



Equipping the Saints for Ministry

All of you who have ever tried your hand at teaching—in the classroom, on the ball-field, with a scout troop, with co-workers, or your family—know that the teacher is the one who often benefits the most. This has certainly been true for me these past few months. Three recent teaching opportunities have reminded me just how much I personally enjoy helping others grow in the faith and how much my own faith grows in the process. Whether it is the Wednesday morning adult study class, or the youth confirmation class, or the class of newly elected deacons and elders, it has been a joy to get to know each person better as we have been exploring what it means to be a follower and servant of Jesus Christ.

Especially do I appreciate the time and commitment being invested by our youth (Corbin Bowen, David MacKay, Tony Mitchell, Stacy Bartlett, Michelle Crawford, Mimi Crawford, Naomi Todd, and Kerry Lambeth) as they prepare for their confirmation on Sunday, May 9; and our deacons-elect (Greg Imus, Karen Jones, Toni MacHaffie, Rachel Norse, Jay Wilcox) and elders-elect (Art Barry, Deborah Lewis, and Greg Owen), as they move toward their ordination and installation on Sunday, May 23. I am also grateful to Crystal Shearer for her important role in the leadership of this year's confirmation class.

In the fourth chapter of the letter to the Ephesians, we are reminded that our mutual calling is to “. . . equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.” With this in mind, I know that you will join me in encouraging all of those who are getting ready to take the next significant step in their commitment to Christ at TPC.

Grace & Peace,
Dick Wiggers, Interim Pastor

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) continues to evaluate potential pastors as we search for the right person to shepherd our church. The committee has now reviewed 110 professional information forms (PIF's) from prospective pastors. In addition, your PNC has listened to and evaluated sermons from a selected group of candidates. We have called three professional and personal references for each applicant in this group.

To further help in discerning the right person for our church, many candidates have been asked to respond in writing to two key questions that relate to TPC's church information form. The PNC is using these thoughtful responses to help narrow our search for the pastor who will most closely fit the needs of our congregation.

Our present task is to identify the 10 candidates who are the best match for TPC. We will then conduct telephone interviews with this group. After the telephone interview process, we expect to arrive at a smaller group of candidates for personal interviews. Later in the process, members of the PNC will attend worship services that are led by our top candidates.

When we arrive at our top 3-5 candidates, the Cascades Presbytery will conduct their own reference checks and other procedures to ensure that the called pastor will meet the needs of Tualatin Presbyterian Church.

The careful and prayerful process of calling a new permanent minister for TPC will continue for the next few months.

Greg Imus
PNC Committee Member

TPC Announcements

Hallelujah!

Graduation Day is May 22nd at San Francisco Theological Seminary! I will receive my Masters of Divinity degree this year after much study and preparation. It is a huge step in the process toward ordination. What a great day! Thank you for your support throughout my spiritual journey with Tualatin Presbyterian. You have provided me with so much over the years – prayers, hugs, letters, financial assistance and opportunities to practice in worship. Thank for this support and your continued support in my journey. Things are coming together for Ghana and I am very excited! I appreciate your scholarship for this trip. I just got my yellow fever shot and have to get a visa in the next couple of months. Please keep me in your prayers as I travel back to California to celebrate my graduation and transition back to SFTS for my last year of seminary.

Peace be with you,
Heather Chase ><>



Stacy Bartlett will be representing the U.S.A. Junior Olympics National Team for Region 2 (six western states of Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington) at the Level 10 Champion National Championships in Kissimmee, Florida on May 2, 2004. Stacy just finished first on beam and second all-around

at the Region 2 Championships held recently in Corvallis, Oregon. She trains 20 hours a week at Metro Gymnastics Center in Tualatin and is a freshman at Tualatin High School.

FEATURED FAMILY OF THE MONTH



The Miller Family joined the church in 1999. Ted has worked for Food Services of America for 25 years. He is currently in outside sales to health care facilities. During Ted's spare time, he enjoys karate, of which he has a black belt. Paula has been a loan underwriter for about 15 years and is currently working for West Coast Bank in Wilsonville. Paula is a deacon and will begin a new term in June. Kimberly is a senior at U of O and will graduate in June with a degree in Public Relations. She will be going to work for a PR firm in Philadelphia later in June. Marshall graduated in June of 2003 from Tualatin High School and is currently attending Portland Community College. He will begin their automotive repair program in the fall.

