

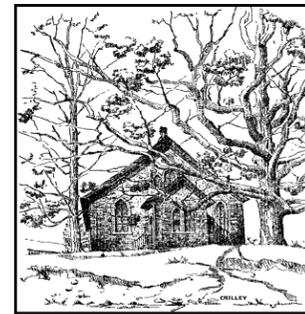
THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Please note: the church office will be closed on Mondays during the summer from July 2 to Sept 4.

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| Sun 8/27 | 9:30 | Summer Worship Service Baptism of Grant Kelly, son of Liz & Jack Kelly | Fellowship Hall |
| | 10:30 | Sunday School Teacher's Meeting | Conference Room |
| Mon 8/28 | 9:30 | Women's Bible Study | Conference Room |
| Wed 8/30 | 5:30 p | Grey Sheeters Anonymous Meeting | Room 115 |
| Thurs 8/31 | 6:00 p | Calendar Staff Meeting | Fellowship Hall |
| | 7:00 p | Men's AA Meeting | Conference Room |
| Fri 9/1 | 9:00 | Fabulous Folders | Conference Room |
| Sat 9/2 | 5:00 p | Farmer's Club Meeting | Fellowship Hall |
| Sun 9/3 | 9:30 | Summer Worship Service (Last One of Summer) | Sanctuary |

Foglifters AA group meets daily, 7:00-8:00 a.m. (Monday-Friday in Fellowship Hall); (Saturday/Sunday in the Conference Rm).

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| Disciples: All Members of the Congregation | |
| Teaching Elder/Pastor (<i>Sabbath: Monday</i>)..... | Stuart H. Spencer |
| Teaching Elder/Associate Pastor (<i>Sabbath: Friday</i>)..... | Bailey A. Heckman |
| Youth and Family Ministries Director..... | Stephen Scovell |
| Administration..... | Melissa Bottelier |
| Music Director..... | Patricia Murphy |
| Contemporary Worship Music Leader.(September 3)..... | Brooks Hanrahan |
| Church Accountant..... | Linda Landis |
| Organist/Accompanist..... | Dorothy Fine |
| Sexton..... | George Salt |
| Business Administrator (Volunteer)..... | Sue Schaub |



**Thompson Memorial Presbyterian Church
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 27, 2017
9:30 a.m.**

“Similarly, grace seeks us but will not control us. Saint Augustine once said that God is always trying to give good things to us, but our hands are too full to receive them. If our hands are full, they are full of the things to which we are addicted. And not only our hands, but also our hearts, minds, and attention are clogged with addiction. Our addictions fill up the spaces within us, spaces where grace might flow.”

Gerald G. May, *Addiction and Grace: Love and Spirituality in the Healing of Addictions*

WE GATHER TOGETHER TO WORSHIP ALMIGHTY GOD

PRELUDE

O Master, Let me walk with Thee

Dorothy Fine
Paul Karbonen

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Amanda Bennett Hanrahan

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 95)

Come, let us raise a joyful song, a shout of triumph to God, the Rock of our salvation. Let us come in God's loving presence with thanksgiving.

For you are a great God, a great king over all gods.

The depths of the earth and the high mountains belong to you. The sea is yours, for you made it; and the dry land your hands fashioned.

For you are God, and we are the flock that you shepherd. We belong to you.

We will know your power and presence this day; if we will but listen for your voice. Speak, Lord, for we are listening. Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE (Turn to page 3)

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty

ST. DROSTANE
Dorothy Fine

*CONFESSION OF FAITH (Heidelberg Catechism)

Q. 1. What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

A. That I belong--body and soul, in life and in death--not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

WE SEEK GOD'S PARDON AND OFFER PARDON

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jonathan Miller

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we thank you for sending the Savior, Jesus, to call us from death to life. We confess that we were dead in sin before we heard his call, but when we heard him, like Lazarus, we arose. Yet, Lord, the grave clothes bind us still: old habits that we cannot throw off, and old customs that are so much a part of our lives. Give us strength to break the bonds; grant us courage to live a new life in you; give us faith to believe that with your help we cannot fail. Amen.

Time of Silence for Personal Confession

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124: 8

Our hymn was described by composer Stanley L. Osbourne as "Objective, robust, confident, and stirring, it possesses that peculiar combination of tragedy and victory which draws the singer into the very center of the drama. It is this which gives the hymn its power and its challenge"

