



TABOR HERALD

Honoring God * Making Disciples * Serving Others

Celebrating the work of God at Tabor United Methodist Church

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From the **PASTOR**

Hello and Happy May!

Now that Easter and Lent have passed, we should have no more trouble with temptation, right? Well, I can only speak for myself and I am still “under construction” – a “work in progress”! But I am glad to know and be reminded that God will not allow us to be **tempted** beyond what we can handle. 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 “So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don’t fall! No **temptation** has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And **God is faithful**; He will not let you be **tempted** beyond what you can bear. But when you are **tempted**, **He will also provide a way out so that you can endure it**”. [Please note – this passage is about “**temptation**” and not difficult times – it is often confused and misapplied to the difficult times in our lives. There are other Bible verses that apply better to the difficult times we experience in our lives which we have discussed in the past months.]

I remember when I first read 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 and my initial thought was, “that can’t be true, the temptations that I face are way beyond what I can handle! And a way out? Well, I am not seeing a way out”! Later I had a pastor comment that nowadays people rarely struggle with temptation – instead, unfortunately many just give in to the temptation without even trying to resist.

A better way to deal with the temptation “struggle” is that we should be actively looking for a way out because God will give us one (**God is faithful**). Sometimes they are big moments and sometimes they are small moments – but there are always these moments. And the question is, if I may be so bold –

the thing that we have to wrestle with is how much do we really want a way out? To phrase it in another way – do we really trust God’s desire for us? Is my desire for me the same as God’s desire for me? Do we really believe and act like God’s will is what is best for us?

The better perspective to have is that **Jesus has set us free** to struggle with temptation and sin so that we can **see and experience a victory**! So be encouraged as you struggle with temptation! And please know that the grace and forgiveness of God never runs out! Maybe you struggle with receiving God’s grace as well – so perhaps also be encouraged that the process is progress – it is God’s sanctification. Instead of “giving up and giving in” – let us instead persevere and remember God’s grace helps us to experience spiritual fullness in the way of Jesus (Colossians 2:6-23 – a great read – perhaps another topic for another time).

Now there are several parts of 1 Corinthians 10:12-13. The first part is the temptation so let’s address that. I think it is important for us to know that **temptation does not come from God**. James 1:13 “Whenever you feel tempted to do something bad, you should not say, ‘God is tempting me’. Evil cannot tempt God, and **God himself does not tempt anyone**”. Here in 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 Paul is giving a warning to us and saying you are going to be tempted – so be alert! It can happen to anyone! He is saying that if you think you are good (“standing firm”) – then be careful because that is precisely the moment that you might fall – because it can and has happened to the best of Christians. All of us are tempted.

Something that might be helpful is that when I think about temptation I think about fishing. And I think
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about being a fish and seeing a hook with bait thrown into the water and this fish sees this bait. And it's desirable and it's attractive. It looks exactly like what that fish needs. It looks real. It looks like exactly what will satisfy the fish but then there is this trick – a deception and it ends ultimately in what is really bad for the fish. This is what I think about when I think about temptation – things right in front of us might be placed in front of us to tempt us, to trick us and to deceive us. They may look great and desirable. And they may look real but they will never satisfy us in the long term. In the long term they will hurt us. And here I think is the first step to being ready for temptation is knowing that it is coming. And be comforted in knowing that Jesus was tempted and he showed us how to succeed – so surely, we will also be tested with temptation and we can succeed too because **God is faithful**.

So, the next part of 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 is endurance. Paul asked how do we handle temptation? And he answers – you endure through it. **“God will also provide a way out so that you can endure it”**. God will absolutely not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand and when you are tempted – God will always show you a way out so that you can **endure**. The most important thing to remember is that God is with you in the middle of your temptation.

Paul is telling us something amazing – whenever there is a temptation – God will always provide a way out – so whenever I feel those moments when I am tempted to do something – then I know I should not give in knowing God is like a cross-country running track coach – **encouraging me to keep on enduring the struggle – with the Holy Spirit's help you can do this!** If it looks appealing and it looks real – but deep down you are questioning it – know that there is a way out – a way to flee from it – so endure and avoid it. The moment you start to rationalize the temptation – that is the moment to realize that your “God given conscience” is telling you to not to give in.

In conclusion, I want to encourage you today if there is anything to learn from 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 it is that when you are tempted then do these three things: endure, look and pray. Be strong and courageous (Joshua 1:9)! And look for a way out – God has given it to you. And pray with persistence. It will remind you that God is with you! In the words of

Jesus, "Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak" (Matthew 26:41).

