



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!

Let's get excited! Let's "pump it up"! Let's "turn up the volume"! **Let's Rally Together!**

Well, if that is what you want then the good news is that **Sunday, September 7, 2025 is Rally Day!** And I am excited about the up-coming season because Jesus "rallied" His disciples to a new way of living and a new way "to be". He "rallied" them around our Heavenly Father's love for the world and for a wider understanding of who is welcome to His Father's house. In the Gospels Jesus calls the disciples - and us - to a life of costly discipleship. Yes, following Jesus can be seen as "free" but it will cost us to sacrifice our self-centered way of living for the much better way of living as the example that Jesus gives us in the Gospels.

*Matthew 6:33 **Seek first** the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*

Jesus calls us to welcome the stranger and the poor, to love our neighbor and to faithfully use our God-given Holy Spirit gifts to serve His church. In Luke Chapter 14 Jesus is invited to a dinner with a "prominent Pharisee". Jesus tells them a parable about a wedding feast and not to take the seat of honor. In verse 10 and 11: *But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, "Friend, move up to a better place." Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.*

Then Jesus continues *"when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, **and you will be blessed.**"*

That's what we have been doing at Tabor Church - there have been new people coming who aren't exactly like us - and God is pleased and glorified and has blessed us! And God continues to bless us as they have gone on to invite their friends! We are seeing new and different people regularly! Praise God!

The newness and excitement at the start of September provides an opportunity to "rally" our church to demonstrate our faith in ways that serve our community (one reason why God placed Tabor Church where it is) and deepen our connection to God. Yet in the busy-ness of our life - it doesn't take long before our individual church involvement slows down. A community meeting here, a soccer game there, homework and work demands can pull us away from our church commitment - or, at the least - take away our time and energy for serving at Tabor.

We need Jesus' words to "rally" us in our faith. To volunteer at church and to reach out to our neighbors. Let the example from the widow in Jesus' parable in Luke 18 who **persistently** and **faithfully** kept returning to the unfaithful judge with her plea be our inspiration. **Consider what persistence looks like to you in this season.** Perhaps it's simply worshiping regularly or opening up our Bibles daily. Maybe it's praying with our kids or our spouse before bedtime. **Maybe it's stepping up and serving in one of our great church ministries which needs your help.** And please, trust me - I know it doesn't make sense - but the way God works is that as you sacrifice your precious time and volunteer - **God blesses you for it!** So, in a sense - I have no problem in lovingly saying

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this from your Heavenly Father, "You need to serve at church" (**not as an obligation but as one way that God wants to bless to you**). God wants to bless you in a special way but some people are missing out on that because they are not being faithful in using their spiritual gift at church. Yes, God has given you a spiritual gift - not to be used for yourself - but to be used at serving God's church.

Please consider 1 Peter 4:10-11 *Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.*

Also please consider that Jesus was not above serving us. Jesus found time to serve the disciples. Jesus washed the disciple's feet as an example of serving others - and then Jesus asked the disciples (and us) to wash each other's feet. Now I am not asking you to wash my feet - but if you could help to serve in one of our ministries then I sure would appreciate it!

Wherever we find ourselves this season - and whatever the days bring - let us enter in with joy and persistence - listening for Jesus calling. And remember that **God will always rally for us - in love, grace, forgiveness and new life.** Over and over again.

So, in the same way that God "rallies for us" - **let us rally for one another!** Could the women's group use some more people to help? Let's rally around them and help them! Could the Children's Ministry use some more volunteers? Let's rally around them and volunteer! Could Tabor use more servers? Let's rally around Tabor and serve in the name of God! Let me leave you with the words of Paul to the Church of Galatia:

Galatians 6:9 And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

Let's Rally Together,

Pastor Ed

(215-272-6099 / pastoredvanarsdale@gmail.com)

DID YOU KNOW?

Beginning on September 14, 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?**



CALLING ALL YOUTH!

We are starting a Confirmation Group and you are invited to join! Come and "confirm" your faith! Ask any questions! Learn our Christian and Methodist history! Help at a homeless center! Eat snacks, have fun and play games! If you are interested contact Pastor Ed 215-272-6099.



From the Deacon's Desk...

DO YOU NEED A RECHARGE?

