

WORSHIP PLUS TWO

This year, instead of giving something up for Lent, I would like to challenge you to practice a new Lenten discipline of "Worship Plus Two." By this I mean, in addition to you and your family taking part in worship each Sunday, that you also make a commitment to find at least one additional way you can grow in your faith, and one new way you can serve others in the name of Christ. Why? While our worship of God is the heartbeat of our faith-a regular reminder that we have been called to glorify God and to enjoy God forever-God wants more for us; God wants more from us. In addition to worship, each one of us is called to seek ways for God to fill our spiritual cup, so that we can fill the cup of others.

Here are some opportunities to help you practice "worship plus two" this Lenten season:

- Ash Wednesday February 25 A Simple Supper (5:45 p.m.) followed by Worship at 7:00 p.m.
- Two Sunday morning adult study classes (8:30 – 9:30 a.m.), including a new class on "the Beatitudes"
- "Discovery Groups" Small groups meeting each week in various member's homes to share a simple supper and a Bible study based on Isaiah 56, called, "A House of Prayer for all Peoples"
- Mission outreach including the CROP walk for hunger on Palm Sunday and One Great Hour of Sharing
- Confirmation Classes for youth 8th grade and older

"I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."

Eph. 3:18-19 NRSV

Grace and Peace, Dick Wiggers, Interim Pastor

2004 Nominating Committee News

Nominating Committee

At the congregational meeting on Sunday, January 25, elders Sherry Nelson and Susan Springer, deacon, Mark Maleta, and members Craig Bowen, Marian Larson, Toni MacHaffie,

and Ron Van Schoiack, 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 14, are the members who will help determine the course of ministry for TPC, not only for the next three years, but for generations to come.

With the future ministry of TPC in mind, between now and March 14, 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 your new elders and deacons.
- 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."





Worship Committee

The Lenten & Holy Week Schedule.

- Feb 25: Ash Wednesday Simple supper @ 5:45 pm Worship @ 7 pm
- Seder: Friday, March 26 @ 6:30 pm
- April 4: Palm Sunday Potluck brunch after worship
- April 8: Maundy Thursday/ Tennebrae Service @ 7:30 Communion will be served
- April 11: Easter Sunday
 - Sunrise Service with United Methodist Church in Tualatin
 - 10:am Worship (no Communion)

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Christmas Memorials. The new hymnals include a variety of music styles that feel more contemporary. We have already begun using them at the beginning of the worship to get a feel for the music. You will be seeing them used frequently. It is our hope you enjoy this new addition to our worship service. Please note the nameplates in the front of these hymnals. If you would like to give a hymnal in memory of <u>or</u> in honor of someone, you can still do that. Checks for \$10 can be turned in on Sunday during offering, or mailed to the church office. Be sure to write on your check what and who it is for. Again, thank you.

If you liked the stars in the sanctuary on Christmas Eve; if you would like to help create and enrich the worship of this congregation; if you just want to get involved with a rather wonderful group of people, I invite you to join the Worship Committee. We don't just plan what happens during worship. It is our goal to help you feel God's presence in your lives on Sunday and each day. The Worship Committee always welcomes new members. We will soon be starting into the Lenten Season. That involves planning some exciting "happenings". It will include looking at ways to enrich the worship service through art. We encourage you to join us. Please call Sherry Nelson (503-692-3156) if you would like to become a regular member or just help out in some small way. The next meeting will be February 23 @ 7:00 pm.

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Your PNC (pastor nominating committee) is glad to report that we have completed the initial draft of TPC's CIF (church information form). This form plays a vital role in the process of matching pastors with churches. By creating a CIF that accurately reflects the personality, needs, and mission of our church, we enable interested pastors to determine if they wish to apply for our pastoral call. The matching process is a two-way street as we strive to find a good mutual fit between church and pastor.

Our CIF will now be reviewed by the COM (committee on ministry) of the Presbytery of the Cascades. Once they have reviewed the document and any appropriate changes have been made, the CIF will be presented to TPC's Session for final approval. At this point, our CIF will be entered into the database of the Presbyterian Church USA. Our CIF will be PIF's matched to appropriate (personal information forms "like resumes") from pastors who fit our stated criteria. Our CIF will also appear on the Presbyterian Church's web site for review by other prospective pastors who might have been missed on the computer matching process.

Your PNC will receive and review PIF's from interested pastors. We will select candidates for further review, interviews and follow up.

The review and approval process for the CIF is expected to take several weeks. Your PNC will then devote many months to finding the pastor who will be called to shepherd Tualatin Presbyterian Church. Please keep the PNC in your prayers as we perform this important job for our family of faith.

