

TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ~Hebrews 4: 12, NRSV

The core theme of our current Deep Impact series on Sunday mornings is that there is no core theme, at least not explicitly. It is basically a compilation of many of my favorite passages in the Bible. Each week, I say that "this is THE one, my favorite." Well, I will say it again about Hebrews chapter 4.

Talking *about* the Bible is not the same as *reading* the Bible. There's an old expression, I know it as a song: "Living In the Pages." Another expression? "The more you know, the more you realize what you don't know."

Often, I have shared my life-changing encounter with Jesus (the first one). It is centered upon God's Word, reading the Bible my grandmother gave me on my 12th birthday. The problem is that I did not really open it until my life was a mess a decade later. But that ten-month search through the scriptures that changed my life (the first time) started what is now a 36-year search. And the more I know, the more I realize what I don't know. And I am loving every minute of knowing more.

I am pretty good at the self-pity, "Woe is me" game of life. Yet, if I were to put a percentage on the "success rate" of exploring God's Word to dig me out of that hole, then I would say 100%. The Bible speaks. The question you-me-we need to ask: Does it speak to <u>me</u>? You won't know until you, 1) open it, 2) read it, 3) study it, 4) pray over it and most of all 5) LIVE in it.

"Five Steps to a Better Life." It sounds like the title of my next (first) book. Sorry, but that book has already been written. It's called The Holy Bible.

Never Knowing Enough,

Pastor Glenn

Church News...

- **SPRC Meeting** Monday, May 24, 7:00pm in the Blue Room.
- Men's Bible Study Tuesday's at 6:30 pm in the Brown Room. All men are invited.
- Church Office Opening Delayed You will be notified as soon as possible when the church office will be open. Planned hours are Tuesday-Thursday 10-1pm.
- Mid-Week Prayer & Praise Join us Wednesday's at 7:00 pm via the Zoom platform. We sing a little, discuss next Sunday's Bible passage, share joys and concerns, then talk to God.





Church Events Planning Dinner - June 1st at 5pm at the Ankrum's home: 126 Holly Drive, Rio Grande. Dinner will be served, so please RSVP to Chandi for head count: 609-972-7617.

All who would like to have some input or would like to share ideas on future events at the church are invited. We are focusing on a Family Fun Day this summer, but will be discussing other upcoming events as well.... Let's get this church rolling again! A Donation was Received in Memory of

Robert W. Scheyhing

by Pastor Glenn & Family



Yes, It's Time... (if you're able)

It's time to re-join the flock in the Tabernacle Sanctuary on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am.

We assure you that we are maintaining a Covid-safe worship environment.

Zoom call-in and Facebook live service at 11am is still an option, if you are unable to attend in person, but we miss seeing you!

The phone number to call is: (929) 205-6099. The Meeting ID: 981 176 2526. The Password: 7798139



This series is based on most of Pastor Glenn's favorite passages in the Bible. Experience the wide range and <u>Deep</u> <u>Impact</u> of God's Word not just on PG's life but also—the Lord willing—on **your** life as well.

May 23	"Open-Heart Surgery"	Hebrews 4: 12 – 16
May 30	"Dogs Go To Heaven"	Mark 7: 24 – 30
June 6	"All Means ALL"	Philippians 2: 1 – 11

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Offerings & Correspondence to the church office Tabernacle UMC 702 Seashore Rd., Cape May NJ 08204



Prayer Requested: Pastor Glenn, Susan & Grace, Jody Cathrall John Dickinson, Dawn Garretson Betty Wund, Ralph Genovese Flo Magee, Andrew Wund, Ella Elliott Lyndsey Bolton, Betty Carlton Tandi Ankrum, Jay Sporl, Cathy Oney Cass Pascali, Mr. Phil Breden, Sr. Buddy Halbruner, Steve Brown Carol Cahill (friend of Paul Breden) Braden Brojakowski & family Wil Kaufman: cancer treatments CW2 Ryan Pritchard, now in Syria Marlly Genovese: hip replacement Margie Katity - pinched nerve in neck Leah Harkins

Those that live alone:

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

In Shut In & Convalescent Care

Wesley Manor: Shirley Rutherford Shirley Halbruner

Pitman Manor: Edna Dickinson

Pray for those who lost loved ones during the pandemic:

Janis Halbruner & 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 Ruth Leo

The Joy of Sharing

The little old couple walked slowly into McDonald's that cold winter evening. They looked out of place amid the young families and young couples eating there that night. Some of the customers looked admiringly at them. You could tell what the admirers were thinking. "Look, there is a couple who has been through a lot together, probably for 60 years or more!" The little old man walked right up to the cash register, placed his order with no hesitation, and then paid for their meal. The couple took a table near the back wall and started taking food off of the tray. There was one hamburger, one order of French fries and one drink. The little old man unwrapped the plain hamburger and carefully cut it in half. He placed one half in front of his wife. Then he carefully counted out the French fries, divided them into two piles, and neatly placed one pile in front of his wife. He took a sip of the drink, his wife took a sip and then set the cup down between them.

As the man began to eat his few bites of hamburger the crowd began to get restless. Again you could tell what they were thinking. "That poor old couple. All they can afford is one meal for the two of them." As the man began to eat his French fries one young man stood and came over to the old couple's table. He politely offered to buy another meal for the old couple to eat. The old man replied that they were just fine. They were used to sharing everything.

Then the crowd noticed that the little old lady hadn't eaten a bite. She just sat there watching her husband eat and occasionally taking turns sipping the drink. Again the young man came over and begged them to let him buy them something to eat. This time the lady explained that no, they were used to sharing everything together.

As the little old man finished eating and was wiping his face neatly with a napkin the young man could stand it no longer. Again he came over to their table and offered to buy some food. After being politely refused again he finally asked a question of the little old lady.

"Ma'am, why aren't you eating? You said that you share everything. What is it that you are waiting for? She answered, "The teeth."

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!

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Tabernacle Basic Blessings: