

NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES

We are please to announce that Gary Young will be joining the TPC staff effective September 3, 2017 as Director of Music Ministries. Gary is a seasoned music director, vocalist/soloist, accompanist, arranger/composer and worship consultant. He was worked with chancel choirs, bell choirs, and youth and children choirs in several Methodist churches in the Tennessee area. In the past, Gary produced, directed and played in over 50 Broadway musicals for two colleges in the Coast Community College District of Huntington Beach, CA.

Gary holds a Bachelor of Science in Electronic Engineering with an emphasis in digital design. His "career" was in various technical

roles for Lockheed Martin, Elo Touchsystems, DynCorp, Phillips and Airtuit. Raised by a mother who was a classical pianist and a father who was a jazz musician, Gary has music in his DNA. His formal music education is from California State University Fullerton. In addition, Gary's background includes 9 years of private instruction in orchestration, composition and music theory plus 17 years of classical piano instruction from excellent professors at California State University Fullerton.

Gary and his wife, Michelle, relocated to Oregon two months ago when Michelle assumed the Pastor role at Lake Oswego United Methodist Church.

We are excited to have Gary conducting the chancel choir, and hope that his warm and personal style will add immensely to an enjoyable worship experience for all.

Pastor Ken, Eileen Eakins, Judy Nix, Chris Robertson and Marilyn Wood Members of the Interview/Selection Committee

~ Hello Friends ~

*~*Bounce House....in the Sanctuary*~* **Sunday, September 17 after service.** *~*Lunch....on the Patio*~* Sunday, September 17 after service. *~*AMA (ask me anything) session with your elders....in the Narthex*~* Sunday, September 17 after service. BOO-YAH

STEWARDSHIP NEWS - Save the following dates, please... Sunday, October 8 - 2018 Proposed Budget Presentation

Maureen Wolf, Stewardship Elder, will present the proposed 2018 Operating Budget directly after worship. Your attendance and input are greatly appreciated; sandwiches will be served! More information to follow!

PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE, RETIREMENT AND FOR THOSE YOU LOVE

Saturday, October 14th, 9 am to noon

TPC worshipers polled in the US Congregational Life Survey noted an interest in Life Transitions and Retirement. TPC is hosting a three-hour seminar to hopefully address your questions! We are pleased to have as our guests attorney Kori Walton and financial planner Erin Dwyer, as well as Pastor Ken addressing important end of life planning

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^{**}this message was approved by Umbra the Cat and Emily Ricker, Fellowship Elder

ADULT EDGE TO RESUME SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

By Jean Martin

Holy Spokes, Batman! Did you know there is a clergywoman riding around the streets of Boston on a bicycle in all four seasons? She doesn't even have a car anymore; and while she is riding, she connects the entirety of her cycling process to all manner of insights into spiritual practice—now that's what I call super-heroic!

So . . . Adult Edge will resume on Sunday, September 10 at 8:30 am. Adult Edge is TPC's version of Sunday morning adult education with an innovative vibe. The class is discussion-focused and question-friendly—a safe and thoughtful space to explore contemporary theology, spiritual practices, and social issues. Sometimes taught by Pastor Ken and sometimes facilitated by class volunteers, Adult Edge uses a variety of learning techniques: books, DVDs, and lecture—but the real richness comes through shared conversation. The class meets downstairs in the Adult Education Room. Childcare is available: the nursery opens at 8:30 am for younger children, and there will be supervision for older kids.

Here is a preview of the Fall 2017 schedule: we will regather our class after a summer sabbatical with the study of Laura Everett's *Holy Spokes: The Search for Urban Spirituality on Two Wheels*. We will pedal along with Laura (UCC pastor and Executive Director of the Massachusetts Council of Churches) as she relates the frame of her bicycle with Rule of Life and the wheels with Habit—you get the picture. Volunteer class members will facilitate this study.

Next, Pastor Ken, our scholar-in-residence, will lead us in the first of a two-part exploration into religious diversity: *Diversity Within the Christian Community—What Other Christians Believe and Why*.

