

The Actual Possibility of

GETTING ALONG

Finding Unity Through the Book of Ephesians

February 11, 2024

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

We offer Sunday School at both services where the children attend class with an instructor to learn and grow in their faith. Children begin their time in worship and then come forward for the children's message then go to Sunday School. Be sure to register your child of 4 years old through 5th grade. If your child prefers to stay with you in worship, there are activity baskets with crayons and activity sheets located at the back of the Sanctuary. Nursery care is available for those attending services at 9:00 am or 11:00 am in the nursery room. To find the nursery room, 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.

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.

COMMON HOUR

TMPC has an hour between services that is a space for coffee and fellowship, Adult Education, Children's Choir and other activities and meetings. Join us in the Fellowship Hall.

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!

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

FEBRUARY 11, 2024

WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

PRELUDE

Weltlich' Ehr' und zeitlich Gut BWV 426

Ariana DuPont

J.S. Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

INTROIT

This Little Light of Mine

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Julie LaLonde

We are pulled in many directions.

Many duties and tasks seek to lay claim on our lives.

This day, in this place, let service to God be your choice.

This day, in this place, we open our hearts and spirits to God.

Blessed be the God of creation who has called us here.

Praise be to God who sustains and nurtures our lives.

Let us worship the Lord together on this day.

*HYMN NO. 300

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

We Are One in the Spirit (vs. 1, 2, 3)

WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Julie LaLonde

God of unity and love, place within each of us a spirit of hope and community. Too often we are guilty of surrounding ourselves with lies instead of the truth. We try to protect ourselves with arrogance, superstition, and self-reliance instead of righteousness, faith, and your gift of salvation. Create in us willing hearts to live in patience and gentleness. Guide us so that our footsteps may follow your path of peace. Gift us with the wisdom and strength to change our ways, so that we may live as your faithful ambassadors of the Good News. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Julie LaLonde

Persistently, patiently, lovingly,
God pours out grace and joy into our lives,
healing our brokenness, forgiving our sin.

**Loved, we are sent to love;
Forgiven, we are freed to forgive;
Graced, we can offer our gifts to everyone we meet.
Thanks be to God. 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.

ANTHEM

How Can I Keep from Singing?

Adult Bell Choir

Arr. by Cathy Moglebust

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD

SCRIPTURE Joshua 24:14-18 (p. 215), Ephesians 6:10-20 (p. 195)

SERMON

Bailey Heckman

*HYMN NO. 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

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

Amazing Grace

Ariana DuPont
AMAZING GRACE

*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

Adagio cantabile Op.13 No.8

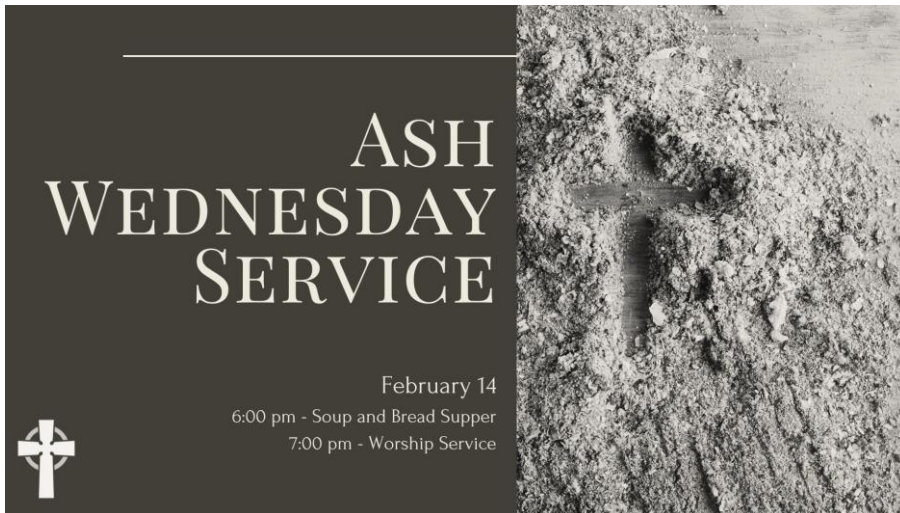
Ariana DuPont
L.V.Beethoven

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sun 2/11	9:00	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE	Sanctuary
	9:00-10:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	9:20–10:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 th Grade)	Room 122-124
	10:00	COMMON HOUR/COFFEE HOUR	Fellowship Hall
	10:00	Choir Rehearsals	Choir Room
	11:00	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE	Fellowship Hall
	11:00-12:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	11:20-12:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 th Grade)	Rooms 122-125
	12:15 -1:15	COMMUNITY MEAL	Fellowship Hall
12:15 -1:15	ASL-American Sign Language Lessons	Chapel	

*This Sunday's Flowers are in honor of Sheila Fruend from her loving daughter,
Julie LaLonde. Happy Birthday, Mom!*



UPCOMING EVENTS

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING Our Mission Team has set a goal of **6 canned food items per family** to help us reach a goal of **750 cans**. Please bring your cans in on Super-Bowl Sunday, **February 11**, to help fill the shelves of our partners at the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK) and Fisherman's Mark Food Pantry in Lambertville. Place your donated cans along the wall in the back of Fellowship Hall.

