



# TABOR HERALD

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Celebrating the work of God at Tabor United Methodist Church

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## From the **PASTOR**

Hello!

The year was 1974 and the song "Feelings" was topping the charts. "Feelings, nothing more than feelings... Feelings, whoa, oh, oh, feelings"! 50 years later and we have "emojis" to express our feelings! That stylish yellow smiley face from our childhood has come a long way! But of course we are not always happy so the list of facial expressions and other emojis has expanded so that we can better express our feelings with these simple images.

I don't know about you but I have a hard time sharing certain emotions. Interestingly I have no problem telling and showing my wife and kids that I love them. But when it comes to anger or sadness - I typically keep it to myself. There was a stage of my teenage life when I woke up every morning to the sound of my parents verbally fighting and throwing things. Counselors have told me as a result of this and other things that I avoid confrontation. Ask Karen how many bad serious arguments we have had. And before I answer this - don't be misled with the answer - it may appear good but it's not good. We have had none. Because of my past "scars" - I refuse to "fight" - I shut down which is not good for a healthy relationship. Ask Karen how many times she has seen me lose my temper. Once that I remember. Which again is not good - I am suppressing my anger which also is not healthy.

But through the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit - this old dog Pastor Ed is capable of learning and changing. I want to become emotionally healthy and not a ticking time bomb or have my hidden feelings erupt in other unacceptable ways. God wants to heal us (Exodus 15:26 "For I am the Lord, your healer"). Our Heavenly Father wants to

transform us into the likeness of Jesus Christ (Romans 8:29). God's Holy Word gives us much wisdom when it comes to our feelings. One of those is the Book of Psalms. The Psalms are full of emotions. David often refers to a variety of different emotions - including anger, sadness and grief. An example of this is found in Psalm 38:1-4 "O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath! For your arrows have sunk into me, and your hand has come down on me. There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin. For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me."

As David shows - it is best to acknowledge our emotions and recognize what they are telling us. We have talked about in the past about how our emotions can be like the warning lights on our car's dashboard. God created us so that our emotions are trying to tell us something - so don't suppress them. We are made in the image of God (who God Himself demonstrates emotions). We are emotional beings in addition to being physical and spiritual - so let's not ignore our emotions. Think about it this way - have you recently had a conversation that you thought was no big deal - but the person you were speaking with was upset about it? Did they seem to be unreasonable or extreme in their response to you? You thought it was no big deal - so what might have happened?

Perhaps that person misunderstood what you had to say. Maybe they felt they knew what you were going to say - disagreed prematurely and wanted to be sure that their viewpoint would be heard. Maybe they were upset about something else that had nothing to do with your conversation - but they were still feeling emotions from a previous situation. When not properly addressed our emotions can present

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themselves in unreasonable and uncalled for ways. Which brings up the concept of "Emotional Intelligence". Emotional Intelligence is having the ability to work through our emotions as they come up with the person with whom they occurred. This takes hard work and the practice of being aware and in control (help us Holy Spirit). When we overreact - it very well might be because we have NOT dealt appropriately with our emotions.

Regarding the Holy Spirit who wants to help us and the fruit of the Holy Spirit - Galatians 5:22-23 love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Through the power of the Holy Spirit - this "fruit" is growing in us as we mature as Christians. So can we ask this - "is it possible to be spiritually mature while being emotionally immature"? Working through our emotions with the fruit and power of the Holy Spirit will help us to grow and mature in our faith and become more like Jesus Christ.

Are we afraid of dealing with our emotions? Perhaps for many of us we are not sure how to deal with our emotions. Do we look weak in our own eyes if we show emotion - yet we know Jesus cried? Do we think that others might see us as weak if we get emotional? These are important questions to ask as we try to become emotionally intelligent people. Wait - what? Who said I wanted to become an emotionally intelligent person?