I have probably written this before, but I am writing it again. One of the reasons I love September is that I feel it is like another new year. A time to start over after trying to take it a bit easier in the summer. Sometimes our taking it easier may mean staying home rather than going to Church, doing other things rather than spending time with God. I mean the weather is so nice we can get things done outside that we can't accomplish in the winter. We take vacations which includes a vacation from Church as well. We may even spend less time with God by not reading His Word or by not even talking/praying to Him. Just so you know, I am not trying to make you feel guilty just saying it as it can be for us. I have been negligent in doing some of those things myself.

We have come through a summer sermon series about "Happiness". If you got anything from that series, you should have heard that the way to continual joy is being in relationship with God. When we are in relationship with Him, we remember His promises in His Word, we recognize that we can't do this life alone and need His help to get through the tough times. I have found that sometimes we need a nudge or event to draw us closer to God.

I was looking for a document on my computer and couldn't find it. So, I went to my portable disc drive because I have saved the documents on my computer to that occasionally. As I was looking for the document, the title of another one caught my eye. So, I opened it. It was an article I wrote while I was in seminary and as I read it, it reminded me of why I majored in Spiritual Formation. Those classes shared ways to become more intimate with God, and showed how God used others in the class to minister to each other. We recognized that the final impact of that class was that we were able to visibly see God showing His love to us and us wanting to respond back to that love. That reminds me of the Church, don't you think? Isn't that why we do things for God because He has shown His love to us in visible ways?

There was a time at Tabor when we would have what we called "Spiritual Renewal Weekends". We had to be intentional on our part to attend and we would spend the weekend learning more about God, drawing closer to Him because of it and find out that through it, God was transforming people. We learned through the teaching of others how God had moved in their lives. It encouraged us to remember how God had moved in our life or to open our eyes to the way He would reveal Himself to us.

In the busyness of our lives, it is easy to get to the tasks that need to be done rather than spending time with the One who loves us and offers to lead us in the right direction. He is the One that will give us all we need to perform the tasks we are called to do. Spiritual Formation helps us to discover new and exciting ways to become intimate with the One who offers us the gifts we need. We need to know Him more intimately so that we can feel His love, His peace and see that He carries us through the dark and discouraging times and lifts us to find His face and leading. I believe that knowing Him more intimately will help us with the joy or happiness we heard about through the summer months. Leaning on Him and knowing that He can do "... exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. (Ephesians 3:20-21)

With all these reminders and knowing the importance of being in a more intimate relationship with God on a daily basis, I thought, maybe it was time to redirect our focus and be intentional by having a weekend event to lead us into a journey together where we grow closer to God. I must admit I don't have a solid plan as to what this will look like but I am just putting the thought into your mind. If you would like to help me coordinate a weekend event, please let me know. I envision needing volunteers to help plan and prepare meals (lunch and dinner on Saturday), nursery and child care volunteers, volunteers to come up with a way to advertise it in the Church, maybe volunteers to share a testimony.... Honestly at this point I don't know. But I do feel that we are supposed to give everyone a recharge and be reminded that we can rely on the One who never leaves us. So if you would like to assist me in some way, just come talk to me.

Maryanne B. Ditter
Minister of Spiritual Formation

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
RETURNS
Sunday, September 14, 2025**



The Adult Sunday School class will begin again on Sunday, September 14 at 9:00 AM. We will meet in the Chapel unless it is very warm, then we will meet in Classroom 9, where we can put on the air conditioning. We will be continuing on with David's son Solomon and how he walked with God.

As I shared in my Deacon's page, it is time to make God a priority. One way to do this is to spend time in His Word. In our Sunday School class, we read God's Word and discuss how it spoke to us. It is always interesting to hear different insights into what others think about what was going on at the time. In David, we saw how God worked in David's life and were reminded how He continues to work in us today. I am positive we will see this as well as we read about Solomon. Come learn about our God and how His love for us never changes, even when we do.

Maryanne Ditter
Minister of Spiritual Formation

TO WORSHIP IS TO SING

The worshiper who sings ... drinks more deeply of the message of the hymns. The gospel as found in our hymns is the same as that in the Scriptures.

The worshiper who sings ... becomes more deeply involved in the service; less of a spectator and more of a participant.

The worshiper who sings ... draws more closely to those who worship with him.

