



TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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“... whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” ~1 Corinthians 10: 31b, NRSV

If you look at me now, you will probably laugh when I tell you that I am a sprinter on my high school track team. I am pretty bad, slower than I think everyone out there. But when the starter pistol sounds, I run as fast as I can. I give it my all. While the outsider might look at the final results and shake the proverbial head at my last place finish, I know that I have done my best.

The same is true for our spiritual journey to Jesus, with Jesus, and for Jesus. The Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 10 is pushing against the Jewish Christians who still have this idea that they can't have fellowship with the Gentile pagans. Paul stresses that the focus of the Jesus-followers is not inward but outward. We are called to do the best with what we have, give it our all.

Recently, I was asked how Easter will be different at Tabernacle because of the pandemic. The question is more directed toward the logistics than the actual meaning of the “Big Day.” I shared about the in-person and online worship opportunities. But I also emphasize that the Day of Resurrection is still the Day of Resurrection! WHO we worship supersedes HOW we worship.

We are in the middle of the Lenten season. I understand that celebrating the Resurrection is still in the (near) future. We still have to endure Holy Week, the Passion of the Christ, and the Cross. However, let us continue to persevere in our faith, keeping our focus on “breaking the tape” because it is by loving one another that we can finish the race in first place – together!

Lenten Blessings,
Pastor Glenn



Daily Lenten Bible Readings

Week 5: Worship

Sunday: 1 Corinthians 10:31-33

Monday: John 4:19-24

Tuesday: John 6:52-58

Wednesday: Revelation 5:6-14

Thursday: Isaiah 6:1-8

Friday: Psalm 96

Saturday – Psalm 148

CHURCH NEWS

Palms for Palm Sunday - We have a new addition to the church altar. Two “Majesty Palm” trees were purchased by the church in preparation for Palm Sunday next week. Isn't the name of the palms appropriate? When hearing about the purchase, the UM Women graciously offered to make a donation to cover the cost of the palm trees and the decorative pots in which they are planted. Thank you UMW! Also... flowers/bulbs that will decorate the altar for Easter will be planted in the church flower beds to brighten up the church grounds. By the way, did you know that Saturday, March 20th is the first day of Spring?

Ways To Support Your Church

ShopRite Grocery Program: Are you a Shoprite customer? If you are, why not purchase Shop Rite grocery cards after today's service and 5% of your purchase will benefit Tabernacle!

Amazon Smile donates to Tabernacle UMC!

Most of us shop from Amazon at one time or another! If you register thru **AmazonSmile** and choose **Tabernacle United Methodist Church-Cape May** as your charity, the church will receive a quarterly check for a percentage of whatever you purchase! Then always log in thru AmazonSmile for the church to receive donations. This is a free and easy way that we can earn money for the church! **Sign up by entering: Smile.Amazon.com on your internet browser address line & enter your regular Amazon ID & Password to register!**





Please be in prayer for those below, also remember in light of the current Covid pandemic, the extra challenges that we face from time to time... fear, anxiety, economic hardships, isolation, & many other stresses that are unique to the times we live in.

- Pastor Glenn & Family
- Jodi Cathrall
- John Dickinson
- Dawn Garretson
- Betty Wund
- Ralph Genovese
- Flo Magee
- Andrew Wund
- Lyndsey Bolton
- Betty Carlton
- Tandi Ankrum
- Tom Ankrum
- Jay Spori
- Cathy Oney
- Cass Pascali
- Mr. Phil Breden, Sr.
- Buddy Halbruner
- Carol Cahill (friend of Paul Breden)
- Steve Brown
- Braden Brojakowski
- Ella Elliott
- Wil Kaufman: cancer treatments
- Prayer for those without power across our nation.
- CW2 Ryan Pritchard, in Afghanistan
- Marly Genovese: hip replacement and broken foot

Those that live alone:

Doris Raker, Ella Elliott, Bob Jenkins, John Leo, Ernie Long, Alice Fuddy, Steve Brown and other friends & family who remain anonymous.

