

Guest Preacher
MATTHEW KAPUS

Matthew Kapus has been a member of Tabernacle UMC since 2017. As a layperson, he leads the Wednesday night book study group, assists Diann Kellison with the Leon Anderson Discovery Class on Sundays, plays bass guitar at the 10:30 Contemporary Service, and is the church librarian. He also recently taught a 6-week course in Christian Apologetics to the youth group.

Matthew grew up in Fort Benton, a small wheat-farming community in central Montana. Upon graduating college with a Bachelor's degree in Nuclear Physics from Oregon State University, he received a commission in the U.S. Navy and became a submarine officer. After serving for 20 years on submarines and at the Pentagon, he retired from active duty in 2017 and was hired by the Navy as a civilian to help design the computer software used on submarines and ships. In addition to the degree in physics, Matthew also received a Master's Degree in Information Security from Penn State University and a Master's Degree in Christian Apologetics from Liberty University.

Matthew and his wife, Rhonda, were married in 2016. Both avid baseball fans (he roots for the Seattle Mariners and she for the Baltimore Orioles), they were married at Orioles Park at Camden Yards during a Mariners/Orioles game. Every year they celebrate that event by attending a Mariners/Orioles game at Camden Yards. Their record since their wedding is tied at 3 games apiece.

Matthew and Rhonda have a blended family of five children from previous marriages. All are grown; no grandkids (yet).

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SERVANTS OF WORSHIP

Pastor: Pastor Ted Smith

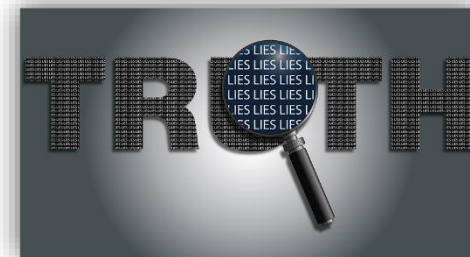
Guest Preacher: Matthew Kapus

Lay Reader: Rhonda Kapus

Praise Team: Wendy Green, Matthew Kapus, Rhonda Kapus,
Susan Pleasants, Donna Morsi

Floral Arrangements: Helen Pemberton





July 31, 2022, 10:30 a.m.

Contemporary Worship Service
Sermon Focus: Wisdom

OPENING SONG
GREETING

Praise Team
 Matt Kapus

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Lay Reader

Leader: Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

People: We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.

Leader: Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

People: We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.

Leader: Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

People: We long to live lives of holiness and light.

Leader: God grants His wisdom generously to all who ask.

People: Come near, people of God! Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

SONG OF PRAISE "Trading My Sorrows"
KIDS FOR CHRIST WITH MRS. JUDY

Praise Team

OPENING PRAYER*

Lay Reader

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE*

Lay Reader

LORD'S PRAYER*

Lay Reader

SONG OF PRAISE "We Want To See Jesus Lifted High" Praise Team

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 3:18-23

SERMON

"So That We Not Deceive Ourselves"

Matt Kapus

MESSAGE INVITATIONS

Invitation to Christ

Offering

Hearers and Doers of the Word

SONG OF PRAISE

"Mountain-Valley"

Praise Team

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING
GOING FORTH

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*Lay Reader: Rhonda Kapus

1 Corinthians 3:18-23

¹⁸ Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. ¹⁹ For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," ²⁰ and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile." ²¹ So let no one boast about people. For all things are yours, ²² whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, ²³ and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

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