



BLOOD DRIVE TODAY
FRIDAY, JANUARY 9
2-7 p.m. here at the church.

Are You Ready to Walk to Jerusalem?

The “Walk to Jerusalem” is a “virtual” or “imaginary” walk to the city where Jesus was crucified and rose from the dead. This walking program was developed by St. John Providence Health System Parish Nursing in Detroit, Michigan. It was designed to increase the physical, spiritual and emotional health of the participants. This “imaginary” trip to Jerusalem is accomplished by individuals within the congregation logging their own walking miles each week. The Walk to Jerusalem will begin in January. Our goal is to walk 6,927 miles to get to Jerusalem before Easter. As a faith community, we can do this! Each participant will record how many miles he or she has walked each day and at the end of each week, submit the number of miles walked by dropping a tally of the miles in the “Walk to Bethlehem” box in the Narthex. There will be forms to fill in by the box or you can separate your tally from the weekly reflection sheet that will be provided.

This program is designed to encourage members of our congregation to become more active, but even more important, it is to foster spiritual growth. Thus, while you are walking or exercising, you should be taking the time to think about the weekly reflections, which will be provided, and use your exercise time as a time to pray and learn a little more about your relationship with God. There is a different reflection for each week.

Please contact Dianne Lemmon, Parish Nurse, if you have questions. As we embark on this journey, may the Lord bless each of us and help us to build a closer relationship with the Lord.

CHRISMONS

Thanks to all who helped with making Chrismons for Advent and Christmas. One hundred symbols were crafted and hung from the sanctuary greens. Twenty two members were involved in making the felt and counted cross stitch Chrismons. The gold printed paper butterflies and doves were made by children who attended The Hanging of the Greens. It is wonderful to have a significant beginning in the TPC new Chrismon tradition. The work will continue under the leadership of Chris Robertson as Art Director. Chris created the twelve beautiful small canvas icons and Chrismons that hung in the windows. If you have an unfinished Chrismon, you have a head start on the 2015 collection. Chris has asked me to help with the Chrismon project in the future, so if you want to get going early for next Advent, I will have kits available for you. Again, I wish to express my deep appreciation for the congregation’s enthusiasm and participation in this project.

Mary Shiffer

TPC PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

One in 6 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer during his lifetime. The impact of the diagnosis and treatment can be difficult, if not overwhelming. To support men with this diagnosis, several men from TPC have formed a Prostate Cancer Support Group. Current plans are to meet quarterly. **They will meet on January 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Marshall Watkins.** If you have questions, please contact Ronn Rhodes or Dianne Lemmon, Parish Nurse.

WOMEN’S MINISTRY BRUNCH

SATURDAY, January 17, 10:30 a.m.

Start the New Year out with an opportunity to learn and fellowship with other TPC women over brunch on Saturday, January 17 at 10:30 a.m. at the church. Maureen Heath, from International Teams, will enlighten us on the topic of human trafficking in the Portland Metro area and how it is being addressed. International Team’s mission is to restore the dignity of each person in our communities by seeing them through the eyes of God’s love.

See the sign-up sheet in the narthex to indicate attendance and whether you wish to bring a brunch item, participate in setup, or help with cleanup. Our gathering usually lasts until noon.

The **Backpack Buddy Program** continues to need assistance. Our donated food items help ensure students don't go hungry over the week-end. If you would like to help, please bring an item(s) to the brunch for this program. A few of the most needed are boxed cereal ("kid" type), flavored oatmeal packets, spaghetti or pasta, cans of diced or stewed tomatoes, canned tuna and canned chicken; canned soups, specifically, chicken noodle or rice, vegetable or vegetable beef and canned protein, such as Beef Ravioli. A complete list of needed items, "Take-ones," is on the tower in the Narthex. You may give Joan Nardi these items at any time.

Our February 21 meeting will feature a speaker from our **HopeSpring** mission project.

The Women's Ministry Group is open to all TPC women who want to strengthen their bonds of fellowship and grow spiritually. Please feel free to bring a friend—all are welcome.

