



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!

Would you like some “February Fun”? Ok, then – perhaps you are aware of some of the Christian traditions that we have that we believe come from the Bible but as we look for scripture to support them – it is nowhere to be found. One of the more popular traditions is the 3 Kings of the Christmas Story. As you may be aware that as we go through the scriptures – we see that they were Magi (wisemen) and not Kings and that there were 3 gifts mentioned – not 3 people.

Another popular tradition in the New Testament is Saul’s name being “changed” to “Paul”. The change is usually connected to Saul’s conversion on the Damascus Road. Acts 9:3-6 *As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, “Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?” “Who are you, Lord?” Saul asked. “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,” he replied. “Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.”*

Interestingly – at the time of Saul’s conversion – Jesus still addressed him as “Saul.” And later, Jesus told Ananias to find “Saul” in Damascus and restore his sight. Acts 9 goes on to describe “Saul” as increasing in spiritual strength and understanding of Jesus as the Messiah. So, it was not Jesus who changed his name on the road to Damascus. If it was not Jesus’ doing then how did the change from “Saul” to “Paul” happen and when? That’s a great question – with a decent answer. You can agree with the following – or disagree of course! The following is “scholarly speculation”. With everything we do – I invite us to discuss it! Let’s talk! Let’s listen to each other as we respect each other!

One speculative answer is that Saul’s name was also Paul – the custom of dual names was common in those days. Acts 13:9 describes the apostle as “*Saul, who was also called Paul.*” From that Bible verse on (Acts 13 – 13 chapters into the Book of Acts – very much after his Damascus experience) – “Saul” is always referred to in scripture as “Paul.”

Paul was a Jew, born in the Roman city of Tarsus. He was proud of his Jewish heritage, as he describes in Philippians 3:5 “*Circumcised on the eighth day, of the race of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrew parentage, in observance of the law a Pharisee.*” So zealous and devout was he that persecuting Christians was the natural way for him to show his devotion! He chose to use his Hebrew name, “Saul” – until sometime after he began to believe in and preach about Jesus Christ. After that time – as “*the apostle to the Gentiles*” (Romans 11:13) – he used his Roman name, “Paul”. It would make sense for “Paul” to use his Roman name as he traveled farther and farther into the Gentile world.

It is also interesting that “Paul” began using his Roman name on Cyprus when the Roman proconsul on that island was converted (Acts 13:12). This was during Paul’s first missionary journey and involved a high-ranking, idolatrous Gentile coming to faith in Jesus Christ. The fact that the proconsul’s name was Sergius Paulus has led some to think that Saul took the name Paulus/Paul as a reminder of this event – but the apostle’s name being the same as the proconsul’s is most likely a coincidence because “Paulus/Paul” was a common popular name. What do you think?

Using his Roman name “Paul” would make sense for the guy who proclaimed that he would become “*all things to all people*” – *a Jew to the Jews in order to win the Jews, weak to the weak in order to win the weak, etc. – all for the sake of the gospel* (1 Corinthians 9:19-23). (Continued on next page)

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Using his Roman name would allow "Paul" to approach the Gentiles to whom he was sent and speak to them in their own language – becoming as one of them and building a bridge to Jesus.

It is also possible that Paul gave up the use of his Hebrew name, Saul, with its "regal" implications. In Hebrew, the name Saul means "asked for" – reflecting on the first King of Israel in the Old Testament – that the people "asked for" a human king instead of God who was their king. So, it is possible that he then chose to use his Roman name, "Paul", meaning "little" or "small" – because he desired to become "smaller" and humble in order to present Jesus as God.

Unlike the changing of Simon's name to Peter (Matthew 16:18–19) – which Jesus did for a specific purpose – there is no reference in the Bible to Jesus changing Saul's name to "Paul". So again, what do you think? Was that some "February Fun"? Well, how about this – how many months have 28 days? All of them! You say you want more? If you greet a couple on Valentine's Day with "Happy Valentine's Day" then how should you greet a single person on February 14? Happy Independence Day! (You don't have to keep reading – but if you do ...) When does "Easter" come before "Valentine's Day"? When you are looking in a dictionary! Okay, the last one for now: Do you know why skunks don't skip Valentine's Day? The "pun answer" is because they are "scen-timental" but the biological answer could be that skunks don't "skip" - they can hop and jump short distances but they don't "skip". Now we are having a Fun February!

