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Adult Sunday School Classes – 10:30am

Triumphant Disciples – Led by Linda Myers

This class discusses different books of the Bible and how they relate to our lives.

Seekers – Led by Donna Hanning and Pat Baughman

This mixed adult class follows The David C. Cook Sunday School material which focuses on the Old and New Testaments. We have a lesson focus, read the scripture and have discussion questions. Class discussion and participation are encouraged in learning more of the scripture and drawing closer to our Lord and Savior.

Men's Bible Class – Led by Terry Boller

This class explores the scriptures of the Bible and applies it to everyday life.

Sunday School for Young Disciples – 10:30 am

“One Room Schoolhouse” Class for Kindergarten thru 4th Grade – Led by Terry Boller and Trudy Price

Sunday School Class for 5th to 8th grade – Led by Phyllis Kelly

Everyone needs a place to grow in Jesus' family! All children are invited to come and learn together with us.

Check our website for more information about Tom's Creek UMC

www.tomscreekumc.com

WELCOME TO



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26, 2025

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PRELUDE

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Words: Folliott S Pierpoint - Music: Conrad Kocher - (c) Public Domain CCLI #961399

Pastor Mike
Carol Hipp

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 65

Penny Sica

You are strong, and your mighty power
put the mountains in place.
**You take care of the earth
and send rain to help the soil grow all kinds of crops**
Your rivers never run dry.
and you prepare the earth to produce much grain.
**You water all of its fields and level the lumpy ground.
You send showers of rain to soften the soil
and help the plants sprout.**
Wherever your footsteps touch the earth,
a rich harvest is gathered
**Desert pastures blossom, and mountains celebrate
Meadows are filled with sheep and goats;
valleys overflow with grain and echo with joyful songs.**

-from the Contemporary English Version

*HYMN "Come, Christians Join to Sing"

UMH #158

Words: Christian Henry Bateman - Music: Traditional Melody; arr. by Benjamin Carr; harm. by Austin C Lovelace -
(c) 1964 Abingdon Press - CLI #961399

PRAYER TOGETHER

Pastor Mike

**Lord our God, may we come to You
in humility and repentance,
ready to encounter You in love
and to turn toward You
and the life work you call us toward
with faith, hope, and that same love.
Thank you for making us Your sons and daughters,
together with Jesus Christ,
your Son and our Lord for ever.
Amen.**

-Adapted from the Carmelite Community (<https://ocarm.org/en/item/79>)

Helpful Information

Welcome Card: First time visitors are invited to sign the card. Please place the card in the offering plate or in the basket near the bulletins.

Restrooms and Water Fountains are located beyond the glass double doors to the right as well as an elevator lift.

Fragrance Free: Please refrain from using perfume and cologne as many in our congregation have asthma and other allergies.

Communion is offered on the first Sunday of each month and open to all.

Fellowship Hour: A time of hospitality and refreshments is offered each Sunday following the service in the Fellowship Hall.

Aluminum Can Recycle: Barrels are outside the Church building for you to bring **only your rinsed out aluminum cans** to be recycled!

Printer Cartridges – Please donate your used printer / ink cartridges to the Church to help defray the costs for our Church office supplies. Put them in the collection box in the lobby.

Reminder: If you take pictures of Church activities, please make photocopies of the pictures and send them to Judy Coleman for the website.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS AND EVENTS	
Wednesdays: Mahjongg at 9:30am Chimes Choir: 6:15-7:15pm Choir: 7:30-8:30pm 2 nd Sunday of the Month at 1:30pm – TCUMC Leads Worship for Lorien Residents (Taneytown)	
October 28	Trustees Meeting 7pm
November 10	Connect/Serve/Share Committee Meeting, 7pm
November 13	ECC Meeting, 10:30am
November 15	Church Conference, 4:30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

November’s Communion Side Offering will go to help offset expenses for Rose Weimer’s ramp.

Acolyte Training TODAY! All third graders and older are invited to acolyte training with Pastor Mike today. Please contact him to participate after worship today! Come serve on our acolyte team and lead us in carrying the Light of Christ!

Candy Yule Log Making for Christmas will begin on **November 4th**. We will also be making candy on **November 11, 18 and 25**, at 6am. Everyone is encouraged to help. If you can't be there at 6am, come whenever you can. It's also time to start taking orders for the Yule Logs. Flyers for distribution and order forms are available on the lobby table. Please contact Butch or Roy with any questions.

Operation Christmas Child – Join us in this ministry to help brighten the life of a child this Christmas—pack a shoebox. Shoeboxes and pamphlets with information on how to pack a shoebox are in the Parlor. The filled boxes must be returned to the Church by November 16.

Card Ministry 2026 – Help is needed for the card ministry—sending cards to our shut-ins and our military family. A sign-up sheet is on the lobby table. You can be reimbursed for the expense of cards and stamps if you would like to be a part of this ministry. Any questions, please see Pat Baughman. Thank you.

