



Greetings in Christ,

First, I'd like to thank everyone who stuck around for two (count them two) congregational meetings this May in our drive to address the challenges regarding holding Sunday school during worship. At the risk of being too repetitive let me reiterate the three main concerns: our Sunday school teachers have to choose between teaching and worship; adult education is held while there is nothing offered for children making it difficult for parents to attend; our young people don't participate fully in worship until in high school.

During our first congregational meeting, I outlined a process our session uses when we face complicated problems without easy solutions: get the problem in view, ask questions for understanding and clarification; suggest possibilities; follow up on most promising suggestions, report on findings. My initial hope was that we would be able to complete the process to the point of suggesting possibilities; however I think we all quickly surmised at the first meeting that we need answers to many of the questions raised before moving on with the other steps.

Realizing that the congregational meeting is NOT a good setting to address these questions, session helped articulate a new course of action. As outlined in our second congregational meeting held on May 21st, we are now forming a task force charged with answering the questions that can be

answered, generating possibilities, reporting to session, and then reporting back to the

Congregational Meeting



congregation. We received a fantastic response on Sunday from people willing to take part. If you are interested, please let us know in the office.

Our plan is for the task force to work on the questions and possible solutions in June, to report to session in July, and to come back to the congregation in August.

Again, I thank you for your interest and help in this matter. As we talked about this last Sunday during installation and ordination, one of the things that makes us Presbyterian is the strong conviction that members have voice in the congregation not simply because we have a right to be heard, but because we believe the Holy Spirit works through groups. We not only want to hear from you- I believe we need to hear from you.

In Christ,

Pastor Ken

Future Events from Fellowship

7/31/06 - Broadway Rose Theatre - 42nd Street. We have just a few tickets left to this event. Sign up is on the Tower. If you've purchased tickets, please be sure to give Deb Lewis a check (payable to TPC) to hold your spot.

9/17/06 - Church Picnic at Tualatin City Park following church service. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided; please bring a dish to share.

10/7/06 - Dead Sea Scrolls - Join us for a viewing of the Dead Sea Scrolls at 2:30, in Seattle. We can get more tickets, so feel free to sign up. See Deb Lewis if you have questions. Ken will give an informational talk prior to the event.

10/29/06 - Game Day with Mac & Cheese Potluck.

Contact Deborah Lewis for more information!

A Summer Concert at TPC on June 11th!



Come and hear your own TPC choir and handbell choir perform for you on Sunday, June 11th at 4pm at TPC. The choir will sing some of your favorite (and ours too) songs from the past year. Gospel sounds will definitely prevail! The handbell choir will ring songs you've heard in worship this year, as well as one or two you have not. These are all songs they've prepared to ring as they attend the AREA X (Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska) handbell conference in Nampa, ID the weekend of June 23-25. There will be no admission fee for the concert, but a freewill offering will be taken as part of our continued fundraising efforts towards the purchase of our own handbells. Kris and Ron will even play a duet or two for your enjoyment. It will be a delightful hour of music you will not want to miss. Mark your calendars NOW for June 11th!

MISSION NEWS

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Palm Sunday. You contributed \$2,904 which will be sent to the Presbyterian Church USA for distribution to The Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (with funds designated for the Kenya drought relief effort). Your generosity is a blessing to the world.

A small but mighty team of TPCers spent Saturday, May 13 painting a mobile home for a deserving senior citizen as a Rebuilding Together project. We left a little greener (you had to see the color) but feeling great about the help we were able to give. Thank you to Barbara Harriman for organizing and coordinating this effort. Rebuilding Together is a great tradition at TPC – you will hear more about next year's project in March of next year. The work is usually done on the last Saturday of the month.

On Sunday, June 4, TPC will be collecting the annual Pentecost Offering. TPC will send 60% of the offering to the Presbyterian Church USA to be used to support ministry for youth and young adults, youth adult volunteers and child advocacy ministries. The remaining 40% will be held at TPC to provide assistance with summer camp fees for children who might not otherwise be able to attend a Presbyterian summer camp.

CRAIG BOWEN – YOUTH ELDER



My wife Pam and I (both raised in Presbyterian churches) have been members of TPC since 1988, we came to the church after receiving a postcard with information about the congregation and knew after

visiting that we had found a home where we could raise our yet to be born children. I grew up in Michigan and as it turned out, attended Alma College at the same time Thom & Cindy Nelson had; although we had not met, I knew Thom's younger sister. Pam and I have been involved in the Sunday School program at TPC, I also served as a Deacon some years ago.