**MEETING BEFORE THE MEETING
after worship, Sunday, January 18, 2015**

We'll talk about the annual budget. Bring your questions.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
AND POTLUCK**

after worship, Sunday, January 25, 2015

We'll talk about the 2015 Annual Budget, Ken's Terms of Call and elect the 2015 Nominating Committee. A potluck will follow the meeting.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

SUNDAY, January 25—**Potluck** following our annual Congregational Meeting. Sign-up in the Narthex on the bulletin board near the kitchen, or fill out the flyer in Sunday's worship bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

FEBRUARY

Game Night** a fun, family night with a little something for everyone. Details to follow.

Hootenanny** an evening of singing and fun ~ we will gather in a home for musical fun and libations - all singers are welcome ;)

Emily Ricker,
Fellowship and Integration Elder

**ADVANCED DIRECTIVE PRESENTED
ON SUNDAY, FEB. 8 AFTER WORSHIP**

Information on the Oregon Advanced Directive and POLST will be presented Sunday, February 8th, after worship Karen Black. The presentation will last about 30 minutes with additional time for questions.

The Oregon Advanced Directive form includes three documents: Living Will, Advanced Directive, and Health Care Power of Attorney. Its purpose is to direct whoever will make health care decisions for you in the future and give indications of your wishes.

A POLST (Physician's Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment) is a pink document that you get from your doctor's office and must be filled in with him/her. It contains doctor's orders. It is appropriate if it is believed that an individual will die within a year or two. The orders are related to the present time and can be changed frequently as the person's condition changes.

There is a lot of misunderstanding among the public and health care providers about when to use these documents and how to fill them in. Both documents are designed to be filled in without a lawyer, but it can be difficult to interpret the questions.

This presentation is designed to help you begin thinking about your wishes when you cannot talk. We will discuss the importance of communicating your wishes in many ways, making sure they are followed and getting information from health care professionals so decisions can be made.

QUESTIONS (AND ANSWERS) ABOUT THE ADVANCED DIRECTIVE

Karen Black will have Advanced Directive Forms available for everyone.

Q: Do I need an advanced directive?

A: Yes

Q: What is the best way to tell someone what my preferences are for treatment?

A: Talk about them.

Q: Are all the questions and answers for what I want contained in the Advanced Directive?

A: No, very few are. Every situation is different. The best way for someone to know your wishes is to talk with them in an open way. The document mainly legalizes which person is the best one to ask.

Q: What if I want to add some of my thoughts and wishes even though they are not “yes” or “no”.

A: It is very helpful if you do that. You can add anything on separate sheets of paper attached to the document. There are also booklets where you can say what you would want in a particular situation. These answers are not legally binding, but will give insight into your thinking when decisions need to be made.

Q: What if I change my mind?

A: Write “VOID”, rip it up, or cancel it verbally. You can always change your mind. If you fill in another Advanced Directive, the one used will be the one most recently dated. (It helps to have the others destroyed.)

Q: What if I want certain people involved in decisions or others excluded from making decisions?

A: There is a place for that in the document.

Q: How will my representative get information about my condition? Every thing is HIPPA now.

A: When you are unable to communicate, your representative will have the same rights to written records and health care professionals that you have. One of the most important responsibilities of a representative is to be sure to understand all the correct information. That may require talking to more than one person.

Q: I just know my spouse already knows what I would want.

A: In a recent study when they asked the person and their spouse separately what the person would want, the odds were 50-50 of being correct. Don't assume: talk!

COLLINS RETREAT CENTER ANNOUNCES 2015 World Pilgrimage Site: Ghost Ranch, NM

The Collins World Pilgrimage Series continues in 2015 with a journey to a very special place right here in the U.S.: Ghost Ranch in Abiquiu, New Mexico. Beginning with an overnight formation retreat at the Alton L. Collins Retreat Center (near Sandy on the southeast edge of the Portland metro area) on **March 5**, the group will travel together to Albuquerque on March 6th and then on to Ghost Ranch (now a Presbyterian retreat center) for an amazing spiritual adventure in a place that for centuries has been a mecca for peoples of diverse religious traditions. **The return date is March 12.**

Led by the Rev. Bert Scott (a former Oregonian) and the Rev. Wallace Ford, participants will explore the beauty and gifts of this area, and how it has transformed the lives of those pilgrims who have encountered the Holy on their own journeys here. The Rev. Todd Bartlett will lead the initial Collins retreat and will serve as the group's guide during the pilgrimage.