The worshiper who sings ... expresses faith by lifting his or her voice in praise to God.

The worshiper who sings ... upholds the service, making it finer and richer for fellow worshipers, the pastor, the church and God.

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**SENIOR LUNCHEON
Wednesday, September 17, 2025**



WE ARE BACK!!!!

Summer is over, well at least what we recognize as summer, and so that means the Seniors are back together sharing a meal. We will have another BBQ which consists of hamburgers, hotdogs and chicken. Hopefully, we will meet on the court outside of Weller Hall. Of course, if the weather is not great, we will meet again in the Education Wing. All we need from you is sides to make the meal complete.

So come join us at Noon on Wednesday, September 17. You will help to make our fellowship complete! Hope you all had a wonderful summer. Looking forward to seeing you.

Maryanne Ditter
Minister of Spiritual Formation

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL WEEKEND

I have felt led to bring back a weekend event where people come together who desire to draw closer to God and be reminded of what God can do. I am putting out here an opportunity for you to pray and discern how you should be involved. Maybe you just need to come and hear from God. That is certainly fine. Maybe you want to come but help in some way. There will be opportunities for the preparation of a lunch and dinner on the Saturday of the event, someone to take a turn watching over the young ones so that young parents may attend, working on brochures to hang on our doors to alert people about the time and date of the event, etc. Maybe you want to be involved in the planning of the event itself. If you feel that God is leading you in anyway, please talk to me and we can figure things out.

Maryanne Ditter
Minister of Spiritual Formation

DISCIPLES OF HOPE (DOH)

Our DOH group will resume our weekly meetings on Monday, September 8th, from 11:00a.m. - 12:30p.m. in Room 9. As is our custom, we will open our meeting with light refreshments and a time of good fellowship. Then we will follow with a review of what we had covered before our summer break, episodes 1-4 by Ray Vander Laan of "That the World May Know". We will continue exploring the turbulent history of Israel's prophets and kings and learn from their story how to build your own devotion to and trust in God and to be in the culture and not of it. The 6 volumes were filmed on location at biblically significant sites.

We heartily encourage you to join our DOH meetings for you will be blessed by our good fellowship and studies with fellow believers who want to continue to grow in our faith. If you have any questions, please see or contact Pastor Ed, Earl or Edna Simpkins.

~ Edna Simpkins

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SAVE THE DATE!

**June Russell Memorial
American Red Cross Blood Drive**

Donate Blood at Tabor Church

**on Tuesday, October 28, 2025
2:00P.M. to 7:00P.M.**

or

**on Wednesday, October 29, 2025
10:00A.M. to 3:00P.M.**

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A BAPTISM IN OUR CONGREGATION

On July 5th, 2025 Guinevere Rae Greenawalt was baptized by Pastor Ed Van Arsdale. Baby Guinevere is the daughter of Evan & Jessica Greenawalt, sister of Ralph Greenawalt and the granddaughter of Jerry & Sarah Stillabower. May God Bless You Guinevere!

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**GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME!**  
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PRAYER MEETINGS

Please come to our Prayer Meetings for a "sweet hour of prayer". One of our members recently shared that whenever she entered the door to our prayer meetings, she felt the strong presence of the Holy Spirit. We always open our prayer time together inviting the presence of the Holy Spirit and we follow His guidance as we pray. Besides individual and group prayer, we have many spiritually gifted members who help us strengthen our prayer lives through their inspirational messages.

We believe in the power of prayer! We would encourage you to share your needs for prayer not only at the prayer meetings, but after our church services. A prayer team is available to pray with you in the back of the sanctuary or in the prayer room. During the week, the church is also open for you to come pray privately or let Cindy know if you want somebody to pray with you and she will contact one of our prayer team members. We are also open to coming to your home if you need prayer.

Let's continue to have Tabor be a church that believes in the power of prayer and reaches out to those in need of prayer. If you have any questions, feel free to contact members of the prayer team Alice & Rich Hollingsworth, Bessie Staehle, Edna & Earl Simpkins, Sandi Hoffman, Doug Bowen, Annette Jacobs, Cindy Frick, Cathy Sacks, Danielle Astheimer, Bette Martin, Robin Moyer, Maryanne Ditter, Pastor Ed.