May you have a February full of Christ's love,
Pastor Ed
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**Will You Invite Someone To Church To
Learn About GOD'S LOVE?**

GOD IS LOVE!

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

DID YOU KNOW?

**Sunday School for children meets each Sunday from
9:00-9:45a.m. in the Education Wing.**

**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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**UPDATE FOR
DISCIPLES OF HOPE (DOH)
Mondays, 11AM – 12:30PM
Currently on "PAUSE"**

We are doing a video tour of Isreal with our awesome tour guide Ray Vander Laan. Ray is amazing in showing the ancient sights where Jesus walked and taught. And then Ray always wonderfully gives a modern life lesson to his tour sight.

Presently many of our "regular" participants are traveling and also dealing with some medical issues so we are presently on "pause" – so we are not meeting now – but we will soon be meeting up again and studying the Bible. Please watch for an announcement for when we are resuming our Bible Study! Please join us then as we all have an excellent time!



From the Deacon's Desk...

He Knows My Name

There is an old Praise Song entitled "He Knows My Name" which I came to know after attending a weekend event. It is very simple and the words are few. This is what it says: "I have a Maker. He formed my heart. Before even time began, My life was in his hands. I have a Father. He calls me His own. He'll never leave me. No matter where I go. He knows my name. He knows my every thought. He sees each tear that falls, And He hears me when I call."

I was wondering, do you have a hard time believing that God knows Your name, and He knows Your every thought? Doesn't this make it sound like He knows us intimately. Isn't this definitely an expression of God's love for us if He knows our name?

To confirm that the words of this song are not just words, it is backed with Scripture. In Exodus 33:12-13, Moses says "You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me. If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you.'"

So, the big question is, If He knows You intimately, shouldn't we know Him just as intimately? It is in this Scripture that Moses is worried. He has been asked by God to lead the people but he is concerned that God will not go with him and hasn't provided someone to go with him. He asks this of God even though he has seen God do some amazing things. But yet, Moses challenges God and says in verse 15 "If your presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here." Moses is concerned that people will not know that God is pleased with Moses unless God goes with him. Don't you think it almost sounds like Moses is hesitant to finish the job without God? He is not trusting in God's power, mercy and reputation but is insisting that God reveal Himself by going with him. It is almost like he has lost his confidence in God.

Don't we get like this sometimes when we feel like we have failed God? We have gone off God's path, we missed the boat, we fell from grace.

Then we hear from God and He has asked us to do something in ministry for Him. Our confidence is gone and we need a sign that God is really speaking to us and will give us what we need to fulfill His plan. In verse 14 of Exodus, God says to Moses "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." I believe that if He knows our name, He will also know when we need His help and if we need rest after we are done. I have been of the opinion that if He says and does for one in Scripture, He will continue on and do it for us as well. Remember, He knows us intimately and also knows exactly what we need.

When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River, He needed a gospel word from the Father. I believe it is the same word God speaks to all of us who follow Jesus. God said to Jesus and says to us "(Put your name), you are my son/daughter. You are my beloved. I am pleased with you." These words need to be repeated over and over and over again to ourselves until we finally dare to believe them. This is the core of our identify. God is pleased with us and there is nothing that you can do about it. We didn't earn it, and we can't un-earn it. It is God's gift of amazing grace. Just because the world comes against this statement, doesn't mean we have to accept what the world is telling us. God wants a relationship with us so He can remind us of this promise: We are His son/daughter because He loves us. We are His beloved and with us, He is well pleased. But also remember: "AND I KNOW YOU BY NAME". Won't you write this on your heart and continue to repeat it until you believe it and are convinced it is true?

