



From the Pastor

How many of you enjoy a good game of cards? How many of you have enjoyed playing cards most of your life? How many of you play for \$? (Don't answer that, I really don't want to know!) How many of you know which king in most standard decks of cards does NOT have a mustache? How many of you just got back from looking for a deck of cards?

It is amazing how we can spend so much time handling and seeing things our whole lives and never notice the small details. We do this with trivial things, like cards. We do this with vital things like our family and friends. We do this with eternal things, like God and his Word. How many of us have caught ourselves looking at something we've seen many times before, only to notice something "new" and exclaim, "I've never noticed that before!"

The good news is that God knows every minute detail about everything; including you. Nothing will ever come to him as a: "I've never seen that before!" surprise. He is already in every detail of our lives redeeming every detail of our lives for his glory and our good. The completed work redemption was accomplished by the King of kings and Lord of lords – Jesus Christ! And it is carried out in our lives by the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit.

Which brings me back to my original trivia question. (How many of you were "chomping at the bit" for the answer?) In most standard decks of cards, the King of Hearts is the only king without a mustache. (You can ask Alexa for the history – or just google it, like me.)

According to historians, it was the French who standardized the playing cards; making the stencils for the "face" cards that we still use today. But over time, the King of Hearts had the most changes to him. He may have originally had a mustache and he was originally holding a battle axe instead of a sword. By the time of King Henry IV (1553-1610), each king in each suit represented a real king in history: David (from the Bible) was ♠ spades; Alexander the Great was ♣ clubs; Caesar Augustus was ♦ diamonds; and Charlemagne (aka. Charles I or Charles the Great) was ♥ hearts. Card "historians" and snopes.com, say this is no longer the case, and "face" cards no longer represent real people. But why let facts get in the way of fun?

So what's my point? One of my favorite Sundays of the year usually occurs on the last Sunday of November. It celebrates the last Sunday of the Christian (liturgical) year. It is Christ the King Sunday. Every year on this Sunday we celebrate Jesus Christ as King of kings and Lord of lords forever and ever! Amen! (I Timothy 6:15-16)

Now, if we're going to worship him for the rest of eternity, don't you think we should know more details about him? How well do you know Jesus? How earnestly do you really want to know more about Jesus? You're going to serve and worship him forever! (Revelation 22:3-5)

I want us all to know more about Jesus every day. I want us all to invest ourselves in learning more about our King. I want us in worship; Sunday School; Bible Study; fellowship; and ministry with each other. I want us ready to serve our Lord and King. Let's get to know him – in every detail.

*Grace & Peace,
Jack*



News you can Use. . .

CHARGE CONFERENCE this year will be held as a cluster again with Courthouse Community, Nimmo, Bethel, Tabernacle, and Light of Hope churches. The meeting will be held on **Tuesday, November 19**, at **Light of Hope UMC (208 S. Plaza Trail)** at **7:00 p.m.** We will begin in the sanctuary with worship and Holy Communion. Then our District Superintendent, Wayne Snead, will conduct the annual business of each church and celebrate our joint ministries. All are invited to attend.



Trunk or Treat Harvest Festival – Saturday, October 26, starting at **3:30 p.m.** It's always a great time for young and old alike!

Mark your calendar! We will have our annual **Hanging of the Greens** (decorating for Christmas) on **Sunday, November 24**, following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Lunch will be provided for all who stay to help. It's more fun if we all do it together.

Tabernacle continues to support the **PiN Ministry's** outreach to the local homeless community. You can serve a hot meal on any Sunday afternoon, donate clothing or other necessities, serve breakfast to recovering addicts or prepare bag lunches.

We will be preparing **bag lunches** on **November 16th** at 10 a.m.



SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR 42ND ANNUAL COLONIAL DINNER

It is **Saturday, November 16th** from 4-7 p.m.

It is not too soon to start making those special crafts for our Colonial Dinner Bazaar.



I am looking for anyone who would like to help me make this another great event. I would appreciate any input you may have as well as any special skills you would like to share.

This has become a special community event and it gives us the opportunity to invite all of our congregation and many of our neighbors to share in a fun evening of good food and fellowship.

Email or call Maureen Mitchell with your suggestions and helping hands at 1moe@cox.net, home phone 757-689-8499 or cell phone 757-719-3109.

Blessings,
Maureen

Emmaus: Now is time to get your applications in!

