

# "THE CHIMES"

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## New to Mt. Tabor?

Welcome! Know that wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome to join us in our quest to discover God. We offer a variety of ways to grow in your faith, to serve the world, and to reach out to others with the love of Jesus Christ. This newsletter is a little window into who we are as a faith community. We'd love to have you join us in worship on Sunday mornings, or if you would like more information, please contact us. Thank you and may God bless your search for Him.



## Mt. Tabor's Mission Statement

*Our mission is to reach, welcome, and serve all people so that we and others can become fully devoted disciples of Jesus Christ.*

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## "Pastor Christy's Corner"

Pastor Christy Suffecool

*"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build," (Ecclesiastes 3:1-3)*

**It's hard to believe that May is upon us and graduation season is quickly approaching.** This year we have four high school students and one college student graduating. With so many students graduating over the past three years, it means that this fall we will have 11 students in college, and 3 students in high school. Changes like this mean that we will need to adapt how we do ministry with our youth and our young adults.

The exciting part is that we have a large number of elementary students that are growing up fast and will soon be entering our youth group in a few years. Because of these changes, we will be developing some new ministry opportunities that I hope you will participate in. We would like to develop a team that stays connected with and encourages our students that are away at college. If you like letter writing or making care packages, this ministry is for you. Our high school youth group will become a monthly meeting that focuses around fellowship activities and welcomes new students to join as well. Less frequent meetings will hopefully make it easier for our students to be able to fit it into their already packed schedules. If you enjoy adventure and the unknown, this may be the ministry for you.

In addition, we will be launching a kid's ministry immediately after worship on Sundays with the congregation's involvement. Everyone can have a place helping with this ministry and can enjoy making memories with our kids. Watch for that ministry to begin towards the end of May. We also want to launch a ministry that is for the younger kids and their families. We are hoping to provide monthly dinners together with activities and/or games that the whole family can enjoy together.

Change is never easy, but we want to make sure we are meeting the needs in our church. Adapting as our children grow is just a piece of that. This summer we will be participating in Annual Conference and we are braced for changes to be coming afterwards. Churches that are desiring to disaffiliate will be voted on, a re-districting plan will be brought forward for discussion and review, and of course the various changes in appointments for our clergy and congregations. Change seems to always be present in our lives.

Here is the good news: God remains steadfast and our mission and calling stay the same. Despite the changes we have to go through, we can grow through these seasons and use them to strengthen our faith, our relationship with Christ, and our passion for our ministry. Please know that we are all in this together and we are wanting the best for each other, our church, and our community.

Wherever life takes you in the coming months, I hope you know how tremendously you are loved, and how grateful we are that you are a part of our family of faith!

Your partner on the journey,  
Pastor Christy

# Ministries



The Methodist men's group met for breakfast on March 4. Desultory conversation was held. The men served twenty-five people a hearty breakfast in Fellowship Hall Easter morning. The group will meet for breakfast on May 6th and June 3rd at 7:30 AM. All men in the church are invited.

*Dean Varian*



Beginning Thursday, May 4 Bible Study will resume and all are welcome. We will be viewing the hit streaming series in its third season about the life of Christ and His followers. We will view season 1 in the sanctuary at 1pm on Thursdays for eight weeks. An interactive Bible study guide accompanies the viewing. Please pick one up from Kathy Hopkins prior to the first session. This is the series everyone is talking about. You won't want to miss it.

*Kathy Hopkins*



Mt. Tabor Book Club will meet in May on Monday the 8th at 3:30pm. The book to be discussed is entitled, "Still Alice" by Lisa Genova.

Plan ahead for the Monday, June 12th meeting at 3:30 pm by reading, "Saved" by Benjamin Hall.

\*All meetings will be held at 3:30pm at the home of Sue Myers. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Come and enjoy a great discussion and wonderful fellowship.

*Sue Myers*



A BIG THANK YOU to Rev. Clark and Linda Kandel, Tanya Martz, Joanne Varian, Cheryl Sternberg, and Norris Stringer for visiting and delivering our Easter gift bags and flowers!

And a shout out to all of you who filled the bags with your love gifts! Your generosity is appreciated.

