The Steeple: January 2025

Prayer Requests

Lois Stephens Nancy Stephens Jav Rice Angie Conner Jimmy Meggs Pam Aseff Joan Murray Melba Brown Kelly Conn Melinda Holmes Doris Grav Pastor Sarah Goodwin Rochelle and Joel Bendall Lauren Pate Gary House Steve Bridges Krystalyn Boman Steve Tanski Connie Spiller and family Cindy Harding and family

Please help us pray for those on the prayer list, and for our congregation, local, state, and federal governments, US military their families, and our church staff and leadership.

January Birthdays

01/04Delores Smith01/11Steve Mauter01/18Peggy Snider01/19Buddy Reece01/23Abigail Deng

TMC Quilting

Taylorville Methodist Church Quilters will meet on January 4th and January 18th at 9AM. If you would like more information contact Peggy Snider at 574-707-5743.

Taylorville Methodist Woman

Taylorville Methodist Women will have their next meeting on January 27, 2025. Prayer shawls, quilts, Christmas ornaments, and octopi will be blessed and distributed to Hospice of West Alabama and to Northport DCH NICU. If you would like more information about TMW please contact Joan Hannah at 205-242-4444.

Memorial Gifts

Gifts has been given in memory of Alice Cox by Ed and Diane Allen, Blanche Gumprecht, Kay LuQuire, Roger and Janet Winningham, Terry and Delores Smith, Butch and Regina Noland, Buddy and Sheila Reece, Bobby and Rhonda Cowart, Col. And Mrs. William Pool, and Way, Ray, Shelton, and Co.

Gifts from God

Gifts from God totals for 2024: General \$21,050.00 and Building \$19,158.40. This brings to grand total to \$40,208.40.

Pastor's Letter:

Dear TMC Family and Friends,

Happy New Year!

I pray and hope that you all had a blessed Christmas. The worship life at TMC throughout Advent and Christmas was truly special. Amid the various worship services, get-to-togethers, and holiday pageantry, the highlight for your pastor was the blessed opportunity to take Holy Communion and Christmas carols to our homebound a few days before Christmas. Please continue to keep all of them in your prayers!

Now with the holiday seasons and our jam-packed fall in the rearview mirror, Taylorville Methodist has the blessed opportunity to catch our breath before Lent and Easter bring more heightened activity. During this two-month long Epiphany season, I want to encourage all of you to intentionally slow down and personally curate protected time with Jesus every day.

Our souls require sabbaths and cannot function in any holy way without concerted and routine devotion to the Lord. Regardless of our station in life, every single one of us makes time for what is most important. In this new year, I earnestly beg you to prioritize your faith and make time with Jesus. I promise, you will be surprised at how a little quiet prayer time and thoughtful reflection on Scripture each day allows the Holy Spirit to minister to you in profound ways.

Also, as many of you know, Sarah and I are expecting our first child to be born at the beginning of March. This means throughout most of Lent, I will be on paternity leave. If all goes well, I tentatively plan to return back to the pulpit on Palm Sunday. More information on my leave schedule, those who will be filling the pulpit, pastoral care in my absence, and my accessibility during the leave period will all be finalized and published before the end of February.

Sarah and I are incredibly excited about this next and upcoming chapter in our lives. We ask that you insulate us in constant prayer as we become brand new parents. We are incredibly grateful for your support, provision, and love. We also cannot wait to present you with the newest addition to our family in due time.

Finally, do not forget that our first duty is to worship. It is out of right and consistent worship that we are spiritually formed to boldly and faithfully make God's kingdom visible in Jesus' name. During this Epiphany season, make time with Jesus each day. Moreover, do not neglect to gather with one another each week in His presence to celebrate and give thanks for the salvation He has given us!! Your sanctification depends on it!

As always, my heart and mind for Christ are with you!!

Your Brother in Christ, Pastor Taylor 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Church News

- -Alice Jewell Williams Cox, a beloved member of Taylorville Methodist Church, passed away peacefully at Hospice of West Alabama on December 27, 2024.
- -Baby shower for Pastor Taylor and Pastor Sarah on Sunday, January 12, 2025 in the gym from 2:00PM-3:30PM.
- -Seven Rivers Christian School out of Florida will be staying at Taylorville Methodist Church again this year. They will be arriving on Thursday, February 20, 2025, and departing on Wednesday, February 26, 2025. While they are staying with us, they will be working with Habitat. Seven Rivers Christian School will also be attending church service on Sunday, February 23, 2025 with Taylorville Methodist Church.



You can give online securely by scanning the QR code with your smartphone camera and clicking the URL that pops up!

January Calendar of Events

Jan 4 9AM TMC Quilters

Jan 12 2PM Baby Goodwin Bay Shower
Jan 16 9AM-2PM Church Office Closed-Michelle

Jan 18 9AM TMC Quilters Jan 21 10AM Mexican Train

Jan 22 9AM-2PM Church Office Closed-Michelle

Jan 27 10AM TMW

Sunday:

9:00 AM Contemporary Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Traditional Service

Weekly Activities

Wednesday:

6:00PM Pastor's Small Group 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

2:00PM Pastor's Spiritual Discipline Class

Online Giving

It's now possible to set up your giving online! Simply go to https://taylorville-umc.churchcenter.com/giving, select whether you want to give a one-time gift or a recurring donation, enter the info, and click submit.

December Average Attendance

In-Person- 74 Online - 2

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