

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KEN



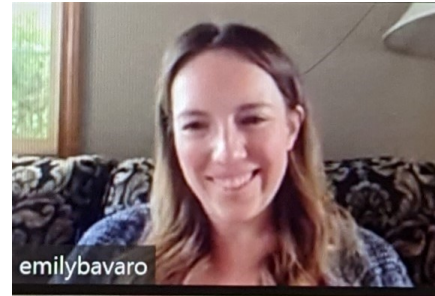
Dear friends,

It's been a busy couple of months of interviewing candidates for our position of music director as well as for pastoral coverage during my upcoming sabbatical this summer. As a final newsletter from me before I turn my phone off and unplug my laptop, I thought I'd share a little bit about who these amazing people are:

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Emily Bavaro

I'll start with Emily Bavaro, our new director of music! Emily was a wonderful surprise for me. Much of her experience and education are from New York City, but her resume declared a Tualatin address. At first I assumed she had just grown up here but was living in NYC. Not so! She and her family moved to Tualatin to be closer to family last fall during the pandemic, and NYC's loss is our gain! Emily is no stranger to the Pacific Northwest or Presbyterianism having grown up attending First Presbyterian Church in Salem.



After graduating from St. Olaf College with a degree in vocal performance in 2009, Emily earned her Master of Music in Classical Voice from The Manhattan School of Music in 2011. In New York she served as an organist, cantor, and music director at various Roman Catholic and Episcopal congregations. Emily is also a gifted teacher, having taught piano, organ, and voice for years. Like Dr. Ron, Emily is just an absolute gift, and we are so grateful to have her join us!

SABBATICAL COVERAGE

Another surprise here, at first I assumed we would hire one person to cover my sabbatical, as we did seven years ago. But wiser voices on session noted this could be a great opportunity for us to hear from a greater range of voices. We interviewed five candidates and settled on three. One person will cover each month, and their responsibilities are to preach and lead worship, lead morning prayer during the week, and moderate our zoom room after worship. The grant covers their pay, and we have also been able to use grant money to augment The Rev. Dr. Dick Wiggers' compensation as he will be moderating session and caring for emergent situations on the ground while I'm gone.

It was a joy interviewing all of the candidates, and I'm pleased to present the three the committee settled on and the session approved:

Elle Dowd (she/her/hers)...

...is a bi-furious recent graduate of the [Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago](#) and a candidate for ordained ministry in the [Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#).

Elle has pieces of her heart in Sierra Leone, where her two children were born, and in St. Louis where she learned from the radical, queer, Black leadership during the [Ferguson Uprising](#).

She was formerly a co-conspirator with the movement to [#decolonizeLutheranism](#) and currently works as a community organizer with the [Faith and Justice Collective](#) and [SOUL](#), writes regularly for the [Disrupt Worship Project](#), and facilitates workshops on gender and sexuality and the Church in both secular conferences and Christian spaces. She is currently working on a book with Broadleaf to be released summer of 2021.

Telika McCoy, Ph.D.

Dr. Telika McCoy is a native of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She earned a sociology degree from Shaw University and a Master of Divinity degree from Shaw Divinity School, graduating with honors. While attending seminary, she was mentored and taught by Dr. Gardner C. Taylor, making her one of the few theologians to claim such education. In 2011, she earned a Ph.D. in human services from Capella University in Minneapolis, MN. Her scientific research explored the lived experiences of aspiring pastors and people with disabilities in faith communities.

Dr. McCoy has advised Ph.D. students as a peer mentor at Capella University and is a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. She volunteered with the Ministers Conference of Winston-Salem, served as assistant support coordinator for the Women in Ministry Division of the General Baptist State Convention of NC (GBSC), Inc., and currently holds the office of 4th Vice President of the Congress of Christian Education Division of the GBSC. For two years, Dr. McCoy was a full-time Doctor of Ministry degree mentor and lead faculty of the Christian Education Division for Apex School of Theology in Durham, NC.

Currently, Dr. McCoy serves as youth pastor of Mount Peace Baptist Church, facilitates interactive workshops and discussion forums, and is a post contributor to *GBSOnline.org*. She has published two books: *That Child! Preparing for Challenging Moments with Youth* and *That Day! Enjoy the One You Have – Improve the One to Come*. In her leisure, she enjoys the outdoors, reading, writing and riding her Harley Davidson Iron-883 motorcycle.