Greg Imus

TPC Birthdays

2/3	Rhoda Friesen	2
2/7	Dale MacHaffie	2
2/7	Patrick Mauer	2
2/11	James Warne	2
2/11	Tom Hahn	2
2/12	Marc Olson	2
2/17	Skyler Stevenson	2
2/17	Natalie Mader	2
2/22	Bruce MacKay	

2/23 Brian Locke
2/24 Lynne Bolton
2/24 Justin Wieder
2/24 Scott Mitchell
2/25 Cathy Chase
2/26 Kenna Patterson
2/27 Abigail Nelson

2/28 Adam Kinyon



Don't forget to watch Teen Jeopardy on February 12th and February 16th at 7:00 pm. TPC's own **Kerry Lambeth** is a contestant.

AND SPEAKING OF THE LAMBETH'S ---



Ted, Kerry, Willie and Cathy Lambeth

The Lambeth family has attended TPC since 1989. Greeter Marilyn Schmidt couldn't believe they came on their first Sunday in Oregon! Ted is a manager for Allegro Corporation, which distributes independent After 20+ years as a recorded music. paralegal, Cathy returned to school three years ago, and is now teaching in a program for children with emotional and behavior disorders for the Canby schools. Kerry is a senior and Will a freshman at Tualatin High School, where they are active in theater, music, and student government. The Lambeth family enjoys music of all kinds, movies, sports and games, and spending time with family and friends.

This month *The Spirit* is featuring the Bass Section of the TPC Choir.



Mark Maleta, Herb Zachow and Harry Chase



Mark has been a member of the TPC choir for approximately 4 years. Kris Sparks recruited him at Family Camp. Herb has been singing with the choir for 12+ years and Harry for

9+ years. These three wonderful bass singers would like some help. If you or anyone you know might be interested in singing or just coming to a Wednesday night rehearsal to check it out, contact Kris Sparks or any choir member. The choir meets every Wednesday from 7:30 – 9:00 pm and Sunday mornings at 9:30 am before Worship. It's a great group and they have a lot of fun.

Mark and Tara Schleicher are in need of childcare on every other Tuesday and Thursday at their home. They have two boys: Jackson (7) and Ben (4). Jackson is in school from 8:00 to 2:50 on those days. If anyone is interested, please call Mark or Tara at (503) 691-2616.

By-Laws Change

On Thursday, January 15, 2004, the Session, approved a request from the Board of Deacons to increase the number of deacons from nine members who are now serving to twelve members. This change was approved at the January 25, 2004 congregational meeting. New officers will be elected on March 14, 2004, and installed and ordained on Sunday, May 23, 2004.

TPC Financial Information

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	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET		
INCOME					
Pledges / Offering	133,000		164,80		
Interest	300	223	20		
Cash Offering	4,500	4,157	5,00		
TOTAL INCOME	137,800	145,102	170,00		
Transfer from youth fund			18,00		
EXPENSES					
Pastoral Care	45,000	48,125	50,00		
Clergy Expense	19,425	17,444	23,10		
Worship	4,220				
Music	2,425		1,30		
Outreach	1,500	377	70		
Christian Ed	1,800	1,884	2,00		
Adult Ed	1,000	857	80		
Fellowship	700	1,852	1,50		
Youth Program	2,000		3,00		
Building & Property	12,500	17,010	19,00		
Administration	22,000		32,00		
Deacons	600		50		
Nursery care	1,100	1,072	1,20		
Musician expense	7,200	7,200	9,60		
Janitors	3,500	3,670	4,20		
Unpaid Per Capita	0	1,582			
Session & other exp	500	721	1,00		
Pastoral Transition	5,000	1,319	8,00		
Youth Ministry			18,00		
GF Mission	13,780	13,780	17,00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	144,250	152,113	195,70		
NET INCOME	-6,450	-7,011	-7,70		
			\$120.01		
Washington Mutual Bank			\$128,911		
Presbyterian Foundation			\$56,848		
TOTAL DEPOSITS			\$185,75		
Building Fund			\$51,376		
Scholarship Fund			\$33,650		
General Fund Reserve		\$19,518			
Preschool Rent		\$5,271			
Memorial Funds	\$25,576				
Mission Accounts	\$4,757				
Youth Fund	\$22,592				
Helping Hands	\$6,707				
Prepaid Pledges	\$5,300				
Other Fund Balances		\$11,01			
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		\$185,75			

Dec 31, 2003 Balance	\$497,232
+ Interest charges	\$24,396
- Interest paid	-\$24,396
- Principal reduction	-\$13,604
Dec 31, 2004 Balance	\$483,628
ORIGINAL LOAN AMT	\$503.000

The information shown here was presented at the congregational meeting on January 25 by Treasurer, Mike Shiffer. It was noted that for 2003 the church realized a deficit of over \$7,000. This has been paid from the church reserve fund. Primary reasons for the loss are higher administrative and building costs and an under payment of per capita by church members. Thank you to everyone who answered the 2003 stewardship call and helped us reach a wonderful new high for pledged income. It is great when we are able to share God's blessings. Still, the 2004 budgeted income is aggressive and is dependent upon payment of all pledged amounts plus an additional 10% for unpledged contributions. Thanks to generous special contributions from several families we are able to fund our youth ministry expense this year from our youth fund. Mike also pointed out that although we were only required to make interest payments, that we have been able to reduce the outstanding principal balance on our building loan by over \$13,000. We are expecting final approval for conversion of our loan to permanent financing in February 2004. If you have questions about the financial information please contact Don Schmidt or Mike Shiffer. Thanks again to everyone for your past and future stewardship.





