



## LOOKING AHEAD

At the congregational meeting on Sunday, January 26, elders Del Judy and Barb Harriman, deacon, Tom Hahn, and members Lynn Bolton, Debbie Reid, Mark Hansen, and Marilyn Wood, were elected to serve as this year's Nominating Committee. While the work of the Nominating Committee is often accomplished in a relatively short time period, the importance of their service cannot be overestimated. The members they nominate for election to the office of elder and deacon on March 16 are the members who will help determine the course of ministry for TPC, not only for the next three years, but also for generations to come. Just think, three years ago, our beautiful new building, sanctuary, and surrounding facilities were but a gleam in your eye. Now our congregation has room to grow. Thanks to the creative, dedicated leadership of the women and men who are currently serving, there are now far more opportunities to welcome others into God's family of faith, and to grow through fellowship, education, and service to Christ.

With the future ministry of TPC in mind, between now and March 16, when you will elect new officers, I encourage you to:

- Pray for the members of the Nominating Committee as they discern God's will in selecting members to serve as elders and deacons for the class of 2006.
- Provide names to members of the committee of persons you believe God is calling to serve as elders or deacons.

The following guidelines are found in the *Book of Order* of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.): "Elders should be persons of faith, dedication, and good judgment. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel, both within the church and in the world. It is the duty of elders . . . to strengthen and nurture the faith and life of the congregation committed to their charge."

"The office of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of sympathy, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ."

Grace and Peace  
Dick Wiggers, Interim Pastor

**2003 Confirmation Class  
begins February 9!**

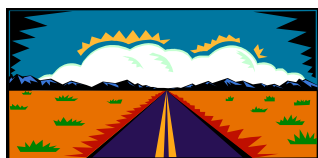
If you are in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade or older, this is your chance to claim your faith as your own – to take time out to explore the Christian faith and to confirm your beliefs. Parents and youth who are interested in knowing more about this year's class are invited to meet with Dr. Wiggers at 4:00 p.m., Sunday, February 9, before the youth group meeting.

**Reminder  
NEW MEMBER CLASSES  
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.,  
February 2, 9 & 16**

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.). Pastor 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.

A note from Heather Chase, TPC Member and Seminary Student at San Francisco Theological Seminary

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## On the other side of the mountain

### and the road ahead...

Yes, my car and I made it over the mountain passes on the way to California and Wow! I am officially over half way done with seminary. This January I am enjoying a break from classes since I already finished Greek and Hebrew. Rest assured I am still studying. I have 5 or 6 exams in February. Bible Content, Theology, Worship, Polity and Exegesis are all required for ordination. Please keep me in your prayers through February 21-27 as I take these exams. I also hope to take a crack at my French language exam for my M.A. Thank God I am not alone on this journey.

My classes look exciting for next semester. I am also working on plans for an internship. It is like looking for a job. There are many opportunities. How do I decide? No matter how much worrying I do, God guides my feet whether I realize it or not.

As the Westminster Larger Catechism says, Humanity's chief and highest end is to glorify God and fully to enjoy God forever. May we glorify and enjoy God in all we do in the coming year.

Shalom,

*Heather P*



### Here's one of my favorite prayers from Thomas Merton:

My Lord God,

I have no idea where I am going.  
I do not see the road ahead of me.  
I cannot know for certain where it will end.

Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know, that if I do this you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadows of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Amen

## Continuing Education

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The Christian Education Committee would like to thank all of you who have helped teach Sunday school so far this year. We appreciate your time, effort and dedication to our children's spiritual growth. When we baptize a child at TPC, we make a commitment to nurture that child's faith. By teaching, you are fulfilling this promise to our youth. For anyone interested in helping out with church school, please contact Pam Bowen and she will put you in touch with our classroom shepherds. Thank again!