~ Edna Simpkins

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**PRAY "THE LORD'S PRAYER"  
AT NOON & BE BLESSED!**  
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NEW BABY CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Dylan & Taylor Van Arsdale on the birth of their son, Wren Anthony Van Arsdale, who was born at 1:00a.m. on May 17th, 2025. He weighed 6 pounds & 10 ounces and was 19 inches long. Baby Wren was also welcomed home by his "BIG" brother Ronan! Baby Wren is the second grandchild of and the grandson of Pastor Ed & Karen Van Arsdale, and the nephew of Jacklyn Van Arsdale & Devan Van Arsdale. Our prayers and best wishes go out to Baby Wren and his Family!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The church secretary's office hours for most weeks continue to be Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10:00a.m. to 4:30p.m. These hours will not be in effect when a holiday falls during the week, a previously scheduled time off, or if an emergency arises. It is always a good idea to contact the church office before driving to the church. On days when I am not physically in the church office, I am/can be doing church work at home. I may also be in the office some Mondays & Fridays as needed. YOU are important, so if the scheduled office hours do not meet your needs, please feel free to contact me at 215-234-4852 (church) or 215-692-3489 (cell) to make other arrangements with reasonable requests. Please remember to allow three (3) office days when you need work to be done for you by the church office. God Bless!!

~ Cindy Frick

COLLEGE MINISTRY UPDATE

Attention all post high school undergrad/grad/technical students: Tabor Church wants to be supportive of you during your undergrad/grad schooling and would like to have your contact information to do so. Information forms are available outside the Sanctuary or by contacting the church office. Once you have obtained a form, please provide the information requested and return it to the church office ASAP so that we have your undergrad/grad info. If you have any questions about this ministry, to provide your info or to have a form sent to you, please see or contact Cindy in the church office at 215-234-4852 or by emailing her at adminassistant@taborumc.org We look forward to hearing from YOU!!

Please Note: we are looking for cookie bakers to help with providing goodies to our college students. If you can help, please use the info above to contact Cindy.

UPCOMING DATE

~ T.U.M.C. Charge Conference 2025 ~

Please save this date!

Monday, October 20, 2025 / 6:00P.M.

This year's church business meeting will be held at Tabor Church on Monday evening, October 20th at 6:00p.m. Rev. Bob Strauss will be presiding for our District Superintendent. You are invited to attend! Please contact me with any questions.

~ Blessings, Pastor Ed

UPCOMING 2025 DATES

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

.....Wednesday "Prayer Meetings" / 5:30-6:30PM

September 6.....Circle of Hope Will Be Volunteering @ Worthwhile Thrift Located at 305 Second Avenue, Collegeville, PA from 10:30AM to 12:30PM. Look for the Sign-up Sheet on the Circle of Hope Bulletin Board Located Outside of Weller Hall.

September 7.....10AM-Tabor Rally Day 2025

September 7.....Communion Sunday

September 7.....Grandparents' Day

September 8.....DOH (Disciples of Hope) Bible Study Meets 11AM-12:30PM in Youth Room - Classroom #9.

September 10....October Tabor Herald Articles Due

September 11....Tabor Church Being Cleaned / 2-6PM

September 14....Adult Sunday School Class Begins @ 9AM & Ends @ 9:45AM. We Will Meet in the Chapel or in Classroom #9.

September 17...Senior Lunch Picnic @ 12:00 Noon

September 20 & 21....Sweatshirt of Hope 2025 Event Located @ 741 North County Line Road, Souderton, PA, 18964. Free Community Event! Includes Food, Sports, Kids Events, Music, Resources, Recovery Walk & More. Saturday, 9AM-9PM; Sunday, 8:30AM-2PM.

September 22...First Day of Autumn

September 25...Tabor Church Being Cleaned / 2-6PM

October 5.....World Communion Sunday

October 20.....Tabor Church Charge Conference / 6:00PM @ Tabor U.M.C. Rev. Bob Strauss Will Be Presiding for the District Superintendent.

October 25.....Upper Salford Trunk or Treat Community Outreach. Circle of Hope Group Would Like to Participate & Support Upper Salford Fire Company. See/Contact Bessie Staehle ASAP (267-615-7774) to Volunteer to Lead Tabor's Group.