*Diana Spaulding*



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Women  
in Faith

## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

May 14 Mother's Day

May 29 Memorial Day

June 5 Environmental Day

June 12 World Day Against Child Labor

June 18 Father's Day

Your pledge dollars support:

Africa University

Navajo United Methodist Center in Farmington, NM

The Neighborhood Center, Utica, New York

Thank you for help with the diaper drive. Did you know it takes from 10-12 diapers per day for each newborn? It could take 300 diapers for the first month of a baby's life. This will be an ongoing project through October. All sizes are needed and appreciated. Imagine **having more than one in diapers...it becomes very** expensive for young families. Your help and prayers for this project are appreciated.

May 24 Mother, Daughter, Friend Covered Dish at Varian's Orchard at noon. Bring your favorite dish and a friend for this time of fellowship and great food.

June 28 will take us to the West Side Community House in Cleveland. We will tour their facility and have lunch our in Cleveland. Time for departure from the church will be announced. This ministry was a District meeting last fall and the director made such an impression on us, we wanted to locally expose our unit to the fine work that has been supported by United Methodist Women since the 1800s.

*This will be a meeting you want to attend.*

*Enjoy this summer!*

*Kathy Hopkins*



## Quilters and Prayer Shawl

Our Prayer Shawl group has been working for months making blankets to present to our graduates in May. Our prayers are interwoven in the stitches for God's presence to be felt in their future plans. Congratulations!



Greetings. Yes, that is a negative General Fund balance at the end of March. Offerings through April 19th are a bit behind 2022's for the same number of Sundays. There were some large seasonal expenditures in addition to normal costs. Please "Keep doing good works and sharing your resources, for these are sacrifices that please God."

Hebrews 13:16 The Jerusalem Bible

The first graphic below covers just the General Fund. The other graphic includes Capital Improvement and Benevolence offerings.

Blessings,

*Charlotte Schweitzer, Treasurer*

General Fund Receipts vs Expenses				
Period	Offerings	Other Receipts	Expenses	Net
2022	127,561.52	4,771.50	-143,911.16	-11,578.14
General Fund balance 1/1/2022				12,888.61
Poinsettias – not paid by 12/31/22				300.60
General Fund balance 12/31/22				1,611.07
January 2023	11,476.00	432.50	-12,440.05	-531.55
February	8,817.00	151.00	-12,529.62	-3,561.62
March	8,849.01	283.00	-11,539.77	-2,407.76
Poinsettia fundraiser cost paid January 2023				-300.60
Payroll taxes withheld, not yet remitted				619.38
General Fund deficit 3/31/23				-4,571.08

Offerings – Church Budget line on offering envelope

Other Receipts – designated offerings such as Blessings Cupboard,

Backpack program, etc. Includes receipts other than offerings .

Average Weekly: thru March (13 weeks )				
	2020	2021	2022	2023
Budget*	3,578.92	3,406.62	3,355.75	2,573.58
Actual	2,351.88	2,723.85	2,427.77	2,430.62
Short	(1,227.04)	(682.77)	(927.98)	(142.96)
% of Budget	65.71%	79.96%	72.35%	94.44%



Percent change from prior year			
	'20 to '21	'21 to '22	'22 to '23
Budget	-4.81%	-1.49%	-23.31%
Actual	15.82%	-10.87%	0.12%
Net change:	20.63% positive	-9.38% negative	23.43% positive

Reminder: the 2023 budget is based on expected offerings. Prior years' budgets were based on expected expenditures.