Let us close in prayer: Heavenly Father, I know that You want me to resist temptation. I know that You have not allowed any temptation to overtake me which is beyond “my strength in You” to resist. In You, I have the freedom to choose not to sin and You have given me Your Holy Spirit to stand firm against temptation. When I am tempted to sin – help me instead to focus on Your goodness to me. Help me to hate sin as much as You do. My sin crucified Jesus. You have bought my life with the precious blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ and in His name, I pray. Amen.

Thy will be done,

Pastor Ed

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DID YOU KNOW?

**Sunday School for adults
meets each Sunday from 9:00-9:45a.m.
in the Chapel.**

**Tabor offers an in-person worship service
each Sunday morning at 10:00a.m.**

**Tabor continues to live stream the worship service
each Sunday morning at 10:00a.m. on
Tabor United Methodist Church Facebook.**

**A Family Fellowship Time with snacks and beverages is
offered in Weller Hall following worship until
noon each Sunday.**

**Tabor Worship Services are available online anytime at
www.facebook.com/TaborUMC/**

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**Make Someone Smile – Call A Friend,
A Neighbor Or A Family Member Today!**

**Will You Invite Someone To Church To
Learn About GOD'S LOVE?**



From the Deacon's Desk...

DANCE WITH THOSE YOU LOVE

LOVE! A word used a lot but seems to be expressed more in February because of Valentine's Day. But I was thinking of Mother's Day and how much a Mother's love has influenced others. Of course, when we think of the month of May, we should think of Mother's Day.

I was impacted by a Devotion entitled "In Christ We Learn the Way of Love". I was reminded of the patience of Jesus. He even knew how His story would end yet He still patiently served His disciples and ministered to those who came to Him. In 1 Corinthians 13:4 it says "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud." I have it heard it said before, try inserting your name to this verse. For example, Jesus is patient, Jesus is kind.... How do you feel when you insert your name to this verse? If you struggle with this, remember that the Spirit of Jesus lives in you and knowing that, can help you to be more patient, kind...

It is also that same Spirit that helps us women to be able to love our spouse, each child we have, close friends and life. If you remember, last month I shared about a book I was given "It's Never Too Late to Dance" by Donald H. Neidigk. In one of the chapters of this book, the author reminds us of the importance of "dancing" even with all the other things we are trying to accomplish. I have heard of friends who work hard all of their adult life and look forward to retirement. But soon after retirement, one of the couple gets sick or develops an illness

that limits their mobility and then they struggle to dance. The lesson learned to you young couples/single people is not to put aside what you will do in the future but make the time now to do something with your spouse, friend or children. Because when you really find the time to "dance" you may not be able to do that.

For those of us who are in our older years, or retirement years, no matter what your situation in life, find time to "dance" with those you love. I hope by this time you realize that "dancing" is spending time with those we love. We can't go back and attend all the track meets or baseball games we missed with our kids. But we can call them or text them now. And we can make sure to attend the special events that our adult children are involved in today. We can be present for what is important in our grandchildren's lives. We can even make sure we take time to spend with our spouse, even if it is playing a game together at home.

In most cases, it is the woman who was the organizer of activities in the family. She was the one usually looking for things to do with the children while they were growing up. And she probably is the one to continue coming up with ideas today. But be sure to look ahead and not back. Don't look back and feel guilty that you did not try to find the time to do more things with your children or your spouse. We know a God who gives us grace and forgiveness. If you have a hard time receiving God's forgiveness, you will spend a lot of emotional energy beating yourself up for your shortcomings. Drink deeply of His forgiveness and get back in the dance. It is important to love those we care about before it is too late. As long as we have each other, it's never too late to dance!!

Maryanne B. Ditter
Minister of Spiritual Formation

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Thursday ~ May 1, 2025

The first Thursday of May each year is designated as a day for the people of our country to pray. Yes, there is separation of state and church in America, but religious people in our nation would never vote for the separation of America from God. This country surely will always remain, "one nation under God." Therefore we are right to set aside a day for national prayer – a day when we can beseech God's guidance regarding our nation's policies and actions, and pray for the welfare of all citizens, especially for the helpless and those suffering injustices.

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Mother's Day ~ May 11, 2025



This Mother's Day we hope all Mothers will be present in worship as we observe Mother's Day.

Remember, you can attend at 10a.m. in-person or watch live on TaborUMC Facebook, or watch the service anytime online. We're sure that you will find the worship service and message of the morning inspiring and uplifting!

