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THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT MOUNT TABOR

NEWSLETTER—MARCH 2020

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MARCH 2020

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From the Pastor

Looking Ahead…

As was announced in worship and via email on February 16th, Pastor Amanda will be moving to New City, NY to pastor the UMC of New City in June 2020. Please keep Pastor Amanda, George and Gregory in prayer as they prepare for this change.

The new pastor for Mount Tabor will be Rosario Quinones, beginning July 1, 2020. Rosario will be serving our church part-time, in addition to also serving the Teabo UMC. She and her wife, Alma, will be living in the Tabor parsonage.

Transitions are always difficult, but out of them can come beautiful things. We look forward to what God has in store for us.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY WITH YOUR NON-PERISHABLE DONATION!

Food Pantry Sunday is March 29th.

We are sorry to announce that Rachel Caldari-Stroh is no longer serving as Music Director. We THANK HER for her years of complementing our worship with her musical talents and expertise!

While a new Music Director is sought, our choir will be taking a leave of absence.

THANK YOU RACHEL! And THANK YOU to our CHOIR MEMBERS!

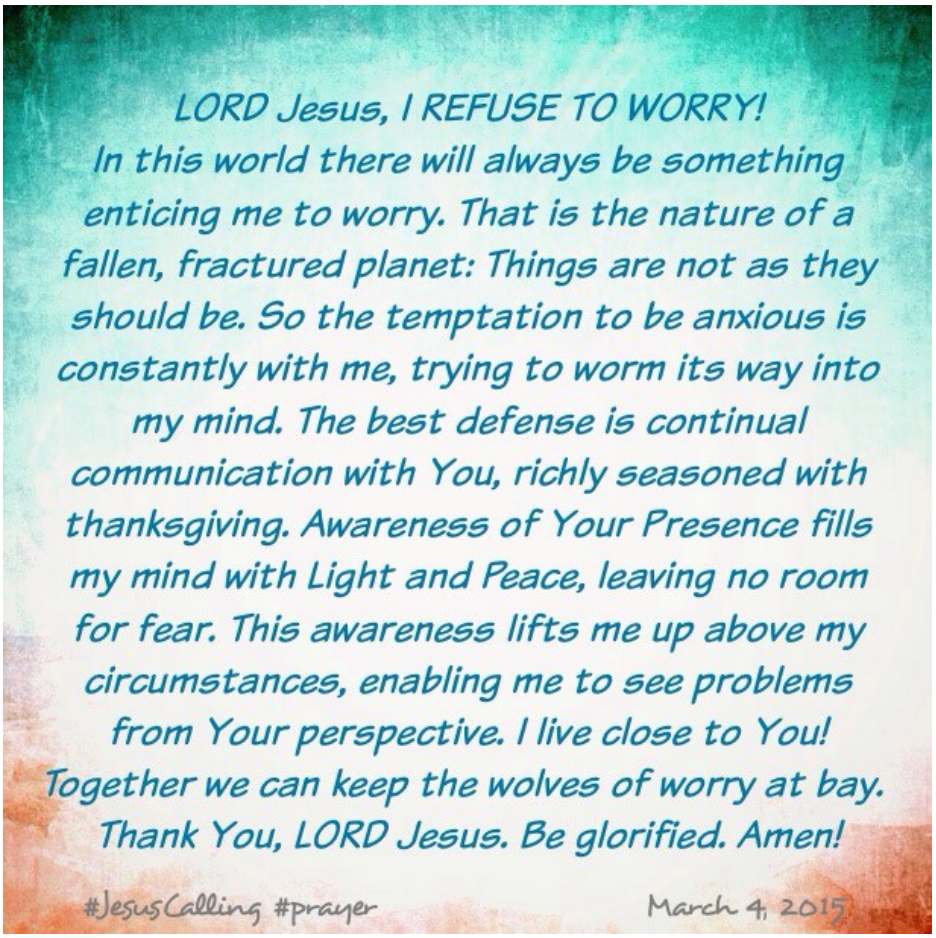
WORSHIP INFORMATION
SUNDAY SERVICE 10:30 AM

Join us in March!

Pastor Jeannette is presenting her own sermon series in March—"The Spirituality of Joy" - based on the book by Angela Son. Come support our student pastor in her preaching and be inspired to be people of JOY!