Well consider this - we begin as emotional infants and grow to become emotional children who continue to become emotional adults. Whether we want to recognize it or not - we are adults with emotions. And one of God's desires for you is to become a "mature emotional intelligent Christian adult". And as a mature emotional intelligent Christian adult we should respect others and their opinions (even during a presidential election? Yes, especially during a presidential election). Out of Christian love and respect for others - mature emotional intelligent Christian adults do not need to force others to agree with them. Yes, we are called to be "salt and light" in this world - but Jesus never forced anyone to do anything. Mature emotional intelligent Christian adults can love other people for who they are and can take responsibility for their own actions, thoughts and feelings. Our loving "acceptance" of others does not mean we "approve" of others - by grace God accepted

us when He did not approve of our thoughts and behaviors.

What are some ways that we can grow our emotional intelligence? One way is to better identify our emotions. Perhaps try the old "say what you mean and mean what you say" (fun fact - do you know who is credited with that quote? George S. Patton - but the concept is clearly presented first in the Bible in several places: James 4:13-5:20 and Matthew 5:34-37 to mention a few). Instead of just saying I had "a bad day" (no - I am not going to sing the song) maybe take the time to pause, think and process your feelings to more accurately deal with them - maybe it was really a draining or stressful day and why was that, was it preventable, what can I do in the future? - which then can help us to better work through our emotions. Perhaps we are actually just frustrated and not angry or mad? Psalm 139:23 "Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts"!

Another thing we can try to do is to work through the issue and our emotions at the time that it is happening. Acknowledge the emotion - recognize why you feel as you do about the issue or conversation - and work through it - go to God in prayer about it. This can help us to understand what is going on and then hopefully we will be able to make good choices in the moment that our emotions are popping up. It will also help us to avoid taking these feelings with us to the next person that we come in contact with.

As we talked about in the beginning - our phone has emojis to represent a lot of different emotions - and we may not have emojis but we do have a brain and a heart and a God who cares about us. So perhaps let us try to get better at recognizing our emotions as they are always changing - let us try to address and process them without losing control - and be mature emotionally intelligent Christians who are available and healthy for those we love and serve in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

Getting in touch with my feelings,

Pastor Ed

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**Make someone smile – call a friend,  
a neighbor or a family member today!**

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## From the Deacon's Desk...

### WRITING YOUR STORY

I was reading a devotional from Seedbed the other day about Paul. The author was sharing how he wondered how old Paul was when he accomplished some of the things we have read about in Scripture. He wondered how old Paul was when he held coats at the stoning of Stephen, or what was his age when he saw the blinding light on the Damascus Road. He then went on to give his own estimation of a timeline which gave Paul's age when God was working in his life. He knew that others might disagree with his estimations. When he did this though, he could compare what age he was when God started working in his own life with how old Paul was when God was moving in Paul's life.

The author went on to further say that he was wondering how many people want to write an Autobiography and how many actually do that. How about you? Have you ever thought about writing an autobiography? Although I am thinking he is leaning more towards a Spiritual Autobiography. Have you ever done this?

I had to write an Autobiographic Essay as part of my Ordination process. I have done a shorter version of that in some seminars I have attended. You know the one where you draw a horizontal line and then put a vertical line indicating the year with a big event that showed God moving in your life. I think I may have done this when I was working with the Youth. As I think back about doing this, I was reminded that these times were impactful to me. It was a reminder that God was moving in my life and how I responded. This certainly is a great practice when you are feeling discouraged and not sensing God's movement in your life. We need to feel encouraged that God has responded to us in the past and will continue to do so. This is one way to have that reminder.

Over the last two months, during our Wednesday night prayer time, we have been encouraged to journal our prayer concerns and then at some point in time we can look back and see how God answered our prayers. This certainly is another

way to see how God is moving during our prayer time and how He has answered our prayers.

As I get older, I can remember the big events of significance in my life that God was involved in. For example, when I was in 8<sup>th</sup> grade (attending Catholic school), the girls were called to the auditorium and we heard about missionary nuns who worked with people in other countries. I was sitting there and felt God was calling me to be a Nun. Although I was discouraged by my parents from doing this, I can look back and see that this was the first calling I received to serve God. At the time, it was disappointing but I began to realize that for some of the big decisions in my life, God has given me a small warning that something is in the horizon so that when an event does come, I am not taken by surprise and flat out reject what He might be calling me to do. If that hadn't happened, I am not sure I would have even paid attention when God called me into being ordained as a Deacon and serving Him in the United Methodist Church.