What a perfect Sunday to invite and bring your Mother, Daughter, Granddaughter, Sister, Aunt, Niece, Cousin, Neighbor, Friend, Co-worker, etc!

The men's group will be providing the food for our fellowship time on Mother's Day. This has been a tradition at Tabor Church. If any of you men can help out, see George Ditter or John Hartzell.

And just so you know, we try to allow the ladies of the Church to go through the line first. So MEN don't be in such a rush to get something to eat!!

SENIOR LUNCHEON

2nd Wednesday ~ May 14, 2025



Our Senior Luncheon group will be meeting on Wednesday, **May 14** at noon. **PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS CHANGE TO THE SECOND WEDNESDAY** instead of third because the Pastors will be away at Annual Conference the third Wednesday. Be sure to join us for this time of fellowship.

We will be serving chicken. Please be sure to check out the sign up sheet which will show you what others are providing. If you would like, you can help by bringing the sides or dessert. The sign-up sheet will be outside the Sanctuary. Let us know if you are coming so we can have enough food. You can either bring something or not. Don't let that be the reason you decide not to share in fellowship with others.

It is even okay to show up at the last minute because your plans changed. Don't hesitate because you have nothing to bring. Just come on over to church and enjoy our time together.

Maryanne Ditter
Minister of Spiritual Formation

YOU ARE INVITED!

You are invited to Frank & Peggi Billman's 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration! You are receiving this invitation because you are special to them. Their celebration will be held on Saturday, June 7, 2025 from 2-4PM at the Pine Creek Valley Church, 761 US-6, Gaines, PA, 16921.

If you plan to attend please RSVP as soon as possible to let the family know you are able to come and how many people will be in your party. You can reply to Nic Billman @ nic@shoresofgrace.com or to Peggi Billman @ 615-428-9220.

~ HERITAGE SUNDAY ~
May 18, 2025

On Sunday, May 18th, 2025 we will honor those who have been members of Tabor Church for 25 years or more. We hope our newer members will thank these long time members for their faithfulness over the years. Tabor Church recognizes the following members for their 25+ years of membership {(#) (00=2000) indicates year joined Tabor Church}:

Jane Hedrick (51),
 Sandra Hoffman (63),
 Kay Lynn Reitnauer (68),
 Jane Kulp (70), Janine Kanavel (71),
 Richard McMullen, Jr. (71),
 Jack Young (71),
 Boyd Davenport, Jr. (73),
 Beverly Hartzell (76),
 William Jacobs (76), Betty Hartle (80),
 Nancy Thimm (80), Vicki Young (80),
 Debbie Ebner (81), Terry Hasson (81),
 Bethanne Rittenhouse (81),
 Brian Cassel (82), Muriel Smith (82),
 Jack & Diane Althouse (83),
 John Hartzell (83), Eva Davenport (84),
 Mary Jacobs (84), Cindy Frick (86),
 Dave & Joan Gardner (86),
 Rich & Jane Saurman (86),
 Michael Weller (86),
 Alan & Gail Wertz (86),
 Rich & Alice Hollingsworth (87),
 Jason Wertz (87), David Ditter (89),
 Maryanne Ditter (89),
 Robert Ditter (89),
 Doug & Lydia Landis (89),
 Bruce & Sharon Stover (89),
 Joan Yothers (89),
 Becky Snizevage (90),
 Andrew & Lisa Toombs (90),
 Justin Wertz (90), Christine Yerger (90),
 Julie Dickey (91), Denise Miller (91),
 Jim & Janet Ricci (91),
 Michael Berardi (92),
 Robin Cassel (92), Carol Cassidy (92),
 David & Ellen Garlich (92),
 James Hildesheim (92),
 Linda Hildesheim (92),
 Kerri Rickley (92),
 Boyd Davenport, III (93),
 David Gardner (93), Nancy Haentze (93),
 Chad Hoffman (93),