March 1st—'Joy Refusers', Sacrament of Holy Communion
March 8th— 'Jesus and the Many Faces of Joy'
March 15th—'Joy Finders'
March 22nd—Agape Music Ministries
March 29th—'Spirituality of Joy'

PRAYER FOR MARCH



March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Sunday School 9:15a Adult Bible Study 9:15a Worship 10:30a **Confirmation Class 11:45a**	**2** Office Hours 10a-2p Scouts-MH-6p **PASTOR**	**3** Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p Scouts-MH-6:30p **AMANDA**	**4** Office Hours 10a-2p Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p **CLASS AT DREW**	**5** Tabor's Treasures 4p-8p **10AM—4PM**	**6** Office Hours 10a-2p Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p	**7** Tabor's Treasures 9a-1p
8 Sunday School 9:15a Adult Bible Study 9:15a Worship 10:30a **Covenant Meeting 11:45a** Scouts MH & UR 1p	**9** Office Hours 10a-2p Scouts-MH-6p **Ad Council/Special Conference 7p**	**10** Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p Scouts-MH-6:30p	**11** Office Hours 10a-2p Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p	**12** Tabor's Treasures 4p-8p	**13** Office Hours 10a-2p Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p	**14** Tabor's Treasures 9a-1p
15 Sunday School 9:15a Adult Bible Study 9:20a Worship 10:30a Scouts-MH-2:30p	**16** Office Hours 10a-2p	**17** Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p Scouts-MH-6:30p	**18** Office Hours 10a-2p Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p	**19** Tabor's Treasures 4p-8p	**20** Office Hours 10a-2p Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p	**21** Tabor's Treasures 9a-1p **Rise Against Hunger (MO Mission of the Month)**
22 Sunday School 9:15a Adult Bible Study 9:15a **Agape Music Service 10:30a** **MT Founders' Day 2-4p in the Bethel**	**23** Office Hours 10a-2p	**24** Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p Scouts-MH-6:30p	**25** Office Hours 10a-2p Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p	**26** Tabor's Treasures 4p-8p	**27** Office Hours 10a-2p Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p	**28** Tabor's Treasures 9a-1p **Painting Party 6p in the Bethel**
29 Sunday School 915a Adult Bible Study 915a Worship 10:30am **Food Pantry Sunday** Scouts– MH-2p	**30** Office Hours 10a-2p	**31** Tabor's Treasures 10a-2p Scouts-MH-6:30p				

AGAPE MUSIC WORSHIP SERVICE

SING SONGS OF PRAISE
James 5:13

Join us Sunday, March 22nd, at 10:30am, for a special musical worship service.

Agape Music Ministries travels to a new church each month to offer their talents and praise God through music. Our church has the honor of hosting them for March! A free will offering to benefit their efforts will be collected.

Agape

SPONSOR PASTOR AMANDA!

Pastor Amanda is giving up some weight for Lent! Pledge a dollar amount for every pound she loses between Ash Wednesday and Easter. All money goes to our church. Contact the church office or see Pastor Amanda to participate.

FOOD PANTRY SUNDAYS!

Our Food Pantry Sundays have been a great success! Thank you to all who brought in food donations. If you didn't receive a food pantry bag, they're available in worship. February's donation totaled 114 pounds! Food Pantry Sunday is the LAST Sunday of each month. The next one is March 29th. Thank you to John & Janet Ryans for overseeing this mission!

Interfaith Food Pantry
and Resource Center
"neighbors helping neighbors"

January 27, 2020

Reverand Amanda Hernenetz
United Methodist Church at Mt. Tabor
5 Simpson Avenue, PO Box 29
Mount Tabor, NJ 07878

Dear Rev. Amanda,

Prominently displayed in Interfaith Food Pantry and Resource Center's lobby, the *Giving Tree* wall mural is an acknowledgement of the individuals, companies and organizations that enable us to significantly improve the lives of people in need by providing access to nutrition and a myriad of other resources.

In recognition of your 2019 donation of 1,490 pounds of food, I'm pleased to inform you that you will be listed on our tree as **United Methodist Church at Mt. Tabor. If you would like to be listed differently, or choose to remain anonymous, please let us know before February 7th.**

Enclosed is an invitation to join us on Thursday, March 19 for a celebration of our top donors and the unveiling of our 2019 *Giving Tree*. A brief ceremony begins at 6:30 pm followed by light hors d'oeuvres and wine.

