



**THE REV. CHARLIE BROWN  
PARISH ASSOCIATE,  
PASTOR IN RESIDENCE**

My Sisters and Brothers in Ministry at TPC,

Just a note to say a heartfelt thank you, for your loving care as we journey along together in our faith walk. It was a gift to us that began when I was asked to fill in while Tom was finishing up his degree program. Little did we expect to find a faith community for which we felt an immediate connection! Following my “retirement” in 2001, Edda and I were looking for a faith community where we could join in the fun and challenge of the church today.

Your openness and acceptance was immediate. We have shared with you the delight and joy of the Honorable Rev. Dick Wiggers. He and Jeni were just what we all needed in that transitional time.

We are blessed with the Evers-Hood family. And Ken challenges and encourages us with his open and caring leadership.

My church journey has taken me from Ocilla Georgia (Brushy Creek Baptist Church) to Terrace Heights Presbyterian Church in Yakima, to Cranbury Presbyterian Church in Princeton, New Jersey, to Palm Springs Presbyterian Church in California, to Brentwood Presbyterian Church in Los Angeles, to Berkeley First Presbyterian, to St. Andrews Presbyterian in Portland and to the American Church in Paris. It has, and continues to be, a learning, sharing, caring experience in my ministry journey.

Edda has been a superb, loving and understanding partner in this journey. She is everything I have needed and wanted plus.... We found our community and home in faith here at TPC.

What a joyous, fun-filled and generous spirit you all provide. Thank, you, we love you and pray for you daily. Won't it be great when Pastor Ken and his wonderful family return!

Love, joy and peace,  
Charlie and Edda

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO TALK TO  
THE REV. CHARLIE BROWN?**

If you have something you would like to talk to Charlie Brown about, he is but a phone call away. He can be reached at the office (503) 692-4160, his home (503) 649-3611 or on his cell phone (503) 481-5854.

# MEET BOB & PAULA EDDY



## BOB AND PAULA EDDY

Bob and Paula live in Sherwood and began attending TPC in January. Married for 46 years, they are blessed with four children, eleven

grandchildren and five great-grandchildren spread across the country from Florida to Alaska.

Paula was born and lived in Hugo, Oklahoma. Her family moved to Coos Bay, Oregon when she was 14. She attended Marshfield High School where she met Bob. They did not date at that time but later married. Paula graduated from Notre Dame de Namur University (formerly the College of Notre Dame of California), with a degree in sociology and psychology but had a career as a financial analyst.

Bob was born in Portland. His family lived in California until returning to Oregon when he was in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. After high school he spent two years in the Navy in the submarine service. While attending Foothill College in the Bay Area, he worked for General Mills and began a career in computer systems. He later joined Electronic Data Systems in Minneapolis and subsequent job assignments had the family moving to New York, Texas and back to the Bay Area. He later started his own computer software company and provided systems and services to a number of industries over a twenty year period.

Paula retired in 1999, and Bob followed a year later. They settled in the foothills between Sacramento and Lake Tahoe. Later they moved to New Jersey and Florida to help support family needs, returning in 2010 to Oregon.

They both enjoy gardening and playing bridge, and are actively searching for other bridge players. Paula is an avid reader and Bob enjoys working on the family genealogy.

Submitted by Dan Barker, Deacon, Parish 7

# VBS

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION DEADLINE

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30**

DATE: JULY 8TH TO JULY 12TH  
TIME: 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
AGES: Entering Kindergarten through  
having finished 5th grade  
COST: \$25 per child; \$10 per sibling  
REGISTER ON LINE AT:

[www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/TualatinPres](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/TualatinPres)

## SEEKING VBS VOLUNTEERS

We still need help. All training and curriculum will be provided. If you can work one morning, two mornings, or all week, we can use your help. What kind of help, you ask?

**Arena Games:** Lead games for kids and adults.

**Shopkeepers:** Help with hands-on crafts and projects or act as a food shop proprietor as the children visit you for a daily snack.