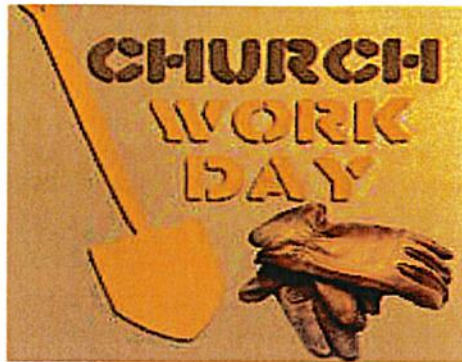
Karen Mathewson (93), Kirstin Nice (93),
 Elizabeth Semon (93), Bob Thimm (93),
 Mark & Jill Thomson (93),
 Danielle Astheimer (94),
 George & Nancy Henry (94),
 Bette Martin (94), Shelly McMaster (94),
 David Speck (94), Tedd Speck (94),
 Paul & Joanne Spilman (94),
 Jessica Brumbaugh (95),
 Karen Faulkner (95),
 Dan Fetzer (95), Gary Lee Frick (95),
 Christopher Hill (95), Karen Neal (95),
 Pamela Rivera (95), Mary Beth Steel (95),
 Dan Umstead (95),
 Tim & Beth Carrigan (96),
 Wendy Davenport (96),
 Annette Jacobs (96), Elissa Mahler (96),
 Joe & Gail Rogers (96),
 Michael Smith (96), Kyle Speck (96),
 Angela Steel-Wills (96),
 Nichole Stowman (96),
 Russ Wenner (96), Carol Becker (97),
 Jessica Dougherty (97), Patrick Ebner (97),
 Jamie & Nicole Exner (97),
 Sarah Mininger (97), Amy Payne (97),
 Jim & Kelly Stackhouse (97),
 Matt Young (97), Kyle Hartung (98),
 Ryan Jacobs (98), Sarah Robinson (98),
 Tim & Andrea Walter (98),
 Amanda Bloch (99), Kristin Briscoe (99),
 Diane Campman (99), Peter Ebner (99),
 Stephanie Fontaine (99), Dan Fox (99),
 Laura Gamble (99), Amanda Kleckner (99),
 Kristen Knight (99), Amy McMaugh (99),
 Kate Saurman (99), Marylou Simmons (99),
 Melissa Weller (99),
 Tom & Kaye Yurik (99),
 Kristine Davis (00),
 Raquel Hollingsworth (00),
 Jason Jenison (00),
 Ken Jenison (00),
 Elisabeth (Metz) Kohler (00),
 Scott Landis (00),
 Jonathan Smith (00),
 Tammy (Jenison) Steinmetz (00),
 Karl Yurik (00).

Tabor Church was saddened by the death and loss of two of our long-time members Jane Davis (1982) & Chuck Morgan (2005) since Heritage Sunday 2024.

***God Bless Each of You &
 Your Support of Tabor Church!***

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

FUND	STARTING BALANCE 1/1/2025	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE 3/31/2025
General Fund	\$68,619.06	\$54,416.30	-61,410.25	\$0.00	\$61,625.11
Mortgage Fund	-\$86,849.52	\$1,270.00	-\$21,110.00	\$0.00	-\$106,689.52
Missions Fund	11,912.28	\$1,905.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,817.28
Special Designated Funds	\$105,808.77	\$1,461.50	-\$620.16	\$0.00	\$106,650.11
Total	\$99,490.59	\$59,052.80	-\$83,140.41	\$0.00	\$75,402.98



SPRING CLEANING TABOR CHURCH WORK DAY Saturday, May 17, 2025

Let us get together on Saturday, May 17 to do some work on God's house! Tabor is having our annual "Spring Cleaning" anytime from 9 am to 4 pm. As always come anytime that fits into your schedule. We greatly appreciate any time and effort that you can offer. Unfortunately, it can sometimes fall upon a handful of people who keep Tabor looking great – and we greatly appreciate them and all they do – but it is not fair to them to not have the rest of us help in some way – so please try to come out and help. And we understand – Saturdays are busy days with many other great things going on – so maybe you might prefer to come out some other time and help? This works for others as they have come during the week and have done weeding, grass cutting and other needed tasks around the church. Let us keep God's house looking beautiful and welcoming! If you come out on Saturday, May 17 there will be donuts and hoagies as a thank you!

GRADUATE INFORMATION NEEDED

If you have graduated from high school, college, career/technical school, etc., since June of 2024 when we last recognized our graduates, please contact us by May 27th, 2025 with your graduation info. We will be recognizing graduates on June 8, 2025.