ASH WEDNESDAY Join us on Wednesday, **February 14** for a 6:00 pm Soup Supper in Fellowship Hall and a 7:00 pm Worship Service in the Sanctuary.

BINGO AT TMPC Join us for a fun day of Bingo on **February 15** from 1-3 pm. Mark your calendars! You can RSVP by contacting us at Act2@TMPC.org or just sign up at the Table of Well Wishing.

KIDS CLUB Join us for a fun night in Fellowship Hall from 5:30-7:00 pm on Friday, **February 16**. We will have dinner with our friends from 567 Middle School Ministry group, make a craft or a service project and play games. We hope to see you there! Sign up on www.tmpc.org/kids or e-news.

CATH LAB TOUR Celebrate heart health month and meet esteemed cardiologists Dr. Ronald Fields and Dr. Vincent Figueredo at St. Mary Heart and Vascular Center. We will visit St. Mary Medical Center on Tuesday, **February 20** at 6:30 pm. They will share the latest breakthroughs and strategies in combating coronary artery disease and Dr. Fields will conduct a special behind-the-scenes tour during our visit. Dr. Figueredo is the author of "*The Curious History of the Heart: A Cultural and Scientific Journey*." Spaces are limited so please sign up on the ACT 2 table, Sign Up Genius, or by contacting Sue Wert (suewert@comcast.net). There is no fee for this event.

LENTEN SMALL GROUPS During our Wednesday Evenings Gatherings and Small Groups during Lent we will meet for soup and bread in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 pm. This simple meal will be

followed by a small group time beginning at 6:30 pm. Our Lenten study groups will use one of three books to guide their discussions and you can sign up www.tmpc.org/lent or in e-news.

CHILI COOKOFF Sign up to participate in our Chili Cookoff at TMPC. Form a team, a theme, and bring it to compete to win at this year's Chili Cookoff on Saturday, **March 16** from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. See the sign up in e-news or www.tmpc.org/events.

CONGREGATIONAL LISTENING SESSION Mark your calendar for **March 17** at 12:00 pm for the TMPC's Congregational Listening Session in the Fellowship Hall.

CHURCH LIFE & MEMBER CARE

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AT HOME George Brandenburg, Marlene Clark, John Donahue, Frank Gatto, Pam Mills, Josh Nemzoff, Lisa Palise, Bucky Pope, Meredith Power, Nancy Quanstrom, Elinor Raike, Brenda Redfield, Jim and Susan Revie, Tom Thatcher, Bob Tomlinson, Holly Tomkovitz, Doris Wessner, Doc Whitticar. *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 *February 9 - February 16*: Steve Sailer, Ryan Wanat, Jim O'Donnell, James O'Donnell, Sara Henrich, Bruce Stevens, Eric Hill, Matthew Stiffler, Melissa Callans

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 Would you like to serve by greeting people in worship? Contact Sandy Barford, sandbar1535@gmail.com. See the sign up link in e-news or our website.

ONGOING OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

COMMUNITY MEAL Our next community meal date is **February 11** in Fellowship Hall at 12:15 – 1:15 pm. See the sign up in e-news or tmpc.org/community-meal. Bring a neighbor, friend, or family member and join us for this time of fellowship.

TRENTON AREA SOUP KITCHEN (TASK) 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; our next time is on **February 20 & 29**. Those who want to carpool meet at TMPC parking lot at 9:15 am. Contact Chuck Green if interested in participating or have any questions at cgreen1030@comcast.net.

TMPC FOOD DRIVE Your contributions are a blessing to our needy neighbors in Lambertville, Trenton, and Morrisville. Food pantry supplies are low, [we need your donations now more than ever!](#) Our monthly food drive is on **February 21** from 10:00 to 10:30 am. Bring items in ahead of time. Thank you.

SOUP MONTH FOR FISHERMAN'S MARK February is Soup Month! Stop by and pick up the soup containers and instructions and make your favorite soup to share, supplies are available in the box under the Table of Well Wishing.

LENT SCHEDULE-WEDNESDAYS

*Ash Wednesday, February 14: 6:00 pm Soup & Bread
and 7 pm Worship in the Sanctuary*

*Small Groups: February 21, 28, March 6, 13, 20
6:00 pm Soup & Bread & 6:30 pm Small Group Gatherings in Fellowship Hall*



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name with a name in our donation database.



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Contemporary Music Director & Youth Director.....	Bill Stauffer
Organist/Accompanist	Ariana DuPont
Accounting.....	Laura Kandziolka
Sexton.....	James Daily
Business Administrator (Volunteer).....	Christine Rampe