TPC Spirit

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KEN

SUNDAY, May 22, 2022 - Pastor Ken tested positive for COVID after morning worship. We wish for him a speedy recovery.





COVID IS STILL OUT THERE

As I am sure everyone is aware, COVID is again on the rise. I would advise people that a positive COVID home antigen test or PCR lab test means you have COVID. A negative home COVID test has very little meaning lately. If you have symptoms, consider yourself positive and isolate from others unless you get a negative PCR test. Even if you think it is only allergies or a cold, get tested.

If you are sick, stay home. Get vaccinated and boosted. It may not prevent COVID, but it does help prevent serious illness and hospitalization from COVID. If you are in a public indoor space, put that mask back on.

I know we are all sick and tired of dealing with COVID, but at least we get the opportunity to learn to navigate this new phase of COVID.

Be well, Susan Fee, Parish Nurse



NEW EMPLOYEE ANNOUNCEMENT - Julie Flint

We are pleased to announce that Julie Flint will assume the Financial Assistant role effective June 1. Julie has a breadth of experience in the financial/bookkeeping world and owns a small business where she does much of what is needed for our position on a smaller scale. Her nonprofit clients include The Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Schools and Pacific Northwest Utilities Conference Committee. Our part-time Financial Assistant schedule fits in nicely with Julie's other commitments.

Julie will start training with Mike Shiffer on June 1; Mike plans to retire at the end of June. After taking some vacation time, Mike will continue, on a voluntary basis, to do the technical IT tasks that he does so well.

On a personal note, Julie and her husband, Scott, have been married for 25 years and have two daughters and a dog. Their oldest daughter is finishing her second

year at OSU Veterinary School and the youngest is finishing her freshman year at Tigard High. The Flint family enjoys being outside and especially enjoys time at Sunriver. Julie says she is an avid reader and volunteers and supports Howard's Heart as well as several other social service organizations.

CONNECTIONS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW

Saturday, June 11 – 11:00 am - Women's Ministry brunch at Gina Olson's home, 20755 S. Wisteria Road, West Linn. Bring a brunch item to share and come visit with your friends in faith on Gina's patio.

Sunday, July 10 TPC all church picnic right after service at Main Picnic Shelter at Tualatin Community Park from 11 am to 3pm.

Saturday, September 17 through Monday, September 19 - Women's Retreat at Menucha Retreat and Conference Center in Corbett. Marianne Borg will be the Conference Speaker and other activities are planned. A Planning Committee is in place and will be working on all the details to make this an enriching chance to connect, find those thin places, and develop spiritual skills for these frayed times we are all dealing with.

Judy Nix, jcnix@comcast.net, 503-735-5127

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Thank you for your continuing support of Family Promise. As of May 2022 86 people (43 adults and 43 children) have been served and many families have graduated into permanent housing. Below is the current list of needed items. We also continue to provide groceries. Thanks to Diane Paetsch,

Candy Ferguson, and Kathy MacCluer for helping with the shopping, sorting and delivering.

Family Promise currently needs these items:

- Pots and pans (no other kitchen items needed at this time)
- Printer paper

If you are able to purchase or donate any of these items, please email

Dannica: volunteer@familypromiseoftv.org.

If you would like to drop off donations to FPTV, please make an appointment with our Volunteer Coordinator, **503.560.9609**, as our staff are often out in the community. Thank you!

Pam Bowen (pamelaabowen@gmail.com) and Derrilyn Bayha (dabayha@me.com)

REBECCA'S REFLECTIONS

Our family spent several days in Sunriver over the Easter weekend. Watching the weather report prior to leaving had me questioning the wisdom of leaving home, with each of the four mornings in the the teens and twenties, and snow in the forecast. Having said all that, the blue skies and cold, sunlit days were everything I could have wished for. Each morning I would bundle up, grab my camera and set out looking for birds. I located several hotspots around the home in which we were staying and those spots were where I could be found traipsing about.