We will finish 2017 and move into the new year investigating the very timely topic of immigration. In *Neighbor: Christian Encounters with "Illegal" Immigration*, Ben Daniels (Presbyterian minister from northern California) tackles the controversial issues that surround undocumented migration in the United States. By linking theological reflection and historical study with compelling real-life stories, he puts a personal face to what is often reduced to the political.

So, roll out those bicycles and get ready for another exciting year in adult education. Come check us out!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY - BRUNCH SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

10:30 a.m. to Noon

Nearly 250,000 people will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year. That could be your mother, sister, daughter, your wife, or even you. Debra Harris, Nurse Navigator at OHSU's Knight Cancer Institute will share advances in breast cancer detection and treatment. With over 12 years of oncology experience, Debra is passionate about meeting each individual's unique treatment needs.

The Women's Ministry group is open to all women of the church. You don't need to "join" anything—just come whenever it works out for you, enjoy delicious food, hear a speaker on an interesting topic, and enjoy the fellowship of women of all ages. Many attendees bring a brunch item, such as: egg type casserole dish, salad, bread or pastry or dessert. Your dish doesn't need to be "homemade," and if you don't have time, or like to make things, you just put some money into the donation basket.

You will see a sign-up sheet in the narthex to indicate whether you wish to bring a brunch item, participate in set-up or help with cleanup. To the left of the sign-up sheet you will see "take ones" for our two mission projects: Backpack Buddy Program and Days for Girls. All items you donate to these worthy causes are most appreciated.

Judy Nix, Communications Coordinator

RACE FOR THE CURE, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Pam and Scott Cameron have signed up to walk in the Race for the Cure. Pam established a team under the name TPC - Tualatin Presbyterian Church, and named herself as team captain. If you would like to march with her and other members of this TPC team on Sunday, September 17, you can sign up on line.

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FELLOWSHIP DINNER GROUPS

We are about to begin the tenth year of the Fellowship Dinners Program, and signups begin now for this year's program.

Fellowship Dinners are groups of 7 to 9 people who meet four times in four months for a meal and fellowship. The groups usually meet in homes, but they can also meet in restaurants, parks and at TPC. The hosts provide the main course and others bring side dishes, dessert, etc. Sometimes games or activities are included. Each group decides the times that work best for all to gather. While most groups meet in the evening for dinner, sometimes a brunch has worked best.

The fall phase goes from October to January of 2018. After each four-month phase the computer comes up with new random groups. This gives everybody the chance to connect and meet even more people in the church. New church members find this a great way to get better acquainted and longtime members find it a way to expand their relationships with other church members.

In September, we ask everyone to sign up again at the beginning of the fall phase. Your participation in the 2018 winter/spring and summer phase will be automatic, but you'll have the opportunity to opt out. Recent participants can sign-up by replying to an email they'll receive about September 1st. Or, you may sign up using the sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex or by emailing Rick Crall, at crall @ spiritone.com by September 17th. You will receive an email with your group listed about September 21st, and the groups will be posted in the Narthex on Sunday, September 24.

BOOK GROUPS

Two book groups will be starting in September—both groups reading and discussing William Kent Kruger's novel ORDINARY GRACE. The group meeting on the third Thursday (9/21) is full but there are a few openings in a group meeting on the fourth Thursday (9/28). Both groups will meet at Priscilla Hagan's home mornings 10:00-11:30. Several TPC folks have indicated an interest in an evening book group—contact Jean Martin if you're interested.

The October discussion will be the novel LIGHT BETWEEN THE OCEANS by M.L. Stedman and November's is TIL WE HAVE FACES by C.S. Lewis. All the novels have been selected as they deal with issues which are important to us as Christians—integrity, redemption, forgiveness. In December the groups will select the novels for 2018. If you love to read thought provoking fiction and you desire to share those thoughts with fellow TPC readers in a small group setting, join us. Sign up sheets are in the narthex or contact Priscilla Hagan, Jean Martin, or Laura Spurrell.



