

**Memorial Service for
The Rev. Philip U. Martin
Sunday, August 31
Noon at TPC**



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7



Adventures in Service Festival after the morning worship service. Come learn what's going on at TPC. What are you interested in? Try something new! No long term commitments needed.

We will serve you an awesome snack. Prizes will be awarded for participation and for being in the right place at the right time. Come!

YOUTH
ADVENTURES IN SERVICE FESTIVAL
Sunday, September 7th after worship

All Elementary and Middle Kids and Parents-
Go Downstairs

Parents: Get Fall Schedule and Swag Bag

Kids: Play games, do crafts and earn prizes and learn about TPC's adopted children.

All High School Youth and Parents -Go To Chris Robertson's House

Art Project for Youth and Swag Bags

Meet With Ken. Get fall Awakenings, Sunday school and event calendar. Learn about Youth Leadership Opportunities

**STATEMENT OF FAITH
Jackie Norman**



Growing up, religion was not a big part of my life. The closest church was an Episcopal church with a youth group, so that became my "church of choice". The neighborhood kids were all Catholic churchgoers who "prayed for me so I wouldn't rot in purgatory". I questioned then how an Almighty God would single out Catholics as His preferred flock.

When I married, it was to a Catholic man born and raised in Madrid, Spain. We agreed to raise our children in the Catholic faith. This was mainly because the best school in the area was a parochial school and it certainly helped to be "Catholic" in terms of admissions to the school. We attended mass on a weekly basis, though I never felt comfortable "confessing" my sins to a worldly person. I always had felt that there is a direct link to God through prayer, and I continued to ask for God's grace in that manner.

My father, as a professor at the University of Hawaii, was an advisor to the YBA (Young Buddhist Association). During their retreats, we were invited to participate in their services. As a youngster, I was relieved to see that other religions were in the graces of a "great Being." In college, through a World Religions course, I was again struck with how many religions followed the teachings of a single Holy One. That being said, I am always puzzled that so many wars have been fought in the name of religion.

Over the years, my faith has been tested on many levels. Going through a nasty divorce, and putting my children through heartache was one of my biggest tests. There were times when I was in such despair, that I felt their lives would be better without

me. Thankfully I sought counseling and was able to see that my struggles to better our lives were justified. It made me, and my boys, stronger as a result.

For the most part, my life has been pretty good. Ups and downs continue in life, but I always feel God's is with me. When I am down, I have only to look at the beauty of a flower, hear the trill of a bird, or listen to the sound of a babbling brook, to remind me of God's greatness.

My latest trial has been watching the deterioration of my dear husband Joel as he travels through the different stages of dementia. It has been heart-breaking to see this once brilliant man unable to do the simplest tasks. Through it all, I am forever heartened to see the joy on his face when I walk through the door. His daily compliments on how much he loves me and what a beautiful person I am lift me up. Those comments keep me "paying it forward". I make it my daily task to bring love and joy to those who are stuck in life, be it through assisted living or those just having a bad day. Spreading the love of God to everyone around me completes me. Sometimes a crippled lady calls me "darling", or an elderly veteran tells me I bring "sparkle" to his life. That, to me, is what a loving God is all about. What can be better?

When I have a bad day, I have a "pity" cry, and then pull myself up. I put myself in my Lord's hands, and know that better days are ahead. Through all of life's challenges, I have emerged a stronger and better person. I know it is with God's help that I can withstand anything life throws my way. He has given me that strength. He has constantly been there for me, ready to help when I falter. I feel His presence wherever I am, enveloping me with His Love.



INTRODUCING: STACY, PATRICK AND OLIVIA FUJIWARA

Patrick and Stacy have been attending TPC for about three years. They wanted a Christian Education program for their daughter, Olivia, now 7. Patrick thoughtfully attended 3 churches in the area. Fortunately for us, they chose TPC.

I first met Patrick when Bob (Beatey) exchanged comments with him about golf. Bob later told me that he was the best golfer he had ever played with. According to Bob, Patrick was qualifying to become a PGA professional which was his dream. Though the process took over a year, the final test was to play two rounds of golf at 74 or under (FYI: 72 is usually par.) The first day he shot a 73, but unfortunately he injured his back and couldn't play the next day. (We almost had a PGA golf pro in our midst.)

Though Patrick didn't mention any of this during our meeting, he eagerly showed me pictures of Olivia as a 2 and 3 year old golfer. She has always had her own clubs. She regularly plays with her dad and they even have a putting green in their living room. Olivia takes lessons at Red Tail and almost had a hole in one. Apparently she teed off from an 88 yard, downhill, par 3 hole and the ball bounced against the flag. By Olivia's description, it went about 6 feet from the hole. She made the putt for a birdie. Patrick hopes to follow in his daughter's footsteps by almost getting a hole-in-one. Olivia has won 2 golf trophies: LPGA, here she comes!

Patrick grew up in SW Portland and went to Arizona State in Tempe. Stacy grew up in Pendleton and attended Eastern Oregon University. They met in Portland, but neither one would go into detail about how they met. Judging from the look on Olivia's face, there is a story there. Currently

they live in Tigard. They each love different sports and Olivia plays them all.

In addition to golf, Olivia plays baseball, basketball, soccer and swims, depending on the season. She enjoys riding bikes and doing dishes with her mother. (I wonder if I can convince my grandchildren that doing dishes is a sport. Of course, I guess it depends how you do them.) They usually camp for a week in the summer, though Stacy says she requires the convenience of rest rooms and showers when she goes.

Favorite sports? Patrick says he watches golf and all college sports. Stacy likes NFL football. Her family's favorite team is the Dallas Cowboys, though she also likes the Seahawks. She has learned not to cheer for the Cowboys when in Seattle.

Stacy and Patrick both have full time jobs. Stacy is an insurance underwriter and Patrick works for an auto repair shop as the liaison between the customer and the repair team. Olivia will start second grade this month. Her favorite subject is: Recess!

With all the family interest in different sports, Olivia has learned to be very tactful. She knows to say golf is her favorite sport when she is with her father and she says another sport when she is with her mother. The problem comes when she is asked the question in front of both of them: Patrick says golf is her favorite, but she refuses to answer.

Karen Black
Deacon of Parish 9

LOOKING TO THE DAYS AHEAD YOUTH GROUP—THE AWAKENING

will meet on **Wednesday, September 3**, at 7:30 p.m. This is for middle and high school students in grades 6 through 12.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for children ages 4 through 3rd grade will start September 7. Sunday School for middle and high schoolers will start September 14.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

Henceforth to be called Adult Edge. Class will resume on **Sunday, September 7th at 8:45 a.m.** downstairs in the youth room. Hope to see you then!
John Casebeer, Adult Education Elder

September Women's Ministry Brunch Potluck

The fall kickoff meeting of the TPC Women's Ministry Group will be **Saturday, September 13, 10:30 am to noon** in the narthex. Besides enjoying the good conversation and each other's cooking, participate in planning for the coming year. Our devotional time will be an interesting short video entitled "She" by Rob Bell.

A sign-up sheet is on the narthex board by the kitchen. Bring potluck to share or volunteer to help set-up/cleanup. We will also be collecting food for the School Backpack Project and household items for the HopeSpring Project that assists in moving homeless women and children into housing. Lists of needed items are posted on the narthex board. Come join us and meet new friends!

Carolyn Barker

Final Adult Mission Trip for 2014

The Mission Committee is sponsoring a one day build project supporting Habitat for Humanity on **Saturday, October 4th**. There is space for 10 volunteers. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. We plan to meet in the church parking lot at 8:00 AM, carpool to Newberg, and work on site until 3:00 PM. We will be back at the church by 4:00 PM. Lunch will be provided. Please see Chip Kyle if you have any questions. This date was carefully selected - neither OSU nor UO has a home game that weekend!
Chip Kyle, Mission Elder

Women's Escape and Retreat

Saturday, October 18 – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

How long has it been since you spent the day in the company of wonderful women, laughing, learning, and recharging your personal batteries? Maybe never? Now is your chance! Invite a friend and "escape" from routine for a day to participate in Judy Tuttle Zollner's "**Clothing Ourselves with Gladness**" workshop. This is a not-to-be missed event – exceptional (and humorous) speaker, held in a beautiful setting (Alton L. Collins Retreat Center, Eagle Creek), with lunch provided by a professional chef specializing in fresh, local organic produce.

