



THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

What an incredible time we have had together these past eighteen months! Who but God could have foreseen such a wonderful relationship? The writer of Proverbs 3:5-6 said it just right:

“Trust in the Lord with all of your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.”

Jeni and I are so grateful that God’s path led us to you. In the fall of 2002, as we were completing our first interim assignment in Laguna Niguel, California, our prayer was to find a congregation that I could serve that would allow us to be reasonably close to our son, Scott, and his family in Portland. What an answer to our prayer! Not only were we led to Tualatin and embraced by this wonderful congregation, but the Northwest branch of the Wiggers’ family was close enough for all of us to be involved at TPC.

And now the journey continues – yours and ours. And what an exciting time it is. After

eighteen months of prayer and preparation, the Pastor Nominating Committee is about to make their recommendation to you regarding TPC’s next installed pastor. You will be hearing more from them in the next few weeks. And once again, thanks to God’s amazing timing, Jeni and I are about to move on to our next opportunity to continue serving in this Presbytery at Calvin Presbyterian Church.

At this stage of the journey, I have a new understanding of how Moses must have felt as God led him up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, allowing him to gaze into the future, while saying to him: “This is the land of which of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, ‘I will give it to your descendants.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there.” (Deut. 34:4 RSV). As your interim pastor, it has been my privilege to accompany you on this leg of your journey, but now we must part ways, and someone else of God’s choosing will walk with you into the future.

Being a part of this church family has been a true blessing. I thank God for every day that I have shared with you, and with our exceptional staff – Rhoda, Crystal, Kris, and Martha. Borrowing these words from the Apostle Paul, “I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ” (Phil. 1:6).

Grace and Peace,

Dick Wiggers, Interim Pastor



PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is now on the final phase of the selection process. We have three finalists with whom we have spent a lot of high-quality time. During our time together with the finalists, we have had a variety of experiences, which include:

- A social event with each candidate, the PNC and TPC staff members.
- A prayer service conducted by each candidate with the PNC.
- The PNC has attended worship services conducted by each candidate.
- Each candidate has had the opportunity for a 2-3 hour interview/discussion with the PNC.

With these steps taken, your PNC is now in the process of discussing and evaluating our finalists as we seek to discern God's choice for TPC's new spiritual leadership. We expect to complete this process by mid July.

Once your PNC is ready to make a recommendation to the congregation, a special congregational meeting will be called. This should take place on or around the 8th of August. Our recommended finalist will conduct worship service on that day and the congregation will then decide whether to elect this person as our new pastor.

Your new pastor will need to end a call with another church by giving notice of termination. The transition period at the other church might take 4-6 weeks. So, we believe that our new permanent pastor will be installed around the first part of September.

With Rev. Wiggers' call ending on the 18th of July, we can look forward to a short transition period with a variety of guest pastors. This is another wonderful opportunity for all of us to hear various voices delivering God's message to the members of Tualatin Presbyterian Church.

Please keep us in your prayers as we complete our labor of love on behalf of our family of faith.

Greg Imus
PNC Committee Member

TPC Visual Arts and Worship

I just returned from the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship in Grand Rapids where I had the privilege of representing TPC in a conference for grant recipients. It was an opportunity for grant representatives to improve their individual programs, broaden their vision and develop techniques for better planning and evaluation. We also shared ideas and had the pleasure of meeting and working with last year's recipients as well, which was helpful and inspiring. Thanks to the loving and hospitable example of our hosts, it was the most joyful and respectful ecumenical gathering I have experienced.

Although only a portion of the grant proposals involved visual art, the interest in our program was high. Discussion about how art might enhance worship rather than merely decorate space went on late into the night. Most of the representatives were seeking ways to welcome more of their congregations into the worship process and they commented on what a very special place TPC must be, with a willingness to share time and talent and a commitment to meaningful vital worship (and, they noted, a great sense of humor).

The people working at the Institute are genuinely interested in providing the support that will help our yearlong experiment with worship art evolve into long-range habits and thoughtful reflection. We will be in close communication over the year. Please know that the Calvin staff will meet to pray for our congregation regularly.

The TPC Grant Committee will now meet to finish shaping the criteria for projects, set up goals and an evaluation process. We will welcome projects that you would like to design and produce at that time! Look for events already planned as well as our new resource library in the narthex. Sign up to let us know if you would like to help on any of the projects or call me with any comments or questions at 503-692-7989. Remember we *need* feedback and suggestions as we go along!