The deadline for the fall walks will be here before you know it. Asking a friend to participate in the weekend is a wonderful gift. If you are interested in attending, please contact Tommy Moore, Jack Davis or anyone who has attended a weekend. The Walk to Emmaus is a three-day experience intended to strengthen the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The fall walks will be **October 17-20** for the men and **October 24-27** for the women.

(www.tidewateremmaus.org).



Foundations in Faith

Having balance



It can be difficult at times to have balance in our lives. Knowing when to rest can be difficult for some of us, but also knowing when to work and when to play.

When Jesus visited Mary and Martha, Mary knew when to stop, but Martha didn't. Mary sat at Jesus's feet so she would not miss the moment, but Martha just kept on working (Luke 10:38-41). I wonder how many times I've missed God trying to talk to me because I continue to work or play.

There is a time for everything and giving it the balance or the right amount of time can make it beautiful. Work is beautiful, but when we work when it is time to play then work is no longer beautiful. This can create stress in our lives destroying our health. Playing too much can also destroy us. If we play too much and don't work enough we can lose our job and not be able to pay our bills. Having a good life is all about balance - we have to know when to start and when to stop. God wants us as Christians to enjoy our lives to the fullest.

Blessings,
Craig Zeigler

Health & Welfare Report



I just want to recap for you how your health and welfare funds have been used so far in 2019. We have used a total of \$7018.73 so far.

With this we have had the privilege and joy to assist several brothers and sisters in our own congregation. Outside of our walls, help has been given for Dominion Energy, car rental for transportation to jobs while theirs was being fixed, and rent for temporary housing for two families. One of these families we helped for about a month in extended stay accommodations while they waited for their VA housing to open up. This was expensive but it covered 4 people of 4 different generations to stay together while they waited. Our balance in the Health and Welfare fund at the end of August was \$168.98. Thank you all so much for your continuous generosity. The balance has probably already grown. If you are able, please consider donating again.

In His Service,
Ellen Heim



Reaching New People....



On my way to the Harvest Revival in Pungo, I was thinking about how to reach people with the love of Christ. Immediately I felt the Lord answered me with, "Be the body of Christ...be Jesus' hands, feet, eyes, ears, and ultimately the Word and heart of Christ." "Of course," I thought. If we would be the body of Christ and actively reach out to our neighbor, coworkers, social circle, family and friends as servant leaders, we would usher in the presence and love of God in all our interactions with others. Moreover, Jesus would reach new and familiar people through us daily.

Everyday Evangelism is not an event, but rather an outlook. When we are looking out for opportunities to minister to others in the name of Jesus Christ by simply offering a helping hand or listening ear, we are ushering in the presence and love of God. God does ministry in these moments as we are obedient to His prompting.

There is nothing more fulfilling than to share a small part in someone else's God Moment. A God moment is simply a glimpse of God's divine hand and plan in our everyday living. The Holy Spirit is on call 24/7 to open our eyes and hearts to God's plan for our lives, one God moment at a time.

Likewise, we are on call to answer God's call to be whatever part of Christ's body He needs us to be as we obediently minister to those we come in contact with daily. What an amazing mission! I pray that each of our eyes will be open to see people the way God sees them and share His love the way Jesus modeled for us when He walked this earth.

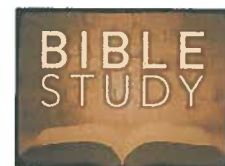
Need more training? You bet you do! We all need training daily on how to effectively be the hands and feet of Jesus. Tabernacle offers classes on Sunday mornings between services, Wednesday evening Bible studies and RightNow Media with a plethora of inspiring Bible teachings equipping us to grow into Christ's likeness and reach people with the love of God daily. Plus there is Bible Study Fellowship happening Monday evenings and Thursday morning in our area for the whole family.

Please pray about where God is leading you to study His Word and be trained in the steps of Jesus. The harvest is plentiful, more workers needed! You are hired!

Shine on,

Sharon Davis

P.S. If you are wondering what would Jesus do if he were walking in your shoes, I would love to help you get started in a Bible Study this Fall.





JOLT



Jesus Offers Love Today

JOLT Mission Trips: Our middle school students finished a terrific weekend in Kinston, NC, in August. Twelve youth and four chaperones worked with Hope Restoration and the Refuge, cleaning out a burned home, replacing the flooring of a porch and laying a brick patio. Additionally, we shared the mission projects with the congregation on September 8th, including individual missions (Charlotte Shuffler, Caroline Willett, Mary Hall) and the earlier week-long trip to Carlisle, PA. Thanks to everyone for your support of mission work throughout the year. It is a true blessing to work with youth and adults being the hands and feet of Christ. Please consider joining us next year.

