



THE REV. CHARLIE BROWN CELEBRATED 50 YEARS OF MINISTRY

On Sunday, July 10, TPC recognized The Rev. Charlie Brown on the 50th anniversary of his ordination. There were no words in the bulletin about this recognition, so few knew this was coming. Here's what Ken said...

I'd like to invite forward the one and only—
The Rev Charlie Tucker Brown.

Charlie, I speak to you now in my capacity as the Chair of the Committee on Ministry on behalf of the Presbytery of the Cascades to mark 50 years of your ministry and to present you with this certificate from the Presbytery. (Ken reads from the certificate.)

But Charlie, all this is a little stiff, a little formal for my taste. And so I have a more personal gift that I hope will capture this moment a little more appropriately. Go ahead and open it now. Wear it proudly.



Charlie, when I think about you, I smile. I smile. I smile because when God was giving out the gift of a sense of humor—you, my friend, must have just kept getting in line over and over again. You have an incredible ability to help us laugh. And this is no mere entertainment—the role of jesters and comedy has always been a truth-telling role. I once heard the great preacher and teacher Tom Long say that just after we laugh our minds are the most open to seeing the world in a new and fresh way. And you, my friend, have been opening hearts and minds in the church through your love, your sermons, stories, and your laughter longer than I've been alive, and now, when you could

just be sitting on a dock somewhere—you continue to offer your gifts to this church, to the Presbytery, to apparently thousands of Japanese couples getting married in France, and now to so many right here at home as you lead the memorial services for grieving families, many of whom never knew what a blessing a pastor could be until they met you.

When I think about you a poem entitled “State of the Art” by poet and preacher J. Barrie Shepherd comes to mind...

“But where are those who can delight,
can wield the wide, wild, rainbow palette
of creation to portray those bright scenarios
may yet evoke a reborn glimpse of glory,
wonder, tears too, a sudden holy laughter,
yes and even-now and then-
some sheer astonishment?”

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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 for 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.

To have you celebrate my 50 years of ordained ministry could not have happened in a better gathering. To be crowned a “Jester” in your midst is an honor.

Edda and I look forward to sharing all the years ahead.

Love, joy and peace to you all,
Chuckles and Edda



NEWS



**STEPHEN,
EMILY AND
MADISON
RICKER**

The Ricker family has been with TPC for about a year. They have been active with supper groups during this time and have enjoyed this opportunity to get to know us. We are so fortunate to have them and their many gifts within our church family. Stephen and Emily married in 1999 and have been happily ensconced in Tualatin since. Emily is from the Midwest—Illinois, to be precise, and Stephen grew up in the Bay area.

Stephen came to the Portland area after graduating from Humboldt State in California. He is the purchasing agent for Pacific Foods in Tualatin. His son, Adrian, graduated from PSU and lives in southeast Portland. His daughter, Audrey, is a student at OSU.

Emily went to school at OSU and graduated from PSU in Women's Studies. In the small world category, Emily is acquainted with a young woman from our Pensacola, FL, church and was familiar with Dick's cousin who is a professor at PSU.

Madison, their daughter, will be a freshman at Tualatin High School this fall. She plays the guitar and is taking up the mandolin.

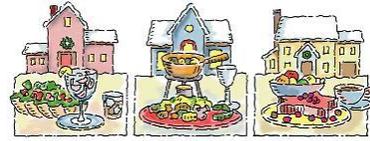
All three of them are very interested in sports. They train together and enjoy supporting each other in these endeavors. Emily completed a triathlon on July 9th and hopes to compete in future triathlons.

Emily is also interested in community service and is already working with Joan Nardi sewing for Martha's House.

We are very fortunate to have this family in our midst and I encourage you to introduce yourself to them if you haven't met them.

Jeni Wiggers, Deacon for Parish #8

FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES



S U M M E R Progressive Dinner

Saturday, August 6

We will gather at the home of Ken and Melissa Evers-Hood for appetizers at 6 pm and then divide into smaller groups for the main course and dessert. There is a sign-up sheet on the tower; deadline to sign up is Sunday, July 31.

Salad Lunch



END OF SUMMER WOMEN'S SALAD LUNCH AT LAURA SPURRELL'S

Saturday, August 27
11:30 am to 1:30 pm

So the summer will quickly find an end, but before it does, women are invited to a salad lunch at Laura Spurrell's house, Saturday, August 27. Let's start gathering at 11:30 am.

All women of TPC are invited to bring a salad, any kind, to share and I will provide bread, beverages and dessert.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the tower, so I can have at least a rough idea of how many are coming. Salads can be veggie, fruit, main dish, pasta, potato or none of the above. Be creative. If the weather cooperates, there will be indoor and outdoor seating available.

Laura Spurrell
503-692-7034

OPPORTUNITIES



FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY

Please remember that you can celebrate a special event or remember a loved one by providing flowers for worship! This can be such a lovely way to enhance our worship and remember the special people and events in your life. Flowers from your garden would be wonderful! To reserve a special day, please sign up on the Flower Sheet on the Narthex tower. Your message will be placed in Sunday's bulletin.

