

ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE CHOIR MEMBERS

I would like to invite all those who have ever had a desire to sing and serve your church in song to be a part of our fantastic choir. Last year was an incredible blessing for me being a part of such a wonderful group of people. We had a lot of fun and I had so many of you come up to me and say that it looks like everyone is having so much fun! Well, come and join the fun! We will be doing everything from the John Rutter “Magnificat” at Christmas, to spirituals, traditional anthems and even an occasional contemporary worship song to “mix things up.” On behalf of myself and the members of the choir, we welcome you!

Rehearsals start Wednesday, September 5th at 7 pm in the sanctuary. There are no requirements except a desire to serve God and your church. I/we hope to see you in September! :)

Gary Young, Director of Music Ministries



INTERESTED IN RINGING HANDBELLS? Rehearsals Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 pm

You are invited to come to our first rehearsal for this school year on Thursday, September 6 at 7 pm in the sanctuary. Come give it a try. Rehearsals are weekly on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30 pm. If you have questions, talk to a current choir member: Carolyn Hale, Marilyn Wood, Rick Crall, Barb Crall, Melinda Woods, Emily Ricker, Cackie Kyle, Susan Springer, Lynne Neilson, or director Debbie Ivanov.

TUALATIN VALLEY CO-OP PRESCHOOL

Junior Class for 3-4 years (T/Th, \$150/month),
Senior Class for 4-5 years (M/W/F, \$185/mo)

Play-based PLUS developmentally appropriate instruction in math, literacy, social studies, science, music and rhythm, art, and Spanish for all classes.

OPEN HOUSE Sat., Sept. 8 from 9 to 11 AM
www.tualatinvalleypreschool.org

TPC Adult Edge Resumes Sunday, September 9, 2018

by Jean Martin

After a summer sabbatical, Adult Edge will resume the Sunday after Labor Day, Sept. 9, 2018. If you are unfamiliar with Adult Edge, it 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 formation, and social issues. Sometimes taught by Pastor Ken and sometimes facilitated by class volunteers, Adult Edge uses a variety of learning methods—books, DVDs, and lecture—but the real richness comes through shared conversation. Adult Edge meets on Sundays at 8:30 AM, downstairs in the Adult Education room. Childcare is available. All are welcome!

We will spend time on Sunday, September 9th, catching up on what is going on in your lives and hearing about all our summer adventures. We will also watch the trailer for our next study, *Reclaiming Jesus, A Confession of Faith in a Time of Crisis*.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) met this summer in St. Louis; one of the actions taken by the GA is to enter a period of study to evaluate the inclusion of two new documents in our *Book of Confessions*:

“Reclaiming Jesus, A Confession of Faith in a Time of Crisis” and Martin Luther King’s “Letter from a Birmingham Jail.” We will participate in this period of study by looking at both these documents, beginning with: “Reclaiming Jesus,” Sunday, September 16.

“Reclaiming Jesus” examines what it means to be a Christian in perilous and polarizing times—as an individual, as family members and friends, as employees, as businesspeople, as citizens, and as elected officials. The introduction to the “Confession of Faith in a Time of Crisis” states: “Jesus is Lord. That is our foundational confession. It was central for the early church and needs to again become central to us. If Jesus is Lord, then Caesar was not—nor any other political ruler since. If Jesus is Lord, no other authority is absolute. Jesus Christ, and the kingdom of God he announced, is the Christian’s first loyalty, above all others.”

Come join us for this prayerful, biblically guided, thoughtful conversation!



STEPHEN MINISTRY AT TUALATIN PREBYTERIAN CHURCH CONTINUES

Our Stephen Ministers meet weekly, or bi-weekly, with their care receivers. They also meet with the Stephen Leaders on the second and fourth Tuesday evening for continuing education and supervision. All this goes on, quietly, in the background.

Recently Stephen Ministers Eileen Eakins and Jean Martin attended a week of Stephen Leader training. Eileen traveled to Dallas, Texas, while Jean went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. They will be commissioned as Stephen Leaders on **Sunday, September 9 during worship**. We now have six individuals trained as Stephen Leaders and 11 people who are trained Stephen Ministers.

THE LUTHERAN CHORAL ASSOCIATION

Lutheran Choral is a multi-denominational choir performing old and new sacred music in a variety of styles.