Please remember in prayer:

Marion Beyer, Leo Chang (son-in-law of Pat Devore), Nellie Chase (Harry Chase's mother), Jim Choomack, (friend of the Wiggers'), Virginia Clow, Bill Dorman (brother of Dorothy Butts), Glenda Imus (Greg Imus' mother), Betty Leslie (mother of Dee Dee Hansen), the members of our PNC, those who lead and serve our nation, communities and congregations.



Congratulations to **Maxine & Glynn Jenovich** who will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on May 20th !

TPC's Photo Directory

The Directory has been sent to Olin Mills for publishing. The Committee should receive the book back to proof in about 3 weeks. If you do not want your phone or email address printed in the directory or if you have any recent changes, please call Debby Owen @ (503) 692-6920 or email her at newsletter@tpcspirit.com.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/4	Stacy Hughes	5/17	Sandy Reiling
5/5	Glenn Carlson	5/18	Glynn Jenovich
5/7	Mark Robertson	5/19	Nancy Wilcox
5/11	Dave Backen	5/21	Elizabeth Beymer
5/11	Ron Van Schoiack	5/24	Brian Jones
5/15	Stephanie Bartlett	5/24	Emerson Wood
5/15	Dorothy Martin	5/26	Thom Nelson
5/16	Alex Lewis	5/27	Sarah Springer
5/17	Gary Frey	5/27	Brad Weaver
5/17	Scott Cameron	5/27	Benjamin Schleicher

Weary of Potlucks?

How about a pancake breakfast put on by Boy Scout Troop 530! This annual event will be Sunday, June 6 from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Tualatin Senior Center, near Tualatin City Park.



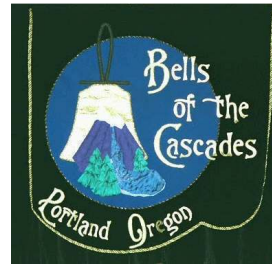
Breakfast will include pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, orange juice, milk and coffee. Here's an opportunity for off-site fellowship. The scouts are willing to set aside tables for TPC. Cost is \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for kids and seniors, or \$15.00 for an entire family. See Alex Lewis for tickets. Let's support the scouts...and take a break from potlucks!

People of Light

On Memorial Day, it is important to pause in gratitude to all those upon whose shoulders we stand. We should remember with great appreciation those who died making helpful, positive contributions — whether large or small — throughout human history. As Christians we should be especially grateful to those whose faith, service and love have enabled us to know the Gospel and its vast implications for the entire earth.

Without our Christian teachers, pastors, missionaries and the ordinary servants of Christ, we would not have the Good News which is like a great light shining in the world's darkness. They have made sure Christ's precious Light has not gone out or been diminished.

Memorial Day is a day for us to think about the people of the Light and to express to God our appreciation for them.



Mark your calendars!

On June 13, our own TPC handbell choir will be joining with the Bells of the Cascades to present a concert at TPC. The concert will begin at 4:00 pm.

There will be no admission charge though an offering will be taken.

Our bell choir is excitedly preparing to participate in a biannual conference of bell ringers from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska. There will be 650 ringers participating in this conference, which runs from Friday June 18 – Sunday, June 20 in Tacoma, WA. The conference concludes on Sunday with a mass concert where all ringers participate. It is the music being prepared for this exciting event that our choir will present to you on June 13. This concert will also be the first opportunity to hear our new chimes, tubular instruments often used in conjunction with bells, which have been graciously donated to TPC.

Bells of the Cascades is an advanced, auditioned handbell choir dedicated to enhancing the art of handbells through performance and education. They are a "must see" choir. Martha Wilson, the director of our TPC handbell choir, is a member of Bells of the Cascades. The Bells of the Cascades rehearses at TPC and in exchange graciously allows our use of their handbells. Contact Martha Wilson or any TPC bellchoir member for more information.

"TPC Spirit"

I would like to thank everyone who has written articles and sent photos. A special thanks to Dave Leland and Dick Wiggers for proofing it, Rhoda Friesen for sending me the calendar and birthdays and making copies; and all the wonderful people who fold, collate and help to put the "Spirit" in the mail.

