Sincerely, Julie Miller, Chief Clinical Officer

Thank you again to the
HUGS program!

Dear friends in Christ,

Thank you for your September congregation love offering of \$248.00 received on October 21, 2025 for the Lutheridge 75th Birthday Capital Campaign. We are so grateful that you are helping us light a candle in celebration of 75 years of ministry and pass the faith to new generations of God's people.

Though this campaign we are seeing inspiring generosity from so many people who love camp. To date we have received over \$2,500,000 in gifts and commitments! This outpouring of support means that significant updates to our camp facilities are already underway. We know you will be excited to hear about the renewal and renovations that are taking place. You can visit Lutheridge.com for all the latest news.

For 75 years, Lutheridge has been a place where faith grows, leaders are formed, and people of all ages experience the blessings of Christian community. We are excited to see how this campaign will continue, and enhance, this work of the Lord.

Thank you again for being a part of the Lutheridge 75th Birthday Capital Campaign. Together, we are moving camp, a ministry at Lutheridge, into a new era. Your gifts are making great things happen!

In Gratitude, Rev. Mike Ward & Deacon Mitzie Schafer

Church Office News

The office will be closed on December 25th & 26th.

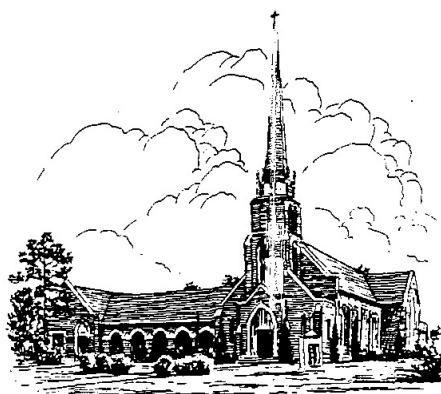
We hope everyone has a blessed and meaningful Christmas.



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Worship Opportunities

Sundays:

Worship Services:

- 8:00 am Matins with Holy Communion
9:15 am ALIVE! Contemporary Service
 *Holy Communion 1st 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 and 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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