



JULIE NADER

If you have already had the pleasure of meeting Julie Nader, you understand why it is difficult to describe her in just a word or two. I will use several: dedicated mother, grandmother, gifted vocalist, music educator, professional librarian, community activist, dog-lover and Cat Lady.

Cat Lady? Yep. One of Julie's hobbies is finding ways to support local senior citizens especially those living with dementia. Upon hearing how robotic animals can help soothe and relax this population, Julie purchased a robotic cat she named Cuddles. She and Cuddles visit local memory care facilities and senior centers and have been well-received by residents who appreciate the realistic look and feel of the robot. Cuddles was designed by Hasbro as part of the company's Joy for All Companionship Pets program.

Adventurous and independent are two other ways to describe Julie. She married, worked as a vocal music teacher and raised two children: a son, Richard, and a daughter, Stephanie. After being married for more than 20 years she found herself divorced. With a positive attitude and inner-strength she loaded a U-Haul trailer and drove herself from Galveston, Texas to Mountain View, California for a fresh start. She did not have a job or a place to live. It did not take long for her to find both and flourish in her new home. She switched gears from being a music educator and earned a graduate degree in Library Science which led her to jobs with companies in the high-tech arena including the California branch of the U.S. Patent Office. Originally from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, over the years she has also lived in Rochester, New York, Atlanta and San Francisco.

Once she retired, Julie moved to Sherwood in 2002 to be near her daughter and grandson Jakob. She has been a hands-on grandma since then and is proud her grandson will be graduating from high school this spring. Now 82, Julie maintains her philosophy of seeking new ways to help make a difference in someone else's life. She sees a need, picks a cause and takes action. From her involvement in Faith in Action, Accountable Sherwood, creating a Mahjong group, writing her memoirs, and even training with the Washington County Sheriff's Department's Citizen Academy, she stays busy!

Julie is a former member of Calvin Presbyterian church, is active in the TPC choir and book group. She clearly is a role model for staying active as she says, "There is so much to do and so little time!" Thanks, Julie, for your enthusiasm for life. We are glad you are part of TPC.

Submitted by Peggy Gibbons, Deacon Parish 2

IN TRANSITION...LETTING GO

Dear Treasure Volunteers,

I want to share with you the reason for my stepping down from Treasure leadership: Brian and I will be moving to Olympia WA this year. We want to live closer to our daughter Julie and her family. Because this involves selling our home and buying another we are not sure how the timing will work out--maybe early summer? I will continue to help with Treasures as long as we are here.

Relocating after 40 years in Oregon is a big project in many ways, involving a lot of 'letting go'. I left my work with international students, I'm easing out of Treasures, I've announced my upcoming departure from bell choir, and am phasing out of other commitments. Treasures is a tough one to leave.



In fall 2000 an article in the Oregonian caught my attention: there were not many resources available to adults with disabilities once they finish school, but Quiet Waters Outreach was hoping to fill the need with a respite care center, Treasure groups and such. I felt moved to action. I believed that TPC had people who would be interested in the Tuesdays Treasures program. Several of you signed the clipboard I passed around in worship one Sunday, and our first TPC Treasure Night came to be in April 2001. God provided a great beginning bunch of volunteers and has led other fine people to our program since that time.

What an amazing experience it has been for nearly 17 years: FUN, Bible lessons, carnivals, joys, losses, music, celebrations, and prayers as we have built the TPC Treasures family community. Each Treasure activity leaves me feeling as if I am more of a receiver of the blessings of Treasures than I am of a giver to them. I am confident that our program will continue to thrive.

As I mentioned in my message in August, we still have some needs.

Would you be willing to make the reminder phone calls to Treasures before each Treasure Night? (Del Judy helped in this way for *years*.)

Are you willing to serve as craft coordinator--planning the craft and needed supplies for each month (or to get someone else to do so if you are not able)?