The Presbyterian Center, located at 100 Witherspoon Street in downtown Louisville, is home to four of the six national offices of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Work performed here benefits more than 2.5 million members and more than 11,000 congregations of this mainline Protestant denomination.

In addition to producing resources and providing services to individuals and congregations, work at the Center supports the worldwide mission of the PC (USA) in more than 80 countries.



A series of 12 oil and watercolor paintings on wood panels in the atrium were given to the PC(USA) by the artist, Maritza Morgan, in honor of the church's bicentennial in 1989. The collection, titled **The Challenge of Noah's Ark**, develops Old Testament imagery into a metaphor for the Christian journey of faith. These paintings were described by Morgan as "a step-by-step journey" that begins with creation and ends with human beings recovering the image of God in themselves by "learning to love and care."



The solid cherry doors leading into the chapel, on the third floor, were hand-carved by New Mexico artist Federico Armijo. Their details feature interlocking circles with figures of men, women, and children; symbols of Christ including grapes and wine, grain and bread; an open Bible; open arms and welcoming hands; and a descending dove symbolizing the Holy Spirit.



Two large stained-glass renditions of the PC(USA) seal are located in the top vault of the atrium on the north and south sides of the building. The Seal, designed by Malcolm Grear in 1985, is a symbolic statement of the church's heritage, identity and mission. The glass is visible from inside and outside the building and is illuminated at night.

Visit their website at <u>www.pcusa.org</u>. If you are ever in the area, schedule a tour by calling (800) 872-3283. Self-guided tours are also available.



The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are with Don Schmidt and his family at the death of his father, Lee Schmidt who died Tuesday, Jan. 27th.

Please also remember in prayer: Casey Judy (Del Judy's granddaughter), David Norse, Donna Hoff, Betty Rogers (Dick Wigger's Aunt), Madelyn Carlson, Christopher Beam (Nancy Catanese's son), the members of our PNC, those who lead and serve our nation, communities and congregations.

PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT – SHARING IN OUR CHURCH MISSION

Each year, the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly establish an amount per active member, so that all Presbyterians SHARE in the necessary costs of the administrative, legislative and judicial functions of Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. These services benefit all congregations equally. We are a connectional church and the TPC session requests that you accept your connection to the church by paying your family's per capita amount to TPC. We have paid the per capita payment in full and your prompt payment to reimburse this expense is appreciated. This year the Per Capita amount per member is \$20.98 but to make it easier, we are requesting a payment of \$21.00 per communicant member from your family. The total per capita apportionment will appear on your first 2004 contribution statement as a pledge. Hopefully before the first statements are mailed most of us will have already made our payment. If you have questions about per capita please see Administration Elder. Don Schmidt or Treasurer. Mike Shiffer.

TPC Photo Directory

If you haven't received your photos yet, first call Mike Link at Olin Mills at (503) 665-2345, using either your phone number or the number on the receipt given to you at the photo session as your identification. Then contact Dee Dee Hansen at 503 656-4008 so she can track the progress toward having all photos in your hands. Thanks, everyone, for your patience.

TREASURE SUNDAY

Worship on February 22 will be enriched by the attendance of special guests. The Tuesday's Treasures program, formed at TPC in 2001, serves developmentally disabled young adults in our community. On the third Tuesday of each month they come for an evening program of singing, Bible lesson, craft, and fellowship led by TPC volunteers. The Treasures and their families/caregivers will be invited to come on Sunday, February 22 to experience worship with our congregation and so TPC can meet them.

If you know of developmentally disabled adults (as your neighbors, friends, family), please invite them to find out more about our program. Contact the TPC Treasure Coordinator Carolyn Locke at (503) 656-1534

Water Bottles Needed

Do you drink water from a 20 ounce clear plastic bottle? Please save them! Twenty-five are needed for a project that the Tuesday Treasures are doing in March. Please pass your empty bottles on to Carolyn Locke.

