

WEEKLY SPOTLIGHT

September 19, 2021



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September Sermon Series: Rights & Responsibilities

WORSHIP SERVICE September 19, 2021

8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (MPR/YouTube)

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS: Matthew 5:19-20 & Colossians 3:5

SERMON THEME: "Physical Righteousness"

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 12

7:00 p.m. United Methodist Men (MPR)

Tuesday, September 21

7:00 p.m. Nominations Committee (Library)

Wednesday, September 22

6:15 p.m. Book Study (FH)

Thursday, September 23

7:00 p.m. Finance Meeting (via Zoom)

MERE CHRISTIANITY by C.S. Lewis. This study will begin October 3rd and run through December 1st with a break over Thanksgiving. We will meet in-person on Sundays at 11:30-12:30am, following the Contemporary Service. For those who prefer to meet virtually from home, we will also have a Zoom session on Wednesday evenings at 7:00-8:00pm. The Wednesday session will be a repeat of the Sunday session. You can attend either one. Contact Matthew Kapus if you need a copy of the book, so we can order enough. kapus72@gmail.com.

MISSION MESSAGE - SECA has an urgent need for volunteers! Any amount of time is greatly appreciated. They also need donations of non-perishable food items, clothing, and household items. MICAH also has many ways to volunteer. Please go to their website for more information. Check out their new app called "Purposity". It's a great way to quickly connect with the needs of our homeless neighbors. They also have an Amazon wish-list. Our Micah sign-up sheet will be just inside the multipurpose room. It's time to start collecting 18-hour hand warmers!

MISSIONS COMMITTEE IS REACHING OUT - Local Afghan refugees need our help. Catholic Charities are asking for donations of sofas, dining sets, cash for purchasing mattresses, Wal-Mart and Target gift cards in increments of \$50, and gently used strollers. The gift cards can be left in the church office. If you are able to help, please contact Judy Schrader at missjudy18@gmail.com or 540.847.8243.

CONNECT AND RECONNECT - We are making every effort to Connect and Reconnect with our college/trade school students and active duty military members and friends. Please send Active Military and college/trade school contact information to SPleasants@tabumc.org.

SUNDAY CONNECTION GROUPS - We are excited that Tabernacle is connecting and reconnecting. Sunday Connection Groups begin September 12th. Adult groups meeting at 9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m. include: the Leon Anderson Discovery Class (Rm 411); the Mary Thomas Class (Rm 412); and the Seekers (Rm 413). Class curriculum will be determined at that time. You are welcome to drop in on any of these groups.

We currently do not have any connection groups planned for 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. If you are interested in facilitating a class, offering a prayer group, or an idea for another connection group, please contact Eileen David at eileendavid15@yahoo.com.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY CONNECTION GROUPS

In order to make sure we have teachers and establish classes, we need to know if your Pre-k to 5th grader will be attending **our Children's Sunday Connection groups**. Please email Eileen David (eileendavid15@yahoo.com) or call the church office with the following information: child(ren)'s name, age, and grade in school. If you have a 3rd grader, we especially want to know. All Tabernacle 3rd graders are presented a Bible, and we want to make sure we have one available for them. We hope you are interested in connecting with one of our Sunday Groups. If you have any questions or ideas, please contact me. We are looking forward to reconnecting with you!!!!

SCHOOL DRESSING DAYS UPDATE This year Tabernacle donated 37 backpacks and a monetary donation of \$405.00 to School Dressing Days. The money will be used to purchase school supplies and toiletries. The donation was greatly appreciated! Thank you Tabernacle!

MEN OF GOD - The Methodist Men's Christian Group will meet September 12th, in room 413, at 7:00 pm. The agenda is Biblical man of the month, the upcoming Chicken BBQ, Thanksgiving Auction, and more. COME AND JOIN US.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER - The Youth Group will once again be selling masks with the United Methodist Church logo on them. As we head into fall and a need for masks has increased, it's a great time to get your-self one of these super nice comfortable masks for \$10 each. Please see Melissa or a Youth for more information.

UNITED METHODIST MEN are planning a BBQ for October 2nd. The Auction will be held November 23rd.