Director: Sue Thompson Armentrout
Accompanist: Karl Jurisons

Concert: Sunday, September 9 at 3 pm
Calvin Presbyterian Church
10445 SW Canterbury Lane
Tigard, OR 97224

No charge. Offering taken.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 - 11:30 AM At Carolyn Barker's home

Fall is fast approaching, kids are back in school, and it is time to get together. Bring your favorite salad, vacation photos, pictures of your grandkids, dogs, whatever and let's catch up. Carolyn Barker has offered her home for our social at 16966 Cobblestone Drive, in Sherwood. Mark your calendar for September 15th at 11:30 a.m. Bring a friend if you like.

We will travel back in time to the era of the bustle for our **October 20th** meeting. Shirley Tormey (Bill & Martha Bennett's daughter), Curator for Oregon Fire Service Museum, will perform a skit about Portland's dramatic fire of 1872.

Judy Nix, Communications Coordinator

TPC Readers Continue in the Fall of 2018

by Jean Martin

Although we have been taking a summer break during July and August, the two TPC reading groups—the Third Thursday Readers and the Fourth Thursday Readers—are ready to resume in September. Both groups meet once a month from 10 to 11:30 AM in the home of Priscilla Hagan to discuss the selected book.

We will resume reading in **September 2018** with ***Jimmy Bluefeather*, by Kim Heacox**. Here is one review of *Jimmy Bluefeather*: “Part quest, part rebirth, Heacox's debut novel spins a story of Alaska's Tlingit people and the land, an old man dying, and a young man learning to live.”

In **October**, we will go back to 1948 and follow the multigenerational story of displaced Palestinian refugees in ***Mornings in Jenin* by Susan Abulhawa**. Our **November** title is ***Benediction* by Kent Haruf**, a contemporary look at life and death and the family ties that bind. We will finish up 2018 with a Christmas brunch at Priscilla's to share book suggestions for 2019.

Our 2018 discussions have taken us from the fundamental truths of the First Nations People in the Pacific Northwest (*I Heard the Owl Call My Name*), through grief and the power of community (*A Man Called Ove*), to sobering perspectives on historical feminist and abolitionist movements (*The Invention of Wings*), and a contemporary look at skin color in America (*God Help the Child*). It has been richly rewarding to hear each reader's insights and experience a deeper connection with other TPC members. Small groups are a great way for newer members to find a place of their own within the larger TPC community.

We have room for a few more people in the two Thursday morning groups. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Priscilla Hagan, Laura Spurrell, or Jean Martin. If more people are interested than we have room for right now, we can explore starting up another group—perhaps on a different day or time. Look for sign-up sheets in the Narthex in September.

FAMILY PROMISE DAY CENTER APPROVED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We finally received approval from the county for the Rolling Hills Community Church house that Family Promise will use for their Day Center. The Day Center is the home base for children and parents in the program. When the families leave the Host Congregation at 7:00 in the morning, they go to the Day Center to shower and get ready for school or work. Resource assistance is provided for the families at the Day Center, and the Executive Director's office is also here. After school ends for the day, children return to the Day Center.

Catalyst Partnerships NW has defined the scope of work to be performed at the Day Center Friday through Sunday, October 5-7. Catalyst works with non-profits, setting up the site, getting the materials and providing all site guidance, but the bulk of the work is done by volunteers. Crew chief, Shawn Mitchell needs approximately 65 volunteers (skilled and unskilled workers) to make repairs to the Day Center before it can open. Examples of work to be done...

Friday, October 5 – 20-30 volunteers needed

- light pressure washing of the roof, house exterior and concrete
- landscaping cleanup
- floor repairs
- trim and flashing installation
- roofing repairs
- moss removal and treatment
- wall repairs (exterior siding and sheet-rock)
- staircase reinforcement
deck railing repairs on 2nd story

Saturday, October 6 – 15-25 volunteers needed Finish work items, cleaning and painting

Sunday, October 7: - 5-10 volunteers needed Finish all projects as needed. Cleanup.

We will recruit volunteers from all the Family Promise Host congregations and support organizations. If you are interested in helping get the Family Promise Day Center ready for guests, please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex or contact Judy Nix @ jcnix@comcast.net.

REQUEST FROM YOUR DEACONS

On Sunday morning, please find your name tag on the board in the main hallway and proudly wear it. This way your old and new friends can greet you by name.

You don't have a name tag? Leave a note, or send an email to susan @tpcspirit.org and she will make one for you.

P.S. When you leave, please return your nametag to the board, so it will be there the next time you come!

