

February 25, 2024

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Proverbs 3:5-6

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!

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

PRELUDE Air for Flute in A Minor Ariana DuPont

Air for Flute in A Minor J.S.Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Debbie Heffernan

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP Steve Sailer

In this season of reflection and renewal, we gather to worship, trusting not in our own understanding.

Here, we learn to trust in the Lord with all our hearts.

As we journey through Lent, let us surrender our paths to the one who guides us, That God may direct our steps and make our paths straight.

In our worship and our lives, let us lean not on our own wisdom,

But in every moment, acknowledge the way of Christ.

*HYMN NO. 209 LOVE UNKNOWN

My Song Is Love Unknown (VS. 1,2,3)

WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO SURRENDER

PRAYER OF SURRENDER

(During this time, release every thought from your mind without shame or guilt or fear)

SUNG RESPONSE I Surrender All I SURRENDER

All to Jesus I surrender, All to Him I freely give; I will ever love and trust Him. In His presence daily live.

Refrain: I surrender all, I surrender all.
All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

Lord we surrender to you: our fears, our failures and our distractions. We can do this because we trust in your mercy, your grace and your forgiveness. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Steve Sailer

Friends, in our moments of doubt and our seasons of struggle, we are reminded of God's unending mercy. When we confess our need for God, surrendering our pride and our plans, we are met with grace beyond measure.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, set free to walk in faith and surrender.

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

ANTHEM With One Voice Choir

Gethsemane Prayer By R. Kevin Boesiger

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Jaimie Salt

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

WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD

SCRIPTURE Proverbs 3:5-6 (OT p. 586)

SERMON Rev. Debbie Heffernan

*HYMN NO. 848 SONG 13

Trust in God

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

Verdi Prati

Ariana DuPont Ergin Oda, Baritone G.F.Handel

*DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 710

OFFERING

We Lift Our Voices

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; We lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives; they are yours; we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering; we are an offering.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE ARE SENT OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Ariana DuPont

Andante from Impromptu Op.142 No.3

F. Schubert

*Please stand in body or spirit.

NOTE: Today, a team of 9 leaders from TMPC are in St. Louis, MO attending the BEYOND Conference. This conference is focused on learning skills around evangelism and hospitality for the mainline church and it offers insight and strategy for creating a church that is ready for the future that God is already creating. I'm excited to see what our leaders bring back to us. Please pray for the team as they learn and grow:

Melissa Callans, Rob Kasprow, Caitlyn Chione, Marci Capel, Judy Cronise, Tracey Jefferson, Pastor Stephanie, Pastor Bailey and Bill Stauffer.

We are grateful for our dedicated laity and Rev. Debbie Heffernen who is bringing us the word of God today.

LENT SCHEDULE-WEDNESDAYS

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

Centering Prayer Method

Copies of the Centering Prayer Method are located on the Table of Well Wishing, feel free to take one home with you.

SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sun 2/25	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/Rm 125
	11:00	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE	Fellowship Hall
	11:00-12:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	11:20-12:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5th Grade)	Rooms 122-124
	6:00 - 8:00	TSM- Youth Group	Fellowship Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

LENT SMALL GROUPS Join us on Wednesdays during Lent **February 28, March 6, March 13** and March 20 for soup and bread supper at 6 pm and small groups at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

BIBLE 101 Join us for an adult bible class from **March 5-7** from 1:00-3:00 pm. This class is led by Rev. Kang-Yup Na, currently the Pastoral Ministries Manager at Ann's Choice Senior Living. Rev. Na is an ordained Presbyterian minister and earned an AB at Princeton University, an MDiv at Princeton Theological Seminary and a Ph.D at Emory University. Rev. Na will lead us in dynamic and engaging discussions that will refresh and enhance our understanding of the Bible and will encourage our spiritual growth. A \$20.00 fee will be collected. For further information, please contact Kirsten Fleisher kirstenmaki@yahoo.com.

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 Join us for a Congregational Listening Session! We want to hear from you and we encourage everyone to attend a church-wide gathering in Fellowship Hall where we will share what we've heard so far and then gain additional feedback in a series of small group breakouts. This is a "don't miss" event to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to be heard. Lunch will be served and childcare will be provided. We look forward to hearing from you on **March 17** at 12:00 pm for the TMPC's Congregational Listening Session in the Fellowship Hall.

PHILADELPHIA CHURCH TOUR Join a bus trip to tour two historic churches in Philadelphia on Thursday, May 16. We will tour Mother Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, founded in 1794 and Christ Church, birthplace of the American Episcopal Church, was founded in 1695. Following our church tours, we will enjoy a delicious lunch at FREIDA, where their primary goal is to create genuine connections between people of all generations and all social cultural, and ethnic backgrounds. Our bus leaves TMPC promptly at 8 a.m. and returns at approximately 4 p.m. Cost of the trip, including the bus, all tours, and lunch: \$125.00 To confirm your reservation, please submit the *Reservation Form* (located on the ACT 2 Sign Up table) along with your payment. Checks can be placed in Sue Wert's TMPC mailbox or mailed to: Sue Wert, 106 Muirfield Court, New Hope, PA 18938.

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 23 – March 1: Jack Ebert, Daniel Thompson, Judy Gushue, Don Norin, Bob Auwarter, Pamela Mills

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.

NEW MEMBERS INQUIRY MEETING Are you Interested in learning more about joining Thompson? On either Sunday, **March 3 or March 24** we will host an inquirer's lunch at 12:00 pm to talk about what it looks like to follow Jesus together in this place. Join us! Sign up by emailing Stephanie or the church office at office@tmpc.org or see the link in e-news or www.tmpc.org/events.

ONGOING OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

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 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.

SOUP MONTH FOR FISHERMAN'S MARK February is Soup Month so please continue with making soup for Fisherman's Mark. We will assemble our next meal for Fisherman's Mark on Tuesday, **March 5** at 8:30 am in Fellowship Hall. See the sign up in e-news.

COMMUNITY MEAL Our next community meal date is **March 10** 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.

TMPC FOOD DRIVE Your contributions are a blessing to our needy neighbors in Lambertville, Trenton, and Morrisville. Food pantry supplies are low, <u>we need your donations now more than ever!</u> Our monthly food drive is on **March 20** from 10:00 to 10:30 am. Bring items in ahead of time. Thank you.

EASTER COFFEE HOUR Thompson's Membership Team is organizing our Easter Sunday Coffee Hour and we need your help! We need lots of homemade baked goods, fruit, and treats to share with the guests who will be worshiping with us on Easter. The Coffee Hour will take place at Thompson Memorial Presbyterian Church on Sunday, **March 31** from **10:00-11:00** in the **Christian Education Wing and Choir Room**. See the sign up in e-news.



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



Venmo to: 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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