Signup on the bulletin board or at the table set-up in the narthex on Sundays. The cost is \$30, but is discounted to \$25 if paid by September 8th. Scholarships are available. Carpools from the church will be organized.
Judy Nix

WHAT'S UP WITH ANDREW?

Andrew Hall, our Director of Youth and Family Ministries, aka Drew, is in California finishing his teaching degree, giving him both his certification and his masters. Though gone in body, he is here in spirit. While in California, Drew will work with Ken to stay in contact with our youth. He has created two websites with our kids in mind. On the first he will post lessons and studies for them to explore together. The second is a blog about his adventures teaching and living in South Central LA. To learn what's new with Drew, check out these websites:

www.wakesleeper.com and www.athteach.com

Team Drew in Drew's Absence

While Drew is in California, The Rev. Dr. Ken Evers-Hood will lead Awakenings. AWAKENINGS is a gathering for youth in grades 6 through 12. It meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. here at the church

Denise Collins will coordinate high school activities on Sunday mornings.

Katrina Weener, CEM Elder and Temporary Director of Youth and Family Ministries will coordinate activities for preschool through middle school aged youth. Katrina can be reached at Katrina.weener@comcast.net or 503-702-6154

FUTURE YOUTH ACTIVITIES PARENTS NIGHT OUT

provides care for children aged preschool through 5th grade. It takes place every 3rd Friday of the month. Watch for a sign-up sheet.

PARENTS DAY OUT DECEMBER 13TH

LIVE NATIVITY

Saturday, December 6th
5:30 to 8 p.m.

Many more details to follow.

TREASURE CARNIVAL

An abundance of fun filled the narthex for the 14th annual TPC Treasures Carnival on July 29. Following the "Summer



Fun" theme, Treasures (developmentally disabled adults) visited 12 game stations with the assistance of enthusiastic volunteers--kids and adults, long-time volunteers and first-time helpers.

Thanks to all who helped make the carnival a success by sharing joy with the Treasures: Amy, Asher, Audrey, Barbara, Brian, Bud, Carolyn, Cliff, Del,



Denise, Dick, Emily, Jackie, Julian, Klaira, Laura, Maddie, Mary, Mike, Monica, Piper, Quentin, Shirley, Sonja, Steve, Sue, Will, Wyatt. Lauren, the service dog, was an especially popular volunteer! Special thanks

to Dick Wiggers, our photographer.

Carolyn Locke, Coordinator

First picture: Paul, Nick, Mary Shiffer playing bingo
Second picture: Erik, Lauren (service dog), and Sue.

August 21 Session Meeting Highlights Carolyn Barker, Clerk of Session

Action Items:

Temporary staffing was approved during Andrew Hall's leave of absence through January 15, 2015.

A transportation policy was adopted.

The fall church activity calendar was approved.

A presentation on health and faith issues by Gordon Viggiano, permission for book sales and a love offering were approved.

Funding was approved for Administrative Assistant Susan Springer to attend training.

Committee Reports and Other Information:

Four designs for a new church logo were reviewed.

No regular September session meeting will be held in lieu of the session planning retreat Sept. 26-27.

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

ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, members and friends of Tualatin Presbyterian Church celebrated, with Ken, his 10-year anniversary at TPC. Following the worship service, members of the Pastor Nominating Committee gathered around Ken, the congregation sang "For He's A Jolly Good Fellow," Carolyn Locke read the poem below and a video created by John and Jean Martin was shown. This was followed by a Taco Bar Potluck and cake. It was all good.

KEN'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY POEM

By Carolyn Locke August 10, 2014

It's hard to believe it's been a decade
But what a significant impression you've made.

When we gave you the offer you didn't say no
You gathered Rigby, Melissa, Will and so...

You moved here from Texas in 2004.
These years have filled up with memories galore.

ADVENTURES

You talk about life and keep it real
There's no limit to what you might reveal!