One of my favorite Christmas movies is "Muppet Christmas Carol". There is a line from the ghost of Christmas past that popped into my head while I was beginning this article. I want to share it with you. He says "Come In! Come In! And know me better man." Maybe God is issuing this invitation to you. Well, you can respond by attending our Spiritual Renewal Weekend beginning Friday night, February 6 beginning with dinner, and ending Saturday night, February 7. There will be child care for parents who would like to come and be focused on the times of Worship and the speakers. The first thing it takes is to be intentional about spending time with Him whether in Scripture, prayer, times of Worship or taking time out of your schedule to be focused on Him. Will you make that time as we enter into this New Year?

Maryanne Ditter

Minister of Spiritual Formation

SENIOR LUNCHEON
Wednesday, February 18, 2026



**JOIN US
FOR OUR NEXT
SENIOR LUNCHEON**

Our February Senior Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, February 18. We will begin our luncheon at noon. The Church will be providing a meal of Italian food. Just check out the sign-up sheet found outside of the Sanctuary for suggestions if you are willing to add to our meal.

As we enter into the winter months, if you are unsure whether it will be held when weather is unpredictable, please call the Church office at 215-234-4852 or my cell 215-962-2769.

Maryanne Ditter
Minister of Spiritual Formation

**APPLEBEES
COUPONS AVAILABLE
FOR SALE**

Remember when we used to sell WAWA coupons? Now we have an opportunity to sell Applebee's coupons. The cost of the coupon is \$10. According to on-line, Applebee's burgers and fries run from \$13 to \$20. The only condition is that you have to eat in. It cannot be take out. The coupon includes any burger on the menu and fries. The coupons will be kept in the office. So if you are interested in purchasing any, call the office to make arrangements (215-234-4852). I will try to have some available each Sunday for anyone interested.

Maryanne Ditter

**SAVE THE DATE
SPIRITUAL RENEWAL WEEKEND**



February 6 & 7, 2026

Come and join us for a free weekend event guaranteed to bless you. Our Spiritual Renewal Weekend will begin on Friday, February 6 at 5:30 PM for dinner. If you can't make it for dinner, there will be a time of Worship and teaching at 7:00 PM. It will then run all day on Saturday with lunch and dinner provided as well. Childcare will also be provided.

Our guest Worship leader and teacher will be Jonathan Dow. I have been to many weekend events with Jonathan leading Worship and teaching and have been blessed every time. Others in the congregation have also experienced his leading.

Taking time out of your busy schedules to be focused on spending intentional time with God is such a blessing. Talk to some of those who have been at the Church awhile and ask them about their experience at a Spiritual Renewal Weekend at Tabor. I am sure they will confirm how they were blessed.

Maryanne Ditter
Minister of Spiritual Formation

**MARRIAGE DATE NIGHT
Friday, February 20, 2026**

Interested in a night of comedy and music? Then, this is for you. This event is being held at Calvary Church in Souderton, PA. General admission is \$49 if bought ahead of time or \$79 for VIP admission. VIP admission includes reserved seats in front area, a question and answer session with the line up, and a gift for "her". The ticket is for 2 people. General admission entrance is at 6:30 PM and VIP admission is at 6:00 PM. The event itself begins at 7:00 PM. You can buy general admission tickets at the door for a cost of \$55. Tickets can be purchased at www.marriagedatenight.com.

Some people from Church went last year and said it was very good.



COME SPEND TIME WITH JESUS

**AT OUR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL WEEKEND
HEARING ABOUT THE FATHER'S LOVE**

February 6-7, 2026

Friday Begins with Dinner at 5:30 PM;