The Rev. Emily E. Ewing, pronouns they/them/their

Pastor Emily (they/them) is originally from Colorado, but currently works as Social Justice Pastor of Trinity Las Américas UMC in Des Moines. Pastor Emily cohosts the podcast [Nerds At Church](#), and curates [queerying.org](#), a blog queering and querying the Revised Common Lectionary. They dedicate their life to justice work locally and globally, revel in creativity and art, and are fed by Lutheran theological geekiness.

THOMAS WOODBRIDGE - Video Editor at TPC

In anticipation of Thomas's upcoming graduation from George Fox University, Mike Shiffer asked Thomas several questions.

What is your degree and what does it mean?

My degree is titled "Cinema and Media Communications and Organization" with a concentration in Video Production. It means that I am fully skilled in all facets of film and video production from start to finish. Computers, cameras, audio, lighting and scriptwriting are just some of the areas that I have become proficient in.



Why did you choose George Fox and when did your start?

I started at George Fox in the fall of 2016. I originally came to GFU to play for the football team and to study biology. Some life changes happened during the first couple years, and I changed the path I wanted for myself in life. I am very happy with the way things panned out.

What are your future plans now that you have that piece of paper?

Now that I have the very expensive piece of paper, I plan to continue to pursue my work with video editing and wherever that may take me. I am really excited to see all the different kinds of opportunities that will open up to me as soon as I have graduated.

What comments do you have about your experience with TPC?

Working for TPC for the past 8 months has been such an incredible opportunity and has allowed me to gain the kind of real-world experience that I was searching for. On top of that, the people that I have gotten to work with and talk to within the church have made my time here such an enjoyable one. I'm really happy with the work we have gotten to accomplish together, and I am even happier that I get to continue working with such a great community.

Congratulations, Thomas, on your graduation from college!!! We are so happy to have you on staff!

COVID UPDATE

Hello Everyone,

Oregon is back in a COVID-19 surge. Our numbers are increasing, and Governor Brown is putting counties back into the Extreme Risk categories.

If you have received your COVID-19 vaccine, thank you. If you have not, please do so. Everyone 16 and over is now eligible and it is expected that it will soon be 12 and up. Until you are vaccinated, please wear your mask, practice social distancing, avoid crowds and wash your hands often.

Once vaccinated, please follow CDC recommendations listed at:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/>

We will get through this together.

Faithfully,

Susan Fee RN, Parish Nurse

KEN'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT VIRTUAL CLASS THROUGH WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

Wednesday night, April 21 Ken started a six week study on David Whyte's book *The Heart Aroused*. In this work David is talking about the soul, how we are a people who have tried to live without a strong connection to our souls, and how to re-integrate our lives with the deepest and most meaningful places in ourselves. The class starts at 7 PM and will last for an hour and a half. This kind of soul keeping is the theme of Ken's sabbatical this summer, and this is a great way we can begin that work together. Go to the primary Zoom room for TPC; it is the same link and room as for Morning Prayer and for the after-worship Virtual Coffee Hour.

VIRTUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR CATHY LAMBETH, SATURDAY, MAY 15 AT 3 PM

NOTE: Both Cathy and Charlie's virtual memorials will be in the same place, the primary Zoom room for TPC, the same link and room used for Morning Prayer and for after-worship Virtual Coffee Hour, which is <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/2381998927?pwd=L0dSTIVZSVRNQkJiVzRmbWJSbER1dz09>

SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS, Sunday, May 16 at 7 PM, OUTSIDE AT TPC

We will be gathering outside at the church on Sunday, May 16th at 7 PM for a Service of Healing and Wholeness. Bring all that you have been holding- we will lift everything we're experiencing up into the presence of God. Socially distanced. Masks.

VIRTUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE REV. CHARLIE BROWN, SUN., MAY 23 AT 2 PM

HELPFUL TPC LINKS can be found at tpcspirit.org/links. All the commonly needed links for TPC and its organizations are there. If your TPC organization has a web link you would like added, send a message to support@tpcspirit.org.
Rick Crall

TPC WORSHIP - WAYS TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

Thank you, everyone, who joins us for worship on Sunday mornings at 10:10 AM and to those who watch the recorded service at a later time. In case you haven't found us yet, or are interested in other viewing options, here is where you can find us.

On your online device, use any browser to go to www.tpcspirit.org. On Sunday morning, the service is streamed to our home page. Followed the Sunday broadcast, you will find the latest service on our home page and past services on the video tab.

We simulcast to Facebook Live and to YouTube. On Facebook follow or like Tualatin Presbyterian Church, then check for our livestream on Sunday at 10:10 AM. On YouTube we send our worship stream to the Tualatin Presbyterian Church channel (you can subscribe). In addition to watching on your favorite device, you may be able to view our livestream worship on your TV. Most smart TVs and some cable services allow a direct connection to YouTube. This is a great option for those of us who prefer the advantages of a larger screen.