Birdwatching is many times a slow activity. Generally I scope out an area, then stand and watch the bushes, trees, ground and sky, waiting for a glimpse of movement or a sound. One morning while out, my attention was piqued when I spotted a yellow bird in the undergrowth of nearby shrubs. The yellow was not a shade I was accustomed to seeing. After observing the bird fly to a nearby Aspen tree, I was able to capture a clear enough photo to discern the bird was not one with which I was familiar. For the next two hours I searched for it; it disappeared as quickly as it reappeared. Any onlooker may have thought I had gone around the bend as I walked, then jogged, stopped then started, traced and retraced all the possible areas it could have flown. Right before heading inside I decided to walk to an area in front of the house that I had not previously thought to check. Wouldn't you know that is exactly where I found that little bird flitting from shrub to shrub. I laughed when I realized the utter unlikeliness of the situation. One little bird flying solo for over two hours, ending up not thirty feet from the front door of the house where we were staying.

According to eBird it was the first reported sighting of the year in this area. Since then I have been thinking of all the years I have been chasing a God that I've never seen, but rather have only felt a presence. I am now of the mind, he or she will more than likely show up right in front of me when I finally decide to end the chase.

NOTE: The accompanying picture (Hermit Thrush) was not the bird I was chasing in Sunriver, but one I have chased for years and it showed up here today.

Rebecca Backen

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CHECKOUT OUR NEW ONLINE GIVING PAGE!

TPC is pleased to announce our new and improved online giving page! Vanco, our eGiving provider, has updated their online giving platform to make it easier than ever to make one-time gifts or set up recurring donations to TPC.

The new page is live now at <u>tpcspirit.org/donate</u>. Nothing about our online giving has changed except the look of the page. You can adjust existing donations, set up new gifts and update personal information from the new Vanco Online.

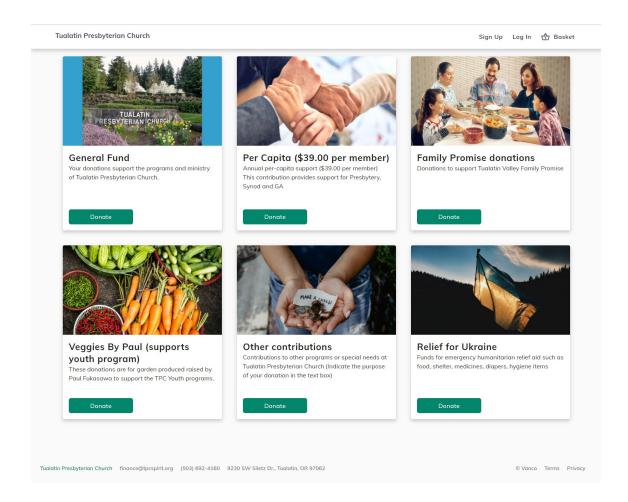
How Do You Sign Up to Donate Online

It's easy! If you're a new giver to TPC, visit <u>tpcspirit.org/donate</u> to create a Vanco Online account. From there, you can read more about our mission and give to our ministries. (Note that you can also donate without creating an online account.)

If you already have a Vanco account, you can log in using the same user name and password as before. To do this, visit our online giving page at <u>tpcspirit.org/donate</u> and click the "Log In" button at the top right of your screen. From there you can update scheduled donations or set up new recurring gifts by clicking "Profile" and then "View Scheduled Donations."

You can also check out this Vanco Online How-To Guide for step-by-step instructions.

We are thrilled about our online giving page's new look. Please contact Mike Shiffer, at finance@tpcspirit.org if you have questions or would like assistance.



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PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING WILL BE COLLECTED SUNDAY, JUNE 5

Each year on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church. The Holy Spirit remains with us still, connecting us with the church of the past, continuing to inspire the church of today, and pointing us to the church of the future. Each year, this celebration is marked by receiving the Pentecost Offering which nurtures the faith of those who are the church to come.