Youth Yard Sale September 21!! Thanks to all who helped with the yard sale. Proceeds from this fundraiser help support next year's mission trips.

Youth Bible Study: Join us on Wednesday nights starting **September 25th**! Middle and high school students worship and fellowship together each week. It is always a fun-filled time with food, games and study. Bring a friend and have some fun.



Movie Nights Starting in October, Movie Nights return. Come out and enjoy a light dinner and some popcorn. Movies start at 7 p.m. and dinner is served just before.

S.P.L.A.S.H. (Swimming, Playing, Laughing and Sharing Him) events will continue into the fall. Look for emails, texts and announcements for fun fall events. If you are interested in hosting a youth event (high school, middle school or both), please let Tommy know. It does not need to be extravagant; just hanging out can be fun.

CHRYSALIS: Now is time to get your applications in!! Chrysalis "Flights" (for 9th through 12th graders and college students) are Tidewater Emmaus events. This three-day spiritual renewal time provides an opportunity for you to learn more about faith, to experience Christian love and support, and to make new faith commitments. The next flight is **January 18-20, 2020** at Triple R Ranch in Chesapeake. Please contact Cathy Strong or Pastor Jack if you are interested in attending this event.

DNOW 20 Discipleship Now (DNOW) is a local retreat weekend, where youth get to share in fellowship, mission and fun with other youth groups. Planning for next spring is starting, and if you are interested in helping, please let Tommy know.



TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HISTORY AND FACTS

- *1789 First known Circuit Riders. Congregation met in Meeting House and other private locations. Two Circuit Riders served at the same time.
- * Tabernacle was organized as a part of the Princess Anne Charge which consisted of eight Churches—Nimmo, Charity, Bethel, Providence, Knotts Island, Salem, Beech Grove
- * Congregation decided to purchase one acre of land in Princess Anne Co., for \$20.00 at our present location
- *1830 Tabernacle Church built, a simple rectangle shaped building with oak beams and cypress boarding. Slave balcony was included with two separate entrances.
- *1858 Sabbath School organized.
- *1861 Was noted in book of the day that Sabbath School teachers were leaving to serve in the Civil War effort but are being replaced by senior elders of the church. Tabernacle had several men to serve in the war.
- *1863- No Circuit Riders were present during the worst years of the Civil War. Several Churches in the area were used and destroyed by the Union Army for horse stables.
- 1865
- *1870 Separate building erected & used for a Temperance Hall and a Sabbath School.
- *1881 “Rosebuds” group (newly organized at Tabernacle, women organization) promises to pay for the building of a parsonage, which they did.
- *1881 Tabernacle becomes a member of the South Princess Anne Charge which also consisted of Nimmo and Salem
- *1908 Renovations done to the church, slave balcony removed and two entrances were replaced by a vestibule and a bell tower over it. Bell was purchased from a fundraiser by the Ladies Aid Society at a cost of \$50. Original windows were replaced with stained glass bordered pane glass. New cypress sideboards were installed on exterior. Three rows of simple pews were replaced by hand carved molded pews. The simple altar was replaced by an expanded choir loft and a wider altar space. The old chimney, which was part of the structure was removed.

- *1920 Electric lights replaced lanterns, the original hooks for the lanterns are still in place in the ceiling.
- *1939- The two outbuildings (Temperance Hall and Sabbath School) burned down due to sparks from
- 1941 the wood stove catching the cedar shakes (roofing) on fire. Addition was built on the back of the church which included a Kitchen, Social Hall and classrooms, our present parlor.
- *1951- Old parsonage was sold, The three churches in the Princess Anne Charge (Nimmo, Salem, and
- 1953 Tabernacle) built a parsonage at the Courthouse for \$5,000.
- *1955 First Annual Lotus Luncheon was held in July
- *1957 Tabernacle became a “station” church with our own minister assigned to serve the congregation
- *1959 Tabernacle completes parsonage across the street from the church for \$20,000. The church received \$5,800 for our share of selling the jointly owned parsonage which was put toward the cost of building the present day parsonage. We purchased an additional 15 acres adjoining the property.
- *1968 Two national denominations joined. Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren- to become United Methodist. Our church became Tabernacle United Methodist Church.
- *1969- The Church Bldg. was closed due to termite damage. An Educational Bldg. was built for \$60,000
- 1970 The 140th Anniversary year of Tabernacle was celebrated. The Educational Bldg. became the “new” church & the white church became the “old” church
- *1970- Because of the deterioration of the “old” church, worship services were held in the “new”
- 1978 church



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TABERNACLE HISTORY – continued from previous page –

*1976 Beginning of the restoration of the “Old” church. Floor system and foundation replaced, new furnaces, finally a/c in the church no more fighting with the flies and wasps, side walls mostly replaced, exterior scraped and repainted, original choir loft replicated on the left side of the church, altar was expanded, two side room additions, two restrooms added, handicapped ramp and replacement of roof. Volunteer work included some electrical, plumbing, pew and altar refinishing, large wooden wall cross constructed from wood discovered under the pulpit. Preservation would take permission from the Norfolk Methodist District, they had to be convinced that we could raise the funds. In one year, we raised \$35,000 in pledges, donations, dinners, rummage sales, auctions and just plain scraping and saving, we were given permission to restore the building. In 15 months we had raised \$43,500

*1978 Contract signed with Meredith Construction for \$101,837, and all funds were paid in full by 1979. First Service held in restored church Christmas Eve, December 24, 1978

*1978 First annual Colonial Dinner held as a fund raiser for the restoration

*1989 Bicentennial Year. First 200 years of service.

HERITAGE FUND

When was it Established:

The Administrative Board of Tabernacle established this fund in 1995, the original members of this Committee were: Mary Cooper, Chairperson, Sue Foy, Recording Secretary, David Land, Ray Waterfield, Dot Whitehurst, Vernon Bonney, Phyllis Dowdy, Edna Grimstead, Ann Henley and Pastor Gary Heaton.

What is the Heritage Fund:

It is referred to as a PROPERTY ENDOWMENT to provide funds for the preservation of properties of the Church, with special emphasis given to the “white church”.

Why was it established:

The Heritage Fund was established to provide a source of income to help preserve and maintain the beauty and structure of the buildings and grounds of Tabernacle United Methodist Church for the use and enjoyment of future generations.

How the Fund works:

Your gift to the fund will establish the initial principal, from which *only the investment income* will be used to preserve and protect church property

The Heritage Committee created the Heritage Garden and our cookbook “Table Talk” as a fund raiser.

You can purchase bricks in memory, in honor of loved ones, acknowledge weddings, anniversary, births and other special occasions with your brick purchase.

If you have any questions please contact one of Heritage Committee Members:

Hester Waterfield
Sandra Neal
Linda Ackiss
Ann Henley

Jimmy Brickhouse
Ron Wasson
Vernon Bonney

All of the above information is in our Historical records.

Ann Henley
Church Historian
July 2019

Look Up O' Sinner

Look up O' sinner!
Look up and see!
The King of glory
In His majesty!



Cry not in dread,
Or tremble in fear.
He's come to save you
And dry your tears.

Look up O' sinner
And praise His name!
He heals the sick
And makes whole the lame.

His blood was shed
To make you clean.
Rejoice O' sinner
And praise your King!

Shane J Lussier



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



October

Kraft, Jessica	10/2
Powers, Seth	10/3
Colley, Trey	10/4
Heivilin, Vincent	10/4
Orr, Bill	10/4
Fisher, Kenzie	10/5
Chandler, Madison	10/5
Park, Ryan	10/5
Almberg, Tom	10/6
Bolt, Jeremy	10/6
Willett, Scott	10/6
Hall, Bob	10/7
Cayo, Mark	10/8
Cox, Austin	10/10
Shuffler, Jim	10/10
Shray, Robert	10/10
Oyler, Nancy	10/11
Foster, Martha	10/12
Wyatt, Anna	10/12
Cunningham, Stephanie	10/15
Willett, Caroline	10/15
Hardwick, Scott	10/18
Brickhouse, Logan	10/20
Riggs, Richard Jr.	10/23
Everett, Carmen	10/24
Wasson, Kathy	10/25
Bonney, Vernon	10/26
Trypuc, Allison	10/26
Schweers, Carly	10/26
Wiseman, Charlie	10/27
Peters, Hattie	10/27
Brunelle, Rob	10/28
Land, David	10/29
Early, Isaac	10/30