I am an Optometric Physician and have practiced in Tualatin for sixteen years, an easy one to remember: we opened the practice eight days after the birth of our first child – I don't recommend scheduling life this way! ;-)
In addition to the practice, I am a professor at the university and write optometric management computer software.

Our children, Corbin 16 and Cailyn 10, are very busy and we're active parents. We're skiers and really enjoyed the bountiful snow on Mt. Hood this past season. The kids and I began taking piano lessons last fall so the house is filled with music in various stages of "perfection".

I have long been active in scouting, completing the Eagle rank as a youth. When Corbin began the program in the first grade, I became involved as a leader in Cub Scouting (Den Leader and Cubmaster) and then later in Boy Scouting (Scoutmaster) and am now the advisor of a Venturing Crew (high adventure based Scouting program for older teen men and women) in Sherwood. The adventures over the years have been many topped by an eleven day hiking trip in the Rockies and attending the National Boy Scout Jamboree last summer.

KAREN STEVENSON – WORSHIP ELDER



My family and I live in Durham, which is a small community between Tigard and Tualatin. My husband, Kip, works at Regence Blue Cross Blue Shield of Oregon in Information Technology and in his free time plays the guitar with friends. Skyler, is a sophomore at UO studying journalism and playing soccer. Ben is a sophomore at Tualatin HS and is on the varsity tennis team. As a family we enjoy boating, movies, travel, sporting events, and family get-togethers.

I used to work as a therapist at Good Samaritan Hospital's Cancer Program and then in the local schools mostly with Spanish speaking children. Now that my children are older and I am not working outside the home, I have time to pursue tennis and new kinds of volunteer work. Life is good! I play on two tennis teams and hit the courts as often as possible. Throughout the year I volunteer with the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society as well as other organizations. Kip and I belong to a neighborhood gourmet group and enjoy cooking and eating good food. I love trips to anywhere, hiking, reading, knitting, and learning new things. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to serve the congregation as Worship Elder after spending many years enjoying the services and this community of faith.

JOAN NARDI – MISSION ELDER



As a member of TPC, Joan enjoys singing soprano in the TPC choir, attending the Spiritual Formation Group, and being a member of the Mission Committee.

She currently lives in Sherwood with her two house cats for companions.

Joan has two daughters, both married. One lives in North Plains and the other in Salem – no grandchildren yet!

Interests include enjoying the Oregon Symphony, a variety of musical groups and learning to play the piano. She is an avid reader (when time permits), likes to “putter” in the garden, hike, wander on the beach and do some creative writing.

She is employed as an Administrative/Human Resource Manager for PolyVision Corp; IPG Division.

CHRIS ROBERTSON – ADULT ED. ELDER

Christina "Chris" Robertson joined TPC in 1992. She and her husband, Rich, have three children: Sarah Robertson Beck, Stephanie Robertson Plowman, and Mark Robertson. Chris is a school psychologist with thirty-five years of experience. Her current employer is Portland Public Schools. She has also served as an adjunct faculty member at Lewis and Clark College. She holds graduate degrees in psychology and education administration, and did post-graduate studies at the University of Chicago Divinity School. In her spare time Chris likes to watch gangster movies, read National Geographic articles about mummies, watch PBS DVDs about the origin of the



universe, and visit art galleries. Other areas of interest are medieval art and church history. Her favorite food is cookies. Chris' TPC activities include Prayer Chain, Spiritual Formation Group, reader and liturgist for worship, and hanging out in Ken's Sunday School Class. She is about to try her hand at preaching. Chris is currently working on a book about her relationship with God over the past fifty years.

SCOTT MITCHELL – ADMIN. ELDER



Scott and Terri will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary this September. They met through their parents' friendship. They both grew up in Seattle and since being married have lived in Seattle, Denver, Spokane, and now Portland.

They have two sons, a 19 year old living with Scott's parents in Seattle while he attends the University of Washington; and Tony, who is 16 and a sophomore at Tualatin High School.

Scott currently enjoys boating/water skiing, computers (hardware and software), and was previously an avid snow skier who started teaching skiing at 16 years old and taught for about 15 years before deciding skiing for fun was; well, more fun!

He works for the public accounting firm Moss Adams LLP as a consultant providing Internal Audit and Sarbanes Oxley compliance services. In December, Scott passed the exams and achieved the Certified Information System Auditor (CISA) designation.

He attended the University of Washington, and completed his education at night school attending the University of Puget Sound, and Seattle University; eventually earning his MBA.