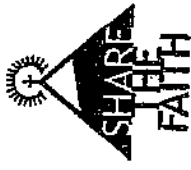
UPCOMING 2025 DATES

.....Pray "The Lord's Prayer" at Noon & Be Blessed!
DOH Bible Study / Mondays / 11AM-12:30PM
Wednesday "Prayer Meetings" / 5:30-6:30PM
 May 1.....National Day of Prayer
 May 2-4.....Women's Retreat @ Pocono Plateau
 May 4.....Communion Sunday
 May 8.....Plant Sale Pick-up / 10-11AM
 May 8.....Tabor Church Being Cleaned / 2-6PM
 May 9.....Circle of Hope Meet to Pot Flowers for
 Mother's Day / 9AM / Outside Weller Hall
 May 10.....June 2025 Tabor Herald Info Due
 May 11.....Mother's Day
 May 14.....Senior Luncheon / Noon
 May 17.....Tabor Church Work Day / 9AM-4PM
 May 18.....Heritage Sunday
 May 20-22.....Eastern PA Annual Conference @
 Wildwood Convention Center, Wildwood, NJ
 May 22.....Tabor Church Being Cleaned / 2-6PM
 May 26.....Memorial Day Observance
 May 27.....Graduate Information Due
 May 29.....Ascension Day
 June 5.....Tabor Church Being Cleaned / 2-6PM
 June 8.....Pentecost Sunday
 June 8.....Graduate Recognition Sunday
 June 12.....Circle of Hope "Ice Cream &
 Devotions" @ The Campman's Home
 with Diane Campman Leading / 7PM
 June 15.....Trinity Sunday
 June 15.....Peace With Justice Sunday
 June 15.....Father's Day
 June 15.....Circle of Hope Sponsors Father's Day
 Brunch after the Worship Service
 June 19.....Tabor Church Being Cleaned / 2-6PM
 July 12.....Circle of Hope "Book Club Meeting"
 Please Read "What Happens When Women
 Say Yes To God" by Lysa Terkeurst Before
 the Meeting. Sharon Stover Leading the
 Discussion. Time & Place TBA
 August 9.....Circle of Hope Lake Beach Trip to
 Mauch Chunk Lake. Time TBA
 November 8.....Circle of Hope Meet to Make
 Christmas Cards for Nursing Homes & Shut-ins

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 <p>4 9-9:45AM-Adult Bible Study in the Chapel 10:00AM-In-Person Worship Service 10:00AM-Live Streaming of Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook ~The Worship Service is Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall until Noon~ ~Women's Retreat @ Pocono Plateau Ends~</p>	<p>5 ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~ 11AM-DOH (Disciples of Hope) Bible Study Meet in Classroom #9 7PM-DIY Creative Workshop: Build Your Own Open Glass Terrarium (Ed. Wing) 7:30PM- AA Group</p>	 <p>6 ~ PASTOR ED'S DAY OFF ~ ~Rev. Ditter in Office~ 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours</p>	<p>7 9AM-Craft Circle 10AM-3PM-Pastor Ed's Scheduled Office Hours 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 11AM-Staff Meeting 5:30-6:30PM-Prayer Service (Chapel)</p>	<p>1 ~NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER~ 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 7:30PM-Basketball in Weller Hall</p>	<p>2 ~REV. DITTER'S DAY OFF~ ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~ ~Women's Retreat @ Pocono Plateau Begins~</p>	<p>3 7AM Sharp-8AM-Men's Group in Weller Hall ~Women's Retreat @ Pocono Plateau Continues~ 7PM- AA Group</p>
	<p>11 9-9:45AM-Adult Bible Study in the Chapel 10:00AM-In-Person Worship Service 10:00AM-Live Streaming of Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook ~The Worship Service is Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall until Noon~ ~June 2025 Tabor Herald Articles Due~</p>	<p>12 ~MOTHER'S DAY~ 9-9:45AM-Adult Bible Study in the Chapel 10:00AM-In-Person Worship Service 10:00AM-Live Streaming of Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook ~The Worship Service is Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall until Noon~</p>	<p>13 ~ PASTOR ED'S DAY OFF ~ ~Rev. Ditter in Office~ 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 11AM-DOH (Disciples of Hope) Bible Study Meet in Classroom #9 7PM-Finance Committee Meets (ZOOM) 7:30PM- AA Group</p>	<p>15 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 7:30PM-Basketball in Weller Hall</p>	<p>16 ~REV. DITTER'S DAY OFF~ ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~</p>	<p>17 ~Armed Forces Day~ 7AM Sharp-8AM-Men's Group in Weller Hall 9AM-4PM-Tabor Church Work Day</p>
	<p>18 9-9:45AM-Adult Bible Study in the Chapel 10:00AM-In-Person Worship Service 10:00AM-Live Streaming of Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook ~The Worship Service is Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall until Noon~</p>	<p>19 ~HERITAGE SUNDAY~ 9-9:45AM-Adult Bible Study in the Chapel 10:00AM-In-Person Worship Service 10:00AM-Live Streaming of Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook ~The Worship Service is Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall until Noon~</p>	<p>20 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours ~Eastern PA Annual Conf., Wildwood, NJ~ 7:30PM- AA Group</p>	<p>21 9AM-Craft Circle 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours ~Eastern PA Annual Conf., Wildwood, NJ~ 5:30-6:30PM-Prayer Time Open to Those Needing Prayer (Chapel)</p>	<p>22 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours ~Eastern PA Annual Conf., Wildwood, NJ~ 2-6PM-Tabor Church Being Cleaned 7:30PM-Basketball in Weller Hall</p>	<p>23 ~ PASTOR ED'S DAY OFF ~ ~REV. DITTER'S DAY OFF~ ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~</p>
<p>25 9-9:45AM-Adult Bible Study in the Chapel 10:00AM-In-Person Worship Service 10:00AM-Live Streaming of Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook ~The Worship Service is Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall until Noon~</p>	<p>26 ~Memorial Day~ ~Church Office Closed for Holiday~</p>	<p>27 ~ PASTOR ED'S DAY OFF ~ ~Rev. Ditter in Office~ 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours ~Graduate Information Due in Church Office~ 7:30PM- AA Group</p>	<p>28 ~Rev. Ditter in Office~ 9AM-Craft Circle 10AM-3PM-Pastor Ed's Scheduled Office Hours 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 11AM-Staff Meeting 5:30-6:30PM-Prayer Service (Chapel) 7:30PM-Ad Council (ZOOM)</p>	<p>29 ~Ascension Day~ 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 7:30PM-Basketball in Weller Hall</p>	<p>30 ~REV. DITTER'S DAY OFF~ ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~</p>	<p>31 7AM Sharp-8AM-Men's Group in Weller Hall 7PM- AA Group</p>