Debby Owen
Newsletter Editor

TPC's Easter Egg Hunt





Holy Week



Music on Palm Sunday



Children's Choir under the direction of Kris Sparks



Palm Sunday



Rev. Charlie Brown portrays Simon Peter at the Maundy Thursday Communion Service



Rev. Charlie Brown portrayed "The Cross Maker" at TPC's Good Friday Service



Easter Sunday - "He is Risen Indeed"

Committee Notes

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thank you for all the generous donations of plastic eggs and Easter egg stuffers. We had enough candy to stuff all the eggs, two piñatas and even had three bags left over. We will use the piñatas for an end-of-the-year Sunday school party in June. We stuffed more eggs than we ever have and the kids had a great time finding them and collecting their surprises. See pages 3 and 4 for pictures! Thanks again.

The Christian Education Committee is planning an end-of-the-year Sunday school party on June 6th. Please join us a 9:30 am on that Sunday for juice, fruit and donuts. After we snack, parents can go up to the worship service and the children can play games, do puzzles, and break the piñatas. This is planned to be a fun year-end activity for the children ages 3 through 5th grade. The Shepherds and teachers are looking forward to sharing this special time with all of our children.

Don't miss the Mother's Day worship service on May 9. Our TPC children will be leading a good part of that service. We look forward to seeing you there! You won't want to miss it.

Pam Bowen

General Fund Status		
March 2004		
	BUDGET	ACTUAL
Income	\$ 14,372	\$14,907
Expense	<u>\$ 16,667</u>	<u>\$16,949</u>
Net	(\$ 2,295)	(\$ 2,042)
Jan. – March 2004		
	BUDGET	ACTUAL
Income	\$ 50,645	\$ 56,823
Expense	<u>\$ 47,601</u>	<u>\$ 45,977</u>
Net	\$ 3,034	\$ 10,846

Mike Shiffer, Treasurer

WORSHIP COMMITTEE



Front row – Dorothy Martin and Marion Beyer
 Standing – Lynn Bolten, Sherry Nelson, Diane Barry and Ellen Van Schoiack

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard during Lent and Easter. To Dick Wiggers for his leadership, Fellowship led by Susan Springer, Deborah Lewis for organizing Seder, Christian Education led by Janet Winterrowd and Pam Bowen, for the wonderful music provided by the choral choirs led by Kris Sparks and the bell choir led by Martha Wilson, the building and property Committee led by Dave Leland and his janitors, the art created by Ellen Van Schoiack and her band of followers that includes Ron, the youth Group, Crystal Shearer, Rhoda and of course, Charlie Brown who became Simon Peter and the Cross Maker. This church is blessed with a devoted Worship Committee. They work hard and with a great deal of joy. To all of you who came to church to celebrate and worship with us – thank you.

Sherry Nelson
 Worship Elder

The Tualatin Food Pantry would like to thank our congregation for our on-going support of the effort to help feed the hungry in our community. Current needs include all kinds of soap (laundry, dish, bar) and hearty canned items such as soup, stew, chili, and tuna. If you prefer to write a check, please make it out to TPC and note Tualatin Food Pantry on it. The Food Pantry folks use cash to purchase protein items such as ground turkey or beef, milk, cheese and fresh vegetables.



Send a LETTER to a Friend

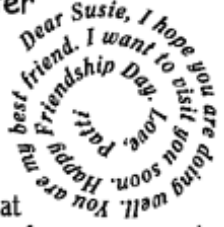


Materials you'll need:

- ▢ Paper
- ✎ Something to write with – pencil, pen, crayon or marker
- ✂ Scissors
- ✉ Envelope
- ✉ First Class stamp – 37¢

Spiral Letter

Write a letter to a special friend. Make the letter fun by writing in a spiral. Start at the top corner of your paper and rotate the paper as you write. Your words will spiral into the center of the page.



Puzzle Letter

Draw and color a picture of you and your friend. Sign your name and then cut your picture into 6 or 8 pieces. Don't make the pieces too small or it will be hard for your friend to put them together.

Put your letter or puzzle pieces in the envelope. Address the envelope, put the stamp on and mail it to your friend or deliver it in person.



Friendship Day Is This Month!

Friendship Day is the first Friday in May. It's important to choose your friends wisely. There are Proverbs in the Bible about friends.

Use the code to fill in the blanks and read Proverbs 22:11.