Unfortunately, some of the smaller God moments of my life don't return to my memory as clearly and I now look back and wonder why I didn't write that down to review at a future time. I would appreciate those reminders that God is still working in my life.

You may be asking yourself why should I do this? The author says "It is a powerful exercise in remembrance and reflection, two things we are in short supply of these days. The quiet and often unseen work of the Holy Spirit often becomes visible and clear through this kind of practice." Maybe you are thinking that your story does not matter. That is a lie right there. It does matter. God has not wasted a day of your life. It not only gives you a much-needed perspective it can be an encouragement to another. Our stories about how God is moving in our life can encourage another in the faith. Maybe someone is feeling in a dry spot. Things have gotten so bad that they can no longer feel God with them, even though they know in their heads that God is with them. Maybe if you relate to them how you remember God working in your life, they will be encouraged to do the same. Or maybe it is a tool to tell another about God through the testimony of your life story. Maybe you should think of this as not writing it for yourself, but writing it for Jesus. I am sure that this matters to Him and He will use it to bless His kingdom. Won't you give it a try?

Maryanne B. Ditter  
Minister of Spiritual Formation



## SENIOR LUNCHEON

Wednesday, October 16, 2024



Our Senior Luncheon group will be meeting October 16. We will be having lasagna as the main course and will provide garlic bread. If you would like, you can help by bringing the sides. Check out the sign-up sheet outside the Sanctuary and let us know you are coming so we can have enough food.

Maryanne Ditter  
Minister of Spiritual Formation

## CHRISTMAS CARDS MINISTRY FOR PRISONERS



Okay, okay, I know Christmas is still a ways off. But in order to get the cards to those in prison, we need to start thinking about this now.

In the past, we have provided cards for you to write a short encouraging note and sign a Christmas card that will be given to someone incarcerated. Because this has been a success here at Tabor previously, we thought we would do this again.

So beginning the first Sunday in October (October 6) cards will be available for you to sign and return. All four Sundays in October the cards will be available to sign. I will be picking up the cards that are at the Church after services on October 27. I will then take all the completed cards to the Conference Office, during that week.

Any questions about this ministry, please see Maryanne Ditter.

## PRAYER MEETINGS

"Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer that calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known . . ."

You are always **welcome** to join us at our Prayer Meetings on Wednesday nights from 5:30–6:30p.m. This is not an exclusive group . . . just people who believe in the power of prayer. We are so blessed to have members of the group facilitate our time together with Spirit-filled messages and songs that inspire and encourage us to be what God has called us to be. We also have a quiet time for private prayer and usually end the night with a group prayer and song. However, we are always open to the Spirit's promptings and pray for whatever and whoever He places on our hearts.

Please know that we are always open to pray with or for you during the week at the church or at your home if so desired. Contact Pastor Ed or Maryanne and a member of the prayer team will meet with you.

On Sundays after our church service, there will be some members of the prayer team at the back of the sanctuary available to pray for those with prayer concerns or for more privacy, you can go to the prayer room where there will also be prayer team members who will pray with you.

During the week, on Tuesday through Thursday from 10:00a.m. to 4:30p.m., the church will be open for private prayer in the prayer room, chapel or sanctuary. If you desire to have somebody pray with you, please let Cindy know and a person on the prayer team will meet with you.

Tabor is a praying church and we always welcome the opportunity and blessing to be in prayer with anybody who has a prayer need. Don't be shy about asking; God loves hearing from you!

Edna Simpkins,  
Have a blessed day!!

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**Pray "The Lord's Prayer"  
at Noon & Be Blessed!**

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**Sunday School: It's Truly for Life!!!**

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## WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 6, 2024

A Churchwide Special Sunday of  
The United Methodist Church.

Changing the World, One Life at a Time.  
Together Our Reach Is Beyond Measure.

"Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus."