**Oikos Leaders (small group leaders):** Share meaningful traditions and build relationships! Together you and your group will visit the different stations according to the morning schedule.

**Other positions:** We're also looking for a registration team, photographer, supply coordinator, and a decorating team.

To volunteer, contact Denise Collins at (503) 682-3785 or [collinsd55@hotmail.com](mailto:collinsd55@hotmail.com) or call the church office (503) 692-4160.

## BIRTHDAY IN A BAG FOR TUALATIN FOOD PANTY

This year's mission project for Vacation Bible School is birthday bags for the Tualatin Food Pantry. The children will be making cards and we ask your help in filling the bags. Items needed are: cake mix, frosting, candles, balloons, party plates and napkins, and \$1 store party favors. These supplies can be brought to the church now through July 14. Thanks for your support.

**The summer progressive dinner will be Saturday, August 17.** Save the date. Details to follow.

## ADULT MISSION TRIP

**Sunday, Aug. 18 thru Wednesday, Aug. 21**

This year's Adult Mission Trip will be in the Bend area, working on a new-build project for Habitat for Humanity. On the 18th we will leave for Bend after church and drive to Bend. We will work three days. We will stay at the Three Sisters Lutheran School, prepare most of our meals and eat out after work is done on Wednesday. Costs include gas for cars, \$6 per person per night and food (estimated at \$25 to \$50 per person.) No special skills are required. Bring work gloves. If you are interested in participating or want more details, talk to Chip Kyle, chair of the Mission Committee, or any of the committee members: Russ Carlin, Barb Harriman, Carolyn Locke or Ted Pelletier. For planning purposes, the **deadline for signing up for the mission trip is Sunday, June 30.**

## NOT NOW, THANKS, MAYBE LATER

The person for whom we have been collecting the coupon sections of the Sunday Oregonian no longer needs them. So use your coupons, or recycle them. If the coupons are again needed at some future time, we'll let you know.

## JUNE 18 SESSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS Carolyn Barker, Clerk of Session

### Action Items:

- Session approved 2013 scholarship awards of \$500 per applicant from the scholarship fund to seniors deemed eligible by the scholarship committee.
- Summer maintenance projects on the building were approved. Expenditures of up to \$16,000 will include painting the building exterior and some interior spaces, roof maintenance, carpet cleaning, door and window repairs.
- The fall session retreat will be September 27-28 at the Menucha Retreat and Conference Center in Corbett.
- Joan Nardi and Carolyn Barker were approved to serve as TPC delegates at the Presbytery meeting at Milwaukie Presbyterian Church on June 28-29.

### Committee Reports and General Information:

- Mike Nelson reported cost projections for a memorial garden restoration and improvement project.
- The new part-time family ministry position will be posted in mid-July with the goal of filling the position in September.
- The Mission Committee voted to contribute the local portion of the Pentecost offering and the Pentecost Local Fund to assist the TPC youth who will attend Triennium in July.

The above information has been compiled from Session minutes. Complete copies of minutes and reports are available in the church office.

## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY PROJECT

Six members of the Men's Fellowship Group recently did some volunteer work at Martha's Place, a temporary residential respite facility for developmentally disabled individuals, that is located in Tigard. On Saturday, June 15, following a fellowship breakfast at Biscuits Café Restaurant, the men power washed everything that didn't move (and some that did), including walkways, rain gutters, block retaining walls, a wheel chair ramp, a deck and a couple of fences. The Men's Fellowship group has completed numerous volunteer projects at Martha's Place during the past three or four years. Executive Director, Steve Ristow, expressed his gratitude for the group's efforts again this year.



Pictured left to right: Wayne Willis, Marshall Watkins, Karl Schultz, Rod Kerr, Jim Bartlett, Bob Paetsch



### KITCHEN ANGELS

One June 4 these people came to TPC: Pam Cameron, Myrna Friese, Barbara Harriman, Barbara Kerr, Sherry Nelson, Mary Ortez, Herb Richardson, Maureen Richardson, Shirley Schultz, Nancy Wilcox, and Pam’s great granddaughter, Miss Kennedy. In the kitchen they worked together to take out the old and put in the new. And they cleaned. “The kitchen looks beautiful...we can handle just about anything. A very special thank you to Maureen and Herb Richardson as this would not have been possible without their help. A big thank you to everyone.”