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| | ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON | |
| | Our Lord Jesus Christ—truly God and at the same time truly human and truly righteous—is the mediator who was given to set us free and to make us right with God. | |
| Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. | This is God's gospel promise: to forgive our sins and give us eternal life by grace alone because of Christ's one sacrifice finished on the cross—once and for all. Amen. | |
| | *GLORIA PATRI | GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex) |
| Jesus Prayer | *SHARING OF OUR PEACE The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And also with you. | |
| | SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM | Grant Hackett Kelly |
| | The Chorus: <i>Jesus Loves Me!</i> | |
| | SPECIAL MUSIC | Brooks Hanrahan Charitie Lee Bancroft |
| The main emphasis of Zechariah is that God is at work and plans to live again with His people in Jerusalem. He will save them from their enemies and cleanse them from sin. | <i>Before the Throne</i> | |
| | <u>WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD</u> | |
| | SCRIPTURE LESSON | Zechariah 3: 1 – 10 |
| | SERMON | New Clothes for a New You! <i>Summer Sermon Series—Life in the Minor Key</i> |
| | CHORUS OF PRAISE (See projection on screen) | ST. DROSTANE Brooks Hanrahan |
| | <i>All Creatures of our God and King</i> | |
| | <u>WE RESPOND WITH OUR OFFERING AND PRAYERS</u> | |
| | THE WORK OF GOD'S PEOPLE | Stuart Spencer |
| | MOMENT FOR FALL PRAYER RETREAT | Karin Miller |
| | OFFERTORY | Dorothy Fine Cesar Franck |
| | <i>Adagio</i> | |
| Gracious God, accept all these prayers offered in Jesus' name, and give us now the strength to wait patiently for your answer, and to live faithfully in response to your call. | *DOXOLOGY | OLD HUNDREDTH |
| | <i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i> | |
| | SHARING OF WOW MOMENTS | |
| | PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER | Bailey Heckman |
| | *SENDING HYMN (See Page 4) | DUKE STREET |
| | <i>Jesus Shall Reign Where're the Sun</i> | |
| | *BENEDICTION | |
| | *POSTLUDE | Dorothy Fine Robert Lau |
| | <i>Praise Him with the Sound of the Trumpet</i> | |
| | *Those who are able, please stand. | |

WOMEN'S RETREAT, SEPTEMBER 15 - 17 Save the date! The women of TMPC are once again heading down to Sandy Cove Ministries about two hours south in North East, Maryland, for a weekend retreat at their waterfront retreat center. The weekend will be full of great speakers, meaningful worship, small group discussion and plenty of free time to enjoy the area. For more information and to sign up check out tmpc.org/retreats.

PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL On Periodic Sundays, at **9:45 am to 10:45 am**. stop by the chapel on **September 24**. The chapel is open for prayer. Meet a friend from our Prayer Team Initiative who can answer questions or teach you how to pray. You are also welcome to spend a few minutes praying on your own. The other dates are **October 8th, October 22nd, November 19th and December 3rd** meet **in the Chapel**.

FALL PRAYER RETREAT AT HOLY CROSS MONASTERY Save the date! Tuesday, **November 14** to Friday, **November 17**. Brochures are available at the Table of Well Wishing and online information can be found on the TMPC website at tmpc.org/retreats.

PRO-ACT FAMILY EDUCATION If someone you know or love is struggling with a drug or alcohol addiction, support is here for you. PRO-ACT provides a safe and supportive environment for families and individuals impacted by addiction to gain understanding and find healing within a community of grace. Call (800) 221 – 6333 or visit www.addictionawarenessinitiative.com.

MEN'S BREAKFAST, Saturday, September 30, 2017 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Men of every age are invited to come to best breakfast of the month. We feature several breakfast meats, piles of eggs and pancakes and plates of breakfast burritos. We welcome Pastor Matthew Gallashaw of Helping Hands Rescue Mission in Philadelphia. Pastor Matt, at the age of 73, is full of faith, joy and energy. Sign up on the Table of Well Wishing. Invite a friend. Middle school and high school children are welcome to attend.

SAVE THE DATE! OCTOBER 7, 2017 Join us for the celebration service as the Presbytery of Philadelphia commemorates 300 years of mission and ministry in the Greater Philadelphia area! Saturday, October 7, 2017 **Celebrating 300 Years of mission and ministry**. Check out more information on their website <https://presbyphl.org/300th-anniversary/>.

SUPPORT NEW HOPE-SOLEBUURY CARES: New Hope-Solebury Cares, is inviting local area residents of all ages to come together on **Thursday, August 31** from 7pm to 9pm at the Event Center at the New Hope Volunteer Fire company to put "All Hands In" for addiction prevention and recovery. On that same day, the world will be recognizing international overdose awareness day so this is an opportunity to stand in solidarity not just locally, but globally. Speakers include Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick and Bucks County District Attorney Matt Weintraub, along with local residents and champions for substance abuse prevention and recovery Chuck Wilson of New Hope Solebury Cares and Merrilee Scott, President of Friends MATTer, a recovery support organization. With all hands in, we can protect our youth from suffering from the harmful effects of substance abuse, and provide resources for those in need. More information and information to RSVP can be found on the NHS Cares Facebook page. Email info@nhscares.org with questions.

FALL RUMMAGE SALE Starting **Sunday, September 3** we will be accepting rummage items. We accept clean gently used clothing in good condition and small household items. (No electronics or large items of any kind.) Thank you for your donations!! Mark your calendars for the FALL Rummage Sale, October 9-11 are the "Sorting" days and **October 12-13** are the "Buying" days.

FLOWERS FOR THE WORSHIP SERVICES If you are interested in placing flowers in the church in "honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one, please call the church office to get contact information for Elinor Raike who handles this service. The cost is \$30 for the 2 urns.. You are welcome to take them home after the service.

