



The
MIRACLES
OF JESUS

August 27, 2023

WELCOME!!

We are so glad you have chosen to worship at Thompson. We hope it is a place where you feel God's presence. Generations of people have sat in these pews, felt the presence of the Holy Spirit, learned about the love of Jesus and how the power of God has made a difference in their lives. Whatever is most important in your life right now, whether it is trials or joys, these things matter to God and they matter to us. All of what you bring to the table is welcome here.

SUNDAY SERVICES

We offer a 9:00 am Traditional service in the Sanctuary and 11:00 am Contemporary service with praise music in the Fellowship Hall. Our services are livestreamed and recorded and can be viewed anytime on www.tmpc.org. Please follow along and respond when the type is bold and stand, as you are able, when there is an asterisk in the bulletin. Our Common Hour described below, begins at 10 am.

FOR CHILDREN

During both services, there is a special message for children. Children are invited forward for a talk just for them and then they can leave the worship space for Sunday school or return to sit with their parents. Nursery care is available for those attending services from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in the nursery. To find the nursery, please exit the front of the Sanctuary to the right of the altar area, go up the steps and turn left. You will find it at the end of the hall on the left. All children's classrooms can be found in this hallway and your children can be picked up from their classroom when worship has ended.

If your children choose to stay in worship, worship activity baskets with crayons and activity sheets are located at the back of the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall.

RESTROOMS

If you need to use the restroom, please exit the Sanctuary to the right of the altar area and go up the steps. Turn right and the bathroom is on your left.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN & COMMON HOUR

TMPC has an hour between services that is a space for lemonade/coffee. Join us in the courtyard, weather permitting. In the fall season we have Adult Education, Children's choirs and other activities offered during the common hour.

VISITOR BAGS

If you are visiting with us today, we would love to share a visitor bag with more information and a gift for you. If you have any questions about TMPC, don't hesitate to speak to an usher or a pastor!

Be sure to look at our website www.tmpc.org for more information, events, and on-line giving.

We are glad to share in your faith journey!

WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

PRELUDE

Interlude Andante

Dorothy Fine
Léon Boëllmann

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at the end of the pew)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, and worship the Lord, who fills our mouths with laughter
and our tongues with shouts of joy.

The Lord has done great things for us, and so we rejoice.

May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

**Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.**

Let us worship God, who restores life and heals the broken!

*HYMN NO. 610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Holy God, we know we have fallen short.

We turn our backs when we could embrace.

We remain silent when we could speak.

We speak when we could listen.

We judge when we could seek understanding.

We cling when we could give.

**Forgive us, O God, for focusing solely on ourselves and help
us to continue to grow into the people you created us to be,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers,
God forgives our sin, restores us to wholeness, and strengthens
us where we are weak.

**Through the risen Christ.
Know that you are forgiven.
And be at peace. Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI NO. 581

GLORIA PATRI

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.***

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

SPECIAL MUSIC

My Heart Ever Faithful

Amanda Pfannenstiel
J. S. Bach

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Place prayer cards in the basket as the deacons come forward.)

WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 35:3-8 (OT pg. 663) and Mark 7:31-37 (NT pg. 42-43)

SERMON

Open

Stephanie Templin Ashford

*HYMN NO. 182

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

KINGSFOLD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us
not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and
the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Adagio from Toccata Undecima

Dorothy Fine
Georg Muffat

*DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE ARE SENT OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Allegro

Dorothy Fine
Anonymous 18th Century

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

SUNDAY CALENDAR

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| Sun 8/27 | 9:00 | TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE | Sanctuary |
| | 9:00-10:00 | Nursery (Infant – 4 years) | Nursery |
| | 9:20–10:00 | Pray Ground | Room 123 |
| | 10:00 | COMMON HOUR/LEMONADE ON THE LAWN | |
| | 11:00 | CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE | Fellowship Hall |
| | 11:00-12:00 | Nursery (Infant – 4 years) | Nursery |
| | 11:20–12:00 | Pray Ground | Room 123 |

***This Sunday’s flowers are given in memory of Janet Michael, by
Brad, Melissa, Lia and George Michael.***

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE Our last summer worship service is on September 3 at 9:00 am with Lemonade on the Lawn with one service only in the Sanctuary. We begin a new series on September 10 along with Rally Day, Directory/Member Photos and Bible Presentation.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TMPC

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS On **September 3** during the 9am service, all children are invited to bring their backpacks to worship so we can have a special back-to-school prayer and blessing of the backpacks. Each child will receive a colorful backpack tag that reads, "You Got This" as a perfect reminder for our students as they begin a new year that God goes with them and supports them every step of the way.

BLOOD DRIVE AT TMPC Be sure to sign up! Blood supplies are low! The Red Cross will host a blood drive on **September 8**. NOTE NEW TIME from 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. For information or to go on-line to schedule an appointment and sign up at www.redcrossblood.org and enter: TMPC or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

TMPC MOVIE NIGHT Act 2's next Movie Night will be on Saturday, **September 9** at 6:00 pm. **Worth** is a 2020 biographical film starring Michael Keaton, Stanley Tucci, and Meg Ryan. The film depicts Kenneth Feinburg's handling of the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund. For Dinner: Baked lasagna rolls, various salads, and dessert will be served at 6:00 PM, followed by viewing of the movie. There will be a discussion at the conclusion of the movie.

