

TOM'S CREEK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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



“Dance of Grace” by Mark Keathley

Third Sunday After The Epiphany

January 25, 2026

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PRELUDE

I Need The Every Hour

Words: Annie S Hawks - Music: Robert Lowry - (c) Public Domain - CCLI #961399

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 27:1, 4-9*

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

**The LORD is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?**

One thing I asked of the LORD; this I seek: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

**For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on a rock.**

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

**Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;
be gracious to me and answer me!**

"Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, LORD, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help.

**Do not cast me off; do not forsake me,
O God of my salvation!**

*HYMN *Gather Us In*

Words & Music: Marty Haugen - (c) 1982 GIA Publications, Inc. - CCLI #961399

Pastor Mike

Carol Hipp

Pat Brabson

**in our churches, in our communities, in our countries.
And in silence, we lay before you the burdens of our hearts.**

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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.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS AND EVENTS	
Wednesdays: Mahjongg at 9:30am	SCHEDULED MEETINGS AND EVENTS Chime Choir: 6:15-7:15pm Choir: 7:30-8:30pm
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January 25	TODAY - New Member and Baptism Class and Info Session, during Sunday School
January 31	Film and lunch about grief, loneliness and strength together, 10am
February 2	Connect/Serve/Share Committee Meeting, 70pm
February 10	Trustees Meeting, 7pm
February 17	Shrove Tuesday Free Pancake Dinner, 5-7pm
February 18	Ash Wednesday
February 19	Oldies & Goodies, 12pm

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

UPCOMING EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY – New Member and Baptism Class and Info Session, January 25th
with Pastor Mike during Sunday School. You are welcome to explore going deeper with Jesus and his disciples at Tom's Creek UMC. Come to fellowship and explore together!

Saturday, January 31, 10:00am - Are you or someone you know experiencing loneliness, anxiety, depression, or grief? The church family is here to carry one another's burdens and share our sorrows. Join us for a film, a meaningful, quiet time of reflection, and lunch together. You are not alone.

Communion Side Offering – The February communion side offering will go to The Hot Dog Club in Macon, GA.

Shrove Tuesday Free Pancake Dinner – February 17, 5pm – 7pm. Join us and bring family and friends. All are welcome! Free will offering baskets will be available for donations. All proceeds will benefit SHIP of Frederick County. Flyers are on the table in the lobby for you to take and give to family and friends. Sign-up sheets are on the table for food donations and help with the dinner.

February 18, Ash Wednesday, 7pm at Thurmont UMC – Join area United Methodists for a shared Ash Wednesday Service at Thurmont UMC, 13880 Long Road, Thurmont, MD 21788.

The Christian Education Team needs Sunday School teachers and helpers. Contact Trudy Price at 717-337-2897 for more information or questions you may have. If you are not yet approved by our Safe Sanctuary Committee, contact Heather Fitzgerald at faithisfirstnow@gmail.com to go through the process.

Tom's Creek Community Cemetery News

To the Tom's Creek UMC community: The Tom's Creek cemetery committee is raising the price of a single burial plot from \$1,000 to \$2,500. This will take effect on April 1, 2026. If you are interested in purchasing a lot, please contact 240-315-5073.

AV Techs Are Needed - We need volunteers to run the presentation during worship on a rotating basis. If you can help out, please contact Debbie Henning at 410-259-5814 or debbiehen@gmail.com. There will be training on February 8th and 15th following the service. Thank you in advance for helping with this ministry.

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so, together we pray...

