



March 17, 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

Choir Appreciation Sunday

## *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](http://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](http://www.tmpc.org) for more information, events, and on-line giving.

We are glad to share in your faith journey!

5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 17, 2024

**WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD**

PRELUDE

*Jesus Shall Reign*

Advanced Bell Choir  
*arr. Cynthia Dobrinski*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the presence of the Almighty, we gather together to worship.

**We come with a picture of how life should be, but in this place, we hear the invitation to surrender our expectations, our plans and our understanding.**

Like Abram, childless under the skies, who was promised descendants as numerous as the skies, we come here to learn to trust God's promises for our lives.

**As we worship, we remember that God's ways are more intricate and more complex than we can understand. As we worship, we learn again to surrender our lives to the one who can see the whole picture.**

Together, in faith, we place our lives in God's hands.

**Together, as we worship, we learn to trust God's promises and God's faithfulness to us once again.**

\*HYMN NO. (Back of Hymnal)

*Called by God We Gather*

NEW HOPE

**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.*

## RESPONSE OF CONFESSION

**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

When we surrender our sins, our fears, and our worries, we can trust the God who forgives, restores and sets our feet back on the path lined with grace and mercy.

**Amen, Thanks be to God.**

## \*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

## ANTHEM

With One Voice/Children's Choir  
*He's Got the Whole World* Arr. Joel Raney

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

## **WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD**

## SCRIPTURE

Genesis 15:1-5, 16:1-6 (OT pg.12) Matthew 7:24-27 (NT pg.7)

## SERMON

Stephanie Templin Ashford

## \*HYMN NO. 39

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

## FAITHFULNESS

## 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

*Go to Dark Gethsemane*

Adult Bell Choir  
Arr. Jason Krug

\*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

*Sarabande*

Ariana DuPont  
Corelli Arr. Homer Whitford

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

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**EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

***Worship Services***

*6:30 am: Sunrise Service in the Choir Room*

*9:00 am: Traditional Worship with children and adult bell choirs in Sanctuary*

*11:00 am: Contemporary Worship with worship band in Fellowship Hall*

***Additional Events***

*10:00 am: Easter Egg Hunt in Cemetery*

*10:00 am: Easter Coffee Hour in Christian Education Wing and Choir Room*

## SUNDAY CALENDAR

<b>Sun 3/17</b>	<b>9:00</b>	<b>TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:00-10:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	9:20–10:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	Room 122-124
	<b>10:00</b>	<b>COMMON HOUR/COFFEE HOUR</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
	10:00	Choir Rehearsals	Choir Room/Rm 125
	<b>11:00</b>	<b>CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
	11:00-12:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	11:20-12:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	Rooms 122-124
	12:00-2:00	Congregational Listening Meeting	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 – 8:00	TSM- Youth Group	Fellowship Hall

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**CONGREGATIONAL LISTENING SESSION** We want to hear from you! Join us today, **March 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm** in Fellowship Hall to have the opportunity to have your voice heard in a church-wide gathering and then gain additional feedback in a series of small group breakouts. Lunch will be served, and childcare will be provided.

**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.

**RUMMAGE SALE/SERVE WEEKEND** Save the dates for the Spring Rummage Sale on **May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>** and Serve Weekend on **May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>**.

## 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 [apypobba@aol.com](mailto:apypobba@aol.com).*

**TMPC MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS** Please wish Happy Birthday to a few of our members who celebrate their birthdays between *March 17 – March 23: Debbie Gardner, Suzanne Brown, Julian Koh, Kirsten Fleisher, Bucky Pope, Bill Clarke, Katherine Stiffler, and Sylus Jefferson.*

**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](http://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](mailto: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 Sunday, **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](mailto:office@tmpc.org) or see the link in e-news or [www.tmpc.org/events](http://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 times are on **March 19 and 28**. 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](mailto: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, **April 2** at 8:30 am in Fellowship Hall. See the sign up in e-news.

**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 **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 worshipping with us on Easter. The Coffee Hour will take place on Sunday, **March 31** from **10:00-11:00** in the **Christian Education Wing and Choir Room**. See the sign up in e-news.



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Teaching Elder/Sr. Pastor ( <i>Sabbath: Monday</i> ) .....	Stephanie Templin Ashford
Teaching Elder/Associate Pastor ( <i>Sabbath: Friday</i> ) .....	Bailey Heckman
Administrative Assistant.....	Julie Perri
Music Director.....	Patricia Murphy
Contemporary Music Director & Youth Director.....	Bill Stauffer
Organist/Accompanist .....	Ariana DuPont
Accounting.....	Laura Kandziolka
Sexton.....	James Daily
Business Administrator (Volunteer).....	Christine Rampe



## CHOIR & MUSIC APPRECIATION

**TMPC Music Director: Tricia Murphy**

**Accompanist: Ariana DuPont**

### ***Children's Choir***

Lauren Ebert  
Lexi Ebert  
Annalise Heckman  
Bennett Heckman  
Madelyn Jefferson  
Sawyer Jefferson  
Emma Kaspro  
Anita Kiely  
Andrew Kirby  
Cora Kirby  
Annabelle McGettigan  
Emily McGettigan  
Campbell Moy  
Rosie Moy  
Emma Nickels  
Isabelle Nickels  
Charlotte Osbeck  
Wyatt Osbeck  
Ivy Pfannenstiel  
Emmerson Robbins

### ***Children's Bell Choir***

Madelyn Jefferson  
Ben Kaspro  
Emma Kaspro  
Annabelle McGettigan  
Emily McGettigan  
Campbell Moy  
Charlotte Osbeck  
Emmerson Robbins

### ***Adult Bell Choir***

Amy Brewer  
Anita Campbell  
Trish Chinoy  
Peter Heckman  
Erik Heinicke  
Amanda Pfannenstiel  
Sue Schaub  
Janice Slack

### ***With One Voice Choir***

#### ***Soprano***

Anita Campbell  
Debbie Gardner  
Amanda Pfannenstiel  
Carol Salt

#### ***Alto***

Susan Nemzaff  
Marie Wustholz

#### ***Tenor***

Dave Callans  
Peter Heckman  
George Salt

#### ***Bass***

Jim Alpaugh  
Eric Hill  
Colin Jenei  
Rob Stetson