~ PRAYER CALENDAR ~

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>And pray in the spirit of all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for the saints. ~~Ephesians 6:18</p>	<p>~~~~~ PRAY WITHOUT CEASING ~~~~~</p>	<p>DISASTER VICTIMS THE HOMELESS ALL STUDENTS ALL TEACHERS MILITARY FAMILY: KARYN CAUDELL STEVEN JEFFERSON NATE LEATHERMAN JULIAN SCHMIDT JOSHUA TAYLOR KARL YURIK</p>	<p>~~~~~ PRAY FOR UKRAINE & FOR THE MIDDLE EAST ~~~~~</p>	<p>1 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiboi D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family Disaster Victims The Homeless All Missionaries Tabor S.P.R. Committee Tabor Church</p>	<p>2 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Jess & Baby Greenwalt Emma & Jim Seltzer Beth & Jim Rittenhouse Victoria Kim / Jane Kulp Ron & Cathy Hartman Missy / Bubba Frick Bob Ditter / John Werner Tedd & Kathy Speck Keith Groff / John Groff John & Abbie Wright</p>	<p>3 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders</p>
<p>4 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders The Worship Service Sunday School Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>5 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Paul & Joanne Spilman Bobbi Moyer / Mark Smith Jack & Vicki Young Pam Rivera / Lin Villano Len & Jan Simpkins Marylou Nice / Lisa Krause Bruce & Sharon Stover</p>	<p>6 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Boyd & Eva Davenport Jack & Diane Althouse Ray & Lois Schmidt Earl & Edna Simpkins Dick & Alice Hollingsworth Bob & Lou Shaw / Judy R. Denise Jakilas / Anne Dyer Carol Becker</p>	<p>7 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Annette Jacobs / Jane Kulp Tricia O'Hara/Eloise Tatro Welly Cressman Loretta Schlimer Dale & Tina Gerhart Timmy Cressman Dale Shisler / Peter Zucca Alice Strawser</p>	<p>8 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiboi D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family The Homeless Tabor Finance Committee Tabor Church</p>	<p>9 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Sandi & Butch Hoffman Emma & Jim Seltzer Virginia / Megan Cathey Muriel Smith/ Jane Hedrick Dave Parish / Bob Ditter Alan & Gail Wertz Cliff Brunken / Anne Dyer Rick & Ginny Schmid</p>	<p>10 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders</p>
<p>11 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders The Worship Service Sunday School Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>12 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Paul & Joanne Spilman Bobbi Moyer / Kim Tilly Jack & Vicki Young David Hollingsworth Susan Donovan/Ed Arnold Lester & Karen Kintz Jane Kulp</p>	<p>13 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Boyd & Eva Davenport Ray & Lois Schmidt Alice Strawser/ Meggie P. Annette Jacobs Jack & Diane Althouse Victoria Kim / Brynne S. Richard & Gloria Schadler Carol Morgan</p>	<p>14 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Tricia O'Hara/Eloise Tatro Bryan Staehle/ Mark Davis Cathy Brown / Flossie Lee Nancy Thimm / Bridget G. Carol Becker / Denise J. Welly Cressman Helen Adamson Muriel Smith</p>	<p>15 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiboi D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family Tabor Youth Group Tabor Trustees Tabor Church</p>	<p>16 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Gary & Rosemarie Rippert Virginia / Megan Cathey Jane Hedrick / Anne Dyer Bubba / Missy Frick Bob & Lou Shaw / Judy R. Samantha Hemmerle Jim & Mary Anne Hartnett Jim & Emma Seltzer</p>	<p>17 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders</p>
<p>18 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders The Easter Services Sunday School Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>19 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Paul & Joanne Spilman Bobbi Moyer / Mark Smith Pam Rivera / Paul Gilson Jack & Vicki Young Mary & Bill Jacobs Len & Jan Simpkins Jane Hedrick</p>	<p>20 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Boyd & Eva Davenport Ray & Lois Schmidt Tricia O'Hara/Eloise Tatro Jack & Diane Althouse Denise Jakilas/ Esther Way Alice Strawser/ Anne Dyer Muriel Smith / Jane Kulp Earl & Edna Simpkins</p>	<p>21 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Kevin & Lisa Kohler Brynne S. / John Werner Dick & Alice Hollingsworth Bruce & Sharon Stover Jessica Burke/Baby Henry Jeannie Ashtimer Gladys Eshelman Annette Jacobs</p>	<p>22 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiboi D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family Tabor Youth Group Tabor Council Tabor Church</p>	<p>23 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Emma & Jim Seltzer Gary & Rosemarie Rippert Sandi & Butch Hoffman Dave Ditter / Dave Parish Ginny & Rick Schmid Danielle / Alanna Mundondo Russell & Arlene Cressman Alan & Gail Wertz</p>	<p>24 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders</p>
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MAY BIRTHDAYS