**God of all creation,
in Christ, we are reconciled,
and so we ask for your uniting Spirit
to help us overcome all our divisions
that we may live in peace.**

--www.christianaid.org.uk

SCRIPTURE 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-31
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pat Brabson

HYMN *We Are the Church*

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UMH #558

JOYS AND CONCERNS
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

Pat Brabson

ISAIAH 9:1-4

**MATTHEW 4:12-23*

MESSAGE *“Doctors Without Borders”*
RESPONSE *Jesus Calls Us*

UMH #398

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander - Music: William H Jude - (c) Public Domain - CCLI #961399

**OFFERING
OFFERTORY**

Choir Walking in the Light

Words & Music: Kathleen Thomerson - Arranged: Andy M Albritton & Dave Black - Orchestrated: Stan Pethel - (c) 1970 & this edition (c) 2007 CELEBRATION

DOXOLOGY

Words: Thomas Ken - Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois - (c) Public Domain - CCLI #961399

UMH #95

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BENEDICTION**

***HYMN** *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

UMH #344

Words: Cesareo Gabarain | trans. Gertrude C Suppe, George Lockwood, & Raquel Gutierrez-Achon - Music: Cesareo Gabarain | harm. Skinner Chavez-Melo - (c) 1979 Ediciones Paulinas | trans. (c) 1989 The United Methodist Publishing House | harm. (c) 1987 Skinner Chavez-Melo - CCLI #961399

POSTLUDE *Go Forth for God*

Carol Hipp

Words: John R Peacey - Music: Genevan Psalter | harm. C Winfred Douglas - (c) Public Domain - CCLI #961399

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PARTICIPATING IN OUR SERVICES TODAY

Acolytes	Carol Amoss/Bill Coburn/Christian Kendall/Ryan VanGarven
Greeters / Ushers	
Lay Reader	Pat Brabson
Music Director	Debbie Henning
Pianist	Carol Hipp
Time with Young Disciples	
Nursery	
Fellowship	

PARTICIPATING IN OUR SERVICES ON FEBRUARY 1

Acolytes	Carol Amoss/Bill Coburn/Christian Kendall/Ryan VanGarven
Greeters / Ushers	Pat Brabson and Bonnie Gillum
Lay Reader	
Music Director	Debbie Henning
Pianist	Carol Hipp
Time with Young Disciples	
Nursery	
Fellowship	



Giving Update - December 1-31, 2025

TOTAL OFFERING: \$21,781.75 (includes Capital Fund, Cash, General Offering (envelopes and VANCO on-line giving).

Tom's Creek UMC Connect/Serve/Share Team: Total Donations for December were \$60.00.

Monthly Communion offering: every month our communion offering goes to a designated mission. For the Month of December, Tom's Creek UMC supported UMCOR - Jamaica Relief in the amount of \$235.00.

Jimmy Hill Enduring Legacy Fund: beyond our present ministries and expenses, we have a fund designed to support our church for generations to come. December contributions were \$150.00.

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.**

Giving Update - July 1 - 31, 2025

TOTAL OFFERING: \$14,354.05 (includes Capital Fund, Cash, General Offering (envelopes and VANCO on-line giving).

Tom's Creek UMC mission team (NOW Missions): Total Donations for July were \$162.00.

Monthly Communion offering: every month our communion offering goes to a designated mission. For the Month of July, Tom's Creek UMC supported the Catoctin Community School Supply Drive in the amount of \$235.00.

Jimmy Hill Enduring Legacy Fund: beyond our present ministries and expenses, we have a fund designed to support our church for generations to come. July contributions were \$90.00.

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PRAYER LIST

At Tom's Creek United Methodist Church, we believe in the power of prayer. Following is a list of some of our current concerns. Our 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

Marshall Dawson	Casey Glass	Ken Hood	Carson Kelly
Star Noel	Linn McChancy		

Those with Cancer & Their Loved Ones

Nancy Baker	Faith Tuggle Crouse	Mary Glass
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Limited to Home or Nursing Facility

Libby Fuss	Pat Hood	Barb Phelps	Rose Weimer
Linda Woo			

Military and Their Families

Nick Colby	Ian Dineau	Mason Hurst	DJ Marcelle
Darren Oreman	Jacob Smith	Nathan Schaffer	

Pastor Mike's Schedule for Week of January 26

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, January 26	In the office – 10am – 1pm
Tuesday, January 27	In the office – 10am – 1pm
Wednesday, January 28	Visiting Choir, 7:30pm
Thursday, January 29	Worship Prep
Friday, January 30	Pastor Mike's Sabbath
Saturday, January 31	"No Feeling is Final" film and lunch at church, 10am