Once in the wilderness you lost yourself
Some say Rob (Ayers) should be your directional elf.

On another trek it was car keys you lost
They had to be found, whatever the cost....

One awesome adventure, especially grand,
Was an educational trip to the Holy Land.

Of such an opportunity who would have thought
That it really paid off knowing a guy named Scott.

STORIES

The sabbatical summer brought travel as well,
Generating more 'Melissa & Ken' stories to tell.

Another more recent notable story
Began with praise, giving God glory.

Our mortgage was finally fully paid,
The completion of so many pledges made.

Such an accomplishment was our desire
But we hadn't planned to celebrate with fire.

You burned the mortgage (and some of the floor).
A few of your faults we've just learned to ignore.

GIFTS

But have you more useful talents? You bet!
When we need a drummer, we are all set.

Your mentoring skill was used of course
For ministry candidate David Norse.

He and TPC 'kid' Heather Chase too
Have now officially been ordained like you.

Your leadership position of which we know less
Was valuable to Presbytery with its success.

The Committee on Ministry--what a difference it made--
Giving struggling churches hope, advice and aid.

You lead us in worship, for perfection you pray,
But sometimes great plans just go astray!

Flexibility and humor you quickly engage
When the unexpected gets out of its cage.

There are meaningful sermons that bring us to tears
And ones that are meant precisely for our ears.

Another of your gifts we most certainly treasure
Is your compassionate support beyond all measure
when there has been loss.....

Marion, Glynn, Walt, Sharon, Noel, Jaci, Pat, Marian,
Dottie, Michael, Dorothy, Zoey, Gwen
---you've carried us through pain again and again.

In those difficult times you sincerely care
Comforting with faith, God's hope to share.

SUCCESS

When we picked (candidate) '97' who would guess
You would bring TPC noteworthy success.

You felt personally responsible for TPC's growth
So along came Ella... then Brynne...then Jean and John both!

Another success, amazingly big:
Two Heifer Project arks, requiring you to kiss a pig!

In recent years it's been not an ark, but a zoo
As husband, father, pastor, and student too.

With flights and classes and research for Duke
Your Doctorate of Ministry is no fluke.

That's a fine accomplishment of which we're most proud

It's a joy hearing your new name spoken out loud:

The Reverend Doctor Ken Evers-Hood.
That new degree makes you sound real good!

THANK YOU!

We love who you are and all that you do
For these memorable years a sincere THANK YOU!

And as we celebrate your year number 10
Here's to the next decade, Pastor Ken!

AND THANK YOU, Carolyn Locke, for writing this poem for this special occasion. We're blessed to have you in our midst.

ERIK SPURRELL WENT TO CAMP

Erik Spurrell wants to say thank you to all his friends at TPC who took time to send him a letter or card at camp. He feels so loved. Andrew Perkins and Carolyn Locke win for writing 3 times each.!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE, August 27

We collected 36 units of blood! Thanks everyone!

MUSIC MINISTRIES NEEDS YOU!

Singers, ringers and other talents are needed. The TPC Chancel Choir resumes rehearsals on Wednesday, September 3; the Bell Choir resumes on Thursday, the 4th.. Please contact me if you would like to sing or ring the GOOD NEWS!

Dr. David Kelly, 503-320-5572,
dk6029@gmail.com

**BELL CHOIR SEEKS
ADDITIONAL RINGERS**

This year the choir will rehearse on Thursday nights from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m. We are looking for additional ringers, as there are only so many bells one person can ring! If you're interested, contact the director, Debbie Ivanov, or any member of the choir for additional information. Debbie can be reached at 503-740-7639.

ANNUAL PER CAPITA (can be thought of as Presbyterian Membership Dues)

TPC's 2014 per capita expense is over \$7,000. Per capita is not covered by income from pledges; there is a separate income line item for it. Therefore, we ask each member to pay their own per capita in addition to their regular pledge or tithe. The 2014 per capita amount is \$25.24/member. When paying per capita, please write "per capita" on your check or offering envelope. Thank you.