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Happy Birthday to You!!!

5/01 Bev Hartzell
5/01 Christopher Ostertag
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5/02 Matilda Jones
5/03 Shawn Connor
5/04 Nathan Garlich
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5/05 Brandi Hartman
5/06 Amy Gerhart
5/10 Wyatt Davenport
5/10 Betty Hartle
5/11 Victoria Ostertag
5/12 Hunter Frick
5/12 Bryan Mitterer
5/12 John Wright
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5/16 Zander Speck
5/16 Drew Stackhouse
5/19 Leah Ebner
5/19 Olivia Spilman
5/19 Amanda Walters
5/20 Kathryn Jones
5/21 Kristina Jones
5/21 Jim Seltzer
5/23 Edna Simpkins
5/24 Oliver Jefferson
5/26 Olivia Gerhart
5/27 Mickaela Davis
5/28 Michele Geller
5/29 Karl Yurik
5/31 Irina Althouse
5/31 Bridget Gamble
5/31 Jane Hedrick

~ If we missed your birthday please let us know ~

Happy Anniversary to You!!!

5/07 Bob & Cathy Brown
5/15 Brian & Robin Cassel
5/15 Dale & Vickie Halteman
5/16 Brian & Bev Wasser
5/18 Dylan & Taylor Van Arsdale

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THANK GOD FOR ALL MOTHERS!

PROPHETS AND KINGS

The *Disciples of Hope* (DOH) group continues to meet on Monday mornings from 11a.m.-12:30p.m. in Classroom 9 (Youth Room). Our meetings begin with good fellowship and light refreshments. We would encourage you to join us as we begin a new study by Ray Vander Laan called **Prophets and Kings** (Being in the Culture and Not of it).

There will be 6 episodes filmed on location at their Biblically significant sites:

1. Innocent Blood Part 1 in Megiddo
2. Innocent Blood Part 2 in Megiddo
3. Who Is God in Mount Carmel
4. Wages of Sin in Lachish
5. The Lord is My Shepherd in Negev
6. God With Us in Arad

Come and explore the turbulent history of Israel's prophets and kings and learn from their story how to build your own devotion and trust in God. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Ed, Earl or Edna Simpkins.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SAVE YOUR:

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Your Redner's Receipts can be brought to the church on Sunday morning and give them to Muriel Smith or put them in Muriel's mailbox in the hallway outside the Sanctuary. You can also drop them off at the church office during the week. Call (215-234-4852) to be sure someone is in the office for you to stop by. If you have any questions please contact Muriel at 215-679-3858. Thanks again. ~ Muriel Smith

Please keep recycling your Ink and Toner Cartridges! The collection box is located in the hallway outside the church office. Maybe you could mention our recycling project to your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. Questions, please feel free to email Ginny Schmid at vl Schmid@mac.com ~ Blessings, Ginny



CHURCH LIBRARY NEWS

New “Library Fund”

Tabor now has a special fund to purchase books. We are looking to order some new materials and would appreciate monetary donations. To donate, please be sure that “Library Fund” is on your check and/or envelope. Thanks!