WEEK #	2022	2023	Change	Budget
QTR 1	31,561.00	31,598.01	37.01	33,456.60
14	3,481.00	2,931.00	(550.00)	2,573.58
15	3,475.00	4,312.00	837.00	2,573.58
16	2,923.00	1,922.00	(1,001.00)	2,573.58
Y-T-D	41,440.00	40,763.01	(676.99)	41,177.34

# Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors



Emily Suffecool  
East Canton  
High School



Kylah Patterson  
Ridgewood High School



Emma Teeters  
East Canton  
High School



Lillian Whitcomb  
Heidelberg University



Keegan McGee  
East Canton High School



## Prayer Concerns

### Members, Family & Friends

#### Members

Reggie McGee  
Pam Rohrer  
Ann Rogler  
Ira & Mary Nestor  
Jerry Butcher  
Jay Fisher  
Randy Selby Jr.  
Owen Mickley  
Oranna Loy  
Edna Coy  
Fran Clayton  
Harry Clayton  
Earl Vincent  
Carol Vincent  
Carrie Little  
Rich Little  
Sarah Morrison  
Jay Stahler  
Doris Greaves  
Sharon Erickson

#### Family & Friends

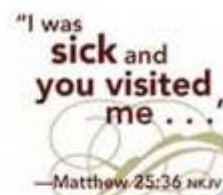
Skylar Myers - Denny & Sue Myers  
Gary Butcher - Denny & Sue Myers  
Robin Whalen - Denny & Sue Myers  
Debbie Ryan - Linda Britton  
Michelle Bell - Linda Britton  
Lisa Tolley - Betty Bayer  
Brenda Bayer - Betty Bayer  
Nancy Griffith - Betty Bayer  
Frank & Judy Perreault - Wes & Pam Rohrer  
Elaine Diehl - Wes & Pam Rohrer  
Patricia Tapp - Wes & Pam Rohrer  
Cindy Ward - Wes & Pam Rohrer  
Matt Dieffenbacher - Wes & Pam Rohrer  
Shelly Wheeler - Diane Krivos  
Katie Gobeli - Diane Krivos  
Diane Campbell - Diane Krivos  
Kathy Gobeli - Diane Krivos  
Stella Mackie - Jill Wagner  
Barb Kennedy - Jill Wagner  
Victoria Vaught - Jill Wagner  
Velma Schweitzer - Charlotte Schweitzer  
Casey Langley - Bonnie Duskey  
Renee Poulelis - Bonnie Duskey  
Bill & Lisa Leach - Marla Stringer  
Ethelind Schwartz - Marla Stringer  
Lisa Nemitz - Marla Stringer

Jim Peters - Marla Stringer  
Anne Reid - Kathy Hopkins & Susie Watson  
Ryan, Jordan & Wren Ott - Jillian Corbi  
Eli Eaton - Jillian Corbi  
Ashley Hornick Walters - Dana Kullman  
Cynthia Kullman - Dana Kullman  
Rob Vincent - Earl Vincent  
Eric Loy - Oranna Loy  
David Loy - Oranna Loy  
Crew - Oranna Loy  
Ronnie Hodge - Sharon Erickson  
Calvin Wright - Warren & Barb Kandel  
Max Huston - Susan Huston  
Keith Harris - Diana Spaulding  
Carol Kennedy - Diana Spaulding  
Kylie Hess - Maryann Zimmerman  
Barb OMalley - Diana Spaulding  
Terry Eisenhauer - Pastor Christy  
Family of Gertrude Kennedy  
Family of Dick Beck  
Family of Scott Aguredakis - Diana Heaston  
Family of Robin Schumacher

*We have tried to include all prayer requests that have come in during the recent weeks. We apologize if we missed anyone. If you would like to add (or remove) a name, please call the office at 330-488-1842.*



Ira & Mary Nestor  
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Birthdays: Ira July 9th  
Mary April 23rd



### Those in our Armed Forces



Caleb Talkington - Army Reserve  
Owen Herman - National Guard  
Daniel John - Panama City, FL.  
Gage Robinson - Nellis AFB Las Vegas NV