The total cost is \$1750 (double occupancy); this includes the initial retreat at Collins, roundtrip transportation from Collins to Ghost Ranch, all meals & lodging, and all program expenses. Registration is limited to 12 people, so don't delay! Be sure to visit the Pilgrimage page on the Collins website (collinsretreatcenter.org/Pilgrimage.html) for more details and registration information.

ADULT EDGE

This adult education class meets on Sundays, **from 8:45 to 9:30 a.m.** downstairs in the youth room. Hope to see you there!

John Casebeer, Adult Education Elder

MISSION COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Advent/Christmas Recap: the congregation is truly generous and whole-heartedly supported the various opportunities to give and share the meaning of Christmas during the holiday season. Here is a short recap.

Cookie Sale – \$700 was realized and went to Compassion Int'l in support of Sarah and Estalin. This amount is very close to meeting both of their financial needs for an entire year.

Giving Tree – We supported 6 families from the Tigard-Tualatin School District which included 14 children. We provided 42 gifts and a whopping \$885 was donated for food baskets. The monies were given proportionally to the families, based on family size.

Janus Tree – 287 items consisting of 110 pairs of gloves/mittens, 65 hats, 44 scarves, 64 pairs of socks, 3 jackets and 1 sweater were delivered to the Janus organization in Portland to provide winter clothing protection to homeless and troubled youth.

Christmas Memorials – \$1,075 was received to honor living loved ones or in memory of those past. All monies received were given to Canine Companions for Independence which provide highly trained dogs to individual with special needs.

Christmas Joy Offering – \$530 was received and the total forwarded to the Assistance Program of the Presbyterian Board of Pensions supporting retired church workers and their survivors who experience devastating events.

Thank you all for your very generous support.

Chip Kyle, Mission Committee Elder

TUALATIN SCHOOL HOUSE PANTRY

The pantry needs the following items: Canned peas, canned tomatoes (sliced, diced, stewed), boxed mac and cheese, canned chili, canned kid pasta, toothpaste, shampoo and bar soap.

For more information, consult the website www.schoolhousepantry.org

NOTE: The Food Pantry uses only the 1 dozen size egg carton; it cannot use the 18-egg count size.

CHRISTINA'S ATTIC

This column will be a new addition to the monthly newsletter. I'm calling it "Christina's Attic" because that's the way I think of my brain, as a storage site for all kinds of ideas and possibilities., some that have been around for quite a while and some that are just in their infancy.

A lot of you know me, but perhaps not by my new title, Art Director. I would like to share with you a little of my artistic vision for TPC. Just as I am not the best singer in the choir—not by a longshot—I am also not the best artist in the church—again, not by a longshot. What I am, instead, is an enthusiastic appreciator of all kinds of creative expression. So, I am not going to be the artist-in-residence. I see myself more as the curator of the TPC sanctuary and narthex.

I hope to have original art on exhibit somewhere in these spaces at all times to glorify God, to inspire us to be more Christ-like, and to provoke thought about our faith. I invite those who do art of any kind to share your ideas and vision with the rest of us. Please let me know if you would like to exhibit your work. I plan to organize community art projects for people with different interests, gifts and skill levels. I want to use art to enhance the feeling of community at TPC and I would like our youth to be involved as much as their busy schedules allow.

Betty Taylor's beautiful water color paintings are on exhibit along the back and side walls of the sanctuary and will remain until Ash Wednesday. The current liturgical color is green, so Betty's paintings, with all their green hues, are perfect for the season.