The Kitchen Angel, Pam Cameron



### WORDS FROM DIANNE LEMMON

Being part of the TPC family has been a blessing in my life. I have met so many wonderful people who have brought laughter and love, as well as a sense of peace.

This family feeds me and lifts me spiritually. The following excerpt from the Berkeley Wellness Letter fills us in on some of the reasons it is important to be a part of "another family."

#### **Be Well: Friends Help Your Health**

by John Swartzberg, M.D., July 01, 2012

In one of her columns, Jane Brody, the veteran New York Times health writer, wrote about the gaping hole left in her life by the death of her husband of 44 years—and about the link between social relations and health in general.

That got me thinking. I’m sure my good health is due as much to the social support I get from my family and network of friends as to the steps I take to safeguard it.

That column also made me think of my friend and colleague Len Syme, known professionally as S. Leonard Syme, professor emeritus here at the School of Public Health. Len essentially created the field of modern “social epidemiology”—the study of the effects of social relationships and other social determinants on health. He has been a member of our Editorial Board since our first issue in 1984.

I was glad that Brody highlighted an important 1979 study done at UC Berkeley by Lisa Berkman (now a professor at Harvard) and Len, who was her advisor. It followed 6,900 adults here in Alameda County and found that those with the strongest social ties were half as likely to die over a nine-year period as the most isolated people.

Family and friends may encourage us, directly or indirectly, to take better care of ourselves. But it’s more than that. When the Alameda data were adjusted for initial health status and factors like smoking, alcohol, obesity, physical activity and use of preventive health services, the results still held up. In fact, people with strong social ties and unhealthy lifestyles tended to live longer than those with few ties but healthier habits.

Since then, these findings have been confirmed by other researchers, some trained by Len, others influenced by his work. Notably, a 2010 analysis of 148 studies involving more than 300,000 people linked stronger social relationships to a 50 percent increased chance of survival, on average, over the course of the studies.

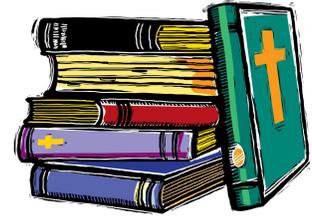
One likely explanation is that social support “buffers” against stress—that is, it provides emotional and tangible resources that help us deal with adverse events and illness and maybe even enhances resistance to illness.

Being part of a social network often gives us meaningful roles that boost self-esteem and purpose of life, which in turn can improve mental and physical health.

The importance of good social relationships for health has now been shown in almost every study ever done, Len points out. We are now hard at work to better understand the biological mechanisms that can explain these findings.

Many people who have few friends or family members can do little or nothing about it because of personal problems or just the luck of the draw. But for others, making an effort to get out of themselves by, for instance, joining a club or volunteering for a cause they believe in, can add greatly to their lives. That’s what Jane Brody said she’ll do more of.

**TPC 2013 Summer Book Study  
for Adults and High School Youth  
Sunday mornings July 7 through August 25, 8:45 a.m. downstairs**



## Summer Book Study

We are pleased to announce a TPC Summer Book Study: *Religion Gone Astray* written by Pastor Don Mackenzie, Rabbi Ted Falcon, and Imam Jamal Rahman.

Expanding on the conversation started with their very successful first book, the Interfaith Amigos – a pastor, a rabbi, and an imam – probe more deeply into the problem aspects of our religious institutions to provide a profound understanding of the nature of what divides us. They identify four common problem areas in the Abrahamic faiths: Exclusivity, Violence, Inequality of Men and Women, and Homophobia. They explore the origins of these issues and the ways critics use these beliefs as divisive weapons. And they present ways we can use these vulnerabilities to open doors for the collaboration required to address our common issues, to build more profound personal relationships, and to facilitate true interfaith healing.

