

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Third Sunday After Pentecost

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10:00 am



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**It is the Mission of Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church to be:  
A blessed community in Christ that warmly welcomes people,  
across their lifespans, to worship and serve in varied and diverse ways,  
enthusiastically responding to God's call.**

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**+ WE GATHER TOGETHER +**

***Welcome Visitors!*** *We are delighted you are with us today!*

*If you are visiting with family or friends, we pray that your time together is filled with joy & love. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to become part of our community of faith here at Tabor.*

**Words of Welcome**      *Welcome to all who worship today!*

*May our fellowship with Christ & with one another –  
listening to God’s living Word, singing and praying  
and sharing the Holy Meal - all be blessed by God.*

**Hymn**                      ***Come Worship the Lord, Psalm 95***                      ***John Michael Talbot***  
*Verses sung by Chuck Stack, Director of Music Ministry*

**Chorus**                      ***Come worship the Lord***  
***For we are His people***  
***The flock that He shepherds***  
***Alleluia***

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**New Members Affirmation of Baptism**

*(Invite new members forward. Marian, John, Joann & Jim)*

P.      Dear Tabor friends - today we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for the gift of welcoming new members into our Tabor faith community. One with us in the body of Christ, they now make public affirmation of their baptism.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these - *our siblings in Christ -  
Marian, John, Joann and Jim* –  
whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism.

You have called them to yourself,  
enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit,  
and nourished them in the community of faith.  
Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism,  
and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth.  
We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

## Profession of Faith

P. Together we profess our faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*Response: I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*Response: I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*Response: I renounce them.*

*To the whole Assembly:*

AM. Do you believe in God the Father?

**C. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

AM. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

AM. Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

## Affirmation in Presence of The Assembly

P. Marian, Jim, Joanne & John ~  
you have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant

God made with you in holy baptism:

- to live among God's faithful people,
- to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
- to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
- to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and
- to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**Response: *I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.***

**P.** People of God, do you promise to support these – your sisters and brothers in Christ - and pray for them on their lifelong faith journey ?

**C.** **We do, and we ask God to help us.**

**P.** Let us pray...

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in *these and in all your beloved children...*

the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding,

the spirit of counsel and might,

the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,

the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**AM.** Let us rejoice together with Marian, John, Joanne & Jim - and with all of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

**C.** **We rejoice in the life of baptism.**

**Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

**Hymn**

*Every Move I Make*

*David Ruis*

*Verse*

*Every move I make I make in You*

*You make me move Jesus*

*Every breath I take I breathe in You*

*Every step I take I take in You*

*You are my way Jesus*

*Every breath I take I breathe in You*

*Bridge*

*La la la la la la la*

*La la la la la la la la*

*Chorus*

*Waves of mercy waves of grace*

*Everywhere I look I see Your face*

*Your love has captured me*

*Oh my God this love how can it be*

*Ending*

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**Greeting**

**P.** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**C.** **And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

- P. Sovereign God, you offer us true freedom and guide us on our way.  
C. **Keep us faithful to your ways, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your path, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## Announcements

+ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD +

### A Reading from Romans

**Romans 4:13-21**

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law, but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, *I have made you the father of many nations*) - in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Hoping against hope, Abraham believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

Word of God.

**C. Word of Life.**

### Hymn

***Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!***

***Traditional***

*Glory glory, hallelujah, when I lay my burdens down.*

*Glory glory, hallelu-u-jah, when I lay my burdens down.*

*No more crying, no more crying, when I lay my burdens down.*

*No more crying, no more cry-y-ing, when I lay my burdens down.*

*Thank you Jesus, thank you Jesus when I lay my burdens down.*

*Thank you Jesus, thank you Je-e-sus when I lay my burdens down.*

*Glory glory, hallelujah, when I lay my burdens down.*

*Glory glory, hallelu-u-jah, when I lay my burdens down.*

## The Holy Gospel according to Luke

Luke 9:51-52, 57-62

Jesus set his face to go to Jerusalem, and he sent messengers ahead of him

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But the man said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

+ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD +

Sermon

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*Pastor Maria Hammons*

*Time of Reflection*

### Prayers of Intercession

*(Petitions marked "W" for worshipper may be read by anyone who feels moved by the Spirit.)*

AM. United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, all creation, and all in need. *A brief silence is kept.*