This program is made possible through a Worship Renewal Grant from the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, Grand Rapids, Michigan, with funds provided by Lilly Endowment Inc.

Ellen Van Schoiack



**VBS
June 2004**





Congratulations



TPC's High School Seniors

Front row: Brian Jones, Alex Backen, Kerry Lambeth, Stephanie Bartlett, and Crystall Shearer; back row: David Norse, Skyler Stevenson, Ryan Wieder, Kendra Sundt and Casey Sparks. Also recognized but not pictured were Patrick Mauer, Brittany Hutchinson, Sam Weaver, Mark Jackson, Jim Sanco, and Anne Winterrowd.



Kendra Sundt graduated with honors from Tualatin High School. She loves music of all kinds and is a talented performer on the alto saxophone. She also plays clarinet, flute, and piano. She performed in Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, and Symphonic Orchestra. Kendra's other "passion" and love of her life is her 17-year old Arabian mare Echo. This fall Kendra is off to Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin to further her studies in music performance and another, as yet undecided, major.



Casey Sparks is an IB candidate and graduated with honors from Tualatin High School. He lettered in forensics, drama, band, and academics. He has been accepted into the honor's program at George Mason University, in Fairfax, VA. He plans to study political science and hopes to continue his current local internship with Ron Wyden in Washington, D.C.



Stephanie Bartlett graduated in June as Valedictorian at Tualatin High School. She will be attending the University of Oregon in the fall.



Skyler Stevenson graduated from Tualatin High School. He plans to Attend U of O and major in journalism. He hopes to play on the club soccer U of O Team. He has been an editor for the Tualatin High School newspaper and hopes to write for the University's daily paper next year.



Alex Backen graduated from Sherwood High School. She will be attending the University of Oregon this fall majoring in International Peace Studies. This summer, Alex will be working at Nordstrom's to earn that wonderful commodity we call money!



David Norse has been attending TPC since he was eight, and has participated in two mission trips with TPC, one to Yakima, Washington, the other to Bend working with Healing Reigns, a horse therapy center for those suffering from mental, physical, social and emotional challenges. David also attended Margruder Middle school camp with the Presbytery of the Cascades, an experience that profoundly changed his life. David is very excited about continuing his educational adventure in the fall at Lewis & Clark. His wide variety of interests, from theology to African drumming, English to international affairs, are complicating his search for a major, but he is comforted to know that God has a plan for his life. David has been very involved outside of TPC as well, as the Interact Club of Sherwood's President, a member and officer in the National Honor Society, a senior Captain for the Sherwood Swim Team, earning the rank of Eagle Scout, and being a teenager. David had the incredible opportunity to travel to Mexico this January with the Interact and Rotary Club's of Sherwood, setting up a mobile dental clinic in Ojo de Agua and experiencing Mexican culture. David looks forward to more adventures, but knows that TPC will always be home, and is comforted by Christ's teaching "do not worry about your lives, but seek God first, for He knows your needs."



Brian Jones received the following scholarships: DPMA/PC Scholarship, King City Lion's Club Scholarship, OSU Diversity Achievement Scholarship, OSU College of Engineering Eric Smith, Memorial Dean's Scholarship, TPC Scholarship, Tualatin Valley Elks - Most Valuable Student Scholarship, City of Tualatin Science and Technology Scholarship

Brian also earned the following: Selected for the Academic Wall of Fame – Exemplary Achievement in IB Physics, National Honor Society Honors School, President's Education Award. Brian is working at ComPix this summer. He will attend OSU in the fall and will major in computer engineering.



Brian Imus graduated in June from Western Oregon University in Monmouth with a BS in Business. He will be marrying Audra Tollefson on July 17 who also received her degree in June from WOU. Brian will be working for Canon Business Solutions in July as an account representative.



Sarah Springer graduated in May from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri with a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering. She plans to stay a fifth year at Washington University (known to the locals simply as Wash U) to earn a masters degree in mechanical engineering. She recently moved into a house with four other Wash U students and is currently working on campus in one of the labs. After graduation, she would like to work designing braces and prosthetics.



