



## HOW MANY PRESBYTERIANS DOES IT TAKE?

Ahead of time, it is hard to know just how many Presbyterians it will take to:

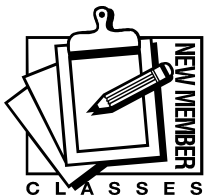
- Decorate the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas. . .
- Orchestrate the annual progressive dinner for the congregation. . .
- Present an inspiring Christmas Choir Cantata, "Holy Child. . ."
- Prepare a children's choir to lead worship on Christmas Eve . . .
- Ring to the glory of God with the sounds of a veteran bell choir . . .
- Cover the congregation with hundreds of personalized "prayer stars. . ."
- Plan and organize a successful blood drive during Christmas week. . .
- Respond to mission projects like "Operation Shoebox," Holiday Food Baskets, and the Christmas Joy offering. . .
- Coordinate all of the arrangements for the TPC pictorial directory. . .
- Prepare bulletins for three worship services in one week. . .
- And, be faithful stewards of all of the resources needed for the program and mission of Jesus Christ at TPC.

Afterwards, the answer is obvious. It takes ALL of us working together!

I want to offer a personal word of gratitude to all of you who contributed so much of your time, energy, and creativity throughout the Advent and Christmas season as your gift to God. You are a special blessing to all of us at TPC, and to countless others you may never know. Well done, good and faithful servants. Well done!

*"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." 1 Corinthians 12:4-7 NRSV*

Grace and Peace for the New Year,  
Dick Wiggers, Interim Pastor



### **New Member Classes Starting Soon!**

February 1, 8, & 15  
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

A three-week series of classes related to Presbyterian beliefs, the Christian faith, and Tualatin Presbyterian Church will be offered for anyone who is considering membership at TPC. These classes provide an excellent opportunity to form new friendships, to explore the meaning of church membership, and to become better acquainted with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Rev. Dick Wiggers and TPC members will be sharing the leadership. We will meet after worship from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A light lunch and childcare will be provided.



## *Christian Education Committee*

Adult Education – Two adult education classes will resume on January 11 from 8:30 – 9:30 am.

The class that has just finished – *In the Grip of Grace* by Max Lucado will now study “The Beatitudes” and will be facilitated by Roger Smith.

The class studying *The Bible in Depth Kerygma Program* facilitated by Randy Beyer and Carolyn Hale resumes with Theme 5 “God’s People have Leaders”.

Both groups welcome new members. It is not necessary to have been at the previous sessions. Contact Carolyn Hale or Randy Beyer for more information.

## *Fellowship Committee*

### **New Kitchen Appliances at TPC**

When you walk into the kitchen, you may notice that some things have changed. There is a new range, refrigerator and freezer. Soon a new microwave convection oven will be installed over the range. Our thanks go to Barbara Kozak and Craig Walker, Karen, Philip and Olivia Schmitt, and Craig and Courtney Kozak, Jr. whose generosity made this a reality.

### **After Church Potluck**

Following the Christmas season of many special, high calorie foods, the January 11 all-church potluck will be a “Diet Potluck”. Notice we’re not saying what kind of diet! More details will follow. For now, mark your calendars for Sunday, January 11 – TPC Diet Potluck!

Fellowship Elder, Susan Springer

**Volunteers are needed to help with the Newsletter** - A small group of faithful volunteers meet one morning a month to fold and seal the newsletters. If you are able to help, please contact Rhoda in the church office or Del Judy.

## *Worship Committee*

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you .... Advent season in a church is a little crazy. The Worship Committee starts planning what to do in August and September. Then, one day in November, the elder in charge realizes that we have to be ready to go on November 30!!!! I want to thank everyone who stepped in to help this year: the entire worship committee for all their ideas, planning and “doing”; the choirs both adult and children for their wonderful music; the bell choir who sounded incredible; their directors – Kris Sparks (choir) and Martha Wilson (bell choir); Dick Wiggers and Rhoda Friesen for all the work they do that I take for granted, the youth groups and their leader, Crystal Shearer; Ellen and Ron Van Schoiack for the creation of wonderful art to enhance our worship throughout this season; the families who lighted candles and Rick Crall for organizing them; to all the people who helped with decorating; to everyone who was part of “the Christmas scene” at Hanging of the Greens; a special thank you to Lynne Bolten, Diane Barry and Dorothy Martin for getting people to set up, read, serve communion, be lay leaders; and to Deborah Lewis for bread. **To this family – Happy New Year!**