*The congregation may kneel or sit during the prayers.*

W. Holy God, giver of life, you established peace through your Son and gave your church the hope of sharing in your glory. Enliven us by your Spirit to speak and act in love for the sake of the world. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. Creator of all, you rejoice in creation and have given responsibility to us for the works of your hands. Instill in everyone your Spirit of care for the earth, and for all of your creatures, especially in areas threatened by ecological devastation. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. Loving Redeemer, you delight in the human race. Move the hearts of world leaders to seek wisdom, speak truth, and care for all who are endangered by poverty, prejudice, or violence. Further the work of those working for peace and justice for all people. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

AM. Abiding comforter, you care for those who are suffering. Grant healing to all in need. Help us to not be so fatigued from the brokenness in our world, that we become numb to the pain. We pray for all who face terminal illness or chronic disease, for those who struggle with addiction or anxiety, for those close to death and for those who are grieving. We lift up those close to the hearts of our Tabor family - those on our prayer list ... the Janow family, Austin, Tim, Susan, Ruth, Carl, Joan, Iris, Lynne, Bob, Cathyann, Bryan, Nancy, Lindsey, Bertie, Tom, Carol, Chet, Cody, Alexander, Ben, and Patrick ... and those in our hearts or on our lips – *(a time of silence is kept)*.  
In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. God of relationships, you create community. Build up our Tabor faith community and ministries - especially those that support those who have special needs. Inspire us to do the work we need to do, trusting it will lead to new possibilities. Help us embrace the opportunities you place before us. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. Holy God, we remember your saints and are grateful for their strong faith and witness. May we all have their faith. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

AM. God of every time & place, in Jesus' name, filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those of our hearts into your holy keeping.

**C. Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*As we await the day when it will be safe to embrace one another,  
we offer each other a sign of God's perfect peace... God's shalom.*

P. The peace of Christ be with you all.

**C. And also with you.**

**Offering**            *We offer our gifts - our time, talent, and treasure - to God,  
in thanksgiving for all that God has given us.*

**Offertory Prayer**        *We give thanks for God's good gifts.*

P. *Let us pray.* Holy God ... through your Holy Spirit we are blessed with resurrection and renewal. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer in thanksgiving.

**C. We offer our gifts to you praying that you will use them to bring new life and hope to our mission as your people in this place and time. Amen.**

+ **WE RECEIVE GOD’S GRACE** +

**Great Thanksgiving**

- P. The Lord be with you.    **C. And also with you.**  
P. Lift up your hearts.        **C. We lift them to the Lord.**  
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*We raise our bread together as we hear the Words of Institution –  
the Words that Jesus spoke at the Last Supper with his disciples.*

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me. **Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**        *Let us pray in the words that Jesus taught us.*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Invitation to Communion**        *All are welcome at the Lord’s Table!*

- P. Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest, and let these gifts to us be blessed.  
**C. Blessed be God, who is our Bread; may all the world be clothed & fed.  
Amen.**

*Together, we receive the Holy Meal.  
The Body and Blood of Christ, given for you.*

*Verse*

*Lord I lift Your name on high  
Lord I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad You're in my life  
I'm so glad You came to save us*

*Chorus*

*You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift Your name on high*

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**Post-Communion Blessing**

- P. May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, bless you and keep you in his grace.  
C. **Amen.**

+ WE ARE SENT TO SERVE +

**A Prayer for Travelers**

- P. Let us pray. O God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go, preserve those who travel, surround them with your loving care, protect them from every danger, and bring them in safety to their journey's end. We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
C. **Amen**

**Blessing**

- P. May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

***This Is Amazing Grace***

*Jeremy Riddle | Josh Farro | Phil Wickham*

***Verse 1***

*Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory the King above all kings*

***Verse 2***

*Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory the King above all kings*

***Chorus***

*(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace  
This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me*

***Verse 3***

*Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory the King of Glory*

***Verse 4***

*Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory the King above all kings*

***Bridge***

*Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy worthy worthy*

**Dismissal**

- P. God has poured the Holy Spirit into our hearts.  
Strengthened for the journey we go forward in hope...
- C. **Witnessing to God’s love, serving in God’s name.**

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**Assisting with Worship Today**

Ushers	Volunteers
Lector	Lori Linsley
Assisting Minister	Heather Loehmann
Musicians	Charles Stack Kiersten Bjork Christian Bjork
Presider/Preacher	Rev. Maria Hammons

