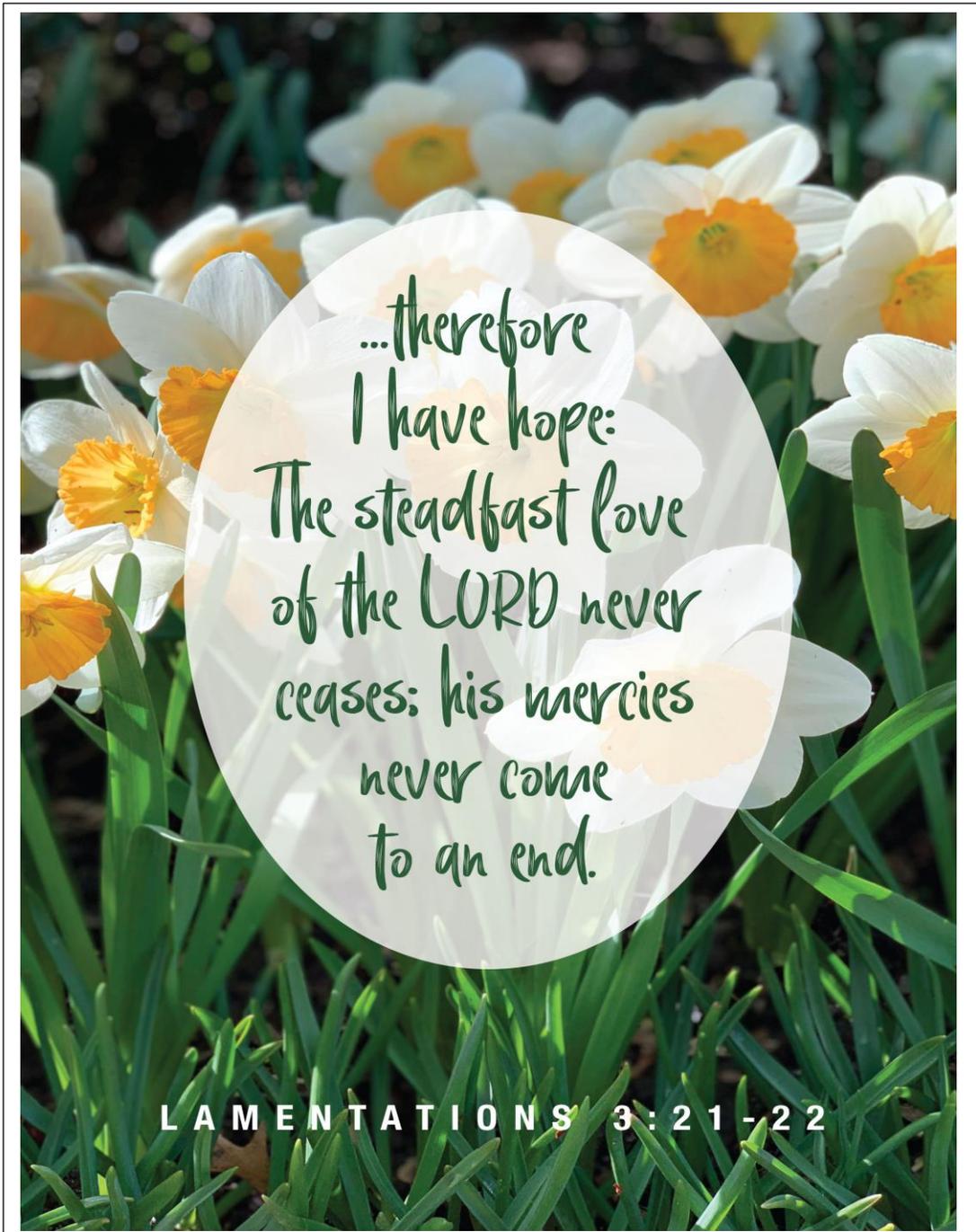


TAWAS METHODIST CHURCH

THE BEACON

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...therefore
I have hope:
The steadfast love
of the LORD never
ceases; his mercies
never come
to an end.

LAMENTATIONS 3:21-22



Hello My Friends! Here in the Tawas area, the weather in March is certainly a roller coaster event. While one day the sky is bright, the sun is shining, and temperatures climb, the next may be cold and snowing. As spring continues to grow closer, we become impatient waiting for the promise of new life to arrive.

For many, the winter season may appear cold, dark, and threatening; consequently, we may desire to separate ourselves from it. While some may escape to the warmth, sunshine, and activities of another region, many of us have to endure the situation here. This example reminds me of the condition of our world and society today. Our world is growing darker, uncaring, and sin filled each day. While as Christians we can escape to the loving arms, salvation, and promises of Christ, we are left to endure the growing corruption around us. As we consider the end of the age and the second of Christ; we may grow impatient and wonder why God has waited so long to bring us home.