7:00 PM Time of Praise & Worship and Teaching

Saturday: 10:00 AM Praise & Worship and Teaching

Saturday Lunch: 12:30 PM

Saturday Worship & Teaching 2:00 – 5:45 PM

Saturday Dinner: 6:00 PM

7:00 PM Time of Praise & Worship and Teaching

UPCOMING 2026 DATES

-Pray "The Lord's Prayer" at Noon & Be Blessed!
.....Wednesday "Prayer Meetings" / 5:30-6:30PM
February 1.....Communion Sunday
February 6.....Spiritual Weekend Begins @ Tabor
5:30PM-Dinner;
7PM-Time of Praise & Worship and Teaching
February 7.....Spiritual Weekend Continues @ Tabor
10AM-Praise & Worship and Teaching;
12:30PM-Lunch;
2-5:45PM-Worship and Teaching;
6PM-Dinner;
7PM-Time of Praise & Worship and Teaching
February 10...March 2026 Tabor Herald Info Due
February 12....Circle of Hope Meet @ 6PM. We will Meet @ Laura's 2 Pizza located at 20 Ridge Road (Tylersport), Telford, PA, 18969. Join us for Devotions, Food & Friends.
February 15...The Chosen Dinner & Show Begins
5:30PM-"Potluck" Dinner;
6:15PM-The Chosen Season 5 Episode
February 18....Senior Luncheon @ Noon
February 18...Ash Wednesday Service/ 7PM/ Chapel
February 20...Marriage Date Night @ Calvary Church, Souderton, PA/See Info in Newsletter
February 22...The Chosen Dinner & Show
5:30PM-"Potluck" Dinner;
6:15PM-The Chosen Season 5 Episode
March 1.....The Chosen Dinner & Show Thru March
5:30PM-"Potluck" Dinner;
6:15PM-The Chosen Season 5 Episode
March 5.....Red Cross Blood Drive@Tabor/2-7PM
March 7.....Circle of Hope / 10AM-12PM / Volunteering @ Worthwhile Thrift in Collegetown, 305 2nd Ave., Suite 201, Collegetown, PA, 19426.
March 8.....Daylight Saving Time Begins
March 15.....UMCOR Sunday
March 29.....Palm Sunday
April 2.....Holy Thursday
April 3.....Good Friday
April 5.....Easter Sunday
April 13, 14, 15.....Meat Canning Project @ MCC Material Resource Center/6AM-7PM
April 18.....Circle of Hope Meet / 10AM @ Tabor. We will be Assembling & Delivering Snack Boxes to Local First Responders.
May 16.....Circle of Hope Host Flea Market @ Tabor
May 19-21.....Eastern PA Annual Conference @ the Wildwood Convention Center, Wildwood, NJ

JOIN US AS WE BEGIN LENT

~ THE CHOSEN ~

**Dinner, A Show and Discussion
Begins February 15 at 5:30P.M.**

The Chosen, Dinner And A Show! Starting Sunday, February 15 and continuing every Sunday night - we will be coming together at 5:30p.m. for a community "potluck" dinner in Weller Hall then watching an episode of "The Chosen" (Season 5) at 6:15p.m. A favorite part for many is our discussion of the show afterwards. Each Sunday episode stands on its own so please join us on any Sunday evening even if you have missed the episodes before.

If you can - please bring some food to share - or if you can't bring something - no worries - there's always plenty - but most importantly - bring yourself! Please don't miss these life changing episodes - come and share yourself with us - that is what is most precious! This has been a blessing to many and we would like to encourage you to attend as we get ourselves prepared for Easter!

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**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
February 18 at 7P.M.**

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and is always 46 days before Easter Sunday. Lent is a 40-day season (not counting Sundays) marked by repentance, fasting, reflection, and ultimately celebration. The 40-day period represents Jesus Christ's time of temptation in the wilderness where He fasted and when Satan tempted Him. Please join us for our Ash Wednesday Service on February 18 at 7p.m. in the Chapel.

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**Sign up TODAY to donate blood
www.redcrossblood.org
or 1-800-REDCROSS
on Thursday, March 5, 2026
2:00-7:00P.M. at Tabor Church!**

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**AVAILABLE FOR YOU
"Our Daily Bread" Devotional**

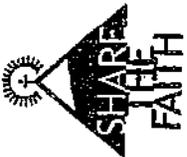
The free March/April/May 2026 edition of "Our Daily Bread" devotional is available to pick up at church on a Sunday or by contacting the church office at 215-234-4852. We can also mail it to you.

~ WORSHIP WITH US ~

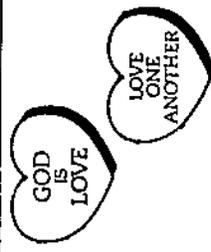
FEBRUARY 2026

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>8</p> <p>9-9:45AM-Sunday School for ALL Ages Meet in the Ed. Wing Adults Meet in the Chapel</p> <p>10:00AM-In-Person Worship Service</p> <p>10:00AM-Live Streaming of Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook</p> <p>~The Worship Service is Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall until Noon~</p>	<p>9</p> <p>~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~</p> <p>7PM-Finance Committee (Online)</p> <p>7:30PM-AA Group</p>	<p>10</p> <p>~ PASTOR ED'S DAY OFF ~</p> <p>10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours</p> <p>~February 2026 Tabor Herald Articles Are Due~</p> <p>7:30PM-AA Group</p>	<p>11</p> <p>~Rev. Ditter in Office~</p> <p>9AM-Craft Circle</p> <p>10AM-3PM-Pastor Ed's Scheduled Office Hours</p> <p>10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours</p> <p>11AM-Staff Meeting</p> <p>5:30-6:30PM-Prayer Service (Chapel)</p> <p>7PM-Trustees Meet</p>	<p>12</p> <p>~Pastor Ed's School Day~</p> <p>10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours</p> <p>10M-Circle of Hope Meet at Laura's 2 Pizza (Telford) for Devotions, Food & Fellowship</p> <p>2-6PM-Tabor Church Being Cleaned</p> <p>7:30PM-Basketball in WH</p>	<p>13</p> <p>~Pastor Ed's School Day~</p> <p>~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~</p>	<p>14</p> <p>~Valentine's Day~</p> <p>7AM Sharp-8AM-Men's Group in Weller Hall</p> <p>7PM-AA Group</p>
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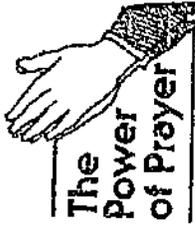
Praise Him