We'll see you online! Mike Shiffer



Dear Tualatin Presbyterian Church,
 Thank you so much for your continued support! We are growing: welcoming more families into our program.
 Sincerely, Rose Money and the rest of the team at
 FPTV Family Promise of Tualatin Valley



TPC has been providing "Move In" baskets to Family Promise families when they get housing. These baskets contain all the cleaning products and essential items for the kitchen and bathroom, about 26 items in all. Many thanks to Maggie and Macy James and Emma and Eliza Swanson who volunteered to assemble the baskets and make cards for each family. I highly recommend these sweeties for any low to the ground assembly work.

Judy Nix



Dear beloved TPC family,
 I want to thank all of you who have contributed faithfully to TPC during these incredibly challenging times. We have faced so many issues together as we join during church service or continue with our unique contributions to the TPC family and community. It has been hard. I know the phrase, "you're still on mute", will make me shudder for years to come!

As we transition to new leadership, I wanted to share my gratitude for having the honor of serving you for the past six years. We have grown so much together. Because of your generous support over the past six years, we expanded our staff to include Dick Wiggers's pastoral care position, Bob Paetsch's role in church maintenance as well as offer professional development and healthcare coverage for Sarah Beck as our full-time family ministry director. We were given a minibus which transports members to church and provides a means for our children to explore the community! We continue to generously support our local mission work as well as the Presbytery of the Cascades. Additionally, we were able to renovate the kitchen, so we are well equipped to gather once again for meals! We have replaced HVAC components and added to our cash reserves. I am humbled by your support.

A huge virtual hug to my team members over the years: Carolyn Barker, Mike Shiffer, Chip Kyle, Jennifer Ayers, and Diane Paetsch. These individuals have served with a heart for Christ and a mind for fiscal responsibility. Our future Stewardship & Administrative elder will be in good hands!

Please serve your community and lift up TPC with your continued donations. Early in my service, Session gathered for a strategic planning session to identify the key words that distilled the essence of who we are and how we travel together following Christ. We landed on generous community, buoyancy, and adventuring. Those words are still so true today. Our generosity and buoyancy have lifted us up through these difficult times and our adventuring spirit has given us hope for our future. I look forward to our time together soon!

With gratitude,
 Maureen Wolf, Stewardship and Administration Elder

CONNECT TO TPC

ZOOM enables you to interactively participate in a virtual meeting with other TPC folks. To find the links for regular zoom meetings (the "Virtual Coffee Hour" after Sunday morning worship, and the weekday 9 am Prayer meetings)" go to tpcspirit.org/Links/ . That page is updated weekly or as needed.

To join a ZOOM meeting, click the link from a message or web page. If it is outside the times for that meeting you'll get a message, "Please wait for the host to start this meeting" which indicates that your computer is set up properly.



REFLECTIONS

My most favorite food? That depends, home cooked or restaurant, sweet or savory, gourmet or comfort food? Does it have to be one item or could it be a full meal? Is it seasonal, could it be a beverage? There are just so many variables and I enjoy many different things for many different reasons.

My very most soul-feeding activity? Helping others, or offering a great listening ear. Standing outside in the crisp, cold morning air and watching the world awakening. Poetry, music, fellowship. Sending handwritten notes, playing with our grandsons. Again, too many possibilities to narrow it down to one.

Speaking of foods and eating, I realize I have never addressed the feeding of these friends which I share with you each month. Although this is a photo of a Spotted Towhee, which is mainly a ground forager, this month I want to share about the feeding of hummingbirds. Since the weather is getting warmer, cleaning and maintenance of your feeders is paramount. A good rule of thumb is to change the nectar at least twice a week during the cooler months. When the weather begins hitting the seventies, every three days is preferable. In extreme heat, every two days is ideal. Wash the feeders with very hot water and scrub all areas well with a bottle brush or a toothbrush and the special brushes which can be purchased to get in the tiny feeding holes. This is necessary to keep bacteria from growing and forming black mold which many times can result in the death of these beautiful flying jewels. Every month or so, soak the feeder in a solution of vinegar and hot water for twenty minutes then rinse. I only fill the feeders with enough food to last until the next cleaning and filling, so there is no need to fill it and have to waste all that simple syrup.

Nectar recipe: Mix one part white sugar to four parts boiling water. Stir until dissolved, and cool prior to filling the feeder. Any unused syrup may be refrigerated. Note, do not use raw or brown sugar, or honey.