These books have been donated to the library:

I Love to Tell the Story: Favorite Bible Stories of Famous People by Donna G. Albrecht.

Many famous people share their favorites – some are Mister Rogers, Gloria Gaynor, Zig Ziglar, Dale Evans, Bil Keane and Nichelle Nichols (Lt. Uhura from Star Trek).

Crazy Love by Francis Chan. A new way to look at God’s relentless love.

When I’m Praising God by Anita Corrine Donihue

Letters from the Father’s Heart by Ann Yeager

My Turn by Ruth Bell Graham. The wife of Billy Graham tells her side of their story.

Wit and Wisdom of David Attenborough by Chas Newkey-Burden

Hope for Widows: Mourning, Living and Change by Marilyn Nutter

“The more you read,
the more you know.
The more you know,
the smarter you grow.
The smarter you grow,
the stronger your voice,
when speaking your mind
or making your choice.”



2025 Calendar

May 2-4 (Friday-Sunday) Women's Retreat at Pocono Plateau. Look for the flyer on the Circle of Hope bulletin board outside of Weller Hall.

May 9 (Friday) 9:00a.m outside Weller Hall. Potting flowers for Mother's Day.

June 12 (Thursday) 7:00p.m. Ice Cream and Devotions. Held at the Campman's home, 340 Old Morris Road, Harleysville, PA, 19438. See the sign up sheet on the Circle of Hope bulletin board outside of Weller Hall. (Diane Campman leading)

June 15 (Sunday) Circle Of Hope takes over Tabor's kitchen for a Father's Day Brunch that will not soon be forgotten. See the Father's Day Brunch food sign up sheet on the Circle of Hope bulletin board outside of Weller Hall.

July 12 (Saturday) Time and place TBA. Book Club meeting. We will discuss the book What Happens When Women Say Yes to God by Lysa Terkeurst. Please read this before the meeting. You do not need to answer all the Bible study questions. You can buy the book on Amazon or on Christianbook.com. (Sharon Stover will lead the discussion)

August 9 (Saturday) Time TBA. Lake beach trip to Mauch Chunk Lake. More details to come. (Bessie leading)

September Date and time TBA. Community service to be determined. (Sarah leading)

October Date and time TBA. Upper Salford Trunk or Treat community outreach. We can support our Fire Company and give the Light of the Lord out at the same time while "celebrating" a holiday that is traditionally dark.

November 8 (Saturday) 10:30a.m. Christmas Card making with Sarah. Making cards for Tabor shut-ins, college students and military. Maybe even some to take home. Lunch provided. (Sarah leading)

December Dates and time TBA. Christmas Caroling and Santa Run.

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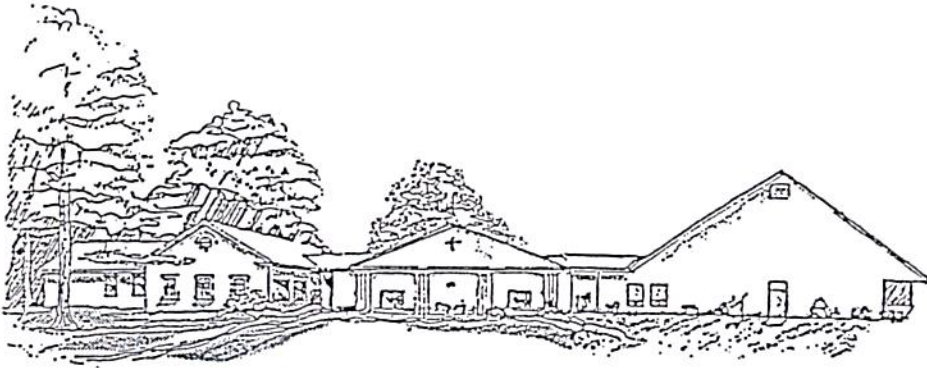
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