Rhoda Friesen, Financial Assistant

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2—Ken Evers-Hood
- 3—Cecil Taylor
- 3—Erin Mauer
- 4—Bill James
- 5—Tamra Kehoe
- 5—Spencer Cameron
- 5—Jackson Martson
- 6—Joel Norman
- 7—Nancy MacHaffie
- 8—Charles Brown
- 9—Katrina Weener
- 10—Bob Feiler
- 10—Dee Dee Hansen
- 10—Corbin Bowen

- 10—Grace Love
- 11—Louise Ludwig
- 11—Karly Corona
- 12—Kerry Weaver
- 12—Anna Sweetland
- 12—Charlotte Holland
- 16—Edda Brown
- 18—Vic Collins
- 18—Emma Wolf
- 20—Rachel Norse
- 20—Hannah Price
- 20—Robbie Price
- 21—Linda Duncan
- 21—Dee Johnson

- 22—Emily Gibson
- 22—James Jason
- 23—Debbie Imus
- 24—Jeremy Reding
- 24—Michael Byers
- 26—Phil Friesen
- 26—Luke Winkler
- 27—Ted Pelletier
- 27—Doug Steffen
- 28—Marsha Steffen
- 29—Owen Schmidt
- 30—Priscilla Hagan

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ALL!

TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

For the latest calendar updates, go to www.tpcspirit.org and click on calendar.

September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 7 pm Choir rehearsal 7:30 pm Awakening for youth	4 6:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal	5	6
7 8:45 a.m. Adult EDGE 10:00 Worship Sunday School Adventures in Service Festival	8 7 p.m. Deacon meeting	9 7 pm Mission meeting 7 pm Fellowship meeting	10 7 pm Choir rehearsal	11 6:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal 7 pm Finance Meeting (O)	12 10 to noon Loving Stitches	13 10:30 to noon Women's Ministry Brunch Potluck
14 8:45 a.m. Adult EDGE 10:00 Worship Sunday School	15	16 7 pm Tuesday's Treasures	17 7 pm Choir rehearsal 7:30 pm Awakening for youth	18 6:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal No Session Meeting this night	19 Parents Night Out	20 7:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast
21 8:45 a.m. Adult EDGE 10:00 Worship Sunday School	22	23	24 7 pm Choir rehearsal	25 6:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal	26 10 to noon Loving Stitches Session Retreat	27 Session Retreat
28 8:45 a.m. Adult EDGE 10:00 Worship Sunday School	29	30 9 a.m. October newsletter deadline				

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

PASTOR KEN'S SERMONS ON LINE

Each Sunday, John Martin tapes Ken's sermons. If you miss a Sunday, you can catch up on the sermon by going to the church website, tpcspirit.org. Hover over Worship, then click on Sermons from the pull-down menu. Select the date, then start the video by clicking on the arrow on the left side of the screen.

2014 FINANCIALS	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
Operating Income Year to Date 7/31/14	\$191,203	\$189,608	\$1,595
Operating Expenses Year to Date 7/31/14	\$185,307	\$193,760	\$8,453



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Phone: 503-692-4160 **Web Address:** www.tpcspirit.org We're also on Facebook.

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

Parish Associate: The Rev. Charlie Brown

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

Deacons: Julian Awdry, Becky Backen, Dan Barker, Karen Black, Susan Cameron, Russ Carlin, Rebecca Crall, Susan Fee, Barbara Harriman, Barb Kerr, Mary Maleta, Jackie Norman.

Office Administrator: Susan Springer
Financial Assistant: Rhoda Friesen
Director of Music Ministries: Dr. David Kelly
Accompanist: Dr. Ron Fabbro
Bell Choir Director: Debbie Ivanov
Director of Youth and Family Ministries: Andrew Hall
Art Director: Mary Shiffer
Bereavement Committee Chair: Barbara Crall
Blood Drive Coordinator: Scott Cameron

Clerk of Session: Carolyn Barker
Cookie Coordinator: Myrna Friese
Newsletter Editor: Susan Springer
Parish Nurse: Dianne Lemmon
Prayer Chain: Greg Imus
Treasurer: Jennifer Ayers
Tuesdays Treasures: Carolyn Locke
Webmaster: John Martin
Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

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