Would you send birthday cards and/or camp mail to our Treasures?

Would you be willing to lead us in opening prayer--or ask someone else to do so?

Would you like to help with our annual summer event (i.e. carnival)?

Are you willing to recruit more Treasure volunteers?

By taking on another piece of responsibility, you can be sure that some of the things that I have been doing will continue to get done. Let me know if you have questions....or if you want to say YES! Mike, Mary and Denise will continue to serve as the TPC Treasures Leadership Team.

It has been a precious gift to get to know our Treasures. Equally as special has been the joy of working with you, the kind, helpful, giving, caring, talented, compassionate volunteers. The success of our program has come from your dedication and strength. You share God's love with our Treasures by welcoming, supporting, accepting, encouraging.....and even teasing each one. Thank you for your commitment to this awesome outreach. The Treasures and I have been enriched by your gift of service.

May God continue to bless and guide all those involved in the TPC Treasures program.

With appreciation and love,
Carolyn (Locke)

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

10 February, Saturday - Fondue Party in the TPC sanctuary at 6 pm...cheesy, chocolaty goodness. Please email Emily Ricker at fellowship@tpcspirit.org with any questions or RSVP's.

14 February, Wed. - ASH WEDNESDAY
Imposition of Ashes with Pastor Ken from 6:30 to 8 a.m. Also during evening worship service.

Simple supper and evening service. Our supper at 6 pm will include soup/chili, green and fruit salads and bread. The worship service will start at 7 pm. Sign-up sheets will be in the bulletin on Sundays February 4 and 11. As always, feel free to email Emily Ricker at fellowship@tpcspirit.org with any questions or RSVP's.

25 March, Sunday - Palm Sunday Potluck after morning worship service

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BRUNCH

Saturday, February 17, 10:30 am to noon

A change to our February program – Connie Clemens and Kerry Weaver will provide information on **Kidspire**, an organization that serves the needs of children internationally. Connie and Kerry made a trip to Thika, Kenya where they brought educational materials to teachers and clothing for children. Connie, a retired teacher, has been involved in this program for a number of years and has made 12 trips on behalf of **Kidspire**. Connie is making another trip this summer and will take items for the children with her. One needed item is tennis shoes. If you, or any of your friends, would like to donate new or gently used tennis shoes needed sizes are listed below.

Little children: shoe size 5-8
Junior shoe sizes 9-12
Youth shoe sizes 12-3
Velcro or slip on tennis shoes are preferred

You can bring shoes to the February meeting. There will be a basket in the closet for **Kidspire** shoes or you can give shoes to Kerry Weaver or Judy Nix at any time.

We hope you can join us on the third Saturday in February, the 17th for fellowship, good food and learning. Judy Nix, Women's Ministry

MEN'S GROUP - Russ Carlin.

On **February 17th** Judy Nix and Maureen Wolf will speak to the Men's Group about Family Promise.

The TPC Story Crew proudly announces a Winter Frolic event after worship on Sunday, February 25th from 11:30am-12:30pm, downstairs in the multi-purpose and choir room. Fun, food, and an amazing surprise awaits all who attend. RSVP announcements begin soon.
John Casebeer Story Catching Elder



EVER WANTED TO TRY PLAYING HANDBELLS?

The TPC Bell Choir is losing two of its beloved members after June. We'd love to have you consider joining our family!

On Sunday, March 11 after the church service, we'll be inviting TPC friends to come try out a bell. See if you like it! See if you'd like to learn more!! See if you'd like to join us!!

We're looking forward to meeting you and teaching you to ring on Sunday, March 11.

Debbie Ivanov, Bell Choir Director
503 740 7639

BLOOD DRIVE, January 30, 2018

Thank you for being part of the Tualatin Presbyterian Church blood drive. I extend my sincere appreciation to the volunteers who helped at the drive. The cookies bakers did a fantastic job. Such a wonderful treat for the donors!

The drive had 33 presenting donors with 4 power red units and 21 whole blood units collected. Those generous donations will go on to serve up to 67 patients. We even had one first time donor, which is fantastic!

Scott Cameron
Blood Drive Coordinator 503-692-3368

TUESDAY'S TREASURES

For our January Treasure Night our "On the Road with the Bible" theme took us to a little-known Biblical location: TPC! We enjoyed fun times playing bingo, making Valentines and creating stand-up animals.

Another important part of every Treasure Night is "prayer requests". During snack time Barbara Harriman visits each Treasure to listen to his/her request. Then she shares all of those joys and concerns with the whole group in closing prayer. This month we prayed for a Treasure's mom who is undergoing more cancer surgery, a niece who is recovering from injuries from the Amtrak train accident, aging pets who need special care, a salary raise for a Treasure's job, for Mother Earth and all our creatures, for upcoming vacations, for caregivers. There are always recurring prayers for family members who have died. It is a sacred time indeed to join together and share in the power of prayer as we feel the love and support among Treasures and volunteers. God is with us!

The TPC Treasures Leadership Team: Carolyn Locke, Denise Collins, Mike & Mary Shiffer



Paul shares the valentine he made.

Below Rebecca and Jackie admire their stand-up animal.



What is Per Capita?



PER CAPITA - IT'S ROLE AND WHY IT MATTERS

As part of our General Fund Budget, TPC pays per capita on behalf of our members. The total cost for 2018 is \$9792 or \$32.00 per member. Many members choose to pay their individual assessment which reduces the cost to TPC. Contributions can be made payable to TPC and should note that the donation is for per capita.

Thank you!

Maureen Wolf, Stewardship & Admin Elder

Importance of per capita funding - from the Office of the General Assembly

Presbyterians are connected in many ways, including our church government. We believe we discern best what God is calling us to do when we gather as mid councils, "seek[ing] together to find and represent the will of Christ" (*Book of Order* F-3.0204). Per capita dollars pay for the costs of holding a General Assembly — including paying for the travel, room and board of commissioners and advisory delegates, several of whom would not be able to afford these expenses on their own.

Per capita makes it possible for Presbyterians to govern ourselves the way we do.

Presbyterians have a form of government built upon shared power and mutual accountability as we seek together to find and represent the will of Christ. By providing the primary means through which commissioners and advisory delegates can gather to do their work, per capita dollars help to undergird our governance system.

Our Constitution provides a moral and theological compass that builds community and calls us to Christian faithfulness in gratitude to God.

Per capita makes possible our effort for visible unity of the church of Jesus Christ.

The Per Capita fee breaks down as follows: Presbytery \$19.05, Synod \$5.22, General Assembly \$7.73 for a total of \$32.00.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS January 23rd Session Meeting

At the Stated Session meeting on January 23rd, Session approved the following:

The 2018 TPC General Fund Budget, unchanged from the budget presented to the congregation on January 21, 2017.

The 2018 pastoral terms of call for the Rev. Dr. Ken Evers-Hood.

Session also discussed and approved the following:
To search for a volunteer to fill the position of Coffee Host Coordinator for the After-Worship Sunday Coffee Service.

The Session representatives to the 2018 nominating committee are Emily Ricker and Craig Bowen.

For the annual Oregon Non-Profit Corporation registration, Judy Nix as President, Rick Crall as Secretary and Registered Agent.

The Session calendar for 2018.

The continuation of the rental arrangement with Rios de Agua Viva for 2018.

TPC scholarship awards to Megan Weiner, Sara Sammons, and Robert Belz-Templeman.

Set the date of April 28th for the Session Spring mini-retreat with emphasis on the topic How We Communicate.

The next regular Session meeting will be Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

The above information has been compiled from meeting minutes. Complete copies of minutes and reports are available in the church office.