**Worship next Sunday, July 3, 2022**

Ushers	Need Volunteers
Lector	Need Volunteer
Assisting Minister	Lori Linsley
Musician	Chuck Stack
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*The flowers on the altar today are given in gratitude for our intentional interim Pastor Maria Hammons and for Charles Stack for their service to Tabor.*

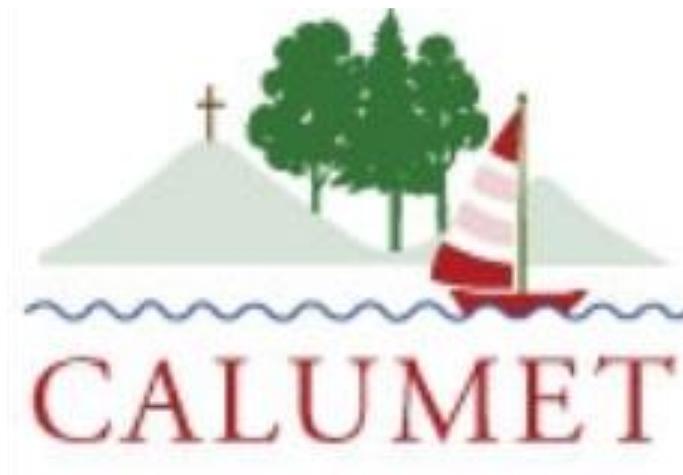
**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**June 26, 2022 – July 3, 2022**

<b>Sunday, June 26, 2022</b>	<b>THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>	
10:00 a.m.	Worship Service	<b>Church Lawn</b>
11:00 a.m.	Annual Congregational Meeting	
<b>Monday, June 27, 2022</b>		
9am – 4pm	Office Hours	<b>Church Office</b>
<b>Tuesday June 28, 2022</b>		
9am-12pm	Preschool Summer Camp	<b>Education Wing</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 29, 2022</b>		
9am-12pm	Preschool Summer Camp	<b>Education Wing</b>
9 a.m.-12pm	Office Hours	<b>Church Office</b>
<b>Thursday, June 30, 2022</b>		
9am-12pm	Preschool Summer Camp	<b>Education Wing</b>
<b>Friday, July 1, 2022</b>		
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Office Hours	<b>Church Office</b>
9am – 12p	Preschool Summer Camp	<b>Education Wing</b>
<b>Saturday, July 2, 2022</b>		
<b>Sunday, July 3, 2022</b>	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>	
10:00 a m	Worship Service	<b>Tabor Lawn</b>

## Registration is now open for Calumet's 2022 Walk the Walk!

Walk the Walk is a yearly fundraiser for Camp Calumet, the New England Synod's year-round outdoor ministry camp on the beautiful shores of Lake Ossipee in NH. Many members of Tabor's congregation attend their family camp each summer and in the past, Tabor's youth have attended confirmation and resident camp there. The registration fee is a \$25 donation to Camp. The Walk runs until August 31, and each week of the Walk, participants will log miles to raise money for camp. These miles don't have to be exclusively from walking; you can also run, bike, swim, or whatever you'd prefer to do. You can also register your pets! The more people (and animals) who register and the more miles you walk, the more money gets raised for Calumet! This year, Kiersten and Christian Bjork are the captains for Team Tabor, and we would love to have you on our team! You can register now at [calumet.org/walkthewalk2022](https://calumet.org/walkthewalk2022) and be sure to choose Team Tabor as your team! The Walk is a great way to get some exercise, and to raise money for a great place that has meant a lot to many members of our congregation. If the Walk doesn't sound like the thing for you, Calumet will also be collecting donations to support their ministries. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to Kiersten or Christian at church, or via email at [kiersten.bjork@gmail.com](mailto:kiersten.bjork@gmail.com)!



Be part of a HUGE community of people walking for Calumet by signing up for Walk the Walk! Get ready to help Calumet Nation walk lots of miles, raise lots of money, and be in great shape by the time the walk is over on August 31.

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Register by going to  
[www.calumet.org/walkthewalk2022](http://www.calumet.org/walkthewalk2022) or  
by scanning the QR code to the right.  
The registration fee is a \$25 donation to  
Camp Calumet