2 Peter 3:9 shares these words of God's plan and purpose. "The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance." (NRSV)

In our perception of the world around us, it seems that God's actions are slow, failing to act, and continue to allow the sin and suffering that exists. But it is God's plan that all may be saved and know the salvation that only Jesus can provide. John 3: 16-17 teaches, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him." God sent His only Son to save everyone who place their faith and trust in Him.

As we approach the empty tomb and greet the risen Lord on Easter morning, let us commit ourselves to faith in Christ and then share the "Good News" with the people around us. God will always be patient with us, but let us take this opportunity to experience the love that Jesus provides for us. God's plan is for all to be saved and know His Son! Let us be a part of His plan!

May God Bless You!

Pastor Dan

Other meetings and events

- 3/5 Finance Meeting, 6pm
- 3/5 Church Council Meeting, 7pm
- 3/7 Men's Breakfast Meeting 8:30am
- 3/18 Red Cross Blood Drive, 12-6pm
- 3/25 Ladies Lunch Bunch at Barnacles Noon
- 3/25 Worship Committee Meeting 4:30pm
- 3/26 Marketing Committee Meeting 2pm
- 3/28 Quota's Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
- 3/29 Palm Sunday

Regular Meetings

Mondays:

Ladies Bible Study, 11am

Tuesdays:

Ladies Pickleball 9-11am

Friends Together Cancer Support Group 5pm

Prayer Ministry 5pm

Bell Choir Practice

Wednesdays:

Choir Practice 5:45pm

Pastors Book Study 7pm

Thursdays:

Ladies Pickleball 9-11am

Flourish Home School Group 1-4pm

Saturdays:

MMPG 8:30 pm

Casual Service 4pm

Anniversaries

None

Birthdays

3/2 Sharon Durant
3/5 Don Lake
3/6 Thomas Mark
3/11 Dennis Wetzel
3/14 Shelley Revord
3/14 Carol Westcott
3/16 Ann Reasner
3/18 Grace Schlagel
3/20 Randy Brewer
3/22 Donna Williams
3/28 Harold Knight

CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

January 31, 2026

General Fund:

40,884	Giving
19,377	Expenses
21,507	Net Income

Facilities Improvements:

35,124	Donations
29,133	Expenses-2024&25
5,991	Balance

From of the Office

One of the most significant Religious Holidays will be upon us at the end of March. Palm Sunday (Sun. Mar. 29th) sets off the Easter Season followed by Maunday Thursday (April 2nd) which will feature the Stations of the Cross with Communion Service, then the dark days, Good Friday Service at 1pm, and Holy Saturday Service at 4pm. Come April 5th, we can celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Plan to attend one, or all of the Holy Week Services. If you need more information, call the office 989-362-4288.

Laura

THANK YOU

I would like to thank every family that gave money for the new chairs. And to the Methodist Women for putting in the rest. The old chairs were donated to the American Legion Post 211 and they are really enjoying them. Thanks again!

METHODIST WOMEN

We will have our first meeting of 2026 on Tuesday, April 7th at 1 PM in the Fireplace Room. Jessica Nichols from the Foster Kids program will be our guest speaker. We will begin planning for this years activities. Please plan on coming we need everyone's input. Our regular LUNCH BUNCH will be on Wednesday, March 25th at Barnacle Bills in East Tawas at noon. If you have not attended any of our meetings I am reaching out to you. We want all the ladies of our Church to feel invited and welcome to any of our activities. Have a Great Spring.....

In Christian Love,
Judy Hills

MISSIONS

CHRISTMAS CARD FOR THE VETS

We are planning to do Christmas Cards for the Vets again for next Christmas –so please start collecting your leftover Christmas cards. We are taking donations of Christmas cards. There is a red gift bag in the Gathering space for you to place any extra Christmas cards you would like to donate.

Noisy Offering:

March- Methodist Children's Village

April- Compassion International

Thank you for your continued support of the mission projects at Tawas Methodist Church!

The Missions Team

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Join us for Sunday Service
Saturday 4:00pm Worship
Sunday School 9:00am
Sunday Worship 10:00am
At the Church, on WIOS-AM 1480
or at www.tawasmc.org
Pastor: Rev. Daniel Gonder
Parsonage: 989-362-5399
Office Manager: Laura Loeffler
Music Director; Shawn Wygant
Custodian: Judy Hills
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9am to 2pm (Lunch 11:30 to Noon)
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Our Purpose...
To connect people to
God and one another
through Jesus Christ.