TCUMC Poinsettias for Christmas – You are invited to purchase poinsettias in honor or in memory of someone. Poinsettias will be displayed during the Advent Season and Christmas holiday. There are red or white poinsettias in 6-inch pots for \$6.50 each. Order forms are on the table by the mailboxes. **The order forms need to be returned to Holly and Dale Carr’s church mailbox by November 23. Payment must be included with the order form.**

The Tom’s Creek family extends their deepest sympathy to Chuck and Jeanne Schubert and their family on the passing of their son, Craig Schubert, on October 20th.

SCRIPTURE *Joel 2:23-32*
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Penny Sica

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SPECIAL MUSIC *“Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place”*
The Ladies and the Back Row
Words & Music: Lanny Wolfe - Chiral Setting: Jack Schrader - (c) 1977 & this arr. (c) 2007 Lanny Wolfe
Music - CCLI #961399

PRAYER
THE LORD’S PRAYER

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. AMEN.

SCRIPTURE READINGS
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 **Luke 18:9-14*
MESSAGE *“Humble Hope and Help”*
OFFERING *Pastor Mike*

Offertory *“Just As I Am, Without One Plea” (instrumental only)* *Carol Hipp*
Words: Charlotte Elliott - Music: William B Bradbury - (c) Public Domain - CCLI #961399
**Doxology* *UMH #95*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BENEDICTION**
***HYMN** *“He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought”* *UMH #128*
Words: Joseph Gilmore - Music: William B Bradbury - (c) Public Domain - CCLI #961399
POSTLUDE *“I Stand Amazed in the Presence”* *Carol Hipp*
Words & Music: Charles H Gabriel - (c) Public Domain - CCLI #961399

PARTICIPATING IN OUR SERVICES TODAY

Acolytes	Carol Amoss / Bill Coburn
Greeters / Ushers	Greta Nettleton / Jayce
Lay Reader	Penny Sica
Music Director	Debbie Henning
Pianist	Carol Hipp
Time with Young Disciples	Pastor Mike
Nursery	Greta Nettleton
Fellowship	MaryEllen Shuey

PARTICIPATING IN OUR SERVICES ON NOVEMBER 2

Acolytes	Carol Amoss / Bill Coburn
Greeters / Ushers	Pat Brabson and Bonnie Gillum
Lay Reader	Phyllis Kelly
Music Director	Debbie Henning
Pianist	Carol Hipp
Time with Young Disciples	Pastor Mike
Nursery	
Fellowship	Curtis and Pat Baughman

Giving Update – September 1-30, 2025



TOTAL OFFERING: \$19,496.75 (includes Capital Fund, Cash, General Offering (envelopes and VANCO on-line giving).

Tom’s Creek UMC mission team (NOW Missions): Total Donations for September were \$182.00, plus 10% of profit from yard sale in the amount of \$160.25. Total \$342.25.

Monthly Communion offering: every month our communion offering goes to a designated mission. For the Month of September, Tom’s Creek UMC supported Mission of Mercy in the amount of \$200.00.

Jimmy Hill Enduring Legacy Fund: beyond our present ministries and expenses, we have a fund designed to support our church for generations to come. September contributions were \$330.00. Besides when we “pass the plate” in worship, you can also give your tithes and offerings online. Please go to our website, www.tomscreekumc.com, click on the “Donate” button and it will take you to our online giving page. Then follow the directions. **Thanks to everyone for supporting the LORD's work through our church.**

PRAYER LIST

At Tom’s Creek United Methodist Church, we believe in the power of prayer. Following is a list of our members, but the Intercessory Prayer Group has an extensive list of people and situations for which our church is praying. Feel free to share your prayers so we can pray for each other and the world.

Ongoing Health Concerns

Jim Cramer	Vicki Cramer	Marshall Dawson	Casey Glass
Ken Hood	Carson Kelly	Frank Negro	Sandy Negro
Star Noel	Linn McChancy		

Those with Cancer & Their Loved Ones

Nancy Baker	Mary Glass
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Limited to Home or Nursing Facility

Libby Fuss	Pat Hood	Joan Keller	Barb Phelps
Virginia Wantz	Rose Weimer	Linda Woo	

Military and Their Families

Nick Colby	Ian Dincau	Mason Hurst	DJ Marcelle
Darren Oremen	Jacob Smith	Nathan Schaffer	

Pastor Mike’s Schedule for Week of October 27	
If you’re in need of pastoral assistance outside of office hours, call me at 443-501-6028. If I’m with someone, I will call you back. Never hesitate to leave me a message if you have an urgent need!	
Monday, October 27	In the office 10am – 1pm
Tuesday, October 28	BWC Conference Center Meeting, 9am – 3pm Luke’s Session postponed this week. Trustees Meeting, 7pm
Wednesday, October 29	Visiting
Thursday, October 30	Worship Prep Ethics Cohort Meeting, 2-3pm
Friday, October 31	Pastor Mike’s Sabbath
Saturday, November 1	Colonial Days at Strawbridge Shrine, 12-2pm