~ Philippians 3:13b-14, NRSV

We are called to reach out to all people and model the diversity of all God's children. Your gifts support racial and ethnic students in achieving their educational goals while also transforming communities. Fifty percent of the offering provides scholarships for graduate students from the U.S. and other countries. Thirty-five percent supports ethnic scholarships for undergraduate students. Fifteen percent funds In-Service Training Programs for racial and ethnic persons.

## COLLEGE MINISTRY UPDATE

"Adopt" A College Student  
Sunday, October 13, 2024

On Sunday, October 13 you will have an opportunity to "adopt" and support one of our college students. You will be invited to select a card with a student's name on it so that you can pray for the student and encourage him/her during the current college year. If you would like to "adopt" a college student but are not currently attending worship, please contact the church office to let us know that you would like to "adopt" a college student.

Please pray about this opportunity! Many of our Tabor students have appreciated your support over the years. This is an important ministry for our college students so your help with making this ministry a success is greatly appreciated.

Also, calling all Tabor bakers, please contact the Tabor Church office @ 215-234-4852 to volunteer to bake cookies for our college students. Homemade treats are requested. We try to mail cookie packages during the school year with one going out in October and in the spring. These cookie mailings are in addition to the annual United Methodist Student Sunday Goodie Boxes that are assembled the last Sunday of November. Thank you for your support of our college students!

## DISCIPLES OF HOPE (DOH)

John 14:15, 16 "If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever - the Spirit of truth".

Our DOH small group would like to encourage all those who want to learn more about the Holy Spirit to join us on Monday mornings in Classroom Room #9 from 11a.m.-12:30p.m. We will be viewing a DVD and discussing Robert Morris's book, "The God I Never Knew". He states "We will delve into the often overlooked third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit. Through personal stories and biblical references, the study will challenge our misconceptions and invite us to develop a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit".

As always, we will begin our time together with light refreshments and good fellowship. Please come and join us; you will be wonderfully blessed! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Earl or Edna Simpkins or Pastor Ed.

## UPCOMING DATE

~ T.U.M.C. Charge Conference 2024 ~

Please save this date!

Saturday, November 2, 2024 / 10:30 A.M.

This year's church business meeting will not be held at Tabor Church. Tabor's Charge Conference will be taking place at Sanctuary U.M.C. (1346 East Prospect Avenue, North Wales, PA, 19454) on Saturday morning, November 2nd at 10:30a.m. You are invited to attend! Please contact me with any questions.

~ Blessings, Pastor Ed



Do you like to sing? Do you play an instrument? Then please join our praise band! Please let Pastor Ed know or if you have any questions! Thank you!  
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## UPCOMING 2024 DATES

.....Pray "The Lord's Prayer" at Noon & Be Blessed!  
.....Wednesday "Prayer Meetings" / 5:30-6:30PM  
October 6.....World Communion Sunday  
October 10.....November Tabor Herald Articles Due  
October 12.....Circle of Hope "Jim Thorpe Fall  
Foliage Trip". Meet @ Tabor @ 7:15AM  
October 13....."Adopt" A College Student Sunday  
October 13.....Missionaries Lowell & Claudia  
Wertz @ Tabor on Sunday Morning  
October 16.....Senior Luncheon  
October 27.....Christmas Cards for Prison Inmates  
Due @ Tabor Church  
October 28.....Sanctuary, Church Kitchen & Weller  
Hall Reserved/6-10PM for 7PM  
Upper Salford Historical Society Event  
October 30.....June Russell Memorial Red Cross  
Blood Drive @ Tabor/2-7PM  
October 31.....June Russell Memorial Red Cross  
Blood Drive @ Tabor/10AM-3PM  
November 2.....Tabor Church Charge Conference /  
10:30AM @ Sanctuary U.M.C.  
1346 East Prospect Avenue,  
North Wales, PA, 19454  
November 9.....Circle of Hope Meet @ Tabor /  
10:30AM to Make Christmas Cards  
for Nursing Home Residents & Shut-ins  
November 18-25.....Samaritan's Purse Operation  
Christmas Child Shoebox Gifts  
National Collection Week  
November 25.....Sanctuary, Church Kitchen & Weller  
Hall Reserved/6-10PM for 7PM  
Upper Salford Historical Society Event  
November 28.....Church Kitchen & Weller Hall  
Reserved/8AM-8PM/Private Event

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## MISSIONARIES LOWELL AND CLAUDIA WERTZ TO BE AT TABOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

Come join us Sunday morning, October 13 when Lowell and Claudia Wertz will be sharing with us about their work in Tanzania, Africa. Several people from Tabor have gone to Tanzania to serve. So, we always look forward to hearing about the work they are doing there. We are sure you too will enjoy hearing about their accomplishments there.