WELCOME TO THOMPSON MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

“We are a joyful family called by God through Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to: welcome all, share our faith, love each other, serve the world, and glorify God.”

WELCOME, VISITORS! We are so glad that you are worshiping with us today! Please sign the Fellowship Pad in your pew so that we can send you a welcome note. If you have any questions or would like to have a tour of our building, please feel free to ask an usher.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN Janice Slack will be hosting Lemonade on the Lawn today. Also look for the sign-up sheet at the Table of Well Wishing or by visiting TMPC’s website, Life Together/Fellowship/Coffee Hours for Lemonade on the Lawn sign-up. We welcome the participation of all our members.

USHERS AND GREETERS Today’s ushers are Marlene Clark and Jeffrey Berry.

WELCOMING AMBASSADORS Leslie Spencer is our welcoming ambassadors this morning.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE: Next Sunday, September 3rd, we gather for worship at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. On Sunday, September 10th, we return to our Christian Education Hour and our two morning worship services, 8:30 a.m. Traditional in the Sanctuary and 11:00 a.m. Contemporary in Fellowship Hall.

AID FOR FRIENDS August is soup month. Please look for the soup container packets under the Table of Well Wishing if you would like to help us. Please make your soup at home, put it in the containers (please not too full!), freeze it, and then bring it into TMPC and put it in the Aid For Friends freezer in George’s closet. By the end of August please. Questions: contact Susan Achenbach or Holly Tomkovicz.

RESCUE MISSION OF TRENTON The Rescue Mission of Trenton is the agency in the City of Trenton that serves the truly needy men and women who have no place to turn for shelter, food, and clothing. The Mission provides a safe, clean, warm, refuge for the homeless, the hungry, the transient and the addicted. A significant facet of their programs is a collection box program for gently used clothing. Please look for the **donation box outside Fellowship Hall** and help TMPC help the Rescue Mission of Trenton by **donating your gently used clothing**. The box will be returned to The Rescue Mission of Trenton in early October. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS They are going back.... College students, including grad students, receive care packages throughout the year letting them know they are prayed for and loved by TMPC’s church family. Please email Melissa Bottelier at office@tmpc.org their mailing address by October 15th so we can send them Halloween care packages. We need the addresses even if they stay the same.

RALLY DAY Rally Day! On Sunday, Sept. 10 we will be returning to our regular Sunday schedule. Join us for worship on Rally Day for Traditional Worship at 8:30am in the Sanctuary or Contemporary Worship at 11:00am in Fellowship Hall. Sept. 10 is also our first day of Sunday School of the new school year. We will have a Rally Day Gathering in the Choir Room for all our children, youth, and their parents. If you have not done so already, please register your child or Sunday School on our website at tmpc.org/sunday-school.

MEN’S STUDY GROUP Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, September 5 at 9:00 AM** in the Conference Room. We are studying “Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus” by Nabeel Qureshi. We are currently reading Parts 5 & 6, Chapters 28-35. **ALL MEN ARE WELCOME.**

MEN’S MINISTRIES Just for Men! Pastor Spencer leads a monthly meeting for men on the first Wednesday of each month. This includes: opportunities to share our joys and concerns, time for prayer, and a discussion based on a devotional reading from *Deep Down Faith*. Our first meeting is Wednesday, **September 6**, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

1 Ride on! ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! all the
2 Ride on! ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on! ride on in maj - es - ty! The hosts of
4 Ride on! ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry; thy hum - ble beast pur -
pomp ride on to die; O Christ, thy tri - umphs
an - gels in the sky look down with sad and
pomp ride on to die; bow thy meek head to

sues its road with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
won - dering eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
mor - tal pain; then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

This 19th-century Palm Sunday text is better understood as the reflections of someone standing outside the event rather than as coming from those participating in the actual procession. This poignant text is set to a tune written especially for it later in the same century. Reprinted with permission.

TEXT: Henry Hart Milman, 1827, alt.
MUSIC: John Bacchus Dykes, 1862

ST. DROSTANE
LM

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring hon - ors pe -

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
 thron - g to crown his head; his name, like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song, and in - fant voic - es
 leap to loose their chains; the wea - ry find e -
 cu - liar to our King; an - gels de - scend with

shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume, shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud A - men!

“Rejoice always,
 pray without
 ceasing, give
 thanks in all
 circumstances;
 for this is the
 will of God in
 Christ Jesus for
 you.”

(Thessalonians
 5:16-18)

The Five Fingers of Prayer:

Thumb: those
 close to your heart
 Pointer: those in
 authority over us
 Middle: those we
 resent or hate
 Ring: those who
 are sick, sad, or
 weak
 Pinky: for
 ourselves because
 we are small

This hymn is a classic example of how Isaac Watts Christianized the Psalms, in this case Psalm 72:5–19, by turning their messianic language to New Testament equivalents. The tune was at first nameless and anonymous, but is now called by the address of the supposed composer.

TEXT: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.
 MUSIC: Attr. John Hatton, c. 1793

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DUKE STREET
 LM