NOTE BURNING SERVICE - Sunday, October 10th, at the 10:30 a.m. service. Tabernacle's loan was paid off in July. Pastor Hay will be our guest preacher for both services. A cornerstone will be set outside the new building entrance after the 10:30 service. Cake will be served at both Coffee Times.

FAITHLIFE E-GIVING

Beginning September 1, 2021, Tabernacle UMC is shifting over to a new giving platform called Faithlife. If you currently participate in e-giving through the Elexio System, please note we are changing platforms to Faithlife. The Elexio system will continue to take money until you either cancel it yourself, or we cancel our contract with Elexio, which will be on or around December 1, 2021. You are encouraged to go to Elexio www.elexiogiving.com, STOP RECURRING GIVING, then set up new giving under Faithlife (<https://faithlife.com/tumc-q/give>) as soon as possible. It's easy to make one-time and recurring gifts and view your giving history with this platform. Simply go to our website at <http://www.tabumc.org/>, click on E-Giving (upper right), then follow the prompts on the Faithlife website. For a recurring gift, you'll need to create a Faithlife account so you can keep track of your giving methods. Contact our church Financial Secretary at apitzerspl@yahoo.com if you have any questions. Thank you for being part of what God is doing at Tabernacle United Methodist Church.

Attendance for September 12, 2021

In Person **109**
 Livestream **73**

Counter Schedule

September 12 Ruth Kidd/Terry Sullivan
 September 19 Vedi Ellis/Nolan DiDonato

TREASURER REPORT FOR AUGUST 2021

Budget Donations.....\$30,842.42
 Budget Expenses..... \$29,081.42
 Budget Balance for August..... \$1,761.00
 Budget Balance to Date..... \$17,503.82

Other Donations – partial list

Building Fund.....\$500.00
 SECA.....\$515.00
 YWAM.....\$330.00
 School Dressing Days.....\$75.00
 Communion (Abukloi).....\$95.00
 Abukloi.....\$375.00
 Give Ye Them To Eat.....\$525.00
 Blessings Fund.....\$125.00
 Micah Ministry.....\$280.00
 UMCOR.....\$335.00
 Resource Closet.....\$50.00

God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them. (Hebrews 6:10)

PROJECT JAMES 2:16 SPECIAL OFFERING

Tabernacle's Special Offering for September will provide funds for filling Thanksgiving Food Baskets later this year. Normally, Tabernacle distributes 40 Food Baskets at Thanksgiving to benefit individuals and families in need. The baskets contain a variety of canned and non-perishable food, along with a gift certificate for the recipient to purchase fresh food items such as fruits and vegetables, turkey, bread, etc. The baskets are designed to feed a family of eight people. Please designate your monetary gifts for "Project James 2:16 / Rise Against Hunger". Due to the ongoing Covid pandemic we are unable to pack meals this year for International use, however Tabernacle will continue the tradition of providing Thanksgiving Food Baskets locally. Thank you for your generosity as we look forward to celebrating the Thanksgiving season, as a Tabernacle family, by reaching out to help other families.

IMAGINATION LIBRARY - Heading back to school and into our second year, we are busier than ever. Our outdoor movie night is October 1st at Chancellor Elementary Baseball field. Food and snacks for purchase starting at 5 pm. Entry fee is \$5/person with cashless option. All proceeds go to support expanding the program to Spotsylvania zip code 22553. We have 525 children enrolled, graduated 72, and gifted 4,172 books. Our waitlist is growing with 75 families anxious to start the program. The cost is \$25/child a year. Please come and wear your TUMC regalia to connect and re-connect with our community.

BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION - Ms. Madeline Harris will be celebrating her 101st birthday on September 15th! Friends and family show her your love by sending a birthday card. You may send to Madeline Harris, 11206 Lynchburg Drive, Fredericksburg, VA 22407 or 15021 Wintercross Ct, Dumfries, VA 22025.

NEWCOMER - We welcome to the office and staff Mrs. Lato-nya Jackson. She comes to us with a wealth of technology and administrative experience. Mrs. Jackson is married and has four adult children, and a 3 year old grandson. She is an active church member who loves to spend time with family and friends. When you have an opportunity stop by or call Mrs. Jackson.