We would also like to place roses on the communion table in honor of a new baby (or grandbaby or great-grandbaby) so please make sure that we know about the arrival of new babies.

Questions can be addressed to Maureen Richardson, Worship Elder, at maureenr@frontier.com or 503-691-6711.

HOST/HOUSTESS WITH THE MOSTEST

We are looking for volunteers who would be able to greet new-comers to TPC Sunday Services. We ask that you have them sign our guest book, show them around, introduce them to people (especially pastor Ken, if possible), get coffee for them and bring them into the Sanctuary. It is too difficult for our regular Sunday greeters to leave their position at the front door to see that our visitors are properly "cared for." We want our guests to feel very, very welcome!!

A sign-up sheet has been posted on the Narthex tower. Please sign up for a Sunday or Sundays when you can devote about a half-hour before worship to greet newcomers. Questions should be addressed to Maureen Richardson at maureenr@frontier.com or at 503-691-6711.

SPRING CLEANING IN JULY

We are embarking on a reorganization project in the ground floor classrooms. This necessitates the removal of a number of items we no longer need or no longer have room for.

An opportunity for parishioners! The following items are FREE!!!!

Hatachi Model 500x26B/27/< Projection TV Set (working)

RCA Model VR676HF Video Cassette Recorder

GE Model 3-7049A CD Cassette/Radio Portable Player

Sony Model SS-U590 200 Watt Speakers (pair)

Armoire

Air Hockey Table

Desk

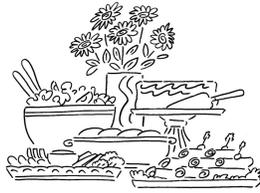
Two File Cabinets

Chair

THE CATCH????

You have to remove whatever you want and take it away. Any of these "treasures" remaining after August 14 will be either donated or discarded. The available items have been tagged and all are in the current Youth Activities Room downstairs on the ground level. Please put your name on the red and white tags attached to the item(s) you want and the date you expect to pick them up. If an item doesn't have a tag, it isn't up for grabs.

Questions? Talk to Maureen Richardson.

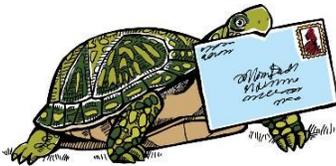


Dinner for Volunteers at Essential Health Clinic

Wednesday, August 10th

You are invited to share your culinary gifts with the medical staff of the Essential Health Clinic on Wednesday evening, **August 10th**. All members of the medical team will have come directly from their place of employment to volunteer their time and talents for those who have no medical insurance or who are under insured. The medical staff is very appreciative of the dinners provided by TPC and other local church groups. Our support is needed to ensure these health care providers receive an evening meal.

The clinic is located in the Washington County Health Facility at 15296 SW Royalty Parkway in Tigard (to the left of the Safeway shopping mall). A sign-up sheet is posted on the kiosk in the Narthex. If you have questions, please contact Joan Nardi.



Erik to Camp

ERIK SPURRELL HEADS TO CAMP

So we may have started something we cannot work our way out of.

Erik assumes he will get mail at camp, and lots of it. His TPC family has always added to his pile so for those who wish to send him a note or card to let him know he is truly loved by many...**he is at camp August 15-19**. His address is below:

Erik Spurrell
c/o Upward Bound Camp
36155 North Fork Road
Lyons, OR 97358

Laura Spurrell, Erik's mom



SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

Oh say, can you hear the bells ringing? It's time to gather school supplies they're "singing"!

The Mission Committee is sponsoring our annual drive to collect school supplies and back-packs for children and youth whose families are not able to provide for them. This has become a particularly important need with the increased number of homeless children who are attending our local schools.

This year we will not put supplies in the back-packs. District people tell us it is more efficient for them to fill a back-pack on a student by student basis. This is due to students changing schools during the year and teachers sometimes requesting additional supplies mid year.

Lists of items needed by the students are available in the area in front of the office window. Please pick-up a copy today and help us ensure that no child goes without adequate school supplies this year. Boxes for the supplies and back-packs are in the same location. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Joan Nardi, Mission Elder

GONE MISSING

Do you know where the dye cutter is? It's missing from its spot in the Christian Education storage closet downstairs. If you know where it is, please tell Denise Collins, or Susan or Rhoda in the church office. Thanks.

Tuesdays Treasures Carnival Night Tuesday, July 12, 2011



Photographs by
Dick Wiggers

SESSION MEETING SUMMARY Tuesday, July 26, 2011

New Members- Patrick and Emily Gibson were interviewed by Session and approved for membership as adherent and member, respectively. They have two children, Monica and Jason.

Ministry Candidates - Elder Barbara Crall was appointed Session Liaison for Heather Chase, Candidate for Ministry.

Session approved payment to Presbytery of one-half of David Norse's travel expenses for his candidacy meeting with Presbytery.

Marriage - The Rev. Ken Evers-Hood officiated at the marriage of Alex Backen and Ryan Warren in Oregon City on July 8, 2011.

