## **September 23, 2018**

## 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.

**FLOWERS** In loving memory of her sister, Peg Pearson, and in honor of her brother-inlaw, Nils Pearson, by Susan Achenbach. If you would like to order flowers for the altar "in memory of" or "in celebration of" a loved one or for a special occasion please contact Elinor Raike.

**COFFEE HOURS** Thank you to Jeffrey Berry and family for hosting the Coffee Hour (8:30) and Susan Achenbach and Linda Torda for the (11:00) Coffee Hour. Hosting coffee hour is a great way to meet new friends. We can teach you to make coffee (3 easy steps!). All you have to do is bring some goodies to add to our basic supply and smile! Please use the online SignupGenius list created by Melissa Michael by viewing the link in our e-news or by visiting TMPC's website, Life Together/Fellowship/Coffee Hours.

**USHERS AND GREETERS** Thank you to our ushers Linda Torda at the (8:30) service and Jeffrey Berry and Brad Michael for the (11:00) for serving our congregation. Be sure to sign up on-line for this opportunity to serve.

**TOWN HALL MEETING** Today, the Long Range Planning Committee will host and lead a Town Hall Meeting immediately following the 11:00 am Worship Service to share and discuss the Mission Study Report process, which is the first step in calling "a new pastor."

**MISSION AND STEWARDSHIP MEETING** Today is our meeting at 12:30 pm in the Conference Room.

**FALL FESTIVAL SAVE THE DATE!** Come one, come all to our annual Fall Festival Celebration on **September 30 at 10:45 am – 1:30 pm**, immediately following the Fifth-Sunday Service! There will be lots of Fall-Themed-Fun with picnic food, games, crafts, and entertainment for all ages. Sign ups can be found on the Table of Well Wishing for both setup and cleanup and to bring a favorite picnic dish or dessert. Links can be found in enews or here: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a5a72fa5fc1-tmpcs">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a5a72fa5fc1-tmpcs</a>. Join us for this fun event!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU THANK YOU A special thank you to Geerlings Nursery in Buckingham for giving us such a great price on our mums to place in our landscape. We couldn't have done it without them. If you stop by Geerlings be sure and thank them again!

**OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS** Please send in your college student mailing addresses for our "care package list." Please email Melissa Bottelier at office@tmpc.org to confirm the same or new mailing address of your student by **October 15** so we can send timely holiday care packages. Also, let Melissa Bottelier at <a href="mailto:office@tmpc.org">office@tmpc.org</a> know if they graduated and should be removed from our list.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** Give a warm welcome to our new childcare provider in the nursery, her name is Esmeralda Natareno. She started last Sunday and we are happy to have her. Esmeralda works in the Princeton School District and our other childcare provider is Erin Ormsby who is a student at Bucks County Community College. Nursery care is provided for children from birth until 4 years old. Four year olds and up to age 8 may go to Junior Church.

**ADULT FORUM** Our Fall Adult Forum will dive into *The Book of Ruth*. This class will begin on Sunday, **September 23** and run through Sunday, **October 21**. Any questions contact Bailey Heckman at <a href="mailto:bheckman@tmpc.org">bheckman@tmpc.org</a>.

**MEN'S STUDY GROUP** Our next meeting will be **Tuesday**, **October 2**, at 9:00 am in the Conference Room. We are studying "Faith Commander" by Korie Robertson and are currently reading Chapter 4. We meet the first and third Tuesday of the month. ALL MEN ARE WELCOME.

**T.A.S.K.** (Trenton Area Soup Kitchen) Volunteers from TMPC will be supporting the soup kitchen starting at 10:30 am on Thursday, September 27. We will depart from TMPC parking lot at 9:15 am as a group or you may go there directly. Please sign up at the Table of Well-wishing for our T.A.S.K. visit if you wish to participate.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE On Monday, October 1, the biannual blood drive at TMPC will take place in Fellowship Hall from 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Visit <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a> to schedule an appointment to donate blood: enter "18938" our zipcode and look for TMPC then select a time convenient for you. Any questions contact Melissa Mantz.

**EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP (ESG) MINISTRY** Free Seminar on "How to Remain Motivated in your Job Search" on October 1. If you're seeking employment or are in a career transition, we invite you to join the Employment Support Group (ESG), a ministry of New Hope Community Church. Meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month from 7:00-9:00 pm. Contact: Len Deane Jr. DeaneL70@verizon.net or http://www.newhopechurchpa.org/employment-support-group.

**THEOLOGY ON TAP** Join us on Wednesdays every other week. We will meet again on Wednesday, **October 3 & 17** at 7:00 pm. This Bible study group will meet for dinner and lively discussion at <u>HG Wood Fired Pizza near Logan Square at 6510 Lower York Road (Route 202), New Hope, PA 18938 and it will be led by our Seminary Intern and our Youth & Family Director, Stephen Scovell. If you have any questions contact Stephen Scovell at <a href="mailto:youthfamily@tmpc.org">youthfamily@tmpc.org</a>.</u>

**CARING KIDS EVENT** On Friday, **October 5** from 5:30-7:00 pm at Thompson Church, Caring Kids will assemble their "Painted Rock Garden" in the courtyard. You can sign up on the Table of Well Wishing to join in this effort. Any questions contact Bailey Heckman <a href="mailto:bheckman@tmpc.org">bheckman@tmpc.org</a>.

**FALL RUMMAGE SALE** SALE DATES ARE **October 11 - 12**, Mark your calendars! We are accepting clean gently used clothing in good condition and small household items. (No electronics or large items of any kind.) Thank you for your donations in making this a great event year after year! It's a great time to clean out the house!

**FALL PRAYER RETREAT AT HOLY CROSS MONASTERY IN WESTPARK, NY - SAVE THE DATE! November 27 - 30**. Join a group of friends from a number of churches at Holy Cross Monastery, an Episcopalian Benedictine monastery; for time away. Pastor Stuart Spencer leads a study of this biblical call to seek the Lord God with our heart, soul, mind and strength. *Our retreat begins on Tuesday, November 27 at 5:00 pm and concludes on Friday, November 30 following the noon meal.* For information on the monastery: <a href="http://www.holycrossmonastery.com">http://www.holycrossmonastery.com</a>. Brochures can be found on the table and register by using this link: <a href="http://www.fpcmoorestown.org/fallprayerretreat2018">http://www.fpcmoorestown.org/fallprayerretreat2018</a>.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

| Sun 9/23  | 8:30  | Traditional Worship Service     | Sanctuary          |
|-----------|-------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
|           | 9:00  | Jesus Joyful Choir              | Choir Room         |
|           | 9:45  | Christian Education for All     | Classrooms 121-126 |
|           | 9:45  | CE Small Group – Adult          | Chapel             |
|           | 11:00 | Contemporary Worship Service    | Fellowship Hall    |
|           | 12:00 | Town Hall Meeting               | Fellowship Hall    |
|           | 12:30 | Mission & Stewardship Meeting   | Conference Room    |
| Mon 9/24  | 9:30  | Women's Study Group             | Conference Room    |
| Tues 9/25 |       |                                 |                    |
| Wed 9/26  | 5:30  | Grey Sheeters Meeting           | Conference Room    |
| Thur 9/27 | 9:15  | TASK (Meet in TMPC Parking Lot) | Trenton, NJ        |
|           | 7:00  | Men's AA Meeting                | Conference Room    |
|           | 7:00  | Youth Group                     | Youth Room         |
|           | 7:00  | Adult Choir Rehearsal           | Choir Room         |
| Fri 9/28  | 9:00  | Fabulous Folder                 | Conference Room    |
| Sat 9/29  |       | Foglifters                      |                    |
| Sun 9/30  | 9:00  | Jesus Joyful Choir              | Choir Room         |
|           | 9:30  | Fifth Sunday Worship Service &  | Fellowship Hall    |
|           |       | Baptism                         |                    |
|           | 10:45 | Fall Festival                   | Fellowship Hall    |

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

## FEEL FREE TO TAKE HOME YOUR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS TO KEEP DATES & IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON HAND.