Led by John and Jean Martin, this eight-week class will meet at the church in the downstairs adult education room Sunday mornings at 8:45 a.m. beginning July 7 and ending August 25. The class is open to all adults and high school youth. Summer is an opportune time for choir and bell choir members to join in adult education. It is also a great chance for adults and older youth to dialogue together in this timely interfaith book study.

To participate in this summer book study:

Buy your own copy of *Religion Gone Astray* (available online for about \$12).

Read the book according to the reading schedule below.

Attend class on Sunday mornings as often as your summer vacation schedule permits!

If you have questions, talk to either Jean or John Martin (971) 244-5001.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Chapter Number &amp; Title</b>	<b>Pages</b>
July 7	Preface; Introduction: <b>What We Found</b> at the Heart of Interfaith	vii -14
July 14	Chapter 1, <b>Exclusivity</b> : Staking Claim to a One and Only Truth (Judaism & Christianity)	15-34
July 21	Chapter 1, <b>Exclusivity</b> : Staking Claim to a One and Only Truth (Islam)	34-49
July 28	Chapter 2, <b>Violence</b> : Justifying Brutality in the Name of Faith (Judaism & Christianity)	51-66
August 4	Chapter 2, <b>Violence</b> : Justifying Brutality in the Name of Faith (Islam)	66-80
August 11	Chapter 3, <b>Inequality of Men and Women</b> : The Patriarchal Stranglehold on Power	81-110
August 18	Chapter 4, <b>Homophobia</b> : A Denial of Legitimacy	111-137
August 25	Chapter 5, <b>Underneath It All</b> : God and Revelation; Conclusion: <b>Going Astray</b> toward Greater Meaning	139-164



**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

02-Rebecca Crall  
 02-Timothy Paimore  
 02-Olivia Schmitt  
 02-Rick Springer  
 03-Molly Maleta  
 03-Don Schmidt  
 03-Kris Sparks  
 04-Marshall Miller  
 07-Kay Kinyon  
 07-Robyn MacKay  
 08-Steve Hoppe  
 09-Anne Winterrowd  
 10-Paul Fukasawa  
 10-Robert Long  
 10-Karl Schultz  
 10-Laura Spurrell  
 14-William Hammer

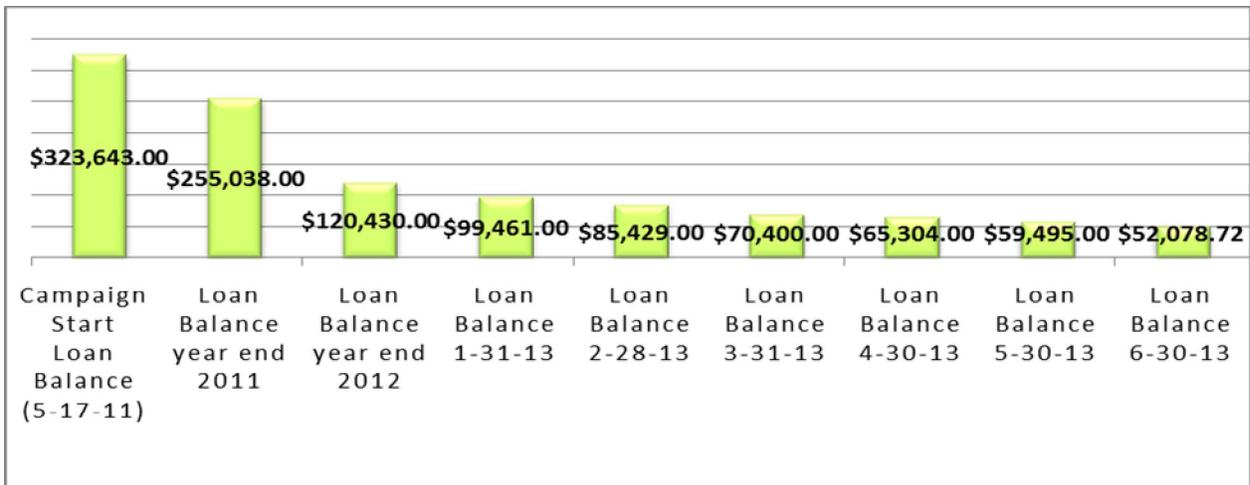
14-Wyatt Hammer  
 14-Elise Steffen  
 15-Diane Lemmon  
 15-Don Shafer  
 21-Judith Mears  
 21-Chapin Zakrzewski  
 22-Bruce MacKay  
 23-Linda Fukasawa  
 23-Laura Grover  
 23-Linda Watkins  
 24-Sjoerd DeBruyn  
 26-Mary Feiler  
 27-Marshall Fant  
 27-Kip Stevenson  
 29-Marilyn Schmidt  
 29-Karen Stevenson  
 31-Shivani Senthirajah

