

Pastor Ken Henry handed out the How Do You Eat An Elephant document (see below) at the Session meeting on April 19 and at the Staff meeting on April 26. It is a summary of the tasks that need to be done during this transition phase as we prepare for a new full time pastor.



## HOW DO YOU EAT AN ELEPHANT? (one bite at a time)

### I. - Goals:

1. Engaging the congregation in the process.
2. Generating enthusiasm and anticipation for calling a new pastor.
3. Creating a mission statement and mission study process that provides guidance to the Pastor Nominating Committee as well as the leadership of TPC.
4. Strengthening people's commitment to the mission of TPC.
5. Growing in our love and faith in God.

**Things To Do:** (After determining the composition of the Transition Team.)

II - Decide on using an online congregational tool: Hartford Seminary Congregational Survey (\$300.00). I would suggest "The Pastoral Search Inventory." It appears congregants have the option of filling out the survey either online or on paper. Session invites the congregation to a meeting where results are discussed. Results can also be discussed through newsletter articles and worship announcements.

III - Create ways the people of God can be heard (i.e. home gatherings, gatherings after worship, coffee meet-ups, pastoral calling, etc.) The purpose of these gatherings is to provide a listening ear to those who are grieving, questioning and may need special attention.

IV - Decide if the congregation needs a new mission statement. If so, develop a process to write a new, succinct statement which reflects why TPC exists in the world. (Ken)

V - Answer the following questions from the Ministry Information Form or MIF

- o What is the congregation's vision for ministry? How is this vision lived out?
- o How do you feel called to reach out to address the emerging needs of your community and constituency?
- o How will this pastoral position help you to reach your vision and mission goals?
- o Provide a description of the characteristics needed by the person/pastor who is open to being called to this congregation.
- o For what specific tasks, assignments, and program areas will this person have responsibility?

VI - Involve Presbytery and The Commission on Ministry. What does the Presbytery of the Cascades need from us? (Ken)

VII - Session and Staff determine "Leadership Competencies"

VIII - Nominate and elect members of the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC). Session chooses the number of people on the PNC.

Thursday, April 27, 2023

Introducing Tualatin Presbyterian Church's Transitional Team:  
The Session!

Last week at the monthly meeting of Session, the ruling elders, some of the church staff, and I discussed what lies ahead as TPC seeks a new full-time pastor. Essentially, we began talking about how to achieve the following goals:

- Engaging the congregation in the process.
- Generating enthusiasm and anticipation for calling a new pastor
- Creating a mission statement and mission study
- Strengthening people's commitment to the mission of TPC
- Growing in our love and faith in God.

Over the next several months, I invite you to pray for the process, as well as for the members of Session, while we enter into this transitional time of discerning how to move forward with grace, love, and hope. Part of the interim time, of course, involves listening. So, if you would like to meet with me at church, or over a cup of coffee, let me know.

See you in church,  
Ken Henry, Interim Pastor  
pastor@tpcspirit.org

#### **NEW MEMBER CLASS - Sunday May 7 after worship**

Seven people have signed up for the New Member Class Pastor Ken is holding on **Sunday, May 7**, after worship in the library downstairs. We are excited to know that we have folks who are interested in learning more about TPC and the Presbyterian faith. If you would like to increase your knowledge about Presbyterianism and possibly become a member of TPC, please fill out a Connection Card found in your Sunday worship bulletin, or let Pastor Ken know (pastor@tpcspirit.org) or Connections Elder, Judy Nix (jcnix@comcast.net). Lunch will be served on May 7.

**COFFEE CONNECTION - The Tuesday, May 9th** Coffee Connection at 10 am will be at the home of Dianne Lemmon, 21976 SW 107th, Tualatin. Bunny Lewis will tell us about her trip to Kenya. If you missed her Sunday, April 30th presentation after worship, here's a second chance. Please come and enjoy coffee, camaraderie and conversation.

The April Coffee Connection at the Marquis was well attended and we got to know several newer attendees better.

#### **MEN'S GROUP MEETING Saturday, May 13 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in TPC narthex**

If you have any questions, call Dale MacHaffie, 503-784-2476. Ladies, you are welcome to join us.