LETTERS TO CAMP

Thank you to all who took time to write to Erik at camp this summer. He continues to be generously showered with mail. He knows his TPC family loves him. A special thank you to those who wrote to "camper". The director, Muskrat, wrote me to say it was well received, especially by newbies who were a bit homesick. They were surprised to receive mail and they loved it. It helped. She adds what a great idea, and thank you for seeing the heart of their ministry. So until next year, thank you. Laura Spurrell

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE



Huge thank you from mission committee and Tigard Tualatin School District. Fifty backpacks full of supplies were donated from TPC. Thanks for your continued generosity and caring to our community. This is truly God's love in action.

Rebecca Olsen, Mission Committee

TREASURES AROUND THE WORLD

Our Tuesday Treasures program celebrated summer on July 31 with the Annual TPC Treasure Carnival. This is an event that the Treasures and volunteers look forward to every year!

The theme for the 2018 carnival was TREASURES AROUND THE WORLD. Treasures had the opportunity to travel to many places through games and fun. Each Treasure was given a travel bag to collect prizes and crafts that they received along the way. The locations we visited included: the koi ponds of Japan (fishing game), African jungles and plains (wild animal bingo), Mexico ("cake walk"), the Great Barrier Reef (under the sea craft project) and a travel agency (photo booth). We ended up in the USA where we enjoyed red, white and blue ice cream sundaes. It was a fun and memorable time for everyone.

The new Treasure year begins in September with an All-Treasure Night Beach Blast Dance (held at Sunset Presbyterian Church) on **Tuesday, September 18 at 7 pm.**

The next Tualatin Treasure Night is October 16 at 7 PM. For more information about Treasure Nights (or to volunteer), please contact Mike or Mary Shiffer or Denise Collins.



Michael and Erik sporting their travel bags



Mike, Mary, Carolyn and Denise joyfully celebrating with our Treasures

SESSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

August 21, 2018

After meeting with and interviewing a second candidate to serve as a consultant to help us discern our path into the future, Session decided to pursue a relationship with Dr. Corey Schloosser-Hall who is the executive presbyter of the Northwest Coast Presbytery.

Our Commissioners to Presbytery, John and Jean Martin reported to Session. They expressed their joy and inspiration from seeing other congregation's churches (which they shared through slides), worship experiences, and important discussion.

Session approved a new design for the TPC website prepared by Ian Swanson.

Parking lot enhancements of some major tree maintenance and switch over to LED illumination technology was approved.

A van shuttle service pilot program of service on the first Sunday of each month was approved and is being organized by Susan Springer.

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

Rick Crall, Clerk of Session

TUALATIN SCHOOL HOUSE PANTRY

At this time, the pantry is in need of canned fruit, canned soup, canned meals (chili, pasta, etc.), boxed mac and cheese, and powdered laundry detergent.

UPDATED DIRECTORIES

are available on the table to the right as you enter the office. If we run out, more will be printed.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE SERVERS

Coffee servers are always appreciated!! You can sign up on the TPC web site (<https://goo.gl/9imGAU>) OR notify Bonnie Nord (nordb51@gmail.com) and she will sign you up. When there are coffee servers, there will be cookies after worship on Sunday mornings!!! Thank you, thank you.

SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS AND USHERS at 9:30 am

Every Sunday two people stand by the front door of the church and greet people as they arrive. Two additional people stand near the glass doors leading into the sanctuary and pass out bulletins. Can you help in September, October, November or December? There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please choose a date that works for you and sign up. Thank you.

FYI: The front door greeters are also asked to help pass the offering plates. The usher/bulletin people are asked to take a microphone to those who wish to speak during Joys and Concerns and to help pass the offering plates.

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL CONFERENCE

Columbia Presbyterian Church will host Whitworth University professor Jerry Sittser on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 21 and 22.

Jerry is the author of the book *The Will of God as a Way of Life*. He also authored *A Grace Disguised: How the Soul Grows through Loss* (about the death of his mother, wife and young daughter in a tragic car accident and Jerry's journey through loss to a new life) and *Water from a Deep Well*. Jerry has a unique ability to communicate deep and unashamed truth with great compassion and grace, through foundations of history, experience and Scripture.

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Vancouver, WA 98664
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Friday, September 21
6 pm Dinner, 7 pm Session 1

Saturday, September 22
9 am Session 2
10:30 am Session 3

2 pm Bonus Session (no charge)
"Loss and the big disappointments of life:
How do we move forward in faith and hope when our world has crashed in."