YOUR PENTECOST GIFTS AT WORK

<u>Congregational Initiatives with Young People</u> 40% of the Pentecost Offering remains with your congregation to support ministries with and for children and youth in your church and local community.

<u>Serving Communities (Young Adult Volunteer)</u> 25% goes to Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) experience.

<u>Guiding Youth (Youth Ministries)</u> 25% supports ministries with youth, ages 12-18, and those called to accompany them.

<u>Child Advocacy</u> 10% supports the "Educate a Child, Transform the World" national initiative, which was affirmed at the 221st General Assembly (2014). The goal of this initiative is to motivate and inspire Presbyterians to better the lives of children.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SUNDAY, JULY 10TH

For the first time in two years, TPC will host a summer picnic! Right after church on **Sunday**, **July 10**th your fabulous grill team will serve sausages and hotdogs. We'll provide buns and condiments, lemonade and water to drink and plates and plastic ware. **Please bring a dish to share.**

This is a perfect event for the entire family; there will be games for children of all ages! Come join your friends in faith and connect outdoors at the Main Picnic Shelter at Tualatin Community Park.

WANT TO HELP WITH THE PICNIC?

We need volunteers for set-up, grilling, and clean-up. If interested, please contact Barb Crall at 503-692-1677 or barbicrall@gmail.com.



CASCADES PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY CAMP

Want to share an awesome experience with your family this summer? Come join us at the 2022 CASCADE PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY CAMP

July 24 to July 30, 2022 at Honeyman State Park (just south of Florence)

Family Camp is a non-denominational Christian event where families gather to camp on the beautiful Oregon coast for a week. Activities planned for various age groups include: picnic, evening campfire gatherings, s'mores, team challenge courses, hide-n-seek, slug races, story time, skits, bike parade, street dance, foot rally, play on the dunes, daily K-2, middle school and high school group activities.

For information or to register: www.cpfamilycamp.org
Tent and trailer sites are still available. If you have questions, talk to Mark Maleta.

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FIRE WOOD

In the process of clearing away tree limbs left behind by rain storms, we created a stack of fire wood that we would like to get rid of. The wood is stacked on the back patio, just outside the narthex. If you would like this wood, please take it. Or give the wood to someone you know who needs it or wants it. Thank you for your help.

Greg Owen, Building and Grounds Elder



BOTTLEDROP

TPC now has an account with BottleDrop. This means we can drop off bags of redeemable bottles and cans rather than having to feed them into a machine one by one.

If you have cans and bottles to donate to TPC, you can put them in the alcove to the left of the front door of the church, or, if you have lots of cans and bottles, you can pick up a blue bag (for non-profits), fill the bag and then drop

it off at a store such as Fred Meyer. The sticker has a QR code that when placed under the scanner, will open the BottleDrop door. (It can require several tries; it does work.)

Bags are available in the church office, on the table to the right, as you walk in the door. If you have questions, talk to Susan Springer.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 01-Elise Schmidt
- 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 Van Schoiack
- 14 Karen Black
- 14-Megan Weener
- 14-Benjamin Whitaker
- 15-Laura Byers
- 17-Scott Cameron
- 17-Sandy Reiling
- 21-Cackie Kyle
- 21-Ronn Rhodes



- 21-Beth Schulke
- 23-Emily Mazzuca
- 24-Emerson Wood
- 29-Fenya Snegireff
- 30-Susan Cameron
- 30-Monica Gibson
- 30-Matt Winkler
- 31-Scott Mazzuca

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 02-Paul Belz-Templeman
- 04-Robert Eddy
- 04-Shari Olsen
- 04-Bob Paetsch
- 05-Connie Myers

- 06-Rich Robertson
- 07-Julian Awdry
- 07-Bradley Olson
- 08-Jackie Norman
- 09-Sarah Beck
- 09-Candace Fant
- 10-Bud Bender
- 11-Jan Bender
- 12-Mike Nelson
- 13-Rob Ayers
- 14-Carolyn Hale
- 14-Marilyn Wood
- 15-Diane Adams
- 16-Russ Murphy
- 17-Bill Dunlap
- 17-Judy Nix
- 21-Gordy Winterrowd
- 22-Robert Belz-Templeman
- 23-Lincoln Reding
- 23-Kim Winslow
- 28-Barbara Harriman
- 29-Marilyn Staples-Sundt
- 30-Michele Silliman
- 30-Herb Zachow

ARE YOU MISSING CONTAINERS, DISHES OR BOWLS? Please check the items on the table outside the kitchen or on the sideboard in the kitchen, and take home any that belong to you. Thank you.