TPC TREASURES NEED YOU!

Our highly successful outreach program, serving
"Treasures" (adults with disabilities), is looking to expand

and needs your help. The group is currently in a time of leadership transition, as Carolyn Locke is stepping down from the coordinator position. That opens new opportunities for volunteers to come on board and help in a variety of ways. This could involve helping with set up by removing hymnals from sanctuary chairs, preparing snack, or assisting Treasures with craft projects. Adults, youth and families are all welcome to serve as Treasure volunteers. *You* can make a difference by helping in ways large and small.

The rewards include laughter, joy, and 'the unexpected'! That is what has kept the TPC Treasures program going for over 16 years. (Ask Cliff Hoff why he had whipped cream and duck crackers stuck to his face.)

To volunteer, or to find out more, please contact Carolyn Locke <u>clockezoo@gmail.com</u> or Mike Shiffer <u>mikeshiffer@frontier.com</u>

If this ministry is something you would like to experience, you are invited to join us as an observer at our October Treasure Night, 7:00 PM on October 17 at TPC.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve our amazing Treasures.

The TPC Treasures Leadership Team Carolyn Locke, Denise Collins, Mike & Mary Shiffer

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SPONSORED KIDS: Mail from Estalin (written 6/28/2017)

Dear Friends.

I greet you in Jesus' name. In this letter I will tell you about the weather we have in our country here in our region. We have very different weather from other years here in the mountain region. It's rainy and at the same time we also have sun. I am almost finished with school. We will be on vacation in July. We are taking the last examinations. I'm glad because I'm doing well in school. After finishing school I will go to Santa Elena city to catch crabs to eat. Also there are swimming pools and falls. We can see the land-scape and many kinds of sea animals like whales, seals and crabs. I hope to finish this school year successfully and pass to 7th grade.

I say bye with these words: I hope you're fine and very blessed. Take care. Please pray for me and for my family to be safe and healthy always.

I would like to ask you: How are you? How is the weather in your country? Does climate change affect you? How long does the weather take to change? Estalin

Carolyn Locke, Mission Committee

AUGUST SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

There was no regular Session meeting in August, but I would like to take this opportunity to let the congregation know of a couple ways that all active members can support the work of the Session and of the church.

Presbytery Delegates Needed. The regional governing body of the Presbyterian Church (USA) is the Presbytery of the Cascades. Each congregation within this region sends lay delegates to Presbytery Meetings that occur three times a year. Our congregation is entitled to send two delegates, and each October, Session elects two members of the congregation to serve one-year terms as delegates, called commissioners.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity to serve, please contact Rick Crall, Clerk of Session, or Pastor Ken.

Our congregation is also entitled to send one additional delegate, an ethnic minority representative. If you identify yourself as an ethnic minority

member and you are willing to serve in this role, please contact Ken or myself, Rick Crall.

Photos Needed. Each year, in December, we publish an Annual Report for TPC that includes lots of pictures of life at TPC during the year. We're always looking for great pictures to include. If you have, or take, any photographs of activities, events or images that capture the spirit of TPC, please let me know and I'll send you details about how to submit them.

Rick Crall, Clerk of Session

WORSHIP REFLECTION VOLUNTEERS

We would all love to hear what each of us experiences during Sunday Worship at TPC.

Your participation and observations are welcomed in sharing each month during the Worship Reflection moment. All of us have similarities and uniqueness which makes our time spent together during Worship so naturally fulfilling and bonding.

Please contact me to discuss further, or to volunteer, for a 2-3 minutes sharing of yourself during this moment of Worship participation.