October 28.....June Russell Memorial Red Cross Blood Drive @ Tabor / 2-7PM

October 29.....June Russell Memorial Red Cross Blood Drive @ Tabor / 2-7PM

November 15...(NOTE THIS IS A NEW DATE) Circle of Hope "Christmas Card Making" with Sarah @ 10:30AM in Weller Hall. Making Christmas Cards for Tabor Shut-ins, Seniors, College Students, Military, Etc. Maybe Even Some to Take Home. Also Planning for 2026! Lunch Provided.

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

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to You!!!

9/02 Drew Campman
9/03 Ben Campman
9/04 Carol Mitterer
9/05 Sabrina Cassel
9/06 William Gerhart
9/07 George Ditter
9/07 Joey Rogers
9/07 Sunny Rogers
9/08 Scott McMaster
9/08 Elliott Robinson
9/10 Kathy Speck
9/15 Kevin Lewis
9/17 Sawyer Frick
9/18 Butch Hoffman
9/19 Roger McGill
9/19 Nancy Thimm
9/19 Kaye Yurik
9/20 Carol Becker
9/20 Jacob Nice
9/21 Kay Reitnauer
9/22 Steve Jefferson
9/24 Sarah Stillabower
9/25 Beth Carrigan
9/27 Gavin Hripto
9/27 Jason Wertz
9/28 Kristen Knight
9/30 Michael Berardi

~ If we missed your birthday please let us know ~

Happy Anniversary to You!!!

9/01 Jerry & Sarah Stillabower
9/02 Geordie & Alicia Ditter
9/03 Scott & Kristina Jones
9/12 Zach & Michelle Hangey
9/13 Chad & Melody Hoffman
9/15 Elliott & Sarah Robinson
9/20 Rick & Ginny Schmid
9/21 Justin & Amy Wertz
9/22 Don & Christine Gouldey
9/23 Doug & Lydia Landis
9/23 Brian & Bessie Staehle
9/24 Paul & Joanne Spilman
9/26 Jim & Michele Geller
9/30 Jim & Kelly Stackhouse

~ If we missed your anniversary please let us know ~

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 ~ Blessings, Ginny

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.

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. ~ Thank you, Muriel


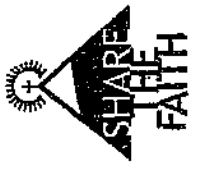

AVAILABLE

The free September / October / November 2025 edition of "Our Daily Bread" devotional is available to pick up at church on a Sunday or by contacting the church office at 214-234-4852. We can mail it to you or schedule a time when you can pick it up.

SEPTEMBER 2025

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div></div> <div>1 ~Labor Day~ ~Church Office Closed Today for Holiday~ 7:30PM-AA Group</div>	<div>1 ~Labor Day~ ~Church Office Closed Today for Holiday~ 7:30PM-AA Group</div>	<div>2 ~PASTOR ED'S DAY OFF ~ ~Rev. Ditter in Office~ 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 7:30PM-AA Group</div>	<div>3 ~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)</div>	<div>4 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 7:30PM-Basketball in Weller Hall</div>	<div>5 ~REV. DITTER'S DAY OFF~ ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~</div>	<div>6 7AM Sharp-8AM-Men's Group in Weller Hall 10:30AM-12:30PM-Circle of Hope Volunteering @ Worthwhile Thrift (Need to be @ Worthwhile Thrift BY 10:30AM), Located @ 305 Second St, Collegeville, PA. 7PM-AA Group</div>
<div>7 ~RALLY DAY SUNDAY~ ~COMMUNION SUNDAY~ 10:00AM-In-Person Rally Day Worship Service 10:00AM-Live Streaming of Rally Day Worship Service on Tabor UMC Facebook ~The Worship Service is Followed by a Time of Fellowship in Weller Hall until Noon~</div>	<div>8 ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~ 11AM-DOH (Disciples of Hope) Bible Study Meet in Classroom #9 7PM-Finance Committee (ZOOM) 7:30PM-AA Group</div>	<div>9 ~PASTOR ED'S DAY OFF ~ ~Rev. Ditter in Office~ 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 7:30PM-AA Group</div>	<div>10 ~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 ~October 2025 Tabor Herald Articles Are Due~ 5:30-6:30PM-Prayer Service (Chapel) 7PM-Trustees Meet</div>	<div>11 10AM-4:30PM-Cindy's Church Office Hours 2-6PM-Tabor Church Being Cleaned 7:30PM-Basketball in Weller Hall</div>	<div>12 ~REV. DITTER'S DAY OFF~ ~NO Scheduled Church Office Hours Today~</div>	<div>13 7AM Sharp-8AM-Men's Group in Weller Hall</div>
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~ PRAYER CALENDAR ~