Nursery



Sherry Nelson sharing the  
"Word with the Wise"



Judy Parsons teaching 3 and 4 year-olds  
and pre-kindergarten

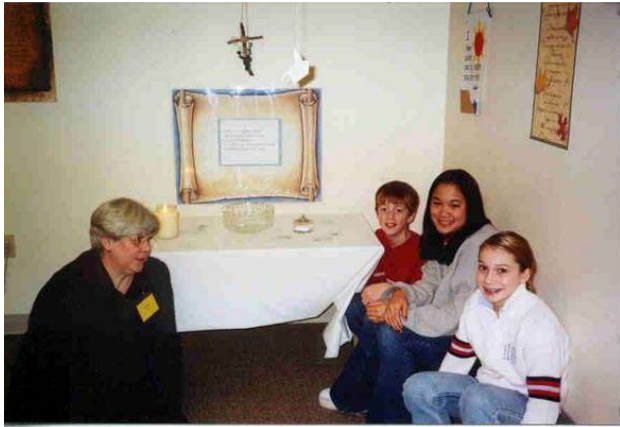


Marsha Steffen with first  
and second grade classes

# Continuing Education

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Jackie Dannemiller teaching 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade



Barb Crall with Middle Schoolers



Denise Collins and Dave Backen teaching High School



Jeni Wiggers teaching Adult Education

## TPC Financial Information

<b>TPC 2002</b>		<b>2003</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
Pledges / Offering	129,000	133,948	133,000
Interest	1,000	335	300
Cash Offering	4,000	4,198	4,500
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>134,000</b>	<b>138,481</b>	<b>137,800</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Pastoral Care	51,690	37,930	45,000
Clergy Expense	30,885	21,683	19,425
Worship	3,300	2,713	4,220
Music	0	1,049	2,425
Outreach	1,000	830	1,500
Christian Ed	2,300	1,618	1,800
Adult Ed	0	0	1,000
Fellowship	500	570	700
Youth Program	1,200	115	2,000
Building & Property	10,900	12,430	12,500
Administration	18,000	20,020	22,000
Deacons	500	169	600
Nursery care	1,100	900	1,100
Musician expense	6,552	6,552	7,200
Janitors	3,000	1,963	3,500
Unpaid Per Capita	0	1,934	0
Session & other exp	600	161	500
Pastoral Transition	0	6,724	5,000
GF Mission	13,404	13,404	13,780
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>144,931</b>	<b>130,765</b>	<b>144,250</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>			
	<b>-10,931</b>	<b>7,716</b>	<b>-6,450</b>
Washington Mutual Bank		\$104,987	
Presbyterian Foundation		\$52,983	

<b>Balance Sheet Info - December 31, 2002*</b>	
Washington Mutual Bank	\$104,987
Presbyterian Foundation	\$52,983
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$157,970</b>
Building Fund	\$32,562
Scholarship Fund	\$32,260
General Fund Reserve	\$46,021
Preschool Rent	\$4,464
Memorial Funds	\$29,713
Mission Accounts	\$6,480
Youth Fund	\$1,111
Other Fund Balances	\$5,359
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$157,970</b>
(* Synod Loan shown below)	

Beginning balance 01/01/2002		\$ 90,469
Income		
Receipts from contributions	\$ 62,770	
Loan advances	\$ 504,000	
Interest and investment changes	\$ 197	
Other income	\$ 4,065	
Total Income		\$ 571,032
Expenses		
Loan payments	\$ 27,609	
Construction and completion costs	\$ 601,330	
Total expenses		\$ (628,939)
Ending balance 12/31/2002		\$ 32,562
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2001 Construction Costs	\$ 296,899	
2002 Construction Costs	\$ 601,330	
<b>TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION</b>	<b>\$ 898,229</b>	
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Outstanding Synod Loan Balance 01/01/2002		\$0
Loan Advances	\$504,000	
Interest Charges	\$20,841	
Interest Payments		-\$20,841
Principal Payments		-\$6,768
Outstanding Synod Loan Balance 12/31/2002		\$497,232

# THE MUSIC CORNER

## BELL CHOIR NEWS

The **TPC Bell Choir** is growing! Next time you see them play, there will be even more ringers! However, there is still room for TWO ringers -- that's right only TWO! It may be your last chance! The bells still needing to be tenderly held in someone's hands are BIG bass bells---they need strong hands and arms to coax beautiful music out of them! So if you read music and would like to change your workout one night a week from weights to bells, and have fun, contact Martha Wilson.