	1	2	3	4	5
■	A	B	C	D	E
▲	F	G	H	I	
●	J	K		L	M
▣	N	O	P	Q	R
☆		S	T	U	V
◆	W	X	Y		Z

3▲ 5■ 1◆ 3▲ 2▣ 4● 2▣ 5☆ 5■ 2☆ 1■
 3▣ 4☆ 5■ 5■ 3▲ 5■ 1■ 5▣ 3☆
 1■ 1■ 4■ 1◆ 3▲ 2▣ 2☆ 5■
 2☆ 3▣ 5■ 5■ 3■ 3▲ 4▲ 2☆
 2▲ 5▣ 1■ 3■ 4▲ 2▣ 4☆ 2☆ 1◆ 4▲ 4● 4●
 3▲ 1■ 5☆ 5■ 3☆ 3▲ 5■ 2● 4▲ 1▣ 2▲
 1▲ 2▣ 5■ 3▲ 4▲ 2☆ 1▲ 5▣ 4▲ 5■ 1▣ 4■

Answer: He who loves a pure heart and whose speech is gracious will have the king for his friend.

Three pastors met and were talking over conditions at their churches.

The first pastor said, "You know, since summer started, I've been having trouble with mice in my church. I've tried everything noise, cats, spray, nothing seems to scare them away."

The second pastor said, "Yeah, my church too. There are hundreds of them living in the church basement. I've set traps and even called in an expert exterminator. Nothing has worked so far."

The third pastor said, "I've had the same problem. So I baptized all mine and made them members of the church. Haven't seen one of them since."



**Tualatin Presbyterian
Church Calendar
May 2004**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Confirmation Retreat
2 Adult Ed. – 8:30 am Choir – 9:20 am Worship – 10:00 am Communion Quilters – 11:30 am	3 Volunteers serve @ Sr. Center 11:00 - 1:30 PNC - 7:00 pm CE – 7:00 pm	4 Mission 7:00 pm	5 Bible Study 10:30 am Bells – 6:25 pm Choir – 7:30 pm Confirmation Class, Parents, & Session Dinner – 6:00 pm	6	7	8
9 Worship – 10:00 am Confirmation Sunday Mother's Day	10 PNC - 7:00 pm	11	12 Bible Study 10:30 am Bells – 6:25 pm Choir – 7:30 pm Make-up Officer Training 7:00 – 9:00 pm	13 Outreach 1:00 pm	14	15
16 Deacon's @ Haydens 8:30 am Adult Ed. – 8:30 am Choir – 9:20 am Worship – 10:00 am	17 PNC - 7:00 pm	18 Tuesdays Treasures 7:00 pm	19 Bible Study 10:30 am Bells – 6:25 pm Choir – 7:30 pm	20 Outreach 1:00 pm Session 7:00 pm	21	22
23 Adult Ed. – 8:30 am Choir – 9:20 am Worship – 10:00 am Ordination of Deacons and Elders	24 PNC - 7:00 pm Worship Cmt 7:00 pm	25	26 Bible Study 10:30 am Bells – 6:25 pm Choir – 7:30 pm	27	28	29
30 Adult Ed. – 8:30 am Choir – 9:20 am Worship – 10:00 am Pentecost (Please wear red to church)	31 PNC - 7:00 pm					

Upcoming Dates to Remember :

June 13 - Sunday worship will be led by the graduating high school seniors

June 28th – July 2nd "Power Up" with VBS

July 24 – 30, 2004 Presbytery of the Cascades Family Camp at Honeyman State Park. (*Brochures are available in the church office or see Susan Springer for more information.*)

TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
9230 SW SILETZ DRIVE
TUALATIN OR 97062-9182

NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
TUALATIN, OR
PERMIT #57



Postmaster:
TIME VALUE --- Please do not delay
Mailed April 27, 2004



TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9230 SW Siletz Drive, Tualatin, OR 97062
Dr. Richard C. Wiggers, Interim Pastor

Phone: 503-692-4160

Web Address: www.tpcspirit.com

Elders: Dave Leland, Sherry Nelson, Erin Nelson, Del Judy, Janet Winterrowd, Carolyn Hale, Don Schmidt, Susan Springer and Mike Shiffer

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

Treasurer: Mike Shiffer
e-mail: treasurer@tpcspirit.com

Music Director: Kris Sparks
e-mail: music.director@tpcspirit.com

Clerk of Session: Mary Shiffer
Bell Choir Director: Martha Wilson

Newsletter Editor: Debby Owen
e-mail: newsletter@tpcspirit.com

Administrative Asst: Rhoda Friesen
e-mail: office@tpcspirit.com

Youth Director: Crystal Shearer
e-mail: youth@tpcspirit.com

Church Office Hours:

Tuesday – Thursday: 9:00am – 12:30pm and 1:00pm – 3:00 pm

Friday – 9:00am to noon. Pastor Wiggers is in the office Monday – Thursday. Please call for an appointment.