Maryanne Ditter  
Minister of Spiritual Formation

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Sunday School for children & youth  
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 11:30a.m. each Sunday.

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## PASTORAL CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Pastoral Care Department of Peter Becker Community in Harleysville will be offering training sessions this November for persons with an interest in providing a spiritual presence for residents who are in their final hours of life.

Peter Becker Chaplain Faith Williams will be leading Abiders Ministry training sessions sometime between October 29 and November 15. This is a three-hour training session which we will attempt to schedule around the needs of our participants.

Participants will be asked to read "Tuesdays with Morrie" by Mitch Albom and/or "May I Walk You Home?" by Joyce Rupp and Joyce Hutchison to prepare for the training. Copies of these books may be borrowed from P.B.C.'s Pastoral Care office.

This is a wonderful opportunity for a meaningful ministry of care. If you have any interest in this ministry, please call Chaplain Faith Williams at 215-513-6816 or email Chaplain Williams at [fwilliams@peterbeckercommunity.com](mailto:fwilliams@peterbeckercommunity.com). Taking the training does not obligate you to become a volunteer.



## WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

Wedding congratulations to Leigh-Anne Spilman & Jason Connelly who were united in marriage on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Our best wishes go out to you as you begin your new life together! Leigh-Anne is the daughter of Paul & Joanne Spilman and the sister of Paula Spilman & Olivia Spilman.

**CONGRATULATIONS LEIGH-ANNE & JASON!**

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## INK AND TONER CARTRIDGES

Thank you to all who have been recycling your Ink and Toner Cartridges. Remember, we can only recycle Ink and Toner Cartridges. No other material can be accepted. Please use the drop off box outside the church office.

Please keep recycling your Ink and Toner Cartridges! Maybe you could even mention our recycling project to others including family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, the office/business where you work, etc. Questions, please feel free to email me at [vlschmid@mac.com](mailto:vlschmid@mac.com) ~ Blessings, Ginny

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## REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM

Thank you to ALL who continue to turn in Redner's receipts to myself or to the Tabor Church office. Please continue to turn in your receipts and ask your friends, family, co-workers, neighbors, etc. to save them for us as well.

**IMPORTANT** - for us to be able to turn your Redner's receipts in, the receipt **MUST** have the following:

- ~ the entire receipt from top to bottom.
- ~ customers must use their Redner's Rewards 1% Save-A-Tape card for each shopping trip receipt. This will be noted on the bottom of the receipt.
- ~ the "Today's 1% Save-A-Tape Total" needs to be attached to the receipt.
- ~ all receipts must be dated within three years prior to the date of submission.
- ~ do not use a highlighter on your receipt.
- ~ receipts from purchases at Redner's Quick Shoppes are not considered.

Redner's Receipts can be dropped 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. Any ?'s please contact Muriel Smith at 215-679-3858.

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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## ANNIVERSARIES