**Bells of the Cascades** will be performing a concert at our church on Feb 23 at 7:30 p.m. The concert program is entitled "From Sea to Shining Sea" and will encompass a variety of music that embodies the spirit of America. Our very own Martha Wilson is a member



of this group. BOC is an advanced choir of auditioned ringers from throughout the Pacific Northwest. They rehearse in our facility and provide us the opportunity to have our own bell choir through the use of their bells. Lets show our thanks by filling the building---bring your family, friends and colleagues. It will be a great concert! There is no admission fee.

## TPC CHOIR NEWS

Do you love to sing? Have you thought about joining the TPC choir but didn't want to make a long-term commitment? Well here's your answer: Join us for the next 2 1/2 months and get in on learning some terrific Lenten and Easter music. We meet every Wednesday night at 7:15 and are excused in time to get home for "West Wing." We would love to have you join us. Call Kris Sparks if you need more information.

## song I like so well?

Do you have a favorite hymn we haven't sung for a while? Well, we are taking requests. If you want to hear a hymn that hasn't been on our list, let us know and we will try to work it into worship. You can talk to Rev. Wiggers, Kris Sparks or Sherry Nelson.

## Silent and Oral Auctions

The **Fellowship Committee** is planning a People Auction to be held on April 5 to benefit a local non-profit agency to be announced at a later date. It will be both a silent and an oral auction and emceed by TPC's famous celebrity(s). Examples of donations for the Silent Auctions are: making a craft, baking cookies or pies, or sewing something. The Oral Auction can be anything from a free weekend at your beach house, grass seed donation, preparing a dinner for four at your home, babysitting or dog sitting services, etc. We will need everyone's contribution ideas by March 23 so we can put together the auction booklet. Contact Clare Hahn for more information.

## Tualatin Food Bank



Thanks to your generosity, TPC made a donation in January to the Tualatin Food Bank in the amount of \$1,930. Thank you for your continual support of this outreach to our community. We continue to serve large numbers of people from the local area, and the money donated is used to purchase items such as milk, eggs and protein items. Suggestions for donated food include hearty items such as spaghetti sauce, canned stews or soups, tuna, and peanut butter. Liquid dish soap in small bottles is very useful, as well as large tubs of laundry soap. Contact Toni MacHaffie for more information.

## What's the name of that



# TPC Announcements

## Upcoming Events

See Fliers on the tower in the Narthex for more information.

### **Cascades 2003 Leadership Fair**

Saturday, February 22, 2003

Lake Grove Presbyterian Church

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Philip Butin, President of San Francisco Theological Seminary

### **“The Inviting Church: Ministering to New Members”**

Monday, March 3

Reedville Presbyterian Church, Aloha

Sponsored by the Presbytery Committee on Congregations

### **2003 Educator’s Event**

March 11 – 12, 2003

Mt. Angel Retreat Center

Sponsored by the Presbytery of the Cascades’

Christian Education Committee

Stephany Rewick, Christian Educator

“Journey from Programming to Partnership:

A Family-Focused, Church-Supported Model of Ministry”

## Lenten Calendar

Just so you will have a head start on the Easter season, Lent begins on March 5 this year.

**March 5** – Ash Wednesday at 7 pm  
(choir practice will start right after worship)

**April 11** – Seder

**April 13** – Palm Sunday at 10:00 am

**April 17** – Communion and Tennebrae Service at 7:30 pm

**April 20** – Easter worship at 10:00 am  
(one service only)

## Lenten Simple Supper Groups

Worship and Fellowship are going to organize Lenten Simple Supper groups beginning March 12 and continuing on 3/19, 3/26, 4/2 and 4/9. It would include 4 to 5 couples and possibly children and would last a maximum of 90 minutes. Just enough time to have a soup and bread supper, and do a short Bible based discussion pertaining

to Easter. Packets will be available that include soup recipes, Bible discussion topics and questions and suggestions to make this fun. Groups would meet in members’ homes, and organize their own day and time for meeting. Sign up will begin in early February.