Rebecca Backen



Anita Stone died October 24, 2020

Solon Stone died April 4, 2021

Cathy Lambeth died Wednesday, April 14, 2021 in Houston, Texas.

You are invited to send an email to office@tpcspirit.org, if you would like a mailing address for son Will, daughter Kerry, or sister Barbie.

Pam Cameron's brother, David Stewart, died from COVID-19.

Marilyn and Don Schmidt's son-in-law, Bryan Mitchell, died following surgery complications.



The Tualatin Food Pantry continues to serve our hungry neighbors. Tualatin Food Pantry invites you to help spread the news by "liking" their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/schoolhousepantry.org>.

For the latest hours and information about the pantry, please visit tualatinfood-pantry.org. If you are interested in helping, go to schoolhousepantry.org/signup.

Items needed currently include: peanut butter, canned chili, canned pasta (like Spaghetti O's), canned beans (all varieties), miscellaneous pasta (not spaghetti), canned meats, shampoo, powdered laundry detergent, dry pet food. Thank you for all your donation.

Mike Shiffer



Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 3, 2021 Photographs by Jason James.



MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 02-Candy Ferguson
- 02-Craig Walker
- 03-Joan Nardi
- 03-Yvonne Wagner
- 04-Scott MacCluer

- 04-Rick Mauer
- 06-Michael Weaver
- 07-Reed Gurney
- 08-Diane Paetsch
- 09-Ella Evers-Hood
- 09-Robert Weener
- 10-Emery Phillips
- 11-Dave Backen
- 11-Ron VanSchoiack
- 14-Karen Black
- 14-Megan Weener
- 14-Benjamin Whitaker
- 15-Laura Byers
- 17-Scott Cameron

- 17-Sandy Reiling
- 20-Rebecca Wood
- 21-Cackie Kyle
- 21-Ronn Rhodes
- 23-Emily Mazzuca
- 24-Brian Jones
- 24-Emerson Wood
- 30-Susan Cameron
- 30-Monica Gibson
- 30-Matt Winkler
- 31-Scott Mazzuca

TPC 2021 FINANCIALS	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
Operating Income Year to Date 3/31/21	\$104,479	\$100,583	\$3,897
Operating Expenses Year to Date 3/31/21	\$99,924	\$109,522	\$9,598

MAY TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

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

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 10:10 am on-line worship at www.tpcspirit.org Also on Facebook and YouTube	3 9 am prayer on Zoom	4 9 am prayer on Zoom	5 9 am prayer on Zoom 7 pm Ken's virtual study of David Whyte's book, <i>The Heart Aroused</i> .	6 9 am prayer on Zoom	7 9 am prayer on Zoom	8
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30 10:10 am on-line worship at www.tpcspirit.org Also on Facebook and YouTube	31 9 am prayer on Zoom					

The church office is closed due to COVID-19; staff members are working from home.
The building is not available for meetings.

You are invited to worship with us on line on Sundays starting at 10:10 am.
Go to the church website, www.tpcspirit.org Or Facebook, or YouTube.

If you wish to leave a voicemail message, call the church office
at 503-692-4160. Messages are checked regularly.



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Web Address: www.tpcspirit.org We're also on Facebook.

Worship Service – Sundays at 10:10 a.m. on line at www.tpcspirit.org

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Ken Hood

Parish Associates: The Rev. Dr. Dick Wiggers

Elders: Craig Bowen, Russ Carlin, Joan Nardi (acting), Greg Owen, Carolyn Pursinger, Patrick Ramos, Ian Swanson and Maureen Wolf

Deacons: Derrilyn Bayha, Susan Cameron, Carolyn Hale, Jason James, Dianne Lemmon, Karen Ramos, Herb Richardson, Sheri Schipporeit, Beth Schulke, Kerry Weaver, and Rob Wiesenthal.

Director of Family Ministries: Sarah Beck

Administrative Assistant, Newsletter Editor: Susan Springer

Financial Assistant: Mike Shiffer

Director of Music Ministries: Emily Bavaro

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: Liz Belz-Templeman

Cookie Coordinator: Sue Hayhurst

Fellowship Director: Barbara Crall

Hospitality Coordinator: Bonnie Nord

Membership Coordinator: Diane Paetsch

Men's Fellowship Group Coordinator: Mike Weaver

Parish Nurse: Susan Fee

Prayer Chain: Greg Imus

Technology Chair: John Martin

Treasurer: Chip Kyle

Tuesdays Treasures Coor: M&M Shiffer, Denise Collins

Video Editor: Thomas Woodbridge

Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

The office is closed. Can leave voice message at 503 692-4160. We will get back to you.