# May 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Choir 7pm Bible Study 1pm	5 Prayer Shawl 10am	6 UMM Break fast 7:30am
7 Worship 10:30am Youth 6-8pm  Randy Branch Jr Barb Kandel	8 Book Club 3:30pm at the home of Sue Myers  Hope Richards	9 TOPS 5:30pm	10 Quilters 9:30am  Randy Branch Christy Suffecool	11 Choir 7pm Bible Study 1pm  Shelly John	12   Hillary Griffin	13 FH Reserved RR Club
14 Worship 10:30am Youth 6-8pm  Max Mayle Kelsey Reinhart	15   Debbie Ryan	16 TOPS 5:30pm	17 Quilters 9:30am Burger & Bible 6:30pm Winking Lizard	18 Choir 7pm Bible Study 1pm  Alexis Temsey	19   Norma Boughman Brooklyn Monteith	20
21 Worship 10:30am Graduation Sunday  Earl Hopkins Jody Nestor	22   Joanne Varian	23 TOPS 5:30pm Council Meeting 6pm	24 Quilters 9:30am UWF - Varian Orchards Noon	25 Choir 7pm Bible Study 1pm  Carter Duskey	26   Denise Proffitt Joseph Selby	27
28 Worship 10:30am Youth 6-8pm	29 Office Closed  Joanne Varian	30 TOPS 5:30pm  Mark Kandel	31 Quilters 9:30am	<p><b>May</b> <i>Happy Anniversary!</i></p> <p>15 Jeffrey &amp; Denise Proffitt 30 Phil &amp; Gwen Duskey</p> <p>20 David &amp; Annette Williams 31 Launey &amp; Sandy Vaughn</p> <p>27 Jeremy &amp; Hope Richards</p>		



# JUNE 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>4 Worship 10:30am</p> <p><i>Lily Brace</i> <i>Elayna Johnson</i> <i>Carol Wheeler</i></p> <p>11 Worship 10:30am</p> <p><i>Jeff Bird</i> <i>Clifford Varian</i> <i>Reed Varian</i></p> <p>18 Worship 10:30am</p> <p><i>Happy Father's Day</i> <i>Sherry Johnson</i></p> <p>25 Worship 10:30am</p>	<p>5 05 Bruce &amp; Sharon Erickson 05 Wesley &amp; Pam Rohrer 07 Rodney &amp; Shelly John 09 Daphne Daniels &amp; Long Ho 12 Lee &amp; Cheryl Sternberg</p> <p>6 TOPS 5:30pm</p> <p>12 <b>Book Club - 3:30pm</b> At the home of Sue Myers</p> <p>19 Nancy Hromelz</p> <p>26 Sherry Johnson</p>	<p>20 Tom &amp; Kelly Loy 21 Dean &amp; Ruth Varian 22 Tom &amp; Jean Davis 26 Randy &amp; Jackie Branch 29 Tony &amp; Stacy Duskey</p> <p>6 TOPS 5:30pm</p> <p>13 TOPS 5:30pm</p> <p>20 TOPS 5:30pm <b>Council Meeting 6pm</b> Doug Huston Joseph Lyon Ronald Swan</p> <p>27 TOPS 5:30pm</p>	<p>7 Quilters 9:30am</p> <p>Erik Loy Pam Rohrer</p> <p>14 Quilters 9:30am</p> <p>21 Quilters 9:30am <b>Burger &amp; Bible</b> <b>Winking Lizard</b> <b>6:30pm</b> End Day of Summer Nicole Lyon</p> <p>28 Quilters 9:30am <b>UWF</b> <b>Carpool to West Side</b> <b>Community House in</b> <b>Cleveland</b></p>	<p>1 Bible Study 1pm</p> <p>Jayna Lemington</p> <p>8 Choir 7pm Bible Study 1pm Annual Conference</p> <p>Kathy Hopkins Joseph Monteith</p> <p>15 Choir 7pm Bible Study 1pm</p> <p>Anita Slack</p> <p>22 Choir 7pm Bible Study 1pm</p> <p>29 Choir 7pm</p>	<p>2 <b>Prayer Shawl 10am</b></p> <p>9 Reggie McGee Michael Nichols</p> <p>16 EC Village Garage Sale - thru June 18th</p> <p>Kathlyn Arick</p> <p>23 EC Village Spring Clean up</p> <p>30 Warren Kandel</p>	<p>3 <b>UMM Break fast</b> <b>7:30am</b></p> <p>10 FH Reserved RR Club</p> <p>17 Andrew Casto Austin Casto Joanne Simodi</p> <p>24 EC Village Spring Clean up</p> <p>30 Warren Kandel</p>



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Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:30am.



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:30am

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:30am

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The Deadline for  
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