

WEEKLY SPOTLIGHT

April 28, 2024

 **TABERNACLE**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICE:

8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (MPR/YouTube)

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READING:

John 15:1-8

MESSAGE: "True Best Friends"

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 28

8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

9:30 a.m. RFour.org Studies (Sr. High Room)

9:30 a.m. Leon Anderson Discovery (FH)

9:30 a.m. Mary Thomas Sunday School (Room 412)

9:30 a.m. Seekers Sunday School (Room 411)

9:30 a.m. Kids Connection (Room 404)

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (MPR/YouTube)

10:30 a.m. Kids For Christ (Room 403)

11:30 a.m. Youth Ministry (MPR)

3:00 p.m. Fredericksburg Studio Show (MPR)

Monday, April 29 – No events.

Tuesday, April 30

12:00 p.m. AA meeting (Room 414)

Wednesday, May 1

6:00 p.m. Dinner – Book Study (FH)/Good News Bears & 180 Youth (MPR)

6:30 p.m. Good News Bears & 180 Youth (Classrooms)

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class (Room 414)

Thursday, May 2

9:30 a.m. Prayer Group (Library)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study (Library)

12:00 p.m. AA meeting (Room 414)

12:00 p.m. National Day of Prayer event (Spotsylvania Public Safety Building)

1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry (FH)

3:30 p.m. Thurman Brisben Shelter

5:30 p.m. Bell Choir practice (FH)

6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir practice (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m. Praise Band (MPR)

Friday, May 3 – No events.

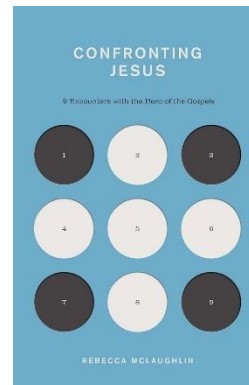
Saturday, May 4

7:30 a.m. AA meeting (Room 112)

4:00 p.m. Chicken BBQ (MPR)

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, **April 27th** from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. We need 5-7 volunteers to cook, set up, clean up, and meet-n-greet. Arrival time 8:30 a.m. and departure 11:30 a.m. Please contact Beth DiDonato at 540-717-2622 or bigredsoh@aol.com to help. This local community service is a long-standing tradition, and a devoted team has served this ministry since the start. Fill your plate with scrambled eggs, sausages, pancakes, and English-muffins in a safe, inclusive, and family-like atmosphere. Invite your friends and neighbors. You are welcome to come just as you are: this ministry is about connecting with our community and building lasting relationships with each other.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BOOK STUDY



Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" This is the most important question any of us can ask ourselves. Christian apologist, Rebecca McLaughlin, helps us look at what the four Gospels say about Jesus in her latest book, *Confronting Jesus: 9 Encounters with the Hero of the Gospels*. Come join the Wednesday Night Book Study group starting **May 1st**. Dinner is at 6:00

p.m. The study starts at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Zoom is also available. There are copies of the book in the library. Please read the Introduction and Chapter 1 before the first meeting. Contact Matthew Kapus if you have questions. education@tabumc.org

CONFIRMATION CLASSES - Pastor Ted and church leaders are in the final steps of planning Confirmation classes that will begin Wednesday, **May 1st**. The classes will take place for six weeks from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Confirmation Sunday & VBS presentation Sunday will be **June 9th** during the 10:30 a.m. worship. Please call Pastor Ted immediately if your teen is interested in participating.

UNITED METHODIST MEN



The Pit-Cooked **Chicken BBQ Dinner** is Saturday, **May 4th** from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the MPR. A one-half chicken dinner includes coleslaw, potato salad, bread, and drink (\$12) and a kid's meal quarter-chicken (\$8).

LUNCH BUNCH - The Health and Welfare Ministry is endeavoring to revive the Lunch Bunch fellowship. There may be a few changes from the original plan, but we are asking individuals to get in touch with Teresa Crisafulli (cillium@yahoo.com; (540)786-2778) or Julie Perusse (jkperusse@comcast.net; (540) 760-7095) with questions. We are planning for our luncheons on the second Wednesday of each month **beginning May 8, 2024 at Noon**. Main entree and drinks will be provided. You may bring a covered dish, a side, or dessert if you would like.



GRADUATION RECOGNITION

If you have a senior graduating from high school or college this spring, please let us know. We will be recognizing them on Sunday, **May 12th**. Contact Matthew Kapus at education@tabumc.org or call the church office at 540-786-6162 no later than **May 3rd**. Please provide the following information: Student's name, graduating school, and future plans. If they will not be attending May 12th, please also provide a mailing address where a gift may be sent.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – Tabernacle's Prayer Shawl Ministry is a group of wonderfully talented ladies who knit and crochet prayer shawls, lap blankets and lap throws. They do this because they know prayer shawls can be warm hugs of happiness, empathy, support, and something to hold on to when all else seems to be slipping away. Wrapping another in a prayer shawl knitted with your own prayers and loving thoughts is a gift not only for the one receiving the shawl, but also for you. To join these wonderful ladies or to request a prayer shawl, please contact Betty Ann Greene at shawl@tabumc.org or 540-786-2674.

Want to go to a summer camp this year? Make Westview on the James a top choice. Seven to Fourteen year olds, there is a camp for you. The United Methodist Men will again offer scholarships to Tabernacle church members. Contact Dick Carmichael at 540-538-3648 or fewellc@comcast.net.

RESOURCE CLOSET - Resource Closet items of the month: Paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, etc.)

SECA NEEDS FOOD – There is a shortage of canned goods, and we are asking our Tabernacle family to help fill the shelves. The foods needed are canned fruit, peas, beans (no green beans), rice and tuna fish. Please bring donations to the MPR and place in the basket marked SECA.



June 3-7

9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Ages preschool – rising 5th graders

Hello wonderful church family! Our church is gearing up for this summer's VBS, SCUBA – diving into friendship with God! This announcement is an invitation for you to join this amazing event by volunteering! We need you and have a volunteer job that is perfect for you! VBS positions that are open for volunteering include: nursery worker, crew leader, and station leader. Other helpful ways to volunteer include food donations, monetary donations and help in building decorations. VBS is a blessing to all who participate!! Just come ask Rhonda Kapus how you can be involved and let's make this the best year yet with our children and teaching them about Jesus' love.

Attendance for April 21, 2024

In-Person	149
Livestream	30

Counters Schedule

April 28 – Terry S. and David R.
May 5 – Wendy B. and Margaret M.

Greeters Schedule

April 28 – Linda and Donna
May 5 - Tanya