Cost \$21 per individual
\$42 per couple/family
\$11 per student

FELLOWSHIP DINNER GROUPS

We are at the beginning of the eleventh year of the Fellowship Dinners Program and sign up begins in September 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 hosts provide the main course and other bring side dishes, dessert, etc. Sometimes games or activities are included. While most groups meet in the evening for dinner, a brunch has sometimes worked best.

The fall phase goes from October to January of 2019. After each four-month phase, the computer software comes up with new random groups.

Once a year, in September, we ask everyone to sign up again at the beginning of the fall phase. Your participation in the 2019 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, re3ric@gmail.com by September 16th. You will receive an email with your group listed about Sept. 20th and the groups will be posted in the Narthex on Sunday, Sept. 23.

PARKING LOT TREES

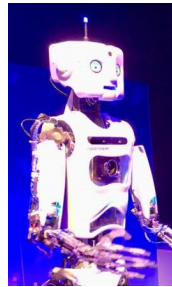
This past week a tree was taken down in the parking lot and several trees were trimmed to remove dead branches. This is in anticipation of getting new lighting in the parking lot.

CARPETS CLEANED

On Friday, carpets were cleaned in the narthex, the main hallway and the stairs. Downstairs the main hallway was cleaned and the large room at the preschool end of the building. School must be about to start!!!

2018 FINANCIALS	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
Operating Income Year to Date 7/31/18	\$241,862	\$244,692	(2,829)
Operating Expenses Year to Date 7/31/18	\$235,182	\$243,401	\$8,219

SUMMER CAMP AUGUST 20-24



Thanks to Morgan Olsen, Jeff Engh, Athena Erickson and Carol Rhodes for their help. Thanks also to Michele Maxwell and Emily Gibson for donating snacks. Sarah Beck

TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

For the latest calendar updates, go to www.tpcspirit.org and click on What's Happening, then select Calendar from the drop-down menu.

September, 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 10:00 Worship and Community Art	3 LABOR DAY	4	5 7 pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal 7 pm Mission Mtg	6 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	7	8
9 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School Stephen Leader commissioning	10 7 pm Deacon meeting	11 7 pm Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed and Supervision	12 10 am Loving Stitches 7 pm Chancel-Choir Rehearsal	13 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	14	15 11:30 am Women's Social at Carolyn Barker's
16 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School	17	18 7 pm Session Meeting	19 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	20 10-11:30 am Book Club #1 at Hagan home 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	21	22
23 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School	24	25 9 am October newsletter deadline 7 pm Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed and Supervision	26 10 am Loving Stitches 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	27 10-11:30 am Book Club #2 at Hagan home 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	28	29
30 8:30 Adult Edge 10:00 Worship and Sunday School	31					

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

02-Ken Evers-Hood
03-Erin Mauer
03-Cecil Taylor
04-Bill James
05-Spencer Cameron
05-Tamra Kehoe
08-Charlie Brown
09-Landen Norlin
09-Katrina Weener
10-DeeDee Hansen
10-Grace Love
11-Karly Corona
11-Louise Ludwig

12-Charlotte Holland
12-Anna Sweetland
12-Kerry Weaver
13-Sharon Capps
15-Eliza Swanson
16-Edda Brown
17-Matthew Kress
18-Jalen Carlson
18-Vic Collins
18-Emma Wolf
20-Rachel Norse
20-Karen Ramos
21-Linda Duncan
21-Dee Johnson

22-Emily Gibson
22-Jason James
23-Debbie Imus
23-Katherine Kress
23-John Whitehurst
24-Michael Beyers
24-Jeremy Reding
26-Luke Winkler
27-Ted Pelletier
27-Doug Steffen
28-Marsha Steffen
30-Priscilla Hagan



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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, Russ Carlin, John Casebeer, Jeff Engh, Judy Nix, Greg Owen, Emily Ricker, Chris Robertson and Maureen Wolf

Deacons: Derrilyn Bayha, Jan Bender, Susan Cameron, Peggy Gibbons, Emily Gibson, Carolyn Hale, Jason James, Gina Olson, Kerry Weaver, Rob Wiesenthal, Pamela White and Chapin Zakrzewski.

Director of 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: Diane Paetsch

Hospitality Coordinator: Bonnie Nord

Parish Nurse: Susan Fee

Prayer Chain: Greg Imus

Treasurer: Jennifer Ayers

Tuesdays Treasures Coor: M&M Shiffer, Denise Collins

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