## Christmas in April

Christmas in April is coming! We are looking for someone to be the TPC Coordinator for this worthwhile effort. If you are interested in serving in this capacity or want to learn more about Christmas in April, contact Barb Harriman.

## A Word from Mission

Barb Harriman would like everyone to know that thanks to your generous contributions, TPC received \$899.00 for the Christmas Joy offering, and \$669.75 from the Peacemaking Offering.

We were also able to contribute \$456.74 to the Heifer Project. These funds purchase chickens, pigs, bees, cows, oxen, etc. to help a family from an underdeveloped country get started. In return, this family helps another family.

We also gave \$1,930.14 to the Tualatin, Sherwood, Wilsonville Food Bank. This will help area families out of work needing our support. Thank you, thank you, thank you! Our congregation is awesome and generous!



Brian Jones is working on his Eagle Project for Boy Scouts. He has made two wooden benches for the church and plans to make 2-3 more. The two completed benches will be placed outside by the front doors and the remaining benches will be located on the back patio. Brian was able to get donations of materials from local lumberyards. Art Barry has worked with Brian in picking out the designs for the benches, cutting out the wood and assembling the benches.



## Joys and Concerns

The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are with the family of Rowena Clark who died on January 7. A Memorial Service was held on January 18 at TPC.

We continue to remember in prayer the following members and friends who are in special need at this time:

- Gary Duval
- Walt and Shirley Dean
- Muriel Powers
- Dee Dee Hansen's sister, Pam, moved to Hawaii on December 29 to be with family
- Barb Harriman's sister, Nan Bovis from Clinton, Iowa, who will be having aneurysm surgery in the near future
- Kay Nyberg (a friend of Del Judy's) who had a stroke on January 22
- Scott and Terri Mitchell – prayers for them to be back together after their move from Spokane, Washington to Tualatin is completed
- For Pam Leland's continued improvement. She is able to return to work part time.
- We were delighted to see Madelyn and Glen Carlson in worship on January 19 with their daughter, Karen, who was visiting from Virginia
- Elizabeth Shafer is improving and home from the hospital.

## TPC Prayer Chain

We have a group of dedicated "Pray-ers" who can confidentially and sensitively pray for you and your loved ones. Please call Lynn Scroggin or Don Shafer with your concerns. Share a simple message regarding your concern to either Lynn or Don and they will activate our prayer chain. (You could call Dick or Rhoda also.) If you wish to join us in prayer, simply call Lynn or Don and let them know of your wish to be a part of the TPC Pray-er group.



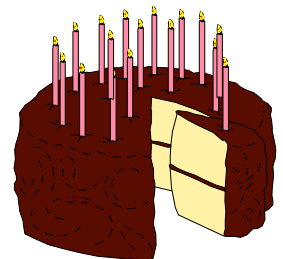
## TPC Feature of the Month Margaret Girardi



Margaret Girardi has been TPC's Nursery Attendant since spring of 1999. She is a stay-at-home mom with three kids (Anika, 7 years old and in first grade; Dylan, 5 years-old and in Kindergarten; and Maija, who will be three in March). Besides taking care of the kids, she does a lot of volunteer work at the school that her kids attend. She enjoys reading, getting together with friends and scrapbooking. She and her husband, Wes, who works for the Tualatin Police Department, have been married for almost ten years. Pictured above are: front row - Matthew Dannemiller and Annie Nihill, back row: Josie Reid, Maija Girard, and Margaret.

## February Birthdays

2/03 - Rhoda Friesen  
2/07 - Dale MacHaffie  
2/10 - Phil Patterson  
Alan Burggren  
2/11 - Tom Hahn  
2/12 - Marc Olson  
2/17 - Skyler Stevenson  
2/22 - Bruce MacKay  
2/23 - Brian Locke  
2/24 - Lynne Bolton  
Justin Wieder  
2/25 - Cathy Chase  
2/26 - Kenna Patterson  
2/27 - Abigail Nelson  
2/28 - Adam Kinyon



# Let Your Light

# Shine

Make a heart-shaped candleholder for a special person.