~ PRAYER CALENDAR ~

FEBRUARY 2026

~ PRAYER CALENDAR ~

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>THE U.S.A. ALL COUNTRIES DISASTER VICTIMS ALL STUDENTS ALL TEACHERS MILITARY FAMILY: KARYN CAUBELL STEVEN JEFFERSON NATE LEATHERMAN JULIAN SCHMIDT JOSHUA TAYLOR KARL YURIK</p>	<p>~~~~~ PRAY WITHOUT CEASING ~~~~~</p>	<p>~~~~~ PRAY FOR UKRAINE & FOR THE MIDDLE EAST ~~~~~</p>	<p>~~~~~ PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY LOST A LOVED ONE: FAMILY & FRIENDS OF SUNNY DHOBLE FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ESTHER WAY ~~~~~</p>	<p>~~~~~ PRAY FOR TABOR'S SPIRITUAL RENEWAL WEEKEND FEBRUARY 6-7, 2026 ~~~~~</p>	
<p>1 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders The Worship Service Sunday School Children & Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>2 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Kay & Tom Yurik Paul & Joanne Spilman Gary Schinaber/Paul Gifson Jack & Vicki Young Ray Schmidt / Mark Smith Marylou Nice/Lisa Krause Bruce & Sharon Stover</p>	<p>3 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Muriel Smith/Jane Hedrick Earl & Edna Simpkins Boyd & Eva Davenport Jack & Diane Althouse Denise Walker / Flossie Lee Richard & Gloria Schiadler Carol Becker</p>	<p>4 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Annette Jacobs/Anthony H Welly Cressman / Judy R Nancy Thimm/ Bob Ditter Barb Krantz/Marie Damiani Barb R / Darryl Knechel Dale & Tina Gerhart/Zoe B Dale Shisler / Peter Zucca Alice Strawser</p>	<p>5 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiko D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family Tabor Children & Youth Tabor Finance Committee Tabor Church</p>	<p>6 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Hayley & Baby Schaffer Butch & Sandi Hoffman Emma & Jim Seltzer Jim & Beth Rittenhouse Alan & Gail Wertz/Josh M Dick McMullen/ Bob Shaw Jim & Mary Anne Harnett Rick & Ginny Schmid</p>	<p>7 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders</p>
<p>8 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders The Worship Service Sunday School Children & Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>9 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Paul & Joanne Spilman Gary Schinaber/ Ed Arnold Bobbi Moyer/ Pam Rivera Jack & Vicki Young David Hollingsworth Lester & Karen Kintz Boyd & Eva Davenport</p>	<p>10 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Kay & Tom Yurik Annette Jacobs / Barb R Alice Strawser/Anne Dyer Earl & Edna Simpkins Jack & Diane Althouse Russell & Arlene Cressman John Groff / Keith Groff Carol Morgan</p>	<p>11 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Nancy Thimm/Bridget G Carol Becker / Denise J Cathy Brown / Flossie Lee Jane Kulp / Jessica Durke Anna-May Pensabene Zoe B / Welly Cressman Samantha H / Baby Henry Muriel Smith</p>	<p>12 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiko D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family The Homeless Tabor Trustees Tabor Church</p>	<p>13 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Hayley & Baby Schaffer Butch & Sandi Hoffman Virginia / Megan Cathley Bubba Frick / Missy Frick Victoria Kim/Addie Neyra Bob & Lou Shaw /Mike W Alice Mae Glover / Barb R Jim & Emma Seltzer</p>	<p>14 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders</p>
<p>15 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders The Worship Service Sunday School Children & Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>16 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Jack & Vicki Young Gary Schinaber/Lin Villano Bobbi Moyer /Mark Smith Bruce & Sharon Stover Corey Sandler/Flossie Lee Len & Jan Simpkins Paul & Joanne Spilman</p>	<p>17 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Kay & Tom Yurik Nancy Thimm / Bob Ditter Boyd & Eva Davenport Jack & Diane Althouse Alice Strawser/Anne Dyer Brian Staehle / Lil Charlie Jay & Robin Moyer Earl & Edna Simpkins</p>	<p>18 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Muriel Smith / Carol B Barb Krantz /Kay Reimauer Dave Ditter / Bob Ditter John Werner /Dave Parish Bette Martin /Eloise Tatro Jeannie Astheimer / Zoe B Marie Damiani / Welly C Annette Jacobs</p>	<p>19 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiko D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family All Missionaries Tabor S.P.R. Committee Tabor Church</p>	<p>20 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Hayley & Baby Schaffer Butch & Sandi Hoffman Emma & Jim Seltzer Beth & Jim Rittenhouse Mark Davis /Chase Adams Ginny & Rick Selimid Danielle / Alanna Mundondo Alan & Gail Wertz</p>	<p>21 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders</p>
<p>22 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders The Worship Service Sunday School Children & Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>23 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Ray Schmidt / Sue Nelson Gary Schinaber/ Ed Arnold Bobbi Moyer / Kim Tilly Donna Hile / Deb Schmidt David Hollingsworth Lester & Karen Kintz Jack & Vicki Young</p>	<p>24 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Kay & Tom Yurik Boyd & Eva Davenport Earl & Edna Simpkins Jack & Diane Althouse Carol Morgan /Anne Dyer Jane Kulp/ Susan Donovan Flossie Lee / Josh Mulligan Jane Hedrick</p>	<p>25 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Nancy Thimm/Muriel Smith Annette Jacobs/Jamie Welby Carol Becker/Regina McHugh Bruce & Sharon Stover Matt & Sarah Filizzi Gary & Rosemarie Rappert Helen Adamson / Mike W John & Abbie Wright</p>	<p>26 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiko D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family Tabor Children & Youth Tabor Council Tabor Church</p>	<p>27 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Hayley & Baby Schaffer Butch & Sandi Hoffman Bob & Lou Shaw / Judy R Ron & Cathy Hartman Richard & Gloria Schiadler Ted & Kaitly Speck Brother Mike/Steven Clark Roger & Kathie McGill</p>	<p>28 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders</p>