Heather Chase recently was awarded her a Masters of Divinity from San Francisco Theological Seminary (SFTS). Her proud parents, Cathy and Harry Chase, attended. After spending some time in New Hampshire/Vermont this summer, Heather will head to Ghana in August, then resume work toward her Master of Arts at SFTS. She truly loves her work.



Kristin Friesen, graduated Magna Cum Laude from Willamette University in Salem this past May with a major in Anthropology and a minor in Music. She has recently moved to Stockholm, Sweden, and will enroll in Swedish language courses for emigrants.

Committee News

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE



Summer Sunday school has begun! We will offer weekly church school for children ages 3 through 5th grade. The schedule will be the same as always with Sunday school starting at 10:00 on the first Sunday of the month. On that Sunday, kids will be released to join their families for communion. On the other Sundays of the month, the children will go down to Sunday school about 10:40. They will be excused from the worship service as usual. They will be released from class at 11:15 instead of 11:30. Our shepherds for the summer are Shari Olsen for the pre-kindergarten crowd, Marsha Steffen for the kindergarten and 1st graders and Jackie Dannemiller for the 2nd through 5th graders. We need teachers for the summer! Please contact one of the three shepherds or Pam Bowen to volunteer for a Sunday or two. Our children are amazing and they need your help to continue to explore God's Word!



We all owe **Crystal** a **HUGE** "thank you" for planning and organizing Vacation Bible School. She has done a superb job in making our VBS week a fun, hands-on educational experience for the kids and helpers. It takes an enormous amount of time, energy and creativity to develop a successful VBS, but Crystal had enough of each to make it happen for 62 children during the week.



THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

MISSION COMMITTEE

The next Mission Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, July 13 at 7:00 pm. This Committee needs you! Please join us to learn about mission and how you can help. Contact Mike Shiffer if you have any questions.

A note from the Deacons:

With the addition of three new deacon positions, the parish lists have been reorganized. The congregation should look for a contact from their deacon soon.



General Fund Status

May 2004

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
Income	\$ 14,372	\$15,842
Expense	<u>\$ 15,917</u>	<u>\$18,144</u>
Net	(\$ 1,545)	(\$ 2,302)

Jan. – May 2004

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
Income	\$ 79,378	\$ 84,560
Expense	<u>\$ 78,935</u>	<u>\$ 78,123</u>
Net	\$ 443	\$ 6,337

Building fund contributions in May were \$3,565. We made a building loan payment of \$4,000.

Mike Shiffer, Treasurer

Stewardship & Finance Committee

Please remember to pay your per capita payment if you have not already done so. TPC pays \$21 for each communicant member of our church. This money is our congregation's way of sharing in the mission and outreach of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. Please mark your checks Per capita in the memo.

The finance and stewardship committee also asks that you remember the Building Fund in your contributions. Monthly receipts to the Building Fund have been lagging behind our monthly mortgage payment. If you have not made a pledge to the Building Fund, please consider doing so and help us reduce the debt on this wonderful building. Be sure and indicate the portion of your contribution that goes to the building fund on your check. Thank you!

WORSHIP COMMITTEE



We are starting a Children's Choir in September led by Shari Olsen. This choir is for ages kindergarten through 5th grade. They will meet weekly to perform regularly in Worship. Call Sherry Nelson with names and phone numbers.





TPC Janitor Position Available

We have one janitor position available. The position requires three hours minimum per week and starts at \$7.50 per hour. The schedule is flexible, as long as the job is done by Sunday. Ideal for our TPC youth! For questions, or to get an application to apply, call Greg Owen at (503) 692-6920. All applications must be submitted no later than July 14th.

Join the WWW.TPCSPIRIT.COM team!

We are looking for an official TPCSPIRIT.COM Webmaster. If you are looking for a way to combine your love of your church and your passion for technology then this is a great way to serve your church family. If you are interested in learning more, please let Mike Shiffer know (webmaster@tpcspirit.com or 503-692-3405). This would be a great way to get involved in the life of your church.