New Website - A new website for the church is under development and should be completed by September. A technology committee is being formed to receive website training and to manage other facets of technology.

Bell Choir - Martha Wilson has requested a leave of absence from September through December. A substitute director will be hired during her absence.

Church Usage - The choir and youth rooms will trade spaces. Session approved the possibility of providing occasional rehearsal space to the Mask and Mirror Theater group, after determining that providing a regular space for weekly play rehearsals was not feasible because of scheduling conflicts.

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

Carolyn Barker
Clerk of Session



PLEDGE PAYMENTS

There is no vacation from church expenses; they continue every month of the year at a consistent and predictable pace. Our monthly income fluctuates, especially during the summer

months. If you have made a pledge to the church, we encourage you to keep your pledge current. We are half way through the calendar year, but we have received less than 40% of our pledged income. (This percentage includes those families that have already completely paid their full year's pledge.) Even though you may be traveling on business or be away on vacation, please consider bringing your pledge up to date.

Chip Kyle, Admin. Elder

TPC PER CAPITA EXPENSE

\$22.90 for each member

If you haven't already, please pay your per capita fee for 2011. Make your check payable to TPC and write per capita on the comment line. Your treasurer will thank you. As of June 30, we're short \$1,724.91.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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|----|---------------------|----|------------------|
| 02 | Stacy Mauer | 17 | Stan Heath |
| 02 | Art Barry | 17 | Marian Smith |
| 06 | Maureen Richard-son | 20 | Charlie Peterson |
| 06 | Marilyn Heath | 21 | Morgan Maleta |
| 06 | Quentin Shiffer | 22 | Bob Schumann |
| 07 | Barb Larson | 24 | Amelia Hammer |
| 09 | Donna Hoff | 24 | Ginny Fitzhenry |
| 12 | Mark Maleta | 25 | Cliff Hoff |
| 13 | DJ Harriman | 25 | Mimi Crawford |
| 13 | Christian Shiffer | 26 | Andy VanSchoiack |
| 13 | Carson Grover | 29 | Diane Barry |
| 15 | Jacob Holland | | |

2011 FINANCIALS

Income Year to Date (as of 6-30-2011)	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
	\$150,176	\$149,160	\$1,016
Expenses Year to Date (as of 6-30-2011)			
	\$142,802	\$150,289	\$7,487

Regular TPC office hours are
Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

Please call (503) 692-4160 or email Rhoda@tpcspirit.org
if you've moved or changed your email address.
Church website: www.tpcspirit.org We're also on Facebook.

NOTE: Deadline for the September newsletter is 9 a.m. on Monday, August 22.
Please email articles to newsletter@tpcspirit.org.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

The directory is updated frequently. If your directory is more than a year old,
please come to the office and pick up a current one.

TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

August 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6:30 pm Spiritual For- mation Potluck Supper at Priscilla Ha- gan's home	2	3	4	5	6 6 pm Summer progressive dinner—Evers -Hood home for appetizers
7 No Adult Ed. 10:30 Worship	8 7 pm Deacon meeting 7 pm Mission meeting	9 6:30 pm Tuesdays Treasures at Hillsboro Pres.	10 Pastor Ken at Duke August 10-20	11	12 10 to noon Loving Stitches	13
14 No Adult Ed. 10:30 Worship	15	16	17	18	19	20 No men's fel- lowship meet- ing
21 No Adult Ed. 10:30 Worship	22 9 am Deadline for September newsletter	23	24	25	26 10 am to noon Loving Stitches	27 11:30 am Women's Luncheon at Laura Spurr- rell's.
28 No Adult Ed. 10:30 Worship	29	30	31 Red Cross Blood Drive 2-7 pm			



July 4th, Sauvie Island, Half Marathon Walkers from left to right: Eileen Eakins, Cathy Lambeth, Deborah Lewis, Dianne Lemmon, Susan Springer, Kathy Smith, Kris Sparks, Elsie Edge, Laura Spurrell. John Lewis trained with the group, but could not walk that day.

This walking adventure was initiated and organized by Dianne Lemmon, our Parish Nurse.

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The Rev. Ken Evers-Hood

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Worship Service – Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

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

Elders: Randy Beyer, Craig Bowen, Barb Crall, Norm Dannemiller, Chip Kyle, Joan Nardi, Maureen Richardson, Craig Walker and Katrina Weener.

Deacons: Bud Bender, Susan Fee, Barbara Harriman, Ted Lambeth, Carolyn Locke, Robyn MacKay, Bob Nix, Mary Ortez, Marilyn Staples-Sundt, Karen Stevenson, Jeni Wiggers, and Nancy Wilcox.

Treasurer: Scott Mitchell
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Clerk of Session: Carolyn Barker
Email: carolynjbarker@mac.com

Bell Choir Director: Martha Wilson
e-mail: bells@tpcspirit.org

Webmaster: Melissa Evers-Hood
e-mail: webmaster@tpcspirit.org

Music Accompanist: Dr. Ron Fabbro

Art Director: Ellen VanSchoiack

Bereavement Committee: Pam Cameron

Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

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