**Happy Birthday to You!!!**

10/01 Amanda Kleckner  
10/02 Russ Wenner  
10/03 Heidi Hartzell  
10/03 Chuck Morgan  
10/03 Jacklyn Van Arsdale  
10/04 Jazmin Payne  
10/04 Andrea Walters  
10/05 Angela Steel-Wills  
10/06 Ken Jenison  
10/07 Muriel Smith  
10/08 Kristin Briscoe  
10/09 Danielle Astheimer  
10/11 Jason Henry  
10/12 Matt Hangey  
10/12 Taylor Hangey  
10/12 Pastor Ed Van Arsdale  
10/14 Ryan Jacobs  
10/16 Bob Brown  
10/17 Scott Jones  
10/18 Evey Heffintrayer  
10/21 Diane Althouse  
10/21 Bev Wasser  
10/22 Alanna Mundondo  
10/22 Leigh-Anne Spilman  
10/23 Sofia Harley  
10/24 Jessica Henry  
10/24 Richard McMullen, Jr.  
10/25 Scott Kenworthy  
10/25 Connor Wardwell  
10/26 Eleanor Quirk  
10/26 Joanne Spilman  
10/27 Madeline Landis  
10/29 Sarah Robinson  
10/30 George Henry  
10/31 Marina Landis  
10/31 Alan Wertz

~ If we missed your birthday please let us know ~

**Happy Anniversary to You!!!**




10/20 Scott & Shelly McMaster  
10/20 Jason & Kerri Rickley  
10/27 Jim & Emma Seltzer

~ If we missed your anniversary please let us know ~

# ~ WORSHIP WITH US ~

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>6 ~WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY~ 9-9:45AM-Sunday School for ALL Ages Children Meet in the Ed. Wing Adults Meet in the Chapel or #9 10:00AM-In-Person Worship Service 10:00AM-Live Streaming of Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook ~The Worship Service will be Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall~ ~Sign Christmas Cards for Inmates Today~</p>	 <p>7 ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~ 11AM-DOH (Disciples of Hope) Bible Study Meet in Classroom #9 7PM-Tabor Choir 7:30PM-AA Group</p>	<p>1 ~PASTOR ED'S DAY OFF ~ ~Rev. Ditter in Office~ 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 7:30PM-Basketball in Weller Hall 7:30PM-AA Group</p>	<p>2 ~Rev. Ditter in Office~ 9AM-Craft Circle 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 10AM-3PM-Pastor Ed's Scheduled Office Hours 11AM-Staff Meeting 5:30-6:30PM-Prayer Service (Chapel)</p>	<p>3 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours</p>	<p>4 ~REV. DITTER'S DAY OFF~ ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~</p>	<p>5 7AM Sharp-8AM-Men's Group in Weller Hall 7PM-AA Group</p>
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# ~ PRAYER CALENDAR ~

## OCTOBER 2024

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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>DISASTER VICTIMS ALL STUDENTS ALL TEACHERS ALL VETERANS MILITARY FAMILY: KARYN CAUDELL STEVEN JEFFERSON NATE LEATHERMAN JULIAN SCHMIDT JOSHUA TAYLOR KARL YURIK</p>	<p>1 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Chuck &amp; Carol Morgan Eva &amp; Boyd Davenport Jane Davis / Mark Davis Jack &amp; Diane Althouse Helen Adamson John &amp; Abbie Wright Tedd &amp; Kathy Speck Regina McHugh LJ Rogers / Keith Groff Bruce &amp; Sharon Slover</p>	<p>2 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Jane Hedrick Edna &amp; Earl Simpkins Annette Jacobs Alice Strawser Samantha Hemmerle Kevin &amp; Lis Kohler Bryne Schrantz Alan &amp; Gail Wertz Nora &amp; Frank McClarren Carol Becker</p>	<p>3 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koiboi D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family All Missionaries All Students &amp; Teachers Tabor Youth Group Tabor Finance Committee Tabor Church</p>	<p>4 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Hannah &amp; Baby Cisar Nancy Thimm/Joel Gamble Sandi &amp; Butch Hoffman Jane Kulp / Esther Way Matt &amp; Sarah Filizzi Missy / Bubba Frick John Werner / David Ditter Ron &amp; Cathy Hartman Jessica Burke / Baby Henry Muriel Smith</p>	<p>5 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders</p>
<p>6 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders The Worship Service Sunday School Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>7 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer &amp; Hospice Patients Paul &amp; Joanne Spilman Bobbi Moyer / Mark Smith Jack &amp; Vicki Young David Hollingsworth Len &amp; Jan Simpkins Marylou Nice / Lisa Krause Jane Davis</p>	<p>8 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Chuck &amp; Carol Morgan Eva &amp; Boyd Davenport Jane Hedrick Anna Mae Young Dick &amp; Alice Hollingsworth Roger &amp; Kathie McGill Samantha Hemmerle Richard &amp; Gloria Schadler</p>	<p>9 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Annette Jacobs Welly Cressman Loretta Schirmer Dale &amp; Tina Gerhart Timmy Cressman Robbie / Kent Sheffer Dale Shisler / Peter Zucca Alice Strawser</p>	<p>10 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>11 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Hannah &amp; Baby Cisar Baby Henry Sandi &amp; Butch Hoffman Muriel Smith Nancy Thimm/Joel Gamble David Ditter / Bob Ditter Cliff Brunken Rick &amp; Ginny Schmid</p>	<p>12 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Youth Leaders</p>
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## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