#### **SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE**

TPC needs volunteers to help prep, serve and clean up coffee service on the following dates.  
(Arrive 20 minutes early and stay about 30 minutes after service)

**May 14, May 21, June 11, June 18 and June 25**

If you would like to sign up, you can click the link below OR just email me the date you can help. THANKS so much for lending a helping hand.

[\(https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090545abaa2da4fb6-coffee#/\)](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090545abaa2da4fb6-coffee#/)

Thanks, Derrilyn Bayha  
661-747-8447

## **BELLS OF THE CASCADES - A Handbell Concert - From Sea to Skye**

The Bells of the Cascades bell choir rehearses on Tuesday nights here at TPC. The results of all this rehearsing will be shared at four concerts they are presenting in May and June. Details below.

**Saturday, May 20 at 7 pm**, Rose City Park United Methodist Church, 5830 NE. Alameda St., Portland

**Sunday, May 21 at 4 pm**, Forest Grove United Methodist Church, 1726 Cedar St., Forest Grove, OR

**Saturday, June 3 at 7 pm**, Salmon Creek United Methodist Church, 11217 NE Hwy 99, Vancouver, WA

**Sunday, June 4 at 2 pm, Tualatin Presbyterian Church, 9230 SW Siletz Drive, Tualatin, OR**

Admission is \$15 adults, \$5 students, children under 6 free, and as always, no one will be turned away for lack of funds. Tickets can be purchased at the door with cash, card, or check.

For more information: website <https://www.bellofthecascades.org/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/bellofthecascades>

## **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, SUNDAY, May 21**

The meeting will take place after worship to nominate and elect two elders.

## **PENTECOST OFFERING**

We are writing to ask for your financial support for the Pentecost offering. This program has been part of our community for many years and we are proud to continue to support it each year.

The Pentecost Offering helps guide young people in Christian formation from their earliest years to young adulthood. With our gifts we are there to build these youngest members of the body of Christ into people God would have them become.

As one of the four special offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) the Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people in Christ and inspire them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world.

During the month of May there will be more information on this special offering in bulletin inserts and notices and announcements before church. **The Pentecost offering will be collected on May 28.**

The TPC Mission Committee



## **FAMILY PROMISE OF TUALATIN VALLEY (FPTV)**

Thank you for your continued support of FPTV! We are in an exciting time with many changes and we have multiple opportunities for volunteers!

So far in 2023 FPTV has served 203 people! Our Motel Shelter Program is currently serving 37 households comprised of 55 adults and 54 children. We are in need of many items as families move into their new homes.

Items needed: kitchen items in good condition - Dishes, flatware, pots, pans, small appliances

Items needed: bedding in good condition - queen sheets and blankets and new pillows. If you would like to drop off donations for Family Promise, please make an appointment with our donation coordinator at 503-260-9609. The staff is frequently out in the community so appointments are requested.

We need volunteers to staff our Wednesday afternoon food pantry and to provide hot meals on Saturday evenings through June. We also need moving-team volunteers for several different parts of the moving process. For more information about volunteer opportunities, please contact Pam Bowen ([pamelaabowen@gmail.com](mailto:pamelaabowen@gmail.com)) or Derrilyn Bayha ([dabayha@me.com](mailto:dabayha@me.com)).

## PEACE POLE - Dedication Service

On Sunday, June 11 there will be a short dedication service after worship at the Peace Pole located near the Tualatin Presbyterian Church sign at the corner of Boones Ferry Road and S.W. Siletz Drive.



**WHAT IS A PEACE POLE?** In 1955 a Japanese Philosopher, Masahisa Goi, coined the phrase “May Peace Prevail on Earth.” By 1976 the idea of placing Peace Poles on display as a visual representation of Peace began to grow. With over 200,000 Peace Poles displayed worldwide, they come in an variety of languages, materials and sizes. The languages on the signs are selected by the sponsoring organization and generally represent the population in the community.

By 2011 Rotary District 5100, made up of Southern Washington and Northern Oregon, became a Peacebuilding District with over 20 Peacebuilding Clubs. The clubs focus on education and participation in peace initiatives, both locally and internationally. More information can be found at [www.worldpeace.org/peacepoleproject](http://www.worldpeace.org/peacepoleproject).