TPC MAY NEWSLETTER...There was no May newsletter. I tested positive for COVID on May 3; our son's wedding was Friday, May 13.

Susan Springer

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES









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JUNE 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
			9 am prayer on Zoom 10 am Loving Stitches 7 pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal	9 am prayer on Zoom 7 pm bell choir	3 9 am prayer on Zoom	4
5 10 am in-person, and on-line worship at www.tpcspirit.org Also on Facebook and YouTube	6 9 am prayer on Zoom	7 9 am prayer on Zoom	8 9 am prayer on Zoom	9 am prayer on Zoom 10 am TPC Readers/Zoom 7 pm bell choir	10 9 am prayer on Zoom	11
10 am in-person, and on-line worship at www.tpcspirit.org Also on Facebook and YouTube	9 am prayer on Zoom 7 pm Deacon Meeting	14 9 am prayer on Zoom 7 pm Stephen Ministry/Zoom	9 am prayer on Zoom 10 am Loving Stitches	9 am prayer on Zoom 10 am TPC Readers/Zoom	17 9 am prayer on Zoom	18
19 10 am in-person, and on-line worship at www.tpcspirit.org Also on Facebook and YouTube	20 9 am prayer on Zoom	21 9 am prayer on Zoom 7 pm Session Meeting	9 am prayer on Zoom	23 9 am prayer on Zoom	24 9 am prayer on Zoom	25
26 10 am in-person, and on-line worship at www.tpcspirit.org Also on Facebook and YouTube	27 9 am prayer on Zoom	9 am prayer on Zoom 7 pm Stephen Ministry/Zoom July newsletter deadline	9 am prayer on Zoom	30 9 am prayer on Zoom		

TPC 2022 FINANCIALS	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
Operating Income Year to Date 4/30/22	\$122,663	\$120,854	\$1,809
Operating Expenses Year to Date 4/30/22	\$118,450	\$133,367	\$14,917

Worship with us at the church, or on line Sundays at 10 am.

To find us on line, go to the church website, www.tpcspirit.org, or Facebook, or YouTube.

To leave a message at the church, call 503-692-4160.

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We're also on Facebook.

Worship Service - Sundays at 10 a.m. in person, and on line at www.tpcspirit.org

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Ken Hood

Parish Associate: The Rev. Dr. Richard Wiggers

Elders: Dave Backen, Sandy Gurney, Lynne Neilson, Judy Nix, Greg Owen, Patrick Ramos, Ian Swanson

Deacons: Derrilyn Bayha, Susan Cameron, Linda Fukasawa, Carolyn Hale, Jason James, Dianne Lemmon, Karen Ramos,

Herb Richardson, Kerry Weaver, Rob Wiesenthal and Rosemary Willis.

Director of Family Ministries: Sarah Beck

Financial Assistant: Mike Shiffer

Administrative Assistant, Newsletter Editor: Susan Springer

Director of Music Ministries: Emily Bavaro

Pianist: Dr. Evan C. Paul

Bell Choir Director: Debbie Ivanov Building and Grounds Caretaker: Open

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: Bonnie Nord Membership Coordinator: Diane Paetsch

Men's Fellowship Group Coordinator: Mike Weaver

Parish Nurse: Susan Fee Prayer Chain: Greg Imus Technology Chair: Open Treasurer: Chip Kyle

Tuesdays Treasures Coor: M&M Shiffer, Denise Collins

Video Editor: Rob Thompson Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

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