Worship Elder, Sherry Nelson

## *Mission Committee*

We give thanks and praise for the many blessings that the families of TPC provided through our mission activities this Advent season. Your gifts included:

- \$1114 Christmas Joy offering
- 55 hats and scarves; 116 pairs of gloves; 88 pairs of socks for local street youth
- Over \$1,200 for the HopeSpring Program for homeless women and children
- Over \$800 in Christmas basket donations for 7 local families (excess funds will be given to the food pantry to feed more hungry people)
- 54 toys and gifts for children of 7 local families
- 35 pints of blood in our annual blood drive (special thanks to all the volunteers)

Mission Elder, Mike Shiffer



### TPC Birthdays

1/3	Cathy Lambeth	1/21	Pam Bowen
1/4	Mary Shiffer	1/21	Parker Mader
1/10	Kathryn Dix	1/24	Greg Sundt
1/12	Susan Springer	1/28	Nicholas Dannemiller
1/14	Walt Dean	1/28	Mark Hansen
1/15	Karen Jones	1/28	Ted Miller
1/16	Robert Baber	1/29	Janet Winterrowd
1/16	Sy Beko	1/29	Casey Sparks
1/18	Mary Maleta	1/30	Pam Cameron
1/20	John Collins	1/31	Neil Olson

### Book Review

#### **"The Dead Sea Scrolls" by Millar Burrows**

This is a complete account of the great archeological find of 1947 that touched off a series of events which have excited Bible scholars and others as have few similar happenings of the Christian era. These manuscripts were found in a cave near the site of an ancient ruin called Khirbet Qumran. They constitute the richest find of early biblical material to be made in centuries. This book covers the discovery of the scrolls, the attempts to date the manuscripts, their content, and an explanation of their significance.

The early scrolls contained the complete book of Isaiah, the rules of an ancient and unknown religious order, a somewhat damaged copy of the lost book of Lamech, a commentary on the book of Habakkuk and a collection of "Thanksgiving Psalms" that were hitherto unknown.

It is an interesting supplement to anyone eager to delve deeper into early origins of our Bible. You will find it in our library under the call number 220.4/Bur.

Diane Barry, TPC Librarian



### *A Note from the Deacons*

Special thanks to all who worked on the church's behalf to make this happen, either with organizing, calling with reminders, or hosting at the photo shoots. We all need to especially thank Rhoda, whose patience and kindness were felt by all of us as we made it through schedule changes, furniture re-arranging, and extra hours to make this a reality. If you were unable to make it to the scheduled photo sessions and would still like to be included in the directory, please contact Dee Dee Hansen at (503) 656-4008 to make it happen!



Pam Cameron lost a white, round, 2" tall Tupperware bottom made for cupcakes and pies that she brought to the cookie sale. Please contact her if you have seen it.

### Feeling bored?

A young boy complained to his father that most of the church hymns were boring to him. They were too far behind the times, with tiresome tunes and meaningless words. The father put an end to the complaining by saying, "If you think you can write better hymns, then why don't you?"

The boy went to his room and wrote his first hymn. The year was 1690 and the teenager was Isaac Watts. "Joy to the World" and "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" are among the nearly 350 hymns he wrote.

He also wrote "How Long, O Lord, Shall I Complain."

Evidently, just long enough to write his first hymn.

### Tuesdays Treasures Calendar

**Treasures Volunteers Meeting:** Tuesday, January 13 at 7:00 pm

**Tuesday Treasure Concert:** Tuesday, January 20 at 7:00 pm at Sunset Presbyterian Church.

Contact Carolyn Locke for more information.

### Greeters are Needed!!!!!!!!!!

What a great way to start the New Year... We encourage all families to sign up to be Greeters on Sunday mornings. What a great way to meet and greet the congregation.

Greeting consist of: Arriving around 9:15 Sunday morning. Prepare the coffee and tea water, set out everything in the kitchen for serving. Pass out bulletins before the service and pour coffee and serve refreshments after the service. During Adult Ed. on Sunday morning a baby sitter is available in the nursery. There is a sign up sheet on the black tower or you may call Del Judy.