Rick Crall, Clerk of Session

SOUND DESK OPPORTUNITY - Learn to run the sound desk on Sunday morning and cover one worship service per month. Currently three individuals take turns running the sound desk: Mike Shiffer, Susan Springer and Susan Fee. We would love to have other individuals volunteer. It's not difficult; you will receive training. (There were four of us, until John Lewis moved to central Oregon.) If you have questions, or would like to volunteer, please talk to Mike, Susan S. or Susan F.



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS January 28th Congregational Meeting

The 38-page TPC 2017 Annual Report was distributed to those who didn't get one the previous week. If you still don't have one, ask someone in the office for one – there are still several copies remaining. You can also read it on the TPC website at <http://tpcspirit.org/wp-content/uploads/Newsletters/2017REPORT.pdf>

The congregation considered three important actions, all of which passed unanimously.

Approved the 2018 Nominating Committee consisting of Session representatives Emily Ricker and Craig Bowen, Deacon's representative Bonnie Nord, and At Large representatives Jodi Glock, Alan Grobey, Lizzy Hormann and Patrick Ramos.

Approved three By Laws amendments that added a youth position to the Session and Board of Deacons, provided for unusual circumstances for Session meetings, and a minor housekeeping revision to attesting of minutes.

Approved the Terms of Call for our pastor, The Rev. Dr. Ken Evers-Hood.



COFFEE HOST COORDINATOR

Interested in ensuring that we have coffee and cookies after worship each Sunday? This is a great way to get involved!

We're looking for someone to act as the Coffee Host Coordinator. This person makes sure that there are two people each Sunday to act as hospitality hosts during the after-worship fellowship time. The Coffee Host Coordinator can send a web link to potential coffee servers. The link connects to an on line Sign-Up Genius program that allows people to sign up on any open Sunday. The Coordinator needs to check the web site each week to make sure individuals have signed up, and, as needed, contact folks to fill in any holes. Please see Judy Nix (or email jcnix@comcast.net, 503-612-0006) if you would like to serve the congregation in this way.



PEDALS, PIPES AND MORE

Lake Grove Presbyterian Church is excited to announce the 4th event in its 2017-2018 Community Concert Series. A collaboration between LGPC organist Jeff Wood and actress/story teller Pam Mahon, the part concert, part children's theater will tell the story of a very curious church mouse being lead on a tour of the pipe organ all the while staying safe from those pesky church cats. Pam appears frequently with the Oregon Symphony's Children's Concert Series and has also been seen at Broadway Rose Theater, Portland Center Stage and Portland Opera.

The event promises fun for the young at heart of all ages and is especially geared toward children. It will be presented at the church (4040 Sunset Dr., Lake Oswego) on February 11, 2018 at 2 pm and will last about 45 minutes. We'll wrap it all up with a reception of "tasty tidbits" and photo-ops with our famous church mouse. Admission is free. A free-will offering will be received for the Pink Eraser Project, an LGPC outreach ministry supporting children in need in the Lake Oswego schools. Questions? Call the church office at (503) 636-5656.



ADULT EDGE on Sunday mornings is studying the book *Neighbor: Christian Encounters with "Illegal" Immigration* by Presbyterian pastor, Ben Daniel. Using a blend of travel narrative, interviews, theological insight and biblical scholarship, Daniel tackles the controversial issues that surround undocumented migration in the United States by taking the reader to the spiritual, legal, and geographical front lines of the immigration debate. Here, the political becomes personal and talking points have a human face. The result of this journey is a compelling argument that encourages Christians to meet undocumented migrants as neighbors and friends.

Rick Ufford-Chase, Moderator of the 216th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), offers this endorsement: "This is the primer on immigration I've been waiting for: theological reflection, part historical study, part political analysis, and part compelling stories shared by a gifted writer. Those who care deeply about the immigrant traditions that have strengthened our country will find themselves caught up in Ben Daniel's easy, non-preachy storytelling style. Read it for yourself and then study it with your friends in your church."