John Casebeer Elder of Story Catching 503-729-7309 (Sharing your Story is a Joyful Experience)



TPC Mission Committee members and the Tigard Tualatin School District thank you, our amazing and generous congregation, for your support of students in our community. Forty-one backpacks, filled with the requested supplies for

kindergarteners, have been donated. Recipients can proudly walk into their classrooms with a backpack over their shoulder because members and friends of TPC put love into action. Thank you! Rebecca Olsen, Backpack Coordinator

HAVE YOU NOTICED our new, beautiful recessed cabinet, permanently installed in the narthex space next to the name-tag wall? It provides a place to put all the stuff we collect for the variety of causes this congregation supports. Two large, roll-out bins on the bottom are for

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contributions to the Tualatin Food Pantry. The middle shelves will hold bins marked with the names of our continuing and seasonal collections such as Buddy Backpacks, Refugee Care Team and the School Supply drive. Information will be posted on the interior of the doors.

Thank you to Rod Kerr and Bob Paetsch for your ace construction skills, and to Dr. Craig Bowen for making this happen.

Cathy Lambeth, for Mission Leadership Team



ART CAMP FOR YOUTH



SUMMER PROGRAM FOR YOUTH



SUNDAY MORNING WITH PASTOR KEN



HAYDEN'S WARRIORS HOOD TO COAST RELAY TEAM



PASTOR KEN AND SARAH BECK PICTURED HERE AFTER COMPLETING THE HOOD TO COAST RELAY RACE. CONGRATULATIONS!



SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR YOUTH RESUMES ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 AT 10 AM

ADULT EDGE ALSO RESUMES ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, EARLIER...AT 8:30 AM

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STEPHEN MINISTRY

The Stephen Ministers were so blue to say goodbye to Annica Gage at her last Stephen Ministry meeting on Tuesday, August 8. Pastor Ken succumbed to a big white tear. (Yes, hair is blue.)

TPC MISSION is sponsoring an opportunity to support our theme of Generous Community. Yes, it's time for the annual Habitat for Humanity construction project in beautiful Sisters, Oregon. If interested, a group of us will be leaving from the church after service on October 1st. The project will run Monday and Tuesday and a ½ day on Wednesday. Please join us as we measure, cut, build and laugh. Additional information can be found on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Thanks, Russ Carlin for the Mission Committee

GREETER AND USHER COORDINATOR

For quite some time, Nancy Wilcox has lined up and coordinated the people who act as greeters (stand at the front door on Sunday morning and greet people as they enter), and ushers (people who stand at the glass doors leading into the sanctuary and hand out bulletins). Greeters and ushers help pass the offering plates; the ushers help with the portable microphones during Joys and Concerns. If you are interested and willing to take over this coordination responsibility, please contact Nancy and she will explain how she communicates with people and will give you her list of people willing to serve in this manner. Nancy can be reached nwilcox95 @ comcast.net. She would love to hear from you!

The Lutheran Choral Association presents its 80th Annual Concert Season

Sunday, Sept. 10, 4 pm at Bethany Presbyterian Church, 15505 NW Springville Road, PDX 97229 Sunday, Sept. 17, 4 pm at Zoar Lutheran Church, 190 SW 3rd Ave., Canby, OR 97013 Sunday, Sept. 24, 4 pm at St. Paul Lutheran, 1309 Franklin St., Vancouver, WA 98660 Sunday, October 1, 4 pm at Peace Lutheran, 2201 N. Rosa Parks Way, Portland, 97217 Sunday, November 5, 4 pm at Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 5650 SW Hall Blvd., Beaverton, 97005

All concerts are free. A free will offering will be taken. The Lutheran Choral Association is a multi-denominational choir performing old and new sacred music in a variety of styles.

Director: Sue Thompson Armentrout Accompanist: Karl Jurisons If you have questions, talk to Diane Adams.

Shirley Schultz shares: "My brother-in-law passed away this morning, 8/25/2017, in Columbus, Ohio. My sister is still living."

FINANCIAL NUMBERS THROUGH JULY, 2017

| 2017 FINANCIALS | Actuals | Budget | Dollar Difference |
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| Operating Income Year to Date 7/31/17 | \$255,267 | \$234,925 | 20,342 |
| Operating Expenses Year to Date 7/31/17 | \$231,761 | \$236,222 | \$4,461 |

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TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

For the latest calendar updates, go to www.tpcspirit.org and click on About Us, then select Calendar from the drop-down menu.