Creating in the image of our Creator,
Chris Robertson

TWO FREE BALES OF HAY

Do you know anyone who can use two free bales of hay...left over from the Living Nativity? If yes, please contact either Bob Paetsch, Building and Grounds Elder or Susan Springer in the church office.

TPC Treasures Program

While hearing the familiar scripture and singing the traditional songs, Treasures and volunteers celebrated the spirit of Christmas at our December Treasure Night. As participants donned outfits to play roles in the Christmas story, all knew that the plastic doll in the manger was really the Christ child who came to save the world. He was handled gently and honored accordingly. With joy, wonder and reverence the 'Treasure-style' Christmas re-creation has touched all those present for the past fourteen years. O come, let us adore Him!

Pictured from left to right: Sharon, Michael, Rob, Angela, Marna, Amy, Ted, Brenda, Paul, Julian, Lizzie



The January Treasure Night will be an All-Treasure Group "Winter Square Dance Party" on Friday, January 23 at Sunset Presbyterian Church.

Carolyn Locke, Tuesday's Treasures Coordinator

THANKS!

A great big THANK YOU to Larry Nord and Wayne Willis for cleaning the entire church parking lot prior to the Living Nativity event on December 6th. Their efforts provided a safe and slip-free environment for folks to walk in. Bob Paetsch, B&G Elder

THINGS FINANCIAL

ANNUAL PER CAPITA

(can be thought of as Presbyterian Membership Dues)

TPC's annual per capita expense for 2015 is \$7,633.08. This expense is not covered by income from pledges — there is a separate income line item for per capita. Therefore, we ask each member to pay their own per capita in addition to their regular pledge or tithe. The amount for 2015 is \$27.96/member.

When paying per capita, please make sure your memo or offering envelope is marked "per capita." Thank you. Rhoda Friesen, Financial Assistant

Would you prefer a paperless contribution statement?

2014 year end contribution statements will be distributed prior to January 31st, 2015. *If you would like to have your statement emailed to you, please send a request to rhoda@tpcspirit.org and you will be put on a Paperless Statement Distribution List. You will then receive future quarterly statements via email until you contact the office asking to return to a paper copy. Thank you!*

Rhoda Friesen, Financial Assistant

DONATE USING AUTO BILL PAY

Many of you have scheduled your pledge payments to be paid automatically through your bank account. Thank you!. In addition to it being a convenient way to make your donations, it helps provide a more consistent cash flow into the church's General Operating Fund.

To set up auto bill pay, go to your bank's website. Logon to your account. Select Auto Pay.

The "pay to" name: Tualatin Presbyterian Church

Mailing address: 9230 SW Siletz Dr. Tualatin, OR 97062

Church phone: 503-692-4160

Then follow the prompts to specify the amount to pay and the frequency of your payments. Most financial institutions do not charge for this service and TPC does not incur any expense to receive the funds! If you have questions, contact Rhoda Friesen, TPC Financial Assistant, Rhoda@tpcspirit.org or Jennifer Ayers, TPC treasurer, treasurer@tpcspirit.org

SHOP ON AMAZON AND DONATE TO TPC

Do you shop on Amazon.com? If so, you can help TPC! Amazon will donate 1/2 of 1% of your purchases to a charity of choice, if you start your purchase on the website smile.amazon.com. When asked to select a charity, choose Tualatin Presbyterian Church. Then shop as normal. Easy!

BUILDING USAGE

If you have reserved a room in the building for whatever reason, and then find you don't need that room, please tell Susan Springer in the office.

Thanks for your help.

Bob Paetsch, Building and Ground Elder

COOKIE BAKERS NEEDED

for Sunday morning coffee hours. Please see Myrna Friese to volunteer your yummys or email her at myrjfri@aol.com."

PASTOR KEN'S SERMONS ON LINE

Each Sunday, John Martin tapes Ken's sermons. If you miss a Sunday, you can catch up on the sermon by going to the church website, tpcspirit.org. Hover over Worship, then click on Sermons from the pull-down menu. Select the date, then start the video by clicking on the arrow on the left side of the screen.