Thanks to your generosity, in 2019 IFP:

- distributed 1.2 million pounds of food, or the equivalent of over a million meals,
- expanded the number of **Healthy Choices Mobile Pantry** partners to 17 different food pantries, low-income senior housing units, and County-operated Nutrition sites,
- rescued 241,000 pounds of food, from supermarkets and farms, that would otherwise have gone to waste

On March 19, we hope to be able to offer you our personal thanks for your role in making all this possible.

Sincerely,

Sandra Benedict
Development Director

2 Executive Drive ▪ Morris Plains, NJ 07950 ▪ 973-538-8049 ▪ Fax: 973-998-5086
E-mail: interfaithfoodpantry@mcifp.org ▪ www.mcifp.org

IFP is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Our Federal tax-exempt # is 22-3618468.

2020 Easter Flowers/Donation Order Form

Easter flowers and decorations add so much to the beauty of the sanctuary for Easter worship. There are two ways to honor or remember someone special:

You may purchase plants for $10.00 per plant

**Smaller pot, tete-a-tete plant is $5.00

Please order: ____Lily _____Hyacinth _____**Tete-a-tete $5/ea

____Tulip _____ Daffodil

Total plant order $ _____

You may also donate. Contributions may be any amount.

Please accept a donation of $_____

Please complete the order form and place it in the offering plate or mail it back to the church office along with your check by **March 30th**.

Given in memory of_____

or

Given in honor of_____

Given by _____

Please make your check payable to the UMC at Mt. Tabor and mark your envelope Easter Flowers.

PLEASE NOTE: March 30th is the absolute deadline, so place your orders early!

THE SEASONS OF MOUNT TABOR

BYOB SPRING PAINTING PARTY

Saturday, March 28TH

6 to 9 pm at The Bethel

Spring comes alive with your own painting of our beautiful

MOUNT TABOR FOUNTAIN

$50 PER PERSON. ALL SUPPLIES (AND SNACKS) INCLUDED

No experience necessary; just come ready to have fun!

To reserve your spot contact:

Jeff Dickerson: jeffdickerson0@gmail.com 973-625-2879
Janet Ryans: janetery@gmail.com 973-219-4084

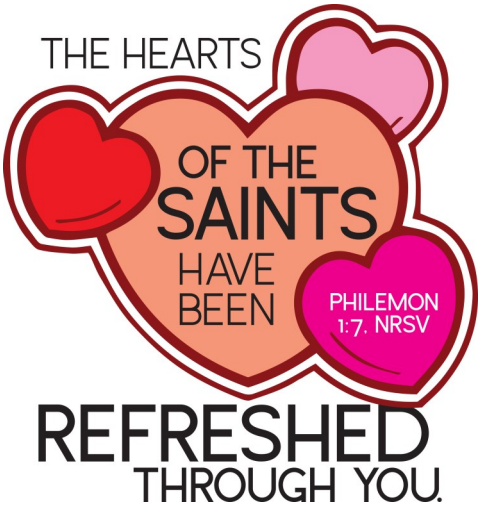
(SPONSORED BY THE UMC AT MOUNT TABOR)

A Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance was held on Valentine's Day at the Mount Tabor Country Club. A great time was had by all!

More Valentine's Day fun!

MO (Mission/Outreach) for February

Our Mission Outreach for February was making Valentine Cards and delivering them after worship to our Tabor Neighbors. Thank you to all who participated in letting our neighbors know they are loved!



HOLY WEEK

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 2nd—Palm Sunday

10:30am

We will gather at the Tabernacle and process with our palms to the sanctuary.

April 9th – Maundy Thursday

6:30pm Christian Seder and Pot Luck Supper

Come participate in the story of Passover and celebrate Holy Communion. Service at 6:30pm followed by dinner. Bring a dish to share! Service and supper to be held in Memorial Hall.

April 10th – Good Friday

Mission Outreach

A local mission opportunity will be offered by our MO Committee

April 12th – Easter

6:30am – Sunrise Service

At the Mount Tabor Country Club.

There will be no seating, so bring a lawn chair if needed. This will be a service of approximately 20 minutes.

10:30am – Easter Celebration

Our Chancel Choir and Liturgical Dancers will help us celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord!

MO Update

Our Mission of the Month for February was a success! THANK YOU to all who joined us in making and distributing Valentines to our community!

Our Mission of the Month for March will be 'Rise Against Hunger' - a meal packing event to be held at the Sparta UMC on Saturday, March 21st. Along with other volunteers across the Greater NJ Annual Conference, we'll be packing a million meals for those in need! Three time slots are available: 9a—11a, 12n-2p, and 3p-5p.

Questions, to participate, or to offer a monetary donation, speak with Warren Ververs or Laura Lemanowicz.

SPECIAL CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE

Will be held during the first part of our Administrative Council Meeting on Monday, March 9th, at 7pm.

Agenda: the acceptance of a bequest given to the church from the estate of Kay Hutchinson. We will vote to officially accept the bequest, and then hear from our Trustees their plans for the money received.

We remember Kay with joy, and offer prayers of thankfulness for her generous gift to our church.

COVENANT MEETING

will be held on Sunday, March 8th, to discuss our church's policy going forward regarding ministry with those of the LGBTQ+ community. The meeting will be held at 11:45am. Anyone interested in this discussion is welcome to attend.

Sunday School Offering Going to 'Mallory's Army'

For the 2019-2020 school year, our Sunday School chose suicide prevention as the mission it will support through offerings. Specifically, we will be supporting the organization 'Mallory's Army.'

Mallory Grossman was a student in Rockaway Township who took her own life at the age of 12 in 2017. 'Mallory's Army' was created to promote both suicide and bullying prevention.

We understand that suicide is a subject very difficult to address with children. Because of this, our Children's Sunday School class will be focusing on the anti-bullying aspect of Mallory's Army, along with discussing feelings and mental health, but will NOT be discussing suicide. The topic may be raised in our Youth classes.

All offerings brought to Sunday School will be donated to Mallory's Army. Please give generously in support of our children's mental health (for more information, visit mallorysarmy.org).

Garden of Peace

Now Accepting Payment—Groundbreaking Anticipated Soon

We are creating a beautiful garden that includes a paver patio surrounded by trees, plants, perennials, a unique water feature and landscape lighting. This will be a special place of remembrance for our loved ones with the interment of ashes. The patio area will be 16' x 16' using 12" x 12" stone pavers. Each stone paver can be purchased and engraved in memory of our loved ones for a $500.00 donation. This will be a great way to support the church and remember those who have passed on. Consider reserving a place for yourself or someone special for the future. The church is a special place to many of us and now we have a way to stay connected. This project will be overseen by the church trustees to assure maintenance and preservation of the garden. **We are now officially accepting applications**. Packets are available in the Church Office. Now is the time to fill out your application and submit payment to reserve your spot. This fundraiser will help with our goal of long term stability, all your support is greatly appreciated. Optional payment terms are now available for those who need them: You may make 2 payments of $250.00 each or 5 payments of $100.00 each.

The Trustees are handling the "Garden of Peace" and plan to have work start next month. We have received payment for 12 spaces so far ($6,000.00) but need those who made a commitment to complete and return forms and payment so we can continue our plans and have the Garden completed for spring. If you need forms or have questions about the Garden, please contact the Church Office or Mike Zinckgraf.

A ONE NIGHT ENGAGEMENT OF A TEN WOMAN SHOW

HERstory

conceived + written by Dawn Ward Lau

TEN WOMEN WHO PUT THEIR STAMP ON THE WORLD

Susan B. Anthony
Rosa Parks
Amelia Earhart
Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell
Frida Kahlo

Clara Barton
Louisa May Alcott
Isadora Duncan
Ladybird Johnson
Rosie the Riveter

Where: The Bethel, 30 Simpson Ave. Mt Tabor NJ

When: SUNDAY, March 15 1pm and 5pm

For Tickets: showtix4u.com/events/15021

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4 week
FULL DAY
9am-5pm
SUMMER INTENSIVE
JUNE 22-JULY 17
Monday –Friday
Ages 10-18

MtTaborARTs.org

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MT. TABOR ARTS SUMMER MUSIC THEATRE INTENSIVE

Performance: July 18 & 19, 2020 7:00 PM in the
Mt. Tabor Tabernacle
26 Simpson Ave. Mt. Tabor NJ 07878

Mt Tabor ARTs Collaborative is a 501c3 not for profit organization

The Mount Tabor ARTs Collaborative will be holding their Summer Intensive camp here, once again, this summer. If your children are interested in the program, it is time to register now.