**2013 FINANCIALS**

Income Year to Date (as of 5-31-2013)	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
	\$128,853	\$131,860	(\$3,007)
Expenses Year to Date (as of 5-31-2013)			
	\$127,396	\$132,307	\$4,911

**RETIRE THE DEBT**

Status of Building Loan as of June 30, 2013



# TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

## July 2013

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 7 pm Spiritual Formation off site. For info, talk to Laura Spurrell 503-692-7034	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Church office closed	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 8:45 Adult Ed.book study: <i>Religion Gone Astray</i> , Preface and Introduction 10:00 Worship	<b>8</b> 7 pm Deacon Meeting	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10 to noon Loving Stitches	<b>13</b>
<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.</b>						
<b>14</b> 8:45 Adult Ed.book study: <i>Religion Gone Astray</i> , Chapter 1 10:00 Worship	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 7 pm Session meeting	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 8:45 Adult Ed.book study: <i>Religion Gone Astray</i> , Chapter 1 10:00 Worship	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 9 am August newsletter deadline	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 10 to noon Loving Stitches	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 8:45 Adult Ed.book study: <i>Religion Gone Astray</i> , Chapter 2 10 a.m Worship	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 7-8:30 p.m. Treasure Carnival	<b>31</b>			

Look what's coming!  
 Sundays, July 7 through August 25—Summer Book Study 8:45 a.m.  
 Monday through Friday, July 8-12—Vacation Bible School  
 Saturday, August 17—Summer Progressive Dinner  
 Sunday through Wednesday, August 18-21—Adult Mission Trip in Bend, OR  
 Wednesday, August 28—Red Cross Blood Drive

**For the latest updates, check the calendar posted on the church website, [www.tpcspirit.org](http://www.tpcspirit.org)**

Regular TPC office hours are:  
 Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.  
 Office hours may vary during the summer months; call ahead to confirm the office is open.

Please call (503) 692-4160 or email [Susan@tpcspirit.org](mailto:Susan@tpcspirit.org)  
 if you've moved or changed your email address.

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**Worship Service – Sundays at 10:00 a.m.**

**Parish Associates:** The Rev. Charlie Brown, The Rev. Philip Martin

**Elders:** Randy Beyer, Dave Backen, Chip Kyle, Joan Nardi, Judy Nix, Bob Paetsch, Emily Ricker, Kathy Sweetland, and Katrina Weener.

**Deacons:** Julian Awdry, Becky Backen, Dan Barker, Bud Bender, Karen Black, Rebecca Crall, Barbara Harriman, Barb Kerr, Mary Maleta, Marilyn Staples-Sundt, Karen Stevenson, and Nancy Wilcox.

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**Bell Choir Director:** Debbie Ivanov

**Music Accompanist:** Dr. Ron Fabbro

**Art Director:** Mary Shiffer

**Bereavement Committee:** Vacant

**Parish Nurse:** Dianne Lemmon

**Wedding Coordinator:** Stacy Mauer

**Church Office Hours may fluctuate during the summer. Call ahead to confirm.**

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