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

FUND	STARTING BALANCE 1/1/2025	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE 12/31/2025
General Fund	\$68,619.06	\$290,807.04	-243,296.87	\$4,066.78	\$120,196.01
Mortgage Fund	-\$86,849.52	\$6,679.60	-\$69,575.00	\$0.00	-\$149,744.92
Missions Fund	11,912.28	\$9,704.25	-\$11.58	\$0.00	\$21,604.95
Special Designated Funds	\$105,808.77	\$10,510.28	-\$4,995.37	-\$4,066.78	\$107,256.90
Total	\$99,490.59	\$317,701.17	-\$317,878.82	\$0.00	\$99,312.94

Dear Church Family,

As we close the books on 2025, my heart is full of gratitude for this community. I want to sincerely thank you for your hard work, sacrifices, and generosity in meeting our adjusted 2025 budget. Because of you, we can continue our community outreach, support programs, and maintain our facilities. You have shown what it means to be a faithful, dedicated family of God.

As we look to 2026, we see a new set of opportunities and challenges ahead. The mission of our church remains urgent, and I am asking that you bring the same passion, enthusiasm, and commitment to our 2026 goals that you showed this past year. Let's carry the momentum from 2025 into the new year, trusting in God's provision. Please join me in prayerfully considering your commitment to our church's future.

*With deep appreciation and high expectations,
Vicki Young, Finance Chair*

**FEBRUARY "BIRTHDAYS"
& "ANNIVERSARIES"**

Happy Birthday to You!!!

- 2/01 Rick Schmid
- 2/03 Vicki Young
- 2/03 Missy Frick
- 2/04 Justin Stillabower
- 2/04 Andrew Toombs
- 2/05 Amy Payne
- 2/05 Mitchell Henry
- 2/08 Samson Brown
- 2/09 John Kanavel
- 2/10 Jim Stackhouse
- 2/10 Nicole Henry
- 2/12 Nancy Henry
- 2/13 Gloria Schadler
- 2/13 Lisa Toombs
- 2/14 Evan Greenawalt
- 2/14 AJ Sniezevage
- 2/18 Jacob Staehle
- 2/19 Jacob Rittenhouse
- 2/22 Rebecca Ditter
- 2/22 Sarah Mininger
- 2/23 Sandra Todorow
- 2/25 Justin Wertz
- 2/26 Jessica Greenawalt
- 2/27 Bette Martin

~ If we missed your birthday please let us know ~

Happy Anniversary to You!!!

~ If we missed your anniversary please let us know ~

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Sunday School: It's Truly for Life!
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**TABOR LIBRARY NEWS
New Books on CD**

Charles Swindoll is known for his Bible teaching ministry. Thanks to a donation by one of our members, there are 3 sets of Swindoll's teachings that we have on CD.

These are on the cart in Weller Hall.

- "Paul: A Man of Grace and Grit."
- "Insight on Romans Vol. 1."
- "Insight on Romans Vol. 2."

SYMPATHY EXTENDED

The Tabor Church Family wishes to extend their heartfelt sympathy to the Family & Friends of Sunny Dhoble who recently passed away unexpectedly. We especially think of Lori, Eloise & Shauna as they have lost their husband, son and brother. Sunny will be greatly missed by his loved ones.

The Tabor Church Family also wishes to extend their heartfelt sympathy to the Family & Friends of Esther Way who recently passed away and will be greatly missed by her loved ones.

Our prayers continue to be with each of you as you walk through these days without your Loved One. Please know that you will continue to be in our prayers. May you and your family always find strength and hope in His abiding love. Know that you are in His care and He is always watching over you. He hath said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." -- Hebrews 13:5

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THANK YOU NOTES RECEIVED

Thank you Tabor Congregation,

Thank you all so much for the very generous Christmas basket of food, ham and goodies. It was excellent and enabled my family to enjoy our Christmas! Gratefully yours,
 A Holiday Food Basket & Food Pantry Recipient

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On Behalf of Esther Way.