**You will need:**

- ♥ wax paper to work on
- ♥ air-dry clay
- ♥ candle (6" or votive)
- ♥ paint
- ♥ paintbrushes
- ♥ glitter
- ♥ glue



**How to make it:**

- ♥ Use the wax paper as a working surface.
- ♥ Mold a 3" ball of clay into the shape of a heart. (Make sure it will lie flat on the table.)
- ♥ Press the base of the candle into the center of the heart.
- ♥ Let the clay dry.
- ♥ Paint the heart and decorate with glitter.



Give your valentine to someone you love.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Please don't light the candle unless there is an adult with you to help.



## The Bible Speaks of Love ♥

The words found in 1 John 4:16 are important for everyone every day.

To find out what the verse says, find a word that fits each description and write the letters in the boxes. Next, write the letters on the lines below (use the numbers to match the letters to the correct lines). Read the verse.

A place to live

1	2	3	4	5

Opposite of dark

6	7	8	9	10

Companion

11	12	13	14	15	16

Hand greeting

17	18	19	20

Male adult

21	22



“ 8 2 16    13 4    6 2 19 5 ”  
 17 9 2 5 19 5 12    6 7 19 5 4  
 13 15    6 2 19 20    6 7 19 14 4  
 13 15    8 2 16    18 15 16  
 8 2 16    13 23    1 7 21 ”

Answers: house; light; friend; wave; man; "God is love; Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him."

## Loving Kindness

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What do you think the bible means when it speaks of loving kindness?"

"Well," answered a young boy, "If I was hungry and someone gave me bread with butter on it, that would be kindness. And then if they put a spoonful of jam on it, that would be loving kindness."



## Tualatin Presbyterian Church Calendar February 2003



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> Sat. Night Live 5:30 pm
<b>2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult Ed 8:45 – 9:45</li> <li>Choir – 9:15 am</li> <li><b>Worship - 10:00 am Eucharist</b></li> <li>New Member Class 11:30 – 1 pm</li> <li>TPC Quilters – 11:30</li> <li>Middle School &amp; HS “In”/Dick &amp; Jeni 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm</li> </ul>	<b>3</b> TPC serves at Senior Center 11:00 am – 1 pm  CE Meeting 7 pm	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Bible Study 9:30 am – 11:30 am  Choir 7:15 pm	<b>6</b> TPC Bells 7 – 8:30 pm  Fellowship Committee 7:00 pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deacon’s Meeting 8 am @ Hayden’s Grill</li> <li>Adult Ed 8:45 – 9:45</li> <li>Choir – 9:15 am</li> <li><b>Worship - 10:00 am</b></li> <li>New Member Class 11:30 – 1 pm</li> <li>2003 Confirmation Class – 4:00 pm</li> <li>Middle School &amp; HS Game Night 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm</li> </ul>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Bible Study 9:30 am – 11:30 am  Choir 7:15 pm  Mission 7:00 pm	<b>13</b> TPC Bells 7 – 8:30 pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  High School Westminster Service time - TBA
<b>16</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult Ed 8:45 – 9:45 Downstairs Classroom</li> <li>Choir - 9:15 am</li> <li><b>Worship -10:00 am</b></li> <li>New Member Class 11:30 – 1 pm</li> <li>Middle School Ice Skating – 1:00– 4pm</li> </ul>	<b>17</b> President’s Day	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Bible Study 9:30 am – 11:30 am  Choir 7:15 pm	<b>20</b> TPC Bells 7 – 8:30 pm  Outreach 1:00 pm  Session – 7 pm	<b>21</b> March Newsletter Deadline	<b>22</b> Cascades 2003 Leadership Fair 8:30 am – 2:30 pm
<b>23</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult Ed - 8:45 – 9:45 Downstairs Classroom</li> <li>Choir – 9:15 am</li> <li><b>Worship-10:00 am</b></li> <li>Concert - Bells of the Cascades 7:30 pm</li> </ul>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Bible Study 9:30 am – 11:30 am  Choir 7:15 pm	<b>27</b> TPC Bells 7 – 8:30 pm	<b>28</b>	

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*As the Father has loved me,  
so I have loved you ...*  
John 15:9



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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.