# Hangings of the Greens

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Mary, Joseph, and Baby Jesus played by Karen, Phillip and Olivia Schmitt



TPC Children's Choir directed by Kris Sparks and accompanied by Dianne Lemmon



Traditional Men's Carol



Baby Jesus – Olivia Schmidt

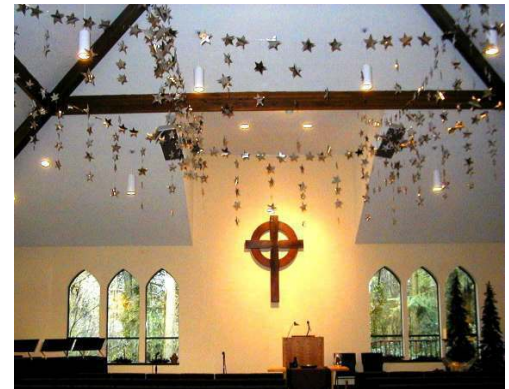


Decorating the tree with hats, scarves and mittens to be donated to The Janus Youth Program for Portland's Street Youth

# Christmas Time – 2003 @ TPC



The Children's Message by Sherry Nelson



Prayer Stars hung from the ceiling.  
Special thanks goes to Ellen and  
Ron Van Schoiack.



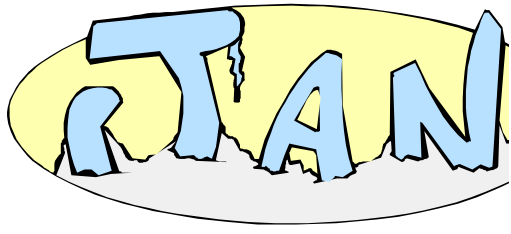
Baby Jesus has finally arrived.



A small section of the TPC Bell  
Choir led by Martha Wilson



TPC Choir directed by Kris Sparks



**Youth Group**  
**6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade**  
**students**  
**Sunday Evenings**

**January 4<sup>th</sup>** – How to Let Your  
Conscience Be Your Guide

**January 6<sup>th</sup>** – Early Bird  
Breakfast @ 7:00AM

**January 11<sup>th</sup>** – Leave the Swine  
Behind \* Meal Night\*

**January 18<sup>th</sup>**- Service Project

**January 19<sup>th</sup>** – Ski Day?

**January 25<sup>th</sup>** – Not Just Hot Air  
\*Meal Night\*

**Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30 -- PARENT MEETING**

All parents are invited to attend this informational meeting. We will be discussing the summer ***Mission Trip.***

We have an opportunity to join with other youth groups as they travel to Mexico this summer to build homes for those less fortunate.

We will be discussing all the details including who, when, where, why and how much.

Please plan on attending.

# TPC Announcements



A memorial service for the Rev. Gary Lawson, Pastor /Head of Staff of Calvin Presbyterian was held at Calvin Church –10445 SW Canterbury Lane, Tigard, Oregon. Rev. Lawson died on Wednesday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. Please keep the Lawson family and congregation and staff of Calvin Presbyterian in your prayers.

The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are with Mike Jones and his family at the death of his father, Andy Jones who died Tuesday, Dec 16<sup>th</sup> in Jacksonville, Oregon.

The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are with Becky Backen and her family in the death of her father, Homer Perry, who died in Roseburg, Oregon on Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Please also remember in prayer:** Sue Awdry, Ing MacHaffie, Ryan Christen, Bill Robertson (Roger Reid's stepfather), Charles Wheeler (Del Judy's brother), Cathy Lambeth, Kathy Sweetland, Nadine Manke (Lynn Scroggin's aunt), Joyce & Maynard Rorman (parents of Karen Jones), Madelyn Carlson, Christopher Beam (Nancy Catanese's son), the members of our PNC, those who lead and serve our nation, communities and congregations.

Happy Anniversary to Dee and Noel Johnson who celebrated their 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary and to Janet and Gordy Winterrowd celebrating their 24<sup>th</sup>.