KIDS CLUB Join us for a fun night in Fellowship Hall from 5:30-7:00 pm on Friday, **September 15**. We will have dinner, make a craft or a service project and play games. Look for the link in e-news or on the website.

JAZZ & JOE The Deacons of TMPC are pleased to present an afternoon of Jazz & Joe in Fellowship Hall on **September 24** from 3:00 – 6:00 pm. Come and hear these talented musicians and enjoy a cup of coffee, a snack and good company. There is no charge although we will have a basket for donations and pick a mission for the proceeds.

TRIVIA NIGHT at TMPC Bring your friends and your brainpower for an unforgettable night of TRIVIA at TMPC on Saturday, **September 30** at 6:30 pm! Compete for prizes, have some fun and show off your smarts! SNACKS, PRIZES, & FUN! To sign up see the link in e-news or website.

RALLY DAY - September 10

RALLY DAY We begin a new series on **September 10** as our kickoff for Rally Day where we will take new photos for our Directory/Membership, Bible Presentation, begin our Christian Education and youth ministry activities. However, our children's choirs will begin on **September 17**.

PHOTOS FOR OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY Our goal is to update our membership photos in CCB, our church directory. Come camera ready on **September 10**. We'll take photos of individuals, couples, children and families. We will update the directory accordingly. So bring your smiles on Rally Day!

OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS Please email a confirmation of your college student or gap year student with the name and a new/updated address by **October 2** to Judy Cronise at jcronise@comcast.net. We want to let them know they are prayed for and loved by TMPC's church family by sending out care packages. Also, let me know if we should remove a recent graduate from our list.

FALL FEST Save the date for our Fall Festival on Sunday, **October 29** from 2:00 – 4:30 pm. We will have fun activities for all ages!

ONGOING OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

CARING FOR FRIENDS Caring for Friends will collect homemade soups for the month of August. Please pick up the soup containers provided for you under the Table of Well Wishing and follow the instructions about labeling ingredients and place them in our freezer. Thank you to everyone who gives generously to this outreach.

TASK TRENTON AREA SOUP KITCHEN Each month, TMPC members and friends go to the facility in Trenton and assist with serving the mid-day meal 9:45 am -1:00 pm on Thursday, **August 31**. Those who want to carpool will meet at TMPC parking lot to carpool at 9:15 am. Contact Chuck Green if interested in participating or have any questions at cgreen1030@comcast.net.

COMMUNITY MEAL Our next community meal date is **September 10** in Fellowship Hall from 12:15 – 1:15 pm. See the sign up in e-news or www.tmpc.org/communitymeal. We are serving up Taco Salads and other delicious sides and desserts. Grab a neighbor, friend, or family member and join us for this fun meal.

TMPC FOOD DRIVE Your contributions are a blessing to our needy neighbors in Lambertville, Doylestown, Trenton, and Morrisville. Our monthly food drive is on **September 20** from 10:00 to 10:30 am. Bring items in ahead of time. The sign up is available in our e-news or www.tmpc.org/events.

CHURCH LIFE & MEMBER CARE

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AT HOME George Brandenburg, Marlene Clark, John Donahue, Frank Gatto, Laurel Krauss, Pam Mills, Lisa Palise, Meredith Power, Nancy Quanstrom, Elinor Raike, Brenda Redfield, Tom Thatcher, Bob Tomlinson, Holly Tomkovitz, JoAnn Weiskopf, Doris Wessner *If you have someone to add to our prayer chain, please send your request to Alison Yearley at apybobba@aol.com.*

TMPC MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Please wish Happy Birthday to a few of our members who celebrate their birthday between *Aug 25 – Sept 2: JoAnn Alberts, Kevin Rampe, Tom Thatcher, Pam Souder, JoAnn Lieber, Mike Wert, Kevin Brewer, Judy Cronise, Rick Schaub*

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY Anyone can order altar flowers in general or “in memory of” or “in honor of” or “in celebration of” a loved one for \$45. Please use our link on our website tmpc.org/giving. Simply select the “Order Flowers” button or “Donate to the Flower Fund” button or make your check payable to TMPC and write “flower fund” on the memo line.

USHERS NEEDED A wonderful way to become involved and meet people is by ushering. This is an easy task and you will be guided by someone who is experienced. Volunteers are needed for both services. Contact Sandy Barford, sandbar1535@gmail.com. See the sign up link in e-news or our website.



Scan here for one time giving, link to our website, for upcoming events or subscribe to our weekly e-news.



Venmo to: [egive2tmpc](https://venmo.com/egive2tmpc)
This will be treated like a cash donation unless we can easily match your venmo name with a name in our donation database.



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| Music Director..... | Patricia Murphy |
| Contemporary Music Director & Youth Director..... | Bill Stauffer |
| Organist/Accompanist | Dorothy Fine |
| Sexton..... | Alec Seltzer |
| Accounting..... | Laura Kandziolka |
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