September, 2017

| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 10:00 Worship Kid's Sunday Morning Art | 4 | 5 | 6 7 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal | 7 10 am Project Li- nus 7 pm Bell rehearsal | 8 | 9 |
| 8:30 Adult Edge resumes 10:00 Worship and Sunday School | 11 7 pm Deacon meeting | 7 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision | 13 10 a.m. Loving Stitches 7 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal | 14 7 pm Bell rehearsal | 15 | 16 10:30 am Women's Ministry Brunch |
| 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School | 18 | 7-8:30 pm Treasures Dance at Sunset Presbyterian 7pm Session meeting | 20 7 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal | 21 10-11:30 am Book Group #1 7 pm Bell rehearsal | 22 | 23 |
| 24 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School | 25 | 9 am October newsletter deadline 7 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision | 27 10 a.m. Loving Stitches 7 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal | 28 10-11:30 am Book Group #2 7 pm Bell rehearsal | 29 | 30 |

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

| 12-Kerry Weaver | 23-Debbie Imus |
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| 13-Sharon Capps | 23-Katherine Kress |
| 15-Eliza Swanson | 23-John Whitehurst |
| 16-Edda Brown | 24-Michael Byers |
| 17-Matthew Kress | 24-Jeremy Reding |
| 18-Vic Collins | 26-Phil Friesen |
| 18-Emma Wolf | 26-Luke Winkler |
| 20-Rachel Norse | 27-Ted Pelletier |
| 20-Hannah Price | 27-Doug Steffen |
| 20-Robbie Price | 28-Marsha Steffen |
| 20-Karen Ramos | 29-Martin Gambill |
| 21-Linda Duncan | 29-Owen Schmidt |
| 21-Dee Johnson | 30-Priscilla Hagan |
| 22-Emily Gibson | |
| 22-Jason James | |
| | 13-Sharon Capps 15-Eliza Swanson 16-Edda Brown 17-Matthew Kress 18-Vic Collins 18-Emma Wolf 20-Rachel Norse 20-Hannah Price 20-Robbie Price 20-Karen Ramos 21-Linda Duncan 21-Dee Johnson 22-Emily Gibson |

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

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Ken Evers-Hood

Parish Associates: The Rev. Charlie Brown, The Rev. Dr. Dick Wiggers

Elders: Craig Bowen, John Casebeer, Jeff Engh, Cathy Lambeth, Judy Nix, Greg Owen, Emily Ricker, Chris Robertson and

Maureen Wolf

Deacons: Derrilyn Bayha, Jan Bender, Susan Cameron, Bob Eddy, Peggy Gibbons, Emily Gibson, Dianne Lemmon, Bonnie

Nord, Gina Olson, Rob Wiesenthal, Pamela White and Chapin Zakrzewski.

Director of Youth and Family Ministries: Sarah Beck

Administrative Assistant: Susan Springer Financial Assistant: Mike Shiffer Director of Music Ministries: Gary Young

Accompanist: Dr. Ron Fabbro Bell Choir Director: Debbie Ivanov

Building and Grounds Caretaker: Bob Paetsch

Art Director: Chris Robertson

Bereavement Committee Chair: Barbara Crall Blood Drive Coordinator: Scott Cameron

Clerk of Session: Rick Crall Cookie Coordinator: Sue Hayhurst Membership Coordinator: Jeni Wiggers Newsletter Editor: Susan Springer

Parish Nurse: Susan Fee Prayer Chain: Greg Imus Treasurer: Jennifer Ayers

Tuesdays Treasures Coordinator: Carolyn Locke

Webmaster: John Martin

Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

Office hours may vary; call ahead to confirm.

Monday – 9:00 a.m. to noon, Tuesday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Friday – 9:00 a.m. to noon