*Interim Pastor Dick Wiggers presented Milce Da Silva into membership of TPC on Sunday, November 9.*

## General Fund Status January – November 2003



	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>Income</b>	\$ 122,614	\$129,234
<b>Expense</b>	\$ 131,638	\$135,655
<b>Net</b>	( \$ 9,024)	( \$ 6,421 )

<b>November 2003</b>		
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>Income</b>	\$ 12,402	\$ 12,990
<b>Expense</b>	\$ 12,462	\$ 12,512
<b>Net</b>	( \$ 60)	\$ 478

## Featured TPC Member of the Month Herb Zachow



Herb Zachow joined TPC in 1986, shortly after leaving the clutches of corporate America in Southern California. He was a member of the Building Committee for the construction of the first structure and for the recent addition. Herb served as Church Treasurer for ten years, leaving that post after the first building was free of debt.

Herb and his wife Nancy have two married daughters, Karin, living in Miami, Florida, and Janice, living in Newberg, Oregon and three grandchildren.

Herb is the bookkeeper for Janice's Equestrian business. He is addicted to classical music and enjoys gardening, cross-country skiing and kayaking. Herb is also a member of the TPC Choir.



Start your new year by keeping a journal of your life.

You will need:

- ✍ a spiral notebook
- ✍ contact paper
- ✍ permanent marker



How to make and use your journal:

- Use the contact paper to cover the front of the notebook.
- Put your name and a name for the journal on the cover.
- Decorate the cover with drawings or stickers.
- Each day (or once a week) write down your thoughts, prayers, poems, dreams and the date. You can also make drawings to go along with your writings.



Use the code to read some important words to live by.

CODE:	A=1	D=4	H=8	L=12	P=16	T=20	X=24
	B=2	E=5	I=9	M=13	Q=17	U=21	Y=25
	C=3	F=6	J=10	N=14	R=18	V=22	Z=26
	G=7	K=11	O=15	S=19	W=23		

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Answer: Have no other gods before me. Honor your father and mother. Don't misuse God's name. Keep the Sabbath holy. Learn the Ten Commandments.

## Wisdom from a 3-year-old



The mother of a 3-year-old girl was teaching her daughter how to pray the Lord's Prayer. After a few nights of having the girl repeat the prayer after her, the mother asked the child if she would like to pray the prayer by herself. She did pretty well until just after she prayed, "and lead us not into temptation." Instead of praying, "deliver us from evil," she prayed, "deliver us from e-mail."

When we see all the "spam" that comes into our e-mail boxes, who can deny the child's wisdom?





**Tualatin Presbyterian  
Church Calendar  
January 2004**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> New Year's Day	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Worship – 10:00 am Communion  11:30 Quilters	<b>5</b> TPC Volunteers serve lunch at the Senior Center 11:00 am  PNC 7:00 pm	<b>6</b> Mission Cmt. 7:00 pm	<b>7</b> Bells 6:25 pm Choir 7:30 pm	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> Deacons @ Haydens 8: 00am Adult Ed. – 8:30am Choir – 9:25 am Worship – 10:00 am After Church Potluck	<b>12</b> PNC 7:00 pm  Fellowship Cmt. 7:00 pm	<b>13</b> Tuesday's Treasures Volunteer Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>14</b> Bible Study 10:30 am  Bells 6:25 pm Choir 7:30 pm	<b>15</b>  Session 7:00 pm	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> Adult Ed. – 8:30 am Choir – 9:25 am  Worship – 10:00 am	<b>19</b> PNC 7:00 pm  Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Bible Study 10:30 am  Bells 6:25 pm Choir 7:30 pm	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> TPC All Church Game Night
<b>25</b> Adult Ed. – 8:30 am Choir – 9:25 am  Worship – 10:00 am	<b>26</b> PNC 7:00 pm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Bible Study 10:30 am  Bells 6:25 pm Choir 7:30 pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> TPC Women's Mini Retreat

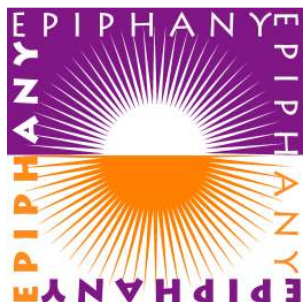
**Upcoming Dates to Remember:** Feb. 21 – Cascades Leadership Fair @ Lake Grove Presbyterian  
8:30 am – 2:30 pm. Keynote Speaker: Dr. Syngman Rhee  
website: [www.cascadespresbytery.org](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org)

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**Church Office Hours:** Tuesday from 9am - 1:30 pm; Wednesday and Friday from 9am to noon and Thursday from 9am - 2:30 pm. Pastor Wiggers is in the office Monday – Thursday. Please call for an appointment.