Thank you Tabor United Methodist Church for keeping Mom as part of your flock. Mom and I both read and enjoyed your Tabor Herald.

Thank you Rev. Ditter for being a part of the service for Mom's final resting. Your kindness is appreciated.
 Pat McFarland, Esther's Daughter

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**PLEASE CONTINUE TO SAVE & TURN IN
INK AND TONER CARTRIDGES
&
REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPES.**

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2026 Calendar

February 12 (Thursday) 6:00pm at Laura's 2 Pizza
20 Ridge Road (Tylersport), Telford, PA 18969.
Devotion, Food and Friends. (Bessie Leading)

March 7 (Saturday) 10:00am-12:00pm Volunteering at Worthwhile Thrift
Collegeville, 305 2nd Avenue, Suite 201, Collegeville, PA 19426.
(Diane C. Leading)

April 18 (Saturday) 10:00am at Tabor. Assembling and Delivering Snack Boxes
for Local First Responders. (Bessie Leading)

May 16 (Saturday) Time To Be Announced. Flea Market. Stay Tuned for
Updates. (Karen and Cathy S. Leading)

June 2 (Tuesday) 10:00am (Rain Date Tuesday, June 16) Prayer Walk at
Green Lane Park, Meeting by Stone Pavilion, 2115 Snyder Road,
Green Lane, PA 18054. (Bessie Leading)

July 7 (Tuesday) 7:00pm Ice Cream and Devotions. Diane Campman is Hosting
340 Old Morris Road, Harleysville, PA 19438. (Diane C. Leading)

August 4 (Tuesday) 10am (Rain Date Tuesday, August 18) "Beach" Trip to
Mauch Chunk Park. Meet at Tabor. (Bessie Leading)

September Feed My Starving Children. Date and Time To Be Determined.
(Cathy S. Leading)

October 3 (Saturday) 10:00am-12:00pm Volunteering at Worthwhile Thrift
Collegeville, 305 2nd Avenue, Suite 201, Collegeville, PA 19426.
(Diane C. Leading)

November 7 (Saturday) Time To Be Announced. At Tabor. Christmas Card
Making with Lunch.

December 5 (Saturday) Time and Details To Be Announced. At Tabor.
Devotion, Christmas Craft and Lunch. (Karen and Cathy S. Leading)



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June Russell Memorial Blood Drive

Tabor United Methodist Church

2209 Hendricks Station Road, Woxall, PA 18979

Thursday, March 5, 2026

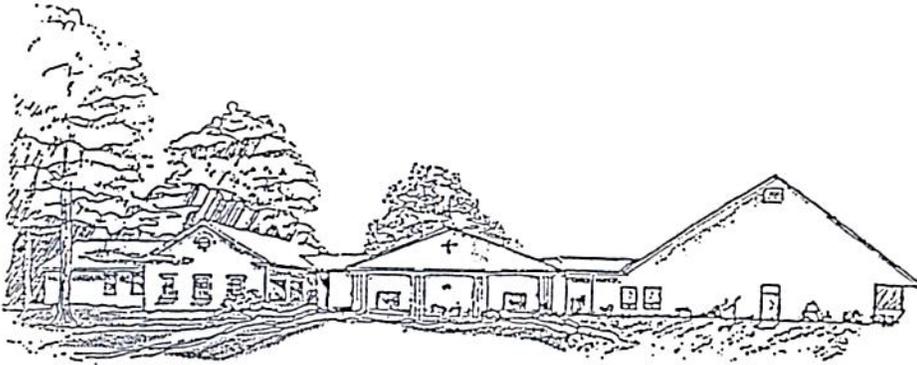
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For Tabor updates, please continue to check on the Tabor United Methodist Church face book page, our website @ taborumc.org or contact the church office @ 215-234-4852.