SEPTEMBER 2025

~ 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.</p> <p>With this in mind,</p> <p>be alert and always keep on praying for the saints.</p> <p>~~Ephesians 6:18</p>	<p>1 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Bruce & Sharon Stover Ray & Lois Schmidt Corey Sandler/Ed Arnold Bobbi Moyer/Pam Rivera Gary Schnable/Sue Nelson Chase Adams/ Paul Gilson Jack & Vicki Young Lester & Karen Kintz Paul & Joanne Spilman</p>	<p>2 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Boyd & Eva Davenport Jack & Diane Althouse Earl & Edna Simpkins Anthony Hile/Josh Mulligan Carol Morgan /Anne Dyer Jim & Mary Anne Harnett Matt & Sarah Filizi Samantha Hennerle Gary & Rosemarie Rippert Roger & Kathie McGill</p>	<p>3 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Dick&AliceHollingsworth Anna-May Pensabene Nancy Thimm/Mark Davis Muriel Smith/Carol Becker Marissa McClarren Welly Cressman / Judy R Annette Jacobs / Jane Kulp Alice Strawser/Lil Charlie Russell&Arlene Cressman Alice Mae Glover</p>	<p>4 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koikoi 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>5 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Jim & Beth Rittenhouse Rachel & Elias Jefferson Robin Moyer /Eloise Tatro Darryl Knechel/Bob Ditter Virginia / Megan Cathey Missy Frick / Bubba Frick Ron & Cathy Hartman Victoria Kim/ Jane Hedrick Brother Mike/Steven Clark John & Abbie Wright</p>	<p>6 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders</p>
<p>7 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders Rally Day Worship Service Sunday School Children & Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>8 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Cancer & Hospice Patients Paul & Joanne Spilman Corey Sandler/Donna Hile Bobbi Moyer/ Mark Smith Jack & Vicki Young Gary Schnable/Lin Villano Marylou Nice/Lisa Krause Bruce & Sharon Stover</p>	<p>9 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Dick&AliceHollingsworth Boyd & Eva Davenport Jack & Diane Althouse Muriel Smith/Jane Hedrick Emma & Jim Seltzer Len & Jan Simpkins Denise Jakitas/ Anne Dyer Carol Becker</p>	<p>10 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Marissa McClarren Darryl Knechel / Chase A Annette Jacobs/Anthony H Welly Cressman/Jane Kulp Dale & Tina Gerhart Dale Shuster / Peter Zucca Marie Damiani / Josh M Alice Strawser</p>	<p>11 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER The United Methodist Ch. Bishop Moore-Koikoi D.S. Rev. Andrew Foster The Van Arsdale Family The Ditter Family Tabor Children & Youth Tabor Finance Committee Tabor Church</p>	<p>12 PASTOR ED REV. DITTER Beth & Jim Rittenhouse Butch & Sandi Hoffman Dick McMullen / Robin M Nancy Thimm/ Dave Ditter Alan & Gail Wertz Bob Schaffer/Addie Neyra Dave Parish / John Werner Rick & Ginny Schmid</p>	<p>13 PASTOR ED Reverend Ditter Children & Youth Leaders</p>
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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

FUND	STARTING BALANCE 1/1/2025	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE 7/31/2025
General Fund	\$68,619.06	\$121,570.20	-145,815.71	-\$725.42	\$43,648.13
Mortgage Fund	-\$86,849.52	\$2,950.00	-\$42,650.00	\$0.00	-\$126,549.52
Missions Fund	11,912.28	\$5,708.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,620.28
Special Designated Funds	\$105,808.77	\$8,643.28	-\$3,079.03	\$725.42	\$112,098.44
Total	\$99,490.59	\$138,871.48	-\$191,544.74	\$0.00	\$46,817.33

PLEASE NOTE: Giving is trending downward more this year than in the past. The Finance Committee will speak to the congregation in September about causes of the deficit and practical solutions.

