

The Steeple: May 2024

Prayer Requests

Lois Stephens
Minnie Coates
Nancy Stephens
Tony Barron
Jay Rice
Alice Cox
Hazel Quinn
Angie Conner
Jeanette Lamar
Wells Womack
Myron Shiers
Sue Etheridge
Jimmy Meggs
Lainey Mahan
Steve Bridges
Dave Harding
Barbara Barker
Carol Glass
Janice McCoy

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.

May Birthdays

05/10 Buster McMillan
05/10 Matthew Forrester
05/10 Megan Forrester
05/11 Holly Elliott
05/15 Susan Jacobs
05/19 Austin Smith
05/24 Kay LuQuire

Pastor's Letter:

Dear TMC Friends and Family,

We have been enjoying the warmer weather! We hope y'all have been enjoying it as well. April saw us begin our Eastertide sermon series "The Word of Life" as we journey through 1 John. This series will take us all the way through the end of June, if you can believe it! This has been a fun series to dive into, as 1 John is a beautifully theological, yet practical letter. We hope that it has been a blessing to you and your walk with Jesus as it has been for us!

We had the opportunity in April to attend many conferences on behalf of the church, for which we are thankful! The Global Methodist Church is truly striving to get back to our heritage and universally confessed Christian faith so that we may be on mission for Jesus' Kingdom. Your pastors were revitalized at a Young Clergy conference where we got to worship with and learn from fellow "young" clergy - 40 ish and under! We loved the encouragement we received from our peers all around the Methodist connection. Then Pastor Sarah attended the North Alabama Children's Ministry Network's "Renew" conference, where she got to make some connections for TMC for how we grow the faith of our littlest disciples - and also learn from them! Then we both attended "Reconstructing Methodism", where we once again fellowshiped with folks all around, laity and clergy, and we were encouraged with the direction of the GMC. If you want to hear about any or all of these conferences, we are more than happy to discuss them with you! It is truly our goal to make available to our churches what we are taught, as we are able.

Pastor Taylor will be out of the country for his annual National Guard training from May 3-17. Please be in prayer for his unit as they do their annual exercise. Due to Pastor Taylor being away, Pastor Sarah will be your main contact during those two weeks. We will take a break from our 1 John series, and then start it up again on Pentecost (May 19)!

As our focus on Sunday mornings is wholly on worshiping our Lord Jesus, we want to take a moment in this medium to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the mothers, mother-figures, and spiritual mothers as Mother's Day (May 12) approaches. We thank the Lord for mothers/mother-figures of all types who raise up our children. We also take this moment to appreciate and acknowledge that this day might not be easy for some who grieve mothers passed, who feel the lack of a present mother, and those who desire motherhood. We see you, we love you, and we lift you up for your own contributions to the Family of God.

We continue to look forward to building relationships with you, to caring for you, and praying for you. Don't forget we are here to shepherd you into a deeper relationship with Christ - we're only a call, text, or email away.

In Christ's peace,
Pastors Taylor and Sarah Goodwin

TMC Quilting

Taylorville Methodist Church Quilters will meet on May 4th and May 18th at 9AM. If you would like more information contact Peggy Snider at 547-707-5743.

Altar Flowers

If anyone would like to place a flower arrangement on the altar "in memory of" or "in honor of" someone special contact Regina Noland at 205.242.7485. We have Holy Communion the first Sunday of every month, no alter flowers that Sunday.

Fall Craft Bazaar

Taylorville Methodist Church is having a Fall Craft Bazaar on November 16, 2024. We will have more information coming soon! If you would like to be on the planning committee, contact Diane Allen at 205-349-9579.

Taylorville Methodist Woman

Taylorville Methodist Women had a guest speaker in April. Mr. Weldon Cole from Freedom Farms spoke about the progress at Freedom Farms. TMW presented Mr. Cole with a check for Freedom Farms. The ladies also discussed how important it is to go and visit the church shut-ins. May meeting will be moved to the 3rd Monday because of Memorial Day. Prayer Shawls, quilts, and octopi were blessed and distributed to Hospice of West Alabama and Northport DCH NICU. If you would like more information about TMW please contact Joan Hannah at 205-242-4444.

Thank You

Taylorville Methodist Church Appreciates You!

Susan Jacobs for weeding the shrubs and cleaning the floors in Ed Allen's Sunday School room.

Hayden Sexton for putting lights on the stage in The Grove.

A big thank you to all our Sunday School teachers Ed Allen, Joan Hannah, Mike Gray, and Candice Burge.

May Calendar of Events

05/04 9AM TMC Quilters
05/18 9AM TMC Quilters
05/20 10AM TMW **change from normal months**
05/27 9A-2P Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

Weekly Activities

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

Wednesday
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

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.

April Average Attendance

In-Person- 63
Online - 6

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