So come join the group on Sunday mornings downstairs at 8:30 am as we talk about the timely and complex subject of immigration. We will learn together as class members facilitate discussion of sections of the book.

2017 - Year End FINANCIALS	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
Operating Income Year to Date 12/31/17	\$399,770	\$394,905	\$4,865
Operating Expenses Year to Date 12/31/17	\$380,748	\$394,905	\$14,157

TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

For the latest calendar updates, go to www.tpcspirit.org and click on What's Happening, then select Calendar from the drop-down menu.

February, 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10 am Project Linus 7 pm Bell rehearsal	2	3
4 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School Souper Bowl Sunday Please bring cans of soup to church.	5	6	7 7 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	8 7 pm Bell rehearsal	9	10 6 pm Fondue Party at TPC. RSVP to Emily Ricker.
11 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School	12 7 pm Deacon meeting	13 7 pm Stephen Ministry Continuing Education and Supervision	14 ASH WED. 6:30 to 8 am Imposition of Ashes 10 a.m. Loving Stitches 6 pm Simple Supper 7 pm Worship Service Choir rehearsal after worship	15 10-11:30 am Book Group #1 7 pm Bell rehearsal	16	17 7 am Men's Breakfast 10:30 am Women's Ministry
18 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School	19	20 7 pm Tuesday's Treasures 7 pm Session Meeting	21 7 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	22 10-11:30 am Book Group #2 7 pm Bell rehearsal	23	24
25 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School TPC Winter Frolic after worship	26	27 9 am March newsletter deadline 7 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision	28 10 a.m. Loving Stitches 7 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal			

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

01-John Martin
02-Macy James
02-Daylene Long
03-Rhoda Friesen
06-Peggy Gibbons
07-Dale MacHaffie
07-Patrick Mauer
09-Lynne Winkler

11-Tom Hahn
11-Jason Love
12-Marc Olson
16-Alexis Holland
16-Keith Taylor
17-Johnathan Tracy
19-Mary Ortez
20-Craig Bowen
20-Arielle Mazzuca

20-Shirley Schultz
21-Chip Kyle
22-Alexandria Winslow
23-Brian Locke
24-Lynne Bolton
25-Cathy Chase
28-Adam Kinyon
29-Greg Winterrowd



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

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Ken Evers-Hood

Parish Associates: The Rev. Charlie Brown, The Rev. Dr. Dick Wiggers

Elders: Craig Bowen, John Casebeer, Jeff Engh, Cathy Lambeth, Judy Nix, Greg Owen, Emily Ricker, Chris Robertson and Maureen Wolf

Deacons: Derrilyn Bayha, Jan Bender, Susan Cameron, Bob Eddy, Peggy Gibbons, Emily Gibson, Dianne Lemmon, Bonnie Nord, Gina Olson, Rob Wiesenthal, Pamela White and Chapin Zakrzewski.

Director of Family Ministries: Sarah Beck

Administrative Assistant: Susan Springer

Financial Assistant: Mike Shiffer

Director of Music Ministries: Gary Young

Accompanist: Dr. Ron Fabbro

Bell Choir Director: Debbie Ivanov

Building and Grounds Caretaker: Bob Paetsch

Art Director: Chris Robertson

Bereavement Committee Chair: Barbara Crall

Blood Drive Coordinator: Scott Cameron

Clerk of Session: Rick Crall

Cookie Coordinator: Sue Hayhurst

Membership Coordinator: Diane Paetsch

Newsletter Editor: Susan Springer

Parish Nurse: Susan Fee

Prayer Chain: Greg Imus

Treasurer: Jennifer Ayers

Tuesdays Treasures Coordinator: Carolyn Locke

Webmaster: John Martin

Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

Office hours may vary; call ahead to confirm.

Monday – 9:00 a.m. to noon, Tuesday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m., Friday – 9:00 a.m. to noon