In Shut In & Convalescent Care

Wesley Manor: Shirley Rutherford, Shirley Halbruner
Pitman Manor: Edna Dickinson

Prayer for those who have lost loved ones:

- Janis Halbruner & Family
- The Chinn Family
- Bill Stahl & family
- Elizabeth Bailey & Family
- Frank Cahill
- The Chinn Family
- Flo Magee and Family
- The family of Mary Mason
- Jackie Matkowski & Family
- The Gorsline Family
- The Still Family
- Brenda & Robert Church & Family



Listen to the Service on your phone:

If you cannot use the internet, you may call-in to the 11am service and listen on your phone!

Call: (929) 205-6099 then give the Meeting ID: 981 176 2526

UPDATED: Password/code: 7798139

Tabernacle Basic Blessings: A ministry of Tabernacle UMC which collects & distributes basic necessities that go unprovided by state funded programs. Items and donations made go toward the purchase of Basic Blessings stock. Distributions are held on the third Saturday each month at 10am at Tabernacle UMC. Pastor is available for counseling for those desiring spiritual help.

Please MAIL all Tabernacle UMC Tithes/Offerings & Correspondence to the Church Treasurer at her home office:

Margie Katity - 115 Aspen Drive Swainton, NJ 08210

Do not send mail to the church mailbox

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Pastor Glenn asks the Tabernacle community to once again commit to a Holy Week that is sensitive to pandemic safety concerns.

In 2021, the “hybrid” model will be in place, some in-person and some online, beginning with Passion Sunday on March 28 and ending with the Day of Resurrection on April 4. Both events will be celebrated in-person in the Tabernacle Sanctuary at 9:15am with online-only worship from PG’s office (or Parsonage Porch) at 11am.

March 28	Passion Sunday	“Silence”	Mark 14: 32 – 41
March 31	Spy Wednesday	“Deception”	Luke 22: 1 – 6
April 1	Holy Thursday	“Love”	John 3: 1-17, 31-35
April 2	Good Friday	“Shadows”	John (selected verses)
April 3	Silent Saturday	NO WORSHIP	
April 4	Easter Sunday	“Gratitude”	Luke 24: 1-12, 50-53

On Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, Pastor Glenn will offer worship from the Sanctuary via livestream on Tabernacle’s Facebook page (www.facebook.com/tabernacle.umc.9).

While the Sanctuary will be open, please note that it will essentially be “PG & computer.” ZOOM also will be available for those who desire to engage via telephone.

Pastor Glenn may offer a brief online-only Easter Sunday SonRise service at 7:00 am.

Holy Week is a powerful time in the life of the disciples of Jesus. The most important thing is that we worship our Lord – from His Passion to His Crucifixion to His Resurrection.

These events stay the same – *wherever* we worship.

QUIZ TIME! ANSWERS

Choose the right expression with “spring” to fill in the gaps!

1. My brother always _____ (e) _____ when I need protection.
2. Let’s _____ (g) _____ and get this done quickly.
3. I almost had a heart attack when my niece _____ (b) _____ me from behind the door.
4. She is _____ (a) _____ but she can still work all day in the garden.
5. You always _____ (i) _____ when I need somebody to talk to.
6. His parties never _____ (d) _____ until midnight but they always last until dawn.
7. My grandfather _____ (h) _____ as if he was a young athlete.
8. I don’t want to _____ (c) _____ you but I invited some friends over for dinner tonight.
9. These boring topics _____ (j) _____ whenever your father joins the conversation.
10. He has had a _____ (f) _____ ever since his daughter was born last month.

Expressions to choose from:

- a. No spring chicken
- b. Spring out at
- c. Spring it on
- d. Spring into action
- e. Springs to my defense
- f. Spring in his step
- g. Spring to life
- h. Springs to his feet
- i. Spring to mind
- j. Spring up