Our website is maintained and published via Microsoft FrontPage. The site is best maintained from your own computer and a high-speed Internet connection is needed. (Church computer could be used during non-office hours.) Mike will work with our new Webmaster to learn the ropes and explore the possibilities for the future. Our Webmaster works with the pastor, youth director, newsletter editor and office person to keep the website up to date. We need a single person to serve as Webmaster but welcome participation by others in design, consulting and technology support.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/2	Rebecca Crall	7/7	Kay Kinyon
7/2	Robin Hughes	7/9	Anne Winterrowd
7/2	Rich Springer	7/10	Elizabeth Warne
7/3	Molly Maleta	7/11	Cameron Chase
7/3	Carol Kadel	7/13	Kim Warne
7/3	Kris Sparks	7/18	Brian Buck
7/3	Don Schmidt	7/25	Riley Breshears
7/4	Marshall Miller	7/29	Marilyn Schmidt
7/6	Hannah Reid	7/31	Shivani Senthirajah
7/7	Robyn MacKay		



POTLUCK for the members of the Adult Education Classes - July 11 immediately following Church. The

potluck will be held at the home of Carolyn and Gwen Hale. Contact Carolyn for more information.



Choir Picnic

The annual **choir picnic** will be held on Sunday, July 11 at Greg & Debby Owen's home. Appetizers at 5:00 and dinner at 6:00. Contact Debby for more details.



It's finally finished! The Church Directories are scheduled to be shipped to TPC by July 27. Thanks to all on the Committee who made this possible.

TPC Announcements

Please remember in prayer: Dixie Bebbler, Rachael Norse, Mike Grivette (Crystal Shearer's father), Keith Cameron (Scott Cameron's brother), Pat Carter (mother of Patricia Killinger) Coleman Killinger, and the Killinger family, Virginia Clow, Leo Chang (son-in-law of Pat Devore), Bill Dorman (brother of Dorothy Butts), Rosemarie Hughes (Herb Zachow's sister), the members of our PNC, and those who lead and serve our nation, communities and congregations.

Also please pray for Mimi Crawford, Tony Mitchell, Molly Maleta, Kady Hale, John Lewis, Alex Lewis, Crystal Shearer as they begin their journey on Saturday, July 3 to Montana for their Mission Trip. They will be returning on July 11.

The Sacrament of Baptism was administered to Hannah Claire Nelson on June 13. She is the daughter of Emily and Erin Nelson.

THE DaVINCI CODE & STARBUCKS!

You've read it or heard about the book, now come and discuss it on August 25th at 7:30 pm. Our very own Philip Martin will lead the discussion and Starbucks will be on hand to serve coffee drinks. This gives you plenty of time to pick up the book (at Costco for \$15) or find it at the library.

Some of you may want to explore further the historical questions raised by this exciting mystery novel. For that Philip recommends Secrets of the Code – The Unauthorized Guide to the Mysteries Behind the DaVinci Code, by Dan Burstein (available at book stores). Burstein has collected material from scholarly sources with varying perspectives. Philip hopes our discussion can focus on issues raised by the book, such as the role of the feminine in our experience of the holy and the historic influence of church authority in shaping doctrine. Do come with your own observations and questions.

Glynn and Maxine Jenovich wish to thank the Wednesday morning Bible Study Group for the lovely luncheon given in honor of their anniversary. It was delicious and much appreciated.

Wedding Anniversaries

- Greg and Debby Owen celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary on May 31.
- Dick and Jeni Wiggers celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on June 6.
- Greg and Debbie Imus celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary on June 26.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR DICK & JENI - Sunday, July 18th 11:30 – 3:00

Join us for worship on this, the last Sunday with Dick and Jeni before they move on to minister at Calvin Presbyterian in Tigard. Then, following the worship service, come join in the fun and say goodbye to Dick & Jeni. Hamburgers, hotdogs and garden burgers will be provided. Potluck sign-up sheets are on the tower. Bring a dish to share and your own tablecloths and utensils. Also, lawn chairs, bocce balls, croquet sets, water balloons, horseshoes, guitars, Frisbees, etc. Please see Deborah Lewis, Fellowship Elder, if you have any questions.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

The automatic landscape sprinklers are now set to run for the warm months ahead. They operate only during the late night, so they are "out of sight – out of mind". If you find them running other times or flooding areas, please leave a message at the church office.

Elder Greg Owen has been given the responsibility of building and grounds. Please email any problems or concerns to greg.owen@jacobs.com, call (503) 692-692, or contact the church office.