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## 2025 Calendar

**September 6 (Saturday)** The Circle of Hope will be volunteering at Worthwhile Thrift located at 305 Second Avenue, Collegeville from 10:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. We can carpool from Tabor or you can meet us there. Look for the sign-up sheet on the Circle of Hope bulletin board outside of Weller Hall. Those volunteering will need to be at the store near the cashier at 10:30a.m. We will sign in, and then be given information about the store and their mission. They will have projects for us to do like sorting books, clothes or other items. They will give us instructions on what to do and divide us depending on how many there are. **\*\* You MUST go to their website and sign up to be a volunteer before you can help \*\*** <https://www.worthwhile.org> The top banner on the website has a "Get Involved" drop down, hover over that and click volunteer to sign up. (Sarah leading)

**October 25 (Saturday)** 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. **NOTE: I work that day and am unable to lead this activity. I need a volunteer to lead or we will be unable to do this. Please see/contact me (267-615-7774) ASAP. Thank you, Bessie**

**November 15 (Saturday) 10:30A.M.** **NOTE: THIS IS NOT THE ORIGINAL DATE.** 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) **Also planning for next year (2026)!**

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



## TABOR LIBRARY NEWS



### *Fall into Reading – Courageous and Groundbreaking Christians*

*Recently I did the first large new book order for the church library. I had noticed that biographies can be a popular choice for reading. These new books were selected especially to highlight people who have certainly left a mark on our faith and history. The books are on the cart in Weller Hall. Sharon S.*

Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy. How did Bonhoeffer become someone who could defend God's truth, even when it was a matter of life and death in Hitler's Germany?

A Chance to Die: the Life and Legacy of Amy Carmichael. At a young age, Amy felt called to the mission field and eventually went to India. She was there for 50 years, establishing a refuge for children

A Life Observed: A Spiritual Biography of C. S. Lewis. Read about Lewis' journey from childhood faith, to atheism, materialism, and finally back to faith.

Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther. Brings us a look at the sixteenth century Protestant Reformation through the life of Luther.

Answering the Call: the Remarkable Story of Albert Schweitzer. Albert was one of Europe's most renowned philosophers, theologians, and musicians but shocked everyone by going to medical school and taking his skills into the wilds of French Africa. Serving with his wife Helene, they founded a hospital.

Mother Teresa. From her childhood in the Balkans to her work in India, Mother Teresa was driven by mighty faith. She founded the Missionaries of Charity that still continues today.

John Wesley: His Life and Thought. Learn about the key events in Wesley's life that influenced his thinking, his actions, and the Methodist Movement.

Susanna Wesley: Her Remarkable Life. Susanna and her husband had 10 children who lived to adulthood – among them Charles Wesley (hymn writer) and John Wesley (Methodist Movement). She managed to pass down to her children the Christian principles that stayed with them. Read about the influence of this faith-filled mother.

Amazing Grace: William Wilberforce and the Heroic Campaign to End Slavery. The story of his 20 year fight to end slavery.



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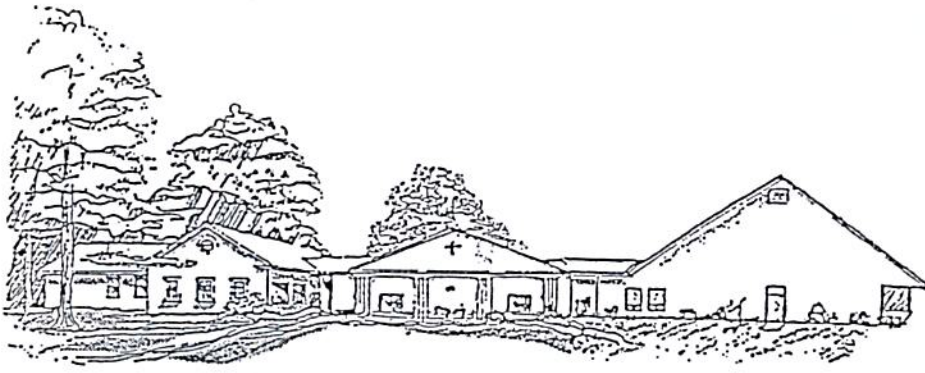
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