June Birthdays

6/02	Olivia Schmitt	6/14	Marilyn Wood
6/04	Tiffany Dionne	6/14	Carolyn Hale
6/04	Shari Olsen	6/17	Judy Nix
6/05	Connie Myers	6/19	Sam Weaver
6/06	Rich Robertson	6/19	Bill Wahl
6/06	Erin Nelson	6/20	Kaia Kadel
6/06	Tate Kadel	6/21	Gordon Winterrowd
6/07	Julian Awdry	6/24	Tara Schleicher
6/07	Bradley Olson	6/26	McKenzie Killinger
6/10	Noel Johnson	6/27	Gwen Hale
6/11	Lori Beymer	6/28	Barbara Harriman
6/11	Matthew Grand	6/29	Marilyn Staples-Sundt
6/12	Del Judy	6/30	Herb Zachow
6/12	Mike Nelson	6/30	Michele Crawford
6/13	Rob Ayers		

General Fund Status January – April 2006



	BUDGET	ACTUAL
Income	\$ 77,168	\$ 73,044
Expense	<u>\$ 76,729</u>	<u>\$ 66,753</u>
Net	\$ 438	\$ 6,291

	March 2006 BUDGET	ACTUAL
Income	\$ 18,324	\$ 23,576
Expense	<u>\$ 18,870</u>	<u>\$ 14,941</u>
Net	\$ -546	\$ 8,635

"LovingStitches"

Look for the display in the Narthex soon of the beautiful blankets and quilts women of our church have made. Each will go to children in hospitals, who live in shelters and who are in need. Imagine the beautiful smiles! Thank you. We will meet again in the fall. You may still turn in blanket or quilts you finish to Shirley or to the office.

Shirley Schultz

Pray for: Laura and Erik Spurrell and their family considering their loss of Les Bone; Maxine Jenovich; Rob Ayres; Chad Brown, his family and friends; Scott Cameron's mom; Greg Hewlett who has experienced a recurrence of cancer; Sarah Hanson who is receiving chemo; Karen Trine in her fight against breast cancer; Walt Dean; Hailee Turner; Don Peterson; Don Shafer; TJ Grand;

Maureen Goodrich; Ronnie Lee King (Cameron family).

Tualatin Food Pantry News

The mission of the Tualatin School House Food Pantry is to provide emergency food, once a month, to qualified Tualatin households in a welcome environment. As a part of the Oregon Food Bank, we share in the mission to eliminate hunger and its root causes because "no one should go hungry".

Our pantry is currently serving between 250 - 300 households per month. We rely completely on donations from our community and utilize an entirely Volunteer Staff. During the summer, many of our Volunteers take vacations and we will need help filling the following positions:

Mondays: 3:00-6:30

Shop with Clients/Stock Shelves

Tuesdays: 1:30-3:00

Drive to Hillsboro and pick up the Food Order

3:00-4:30

Unpack Food Order/Stock Shelves

Wednesdays: 9:30-12:30

Shop with Clients/Stock Shelves

12:00-3:00

Shop with Clients/Stock Shelves

Fridays: 9:30-12:30

Shop with Clients/Stock Shelves

12:30-3:00

Shop with Clients/Stock Shelves

Transportation Coordinator: Handles scheduling weekly drivers to Hillsboro and pick up at local grocery stores

Fresh Food Coordinator: Checks refrigerators twice a week and arrange for purchase of Milk/Eggs

Spanish Speaking Interpreters:

Northwest Medical Teams Dental Van-once a month assistance with clinics

Without our community and volunteers we could not exist. Thanks in advance for your support. For further information, please contact:

Linda Moholt, Volunteer Coordinator
Tualatin School House Food Pantry
Cell #503-869-0901



*Tualatin Presbyterian
Church Calendar
June 2006*



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Pentecost Adult Ed – 8:30 am Worship – 10:00 am Communion	5 Bells – 7:00 pm	6 Mission 7:00 pm	7 Bible Study 10:00 am Choir 7:00 pm Outreach 7:00 pm	8	9	10
11 Worship – 10:00 am End of Year Sunday School Party New Members Class 11:45 -1:00 pm TPC Vocal and Bell Choir Concert – 4:00 pm	12 Bells – 7:00 pm Deacons - 6:30	13	14 Choir 7:00 pm	15 Session 7:00 pm	16 Newslette r Deadline	17
18 Worship – 10:00 am	19 Bells – 7:00 pm Worship – 7:00pm	20	21 Choir 7:00 pm	22	23	24
25 Worship – 10:00 am	26	27	28 Choir 7:00 pm	29	30	

Upcoming Events in 2006:

July 10 – 14 – VBS

July 13 – Broadway Rose Theatre – 42nd Street

Sept. 17 – TPC Picnic @ Tualatin City Park

Oct. 7 – Dead Sea Scrolls in Seattle