Want to See a Winterhawks Game? Here's your opportunity. This fellowship outing is

for everyone, all ages, who would like to attend. Tickets have been reserved in section 119 at the Rose Garden for the Winterhawks/Seattle hockey game on **Saturday, February 7 at 7 p.m. Cost of tickets is \$13.50; kids 12 and under are \$5.00.** There is a sign-up sheet on the tower in the narthex. Tickets must be prepaid; make checks payable to TPC. Deadline for signing up is Sunday, Feb 1st as tickets must be purchased on the 2nd. Questions? Talk to Susan Springer, 503-692-2893.

2004 Confirmation Class Begins February 8! If you are a student in the 8th 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 confirmation class are invited to meet with Crystal Shearer and Dick Wiggers right after church on Sunday, February 8.



How to make the treats:

 Put waxed paper on the cookie sheet.

 With help from an adult, melt the white chocolate in the microwave (see package directions).

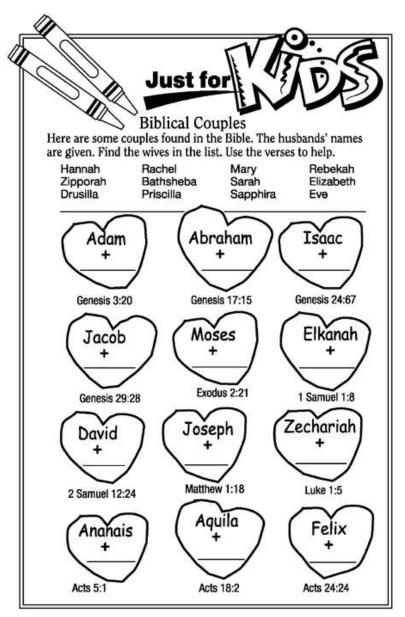
 Dip the pretzels into the chocolate one at a time, and then place on cookie sheet.

 Before the chocolate cools, decorate the pretzels with sprinkles, hearts or jelly beans.

 Leave them on the cookie sheet until the chocolate hardens.

Share them with friends!





Answer: Adam & Eve; Abraham & Sarah; Isaac & Rebekah; Jacob & Rachel; Moses & Zipporah; Elkanah & Hannah; David & Barhsheba; Joseph & Mary; Xechariah & Elizabeth; Ananais & Sapphira; Aquila & Priscilla; Felix & Drusilla

Apology

A very embarrassed woman apologized to her pastor because her husband had gotten up and left the sanctuary during the sermon.

"My husband didn't leave because he disagreed with your sermon," she said. "Actually, he's been walking in his sleep since he was a child."





Tualatin Presbyterian **Church Calendar** February 2004



Sun 1 Adult Ed. – 8:30am Choir – 9:25 am Worship – 10:00 am Communion New Members' Class 11:30 am Youth Group Super Bowl Party @ Shearer's	Mon 2 PNC - 7:00 pm CE Meeting 7:00 pm	Tue 3 Mission – 7:00 pm	Wed 4 Bible Study 10:30 am Bells – 6:25 pm Choir – 7:30 pm	Thu 5	Fri 6	Sat 7 Winterhawks Game 7:00 pm
8 Adult Ed. – 8:30am Worship – 10:00 am New Members' Class 11:30 am Quilting – 11:30 am Confirmation Orientation – 11:30	9 PNC - 7:00 pm	10 Fellowship 7:00 pm	11 Bible Study 10:30 am Bells – 6:25 pm Choir – 7:30 pm	12	13	14
15 Adult Ed. – 8:30am Choir – 9:25 am Worship – 10:00 am New Members' Class 11:30 am Youth Group – 5:30pm	16 Deacons – 5:45 pm PNC - 7:00 pm Presidents' Day	17 Tuesday Treasure 7 – 8:30 pm	18 Bible Study 10:30 am Bells – 6:25 pm Choir – 7:30 pm	19 Outreach 1:00 pm Session 7:00 pm	20	21 Presbytery Leadership Fair – Lake Grove PC
22 Adult Ed. – 8:30 am Choir – 9:25 am Worship – 10:00 am Treasure Sunday	23 PNC - 7:00 pm Worship Cmt. – 7:00 pm	24	25 Bible Study 10:30 am Ash Wednesday Simple Supper – 5:45pm Worship – 7:00 pm	26	27	28
29 Adult Ed. – 8:30 am Choir – 9:25 am Worship – 10:00 am 1 st Sunday in Lent						

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

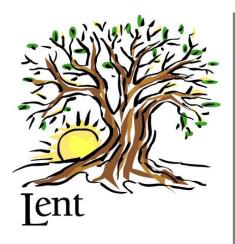
- April 4 Palm Sunday with potluck brunch to follow April 8 Maundy Thursday/Tennebrae Service @ 7:30 pm (Communion) April 11- Easter Sunday

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Deacons: Lynn Scroggin, Dee Dee Hansen, Debbie Imus, Paula Miller, Marion Beyer, Tom Hahn, Roger Reid, Mark Maleta and Marc Olson

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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.