This is an amazing program. Please put the performance on your calendar. You will not be disappointed!

OUR SHOPPING FUNDRAISER!

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The following flowers were graciously given in worship during the month of February:

February 2nd —The McCrostie Family—In honor of Clare Ramaglia and Jeannette Taylor

February 9th —

February 16th —The Henes Family—In memory of Hope Henes

February 23rd—Ruth Blazure—In memory of deceased members of the Blazure and Lynch Families.

If you are interested in sponsoring a week of altar flowers, please contact the church office. There are dates available!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Adult Bible Study is at 9:15am.

Everyone welcome! Join us!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Our Sunday School classes are going strong, with our Children's Class learning about Superheroes of the Bible!

All Ages welcome at 9:15am on Sundays.

MARCH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mar. 1st	Lawrence Zeh
Mar. 2nd	Carolyn Wescott
Mar. 4th	Brandon Cho, Michael Douglas
Mar. 9th	Blake Davis
Mar. 12th	Keith Chaudruc, Roger Neumann
Mar. 14th	Susan McCrostie
Mar. 16th	Gina McCrostie
Mar. 19th	Wendy (Ober) Dagner
Mar. 23rd	Mike Zinckgraf

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Mar. 26th	Thomas & Lucille Perrault

We apologize if you were not included on our list. If we have not listed your birthday, please contact the church office so we can include you in future editions.

Members and Friends In The Military

Erin Parker, *US Air Force,* former church member and son of Kathy & Chris Parker
Michael O'Neil
Drew Greenlees, *US Navy, serving in Iraq,* Graduate of PHHS, grew up in Glacier Hills
Mike Sgambati, *US Air Force, living in New Mexico,* Husband of Melissa Meyers
Alex Degrosky, friend of the Scala Family
Steven Masker, US Army, back in the US- friend of the Dickerson Family
Melissa Pier, US Marines
Danny Antolos, friend of Ruth Blazure
Ridar Gunderson, *US Marines*

Tabor's Treasures
THRIFT SHOP

HOURS
Tuesdays 10am—2pm
Wednesdays 10am—2pm
Thursdays 4pm—8pm
Fridays 10am—2pm
Saturdays 9am—1pm

One bag of donations will be accepted in the thrift shop during store hours. For larger donations or furniture donations, please contact Dawn Z at taborstreasureumc@gmail.com. Currently taking fall/winter clothing donations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BITS & PIECES

Do you have something to announce? The deadline for the **weekly bulletin** is Wednesday at 10:00am. The deadline for the **monthly Tidings** newsletter will be the 20th of each month. Please feel free to contribute!!

PRAYER CHAIN

Our church has an active prayer chain whose members regularly receive requests for prayers for specific needs. Although most often it concerns health, the need may be in other areas as well. To place a request for prayers, please call the church office at 973-627-4243 or email the office at umcmounttabor@verizon.net.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

David Ober, Jr
The McCrostie Family
Carolyn Wescott
Beth Shaw
Shirley Lynch
David Ober, Sr.
Fred Midlige
Michael Manna
Donna Wojcik
Jan Atkinson
Jeanne Believe
Patricia Caldari
Sean Byrnes
Gail Stiner
Nancy Gerardi

Today's Chuckle

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

for set-up, clean-up, and/or to provide food. Please sign up in Memorial Hall or contact the church office.

WELCOME

The United Methodist Church at Mount Tabor is a community of faith-filled friends who seek to grow closer to God through the ministry of Jesus Christ and by the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the history of Mount Tabor, and look with hope toward the future. Everyone is welcome here; everyone is cherished here; for everyone is a child of God. All are welcome to participate with us in our journey of faith, regardless of background, theological stance, or personal characteristics. We rejoice in God creating us to be a diverse family; and we strive to follow the Spirit's leading as one, while maintaining and upholding our individuality. Because of the current official stance of The United Methodist Church, we feel it is important to state a welcome to those of all sexual orientations and gender identities—You are welcome here.

God loves you just the way you are; and so do we.

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