FUND	STARTING BALANCE 1/1/2024	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE 8/31/2024
General Fund	\$12,837.36	\$160,444.72	-167,796.13	21,922.04	\$27,407.99
Mortgage Fund	-\$48,557.00	\$14,887.38	-\$44,596.91		-\$78,266.53
Missions Fund	\$16,520.00	\$4,591.00	-\$17,877.00	\$5,375.28	\$8,609.28
Special Designated Funds	\$132,332.56	\$9,633.38	-\$3,578.29	-\$21,922.04	\$111,090.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$113,132.92</b>	<b>\$189,556.48</b>	<b>-\$233,848.33</b>	<b>\$5,375.28</b>	<b>\$68,841.07</b>

**Did you know there is a bulletin board outside Weller Hall?  
Check it out, information and sign up sheets  
for upcoming events.**



**October 12 Jim Thorpe fall foliage trip.  
Meet at Tabor Church at 7:15a.m.;  
leave by 7:30a.m.**

**November 9 Christmas Card making for  
nursing home residents and shut-ins.  
Meet at Tabor Church at 10:30a.m.  
We will have a lunch of soup, bread &  
butter, fruit salad and cookies for dessert.  
Also discussion for the new year and what  
we will be doing.**

**December Caroling and help with the Santa Run lunch and activities at Tabor.**

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### God's Voice ....

- \* Still you
- \* Leads you
- \* Reassures you
- \* Enlightens you
- \* Encourages you
- \* Comforts you
- \* Calms you
- \* Convicts you

### Satan's Voice ...

- \* Rushes you
- \* Pushes you
- \* Frightens you
- \* Confuses you
- \* Discourages you
- \* Worries you
- \* Obsesses you
- \* Condemns you

.... from a Tabor Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting



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## **June Russell Memorial Blood Drive**

### **Tabor United Methodist Church**

2209 Hendricks Station Road, Woxall, PA 18979

**Wednesday, October 30, 2024**

**2:00 – 7:00 P.M.**

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**Thursday, October 31, 2024**

**10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.**

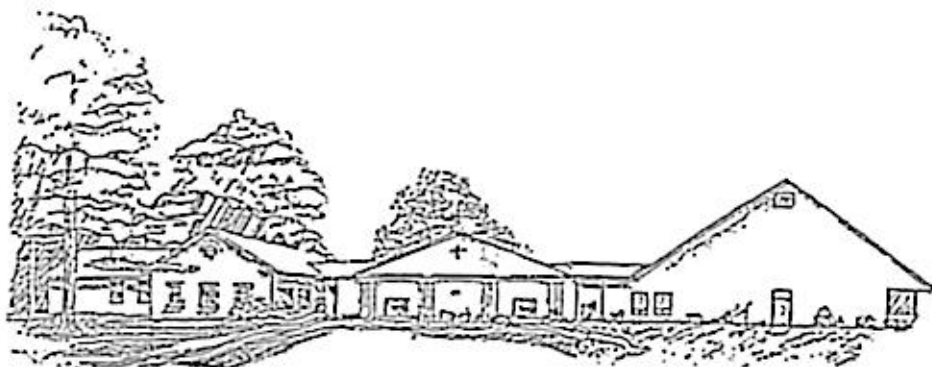
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