Amanda Chase, on behalf of Girl Scout Troop 12805, and in partnership with the Tualatin Rotary Club, applied to have a Peace Pole at Tualatin Presbyterian Church as that was where the troop was meeting at the time of installation. The Tualatin Rotary Club took care of the expense and the installation. The girls in Girl Scout Troop 12805 selected English, Spanish, Chinese and Hebrew to represent their troop. Some of the scouts were working on a Peace Badge.

Many thanks to the people who made this project possible: Amanda Chase and the girl scouts, Michelle Schnabel, our facilitator for the Tualatin Rotary Club, Greg Owen. TPC Building and Grounds Elder. I acted as the liaison with the church. I am so impressed and grateful for the work done by Amanda, Michelle and Greg to erect this beautiful reminder that we all need to strive toward Peace on Earth!

**Please join us for the short Dedication Service by the Peace Pole on Sunday, June 11 after worship. All are invited.**

Julie Nader

## PARISH SPOTLIGHT

### Meet Pam Bowen...if you haven't already.

Pam has been a member at TPC since 1987.

Favorite free time activity - Spend time with kids and friends.

Childhood memory - Riding on the combine with my dad during wheat harvest.

Favorite family tradition - I'd love to start a tradition of reading bedtime stories to my granddaughter in Maryland each night.

Where would you like to live with everyone you love -  
The Oregon coast - within walking distance to the beach.

Favorite place to visit - My daughter's house in Maryland - especially to see my new granddaughter.

If no fear, what would you do - Go scuba diving in tropical waters.

Kindest thing done for me - I was very sick when pregnant with Cailyn (27 years ago) and the whole church took care of us.

Submitted by Derrilyn Bayha, Deacon Parish 5



## DINNER GROUPS

Dinner groups are meeting and Rick Crall is receiving positive input about the opportunity to gather in small groups and get to know each other.

After 3 years, we are so happy to connect with others by sharing a meal made by all.



## THREE BEAN CHILI FOR SLOW COOKER -

### Third chili recipe from Super Bowl Sunday, 2/12

- 1 lb. ground turkey, pork, etc.
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 red pepper, chopped, or any other vegetables
- 2 cloves garlic, pressed
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 tsp chili powder
- 2 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 4-oz can diced green chilis
- 1 6-oz can tomato sauce
- 29 oz can diced tomatoes
- 1 14-oz can dark red kidney beans
- 1 14-oz can black beans
- 1 14-oz can Great Northern Bean



Generic picture of chili. It was not made using this recipe...

1. Fry meat, onion and vegetables in 3 T olive oil.
2. Mix everything together.
3. Cook in slow cooker on low for at least 8 hours
4. Top with fresh cilantro, cheese and pepitas (pumpkin seeds).

If cooking on the stove: stir 2 T flour into veggie mixture. Fill the two tomato cans with water and add.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BUD BENDER

There will be a memorial service for Bud Bender on **Friday, June 2 at 11 am at Tualatin Presbyterian Church.**

## SCAM EMAIL CIRCULATED ON THURSDAY, APRIL 27

The pastor's email was hacked. It happened to Pastor Ken Hood; it has happened to Pastor Ken Henry. On Thursday, many members received an email that looked as if it came from Pastor Ken Henry, but it did not. If the recipient responded to the email, the scammer asked for gift cards. Pastor Ken will not ask for donations in this manner.

The scam email address looked similar to a "real" TPC email address. Sneaky. Pastor Ken's email address is [pastor@tpcspirit.org](mailto:pastor@tpcspirit.org).

**ANNUAL PER CAPITA FEE FOR 2023 IS \$45.60.** Make check payable to TPC and write per capita on the comment line. Place in the offering plate, turn in at the office or mail to TPC. Thanks.

## RECORDING OF MEN'S GROUP MEETING ON SATURDAY, APRIL 15

The recorded session of the Men's Group Meeting on Saturday, April 15 with Kelly Dickson from Presbytery can be found at [tpcspirit.org/kdickson](https://tpcspirit.org/kdickson). There is also a link on the TPC webpage, right above the morning prayer link.