01—Estalin Reinoso
03—Cathy Lambeth
04—Mary Shiffer
06—Rosemary Willis
07—Riley Reding

08—Deb Carlson
09—Steven Olsen
12—Wendy Love
12—Susan Springer
12—Jeff Cameron
14—Susan Fee
15—Karen Jones
15—Samuel Corona
16—Herb Richardson
17—Joel Morris
18—Mary Maleta
19—Scott MacHaffie
21—Bill Thomason
21—Pam Bowen
24—Greg Sundt

25—Elias Ratliff
28—Erin Hagan
28—Mark Hansen
28—Ted Miller
28—Nicholas Dannemiller
29—Randy Beyer
29—Janet Winterrowd
30—Pam Cameron
31—Annica Gage
31—Neil Olson

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ALL!

TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

For the latest calendar updates, go to www.tpcspirit.org and click on calendar.

JANUARY 2015

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 New Year's Day	2	3
4 8:45 a.m. Adult EDGE 10:00 Worship	5	6	7 7 pm Choir re- hearsal	8 6:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal 7 pm Finance Meeting (O)	9 2—7 p.m. Blood Drive	10
11 8:45 a.m. Adult EDGE 10:00 Worship Sunday School	12	13 7 pm Mission meeting 7 pm Fellow- ship meeting	14 7 pm Choir re- hearsal	15 6:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal	16	17 7:30 Men's Breakfast 10:30 Wom- en's Ministry
18 8:45 a.m. Adult EDGE 10:00 Worship Sunday School Meeting Before the Meeting after wor- ship	19 7 p.m. Deacon meeting	20	21 7 pm Choir re- hearsal 7:30 p.m. The Awakening for youth	22 6:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal 7 p.m. Session Meeting	23 10 a.m. to noon Loving Stitches 7-8:30 p.m. Tues- days Treasures Dance at Sunset Pres.	24
25 8:45 a.m. Adult EDGE 10:00 Worship Sunday School Congregational Meet- ing and Potluck	26	27 9 a.m. Febru- ary Newsletter deadline	28 7 pm Choir re- hearsal	29 6:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal	30	31 11 a.m. Memorial Service for Clare Hahn at TPC

Regular TPC office hours are Monday through Thursday,
9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

Office hours can vary; call ahead to confirm the office is open.

2014 FINANCIALS	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
Operating Income Year to Date 11/30/14	\$290,713	\$285,328	\$5,385
Operating Expenses Year to Date 11/30/14	\$280,692	\$293,091	\$12,399



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The Rev. Dr. Ken Evers-Hood, Pastor

Phone: 503-692-4160 **Web Address:** www.tpcspirit.org We're also on Facebook.

Worship Service – Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Parish Associate: The Rev. Charlie Brown

Elders: Dave Backen, John Casebeer, Chip Kyle, Joan Nardi, Judy Nix, Bob Paetsch, Emily Ricker, Kathy Sweetland, and Katrina Weener.

Deacons: Julian Awdry, Becky Backen, Dan Barker, Karen Black, Susan Cameron, Russ Carlin, Rebecca Crall, Susan Fee, Barbara Harriman, Barb Kerr, Mary Maleta, Jackie Norman.

Office Manager: Susan Springer

Financial Assistant: Rhoda Friesen

Director of Music Ministries: Dr. David Kelly

Accompanist: Dr. Ron Fabbro

Bell Choir Director: Debbie Ivanov

Temporary Director of Youth & Fam. Min.: Katrina Weener

Director of Youth & Fam. Min. (on leave): Andrew Hall

Art Director: Dr. Christina Robertson

Bereavement Committee Chair: Barbara Crall

Blood Drive Coordinator: Scott Cameron

Clerk of Session: Carolyn Barker

Cookie Coordinator: Myrna Friese

Newsletter Editor: Susan Springer

Parish Nurse: Dianne Lemmon

Prayer Chain: Greg Imus

Treasurer: Jennifer Ayers

Tuesdays Treasures: Carolyn Locke

Webmaster: John Martin

Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

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