November

Riggs, Kim	11/2
Woodward, Brandon	11/5
Waite, Leigh Ann	11/6
Bunting, Leonard	11/6
Lussier, Shane	11/7
Norton, Megan	11/7
Lussier, Sheri	11/12
Kash, Meredith	11/12
Hester, Chris	11/13
Griffith, Kathy	11/13
Reese, Melina Rae	11/13
Byers, EmmaJean	11/15
Brickhouse, James	11/17
Morgan, Patty	11/17
Hopkins, Lauren	11/18
Brunelle, Zachary	11/19
Mowbray, Mark	11/20
Sampson, Max	11/21
Shuffler, Austan	11/21
Cyphers, Rita	11/21
Hester, Christian	11/22
Woodward, Kathryn	11/23
Cox, Raygan	11/24
Hopkins, Mark	11/26
Kash, Tristan	11/26
Raehl, Rick	11/27
Kwiatkowski, Mike	11/30



Volunteers

Ushers

October

- 6 Shelby Nelson, Rick Norton
- 13 Brent Loftis, Jim Schuffler
- 20 Brandon Woodward, Mike Garcia
- 27 Bob Hall, Mark Cayo

November

- 3 Roy Rechkemmer, Scott Hardwick
- 10 Shane Lussier, Mark Lovelace
- 17 Tommy Moore, Wes Senti
- 24 Craig Zeigler, Jack Sorrells

Acolytes

October

- 6 Logen Hallford
- 13 Nick Windsor
- 20 Charlotte Shuffler
- 27 Elisha Hester

November

- 3 Austin Zeigler
- 10 Martha Hester
- 17 Logen Hallford
- 24 Nick Windsor

Children's Church Helpers

Families worship together first Sundays

October

- 13 Jeffrey Windsor
- 20 Rebecca Hester
- 27 Martha Hester

Children's Church Helpers continued -

November

- 3 Carmen Everett
- 10 Austin Zeigler
- 17 Megan Reese
- 24 Luke Moore

Helping Hands (Nursery)

October

- 6 Desiree Zeigler
- 13 Sydney Lussier
- 20 Rachael Strong
- 27 Lily Moore

November

- 3 Charlotte Shuffler
- 10 Eliza Willett
- 17 Emery Moore
- 24 Desiree Zeigler

Counters

October

- 6 Ann Henley & Ann Lovelace
- 13 Paul Russell & Jordan Dorsey
- 20 Marlane Brickhouse & Craig Zeigler
- 27 Ronda Loftis & Roy Rechkemmer

November

- 3 Brandon Woodward & Sue Senti
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Please notify Jamy Cassidy two weeks in advance if you cannot help on your scheduled date.



Tabernacle United Methodist Church

October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:30 p.m. Choir 7:00 Council on Ministries	2 5:00 a.m. Prayer 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Pioneer Club	3	4	5 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at the Church
6 Worship 8:30 &11 Sun. School 9:45	7	8 6:30 p.m. Choir	9 5:00 a.m. Prayer 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Pioneer Club	10	11	12
13 Worship 8:30 &11 Sun. School 9:45	14	15 6:30 p.m. Choir	16 5:00 a.m. Prayer 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Pioneer Club	17	18	19
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27 Worship 8:30 &11 Sun. School 9:45	28	29 6:00 p.m. Finance 6:30 p.m. Choir 7:00 Admin Board	30 5:00 a.m. Prayer 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Pioneer Club	31		



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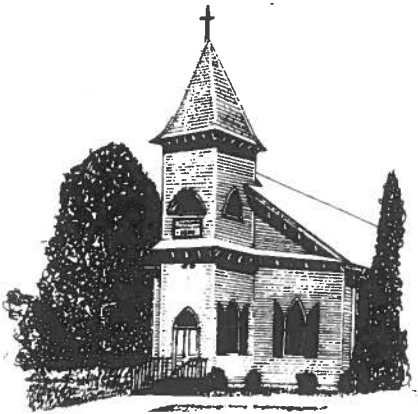
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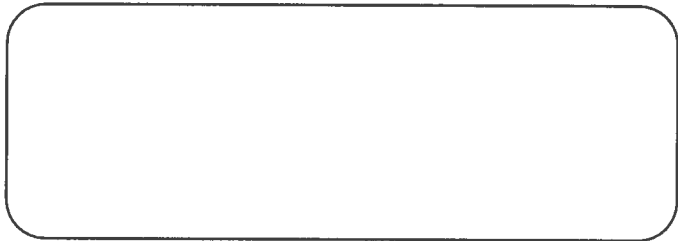
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and
friends become family!*

Worship Hours

8:30am Contemporary Service
9:30am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Service



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