## APRIL AT TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



# MAY TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

For the latest calendar updates, go to [www.tpcspirit.org](http://www.tpcspirit.org) and click on EVENTS.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom	<b>2</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom	<b>3</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom 10 am Loving Stitches	<b>4</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom	<b>5</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 10 am in-person, and on-line worship at <a href="http://www.tpcspirit.org">www.tpcspirit.org</a> Also on Facebook and YouTube New Member class after worship w/lunch	<b>8</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom  7 pm Deacon Meeting	<b>9</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom  10 am Coffee Connection  7 pm Stephen Ministry Zoom	<b>10</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom	<b>11</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom  10 am TPC Readers/Zoom  7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	<b>12</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom	<b>13</b> 10 am Men's Group meets in the narthex
<b>14</b> 10 am in-person, and on-line worship at <a href="http://www.tpcspirit.org">www.tpcspirit.org</a> Also on Facebook and YouTube	<b>15</b> 9am prayer on Zoom	<b>16</b> 9am prayer on Zoom	<b>17</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom 10 am Loving Stitches 7 pm session meeting	<b>18</b> 9am prayer on Zoom 10 am TPC Readers/Zoom 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	<b>19</b> 9am prayer on Zoom	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 10 am in-person, and on-line worship at <a href="http://www.tpcspirit.org">www.tpcspirit.org</a> Also on Facebook and YouTube Congregational Mtg after worship	<b>22</b> 9am prayer on Zoom	<b>23</b> 9am prayer on Zoom  7 pm Stephen Ministry Zoom	<b>24</b> 9am prayer on Zoom  June newsletter deadline <a href="mailto:office@tpcspirit.org">office@tpcspirit.org</a>	<b>25</b> 9am prayer on Zoom  7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	<b>26</b> 9 am prayer on Zoom	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 10 am in-person, and on-line worship at <a href="http://www.tpcspirit.org">www.tpcspirit.org</a> Also on Facebook and YouTube Pentecost offering	<b>29</b> 9am prayer on Zoom  Memorial Day	<b>30</b> 9am prayer on Zoom	<b>31</b> 9am prayer on Zoom			

## 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  
21-Cackie Kyle  
23-Emily Mazzuca  
24-Emerson Wood  
29-Fenya Owen  
30-Susan Cameron  
30-Monica Gibson  
30-Matt Winkler  
31-Scott Mazzuca

TPC 2023 FINANCIALS	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
Operating Income Year to Date 3/31/23	\$78,826	\$76,328	\$2,498
Operating Expenses Year to Date 3/31/23	\$85,854	\$86,269	\$415



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**Worship Service – Sundays at 10 a.m. in person, and on line at [www.tpcspirit.org](http://www.tpcspirit.org)**

**Interim Pastor:** The Rev. Dr. Ken Henry

**Parish Associate:** The Rev. Dr. Richard Wiggers

**Elders:** Dave Backen, Worship; Sandy Gurney, Family Ministries; Chip Kyle, Mission; Lynne Neilson, Stewardship and Administration; Judy Nix, Connections; Greg Owen, Technology and Building and Grounds

**Deacons and their parish number:** Derrilyn Bayha (5), Susan Cameron (7), Linda Fukasawa (2), Jason James (4), Dianne Lemmon (3), Kerry Weaver (1), and Rosemary Willis (6).

Director of Family Ministries: Sarah Beck

Financial Assistant: Julie Flint

Administrative Assistant, Newsletter Editor: Susan Springer

Director of Music Ministries: Jennifer Schloming

Pianist: Dr. Evan C. Paul

Bell Choir Director: Debbie Ivanov

Building and Grounds Caretaker: Larry Nord

Art Director: Chris Robertson

Bereavement Committee Chair: Barbara Crall

Blood Drive Coordinator: Scott Cameron

Clerk of Session: Craig Bowen

Cookie Coordinator: Sue Hayhurst

Fellowship Director: Barbara Crall

Hospitality Coordinator: Derrilyn Bayha

Membership Coordinator: Diane Paetsch

Men's Fellowship Group Coordinator: Dale MacHaffie

Parish Nurse: Susan Fee

Prayer Chain: Greg Imus

Stephen Ministry: Jean Martin, Susan Springer

Treasurer: Chip Kyle

Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

Archivist: Rick Crall

**The office is open limited hours. Leave voice message at 503 692-4160. We will get back to you.**