Treasure Carnival Night

TPC will be "Under the Sea" for the 4th Annual Carnival for Tuesday Treasures, our community outreach program for developmentally disabled young adults. From 7-8:30 pm on Tuesday, July 20, Treasures will enjoy the fun of carnival games in the narthex. This is also an excellent opportunity for anyone to come and see what Treasures Night is all about, either as an observer or as a helper. If you and your kids would like to come help run a game, let me know. We will have all the props & prizes; you can bring your enthusiasm! If you plan to come or if you have questions, please give me a call: Carolyn Locke (503) 6561534

Summertime is a great time to play with your friends.

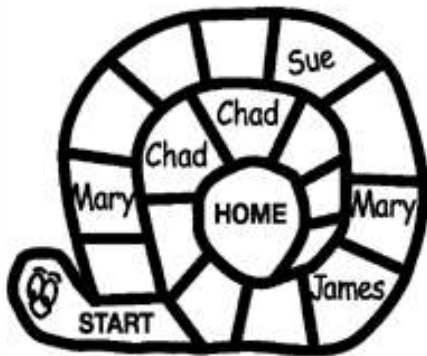
Try a game called "Escargot."

"Escargot" is the French word for "snail."

Materials: sidewalk chalk, playground, patio or driveway, 2 or more friends

1. Using sidewalk chalk, draw a very large spiral, like a snail shell, on the pavement of a playground or driveway.
2. Leave a large circle in the center, big enough for your two feet to fit in. Mark this space "HOME."
3. Make blocks large enough for one foot to fit in each space.
4. The youngest player goes first, and tries to hop into each blank space on one foot without falling or stepping on a line.
5. If the player is successful, he writes his name on ANY space. This becomes his space. He may stop and rest in his space, on both feet.
6. If a player steps on a line or on another player's space, he loses his turn and goes to the end of the line.
7. Continue playing until all the spaces have names, or until the game is impassable*. Whoever has the most spaces wins.

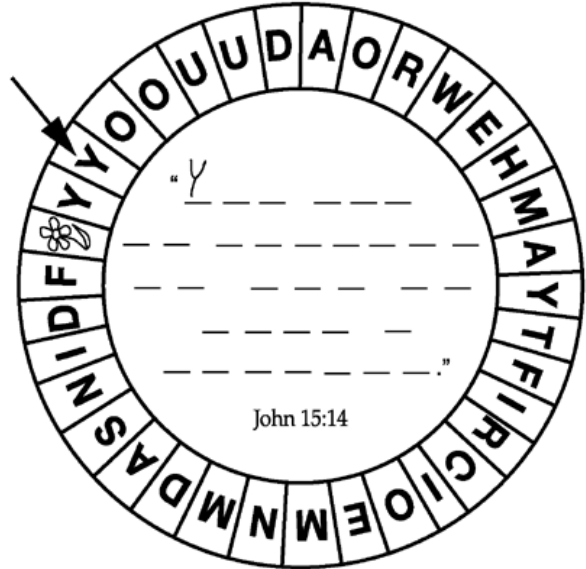
*Game is impassable when there are so many spaces with players' names in a row that no one can jump to the next available space.



Who were Jesus' friends?

Jesus spent a lot of time with his friends.
Whom did Jesus consider his friends?

Beginning at the arrow and moving clockwise, write every other letter on the spaces below.

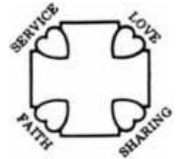


Answer: You are my friends if you do what I command.





**Tualatin Presbyterian
Church Calendar
July 2004**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Youth Mission Trip July 3 – July 11
4 Choir – 9:15 am Worship – 10:00 am Communion	5 Volunteers serve @ Sr. Center 11:00 - 1:30 PNC - 7:00 pm	6	7	8	9	10
11 Deacon's @ Haydens 8:30 am Choir – 9:15 am Worship – 10:00 am Adult Ed Potluck 11:30 am Choir Picnic – 5 pm	12 New Members 7:00 pm	13 Mission – 7:00 pm New Members – 7pm Fellowship – 7:30 pm	14	15 Session Potluck 5:45 pm	16	17
18 Choir – 9:15 am Worship – 10:00 am Farewell Party @ Tualatin City Park 11:00 am	19	20 Tues Treasure Carnival 7 – 8:30 pm	21	22	23	24 Presbytery of the Cascades Family Camp 24 th – 30 th
25 Choir – 9:15 am Worship – 10:00 am Family Camp	26 Worship Cmt 7:00 pm	27	28	29	30	31

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