THE REV. DR. DICK WIGGERS CELEBRATED 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

On Sunday, September 17, Tualatin Presbyterian Church celebrated the 40th anniversary of The Rev. Dr. Dick Wigger's ordination.

While his career has taken him and Jeni to many places in the US, TPC has been honored to have Dick play two major roles. The first time was 20 years ago when he lead us as Interim Pastor after Rev. Thom Nelson left and before the arrival of Rev. Ken Hood. The second time was when he became Parish Associate, 7 years ago. His comforting presence has supported us with prayers and calls when ill,



visits to homes and hospitals, transitions, memorials, weddings and so much more. We love you, Dick, and thank God for giving you the call to use your gifts and skills to make a difference in the lives of so many of us at TPC and beyond. Congratulations!

ADDITIONAL NEWS, Dick announced that he will retire from TPC on Sunday, December 3, 2023.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 - WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING ON WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY, Oct. 1st Tualatin Presbyterian Church has consistently and strongly supported the special offerings of the Presbyterian Church. On October 1, TPC will collect donations to the Peace and Global Witness Offering.

This offering provides education and exposure to members who work for peace every day. Your support of this offering helps encourage members who struggle against senseless violence and aggression. It helps congregations address the growing mental health crisis and the increase in the number of suicides in their communities. It provides resources for congregations seeking to address issues of gun violence in their communities. It helps to seek reconciliation in war-torn areas.

One quarter, 25%, of the collection will be retained by TPC for activities lead by the Mission Committee. Another quarter will be used by the Presbytery to support their efforts and the remaining half will support the peacemaking work done by Presbyterians across the globe.

We encourage you to generously support this offering.

Chip Kyle, Mission Elder

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sunday, October 1st, 2 to 3:30 pm at TPC. Bring your pets from home for a blessing by Pastor Ken Henry. This is a drop-in blessing. Come at a time that is convenient for you, between 2 and 3:30 pm.

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ADULT EDUCATION NEWS

We are welcoming fall with new opportunities for adult Christian Ed. We would like to invite you to the downstairs Adult Edge classroom beginning **Sunday**, **October 8 from 9:15 -9:45 am each Sunday before the service.** Join us for coffee and conversation as we preview the scriptures for that day. The plan is to do this during October, and the group will then decide on future study.

Giving Thanks is the theme for **November**. We are adding another time to gather for study **each Wednesday at noon**. Pastor Ken will start the group off by leading us in a Bible study on the book of Psalms. Bring your bibles and sack lunch for an hour of bible study.

Pastor Ken will lead a 4-week Advent series on "The Spirituality of Light," starting **Wednesday**, **December 6**, from 7 - 8:15 pm. This class will run Wednesday, December 6 through December 27.

We hope by offering different days and times we can reach everyone who would like to be involved in a class, study, or discussion. We do appreciate your ideas and input for future adult ed programs.

Blessings,

Sandy Gurney, Elder and Sarah Beck, Director of Family Ministries

STEWARDSHIP TIME - TOGETHER WE SERVE

Fall is here. It's time to start our annual stewardship drive. **Pledge cards will be mailed out on Wednesday, October 11** and will be available on the church web page. After worship on Sunday, October 15, I will give a brief summary of the Session's proposed budget for 2024. The summary will include how much income is needed to support that budget. This is the beginning of the budget process, so come with your questions and comments.

Lynne Neilson, Stewardship and Administration Elder

MISSION COMMITTEE - Upcoming Activities

The last quarter of the year is always a busy time for the Mission Committee and the congregation as a whole. Listed below, for your planning purposes, are the activities we have scheduled.

OCTOBER

The **Peace and Global Witness Offering** will be taken on the first Sunday of the month - World Communion Sunday, October 1.

NOVEMBER - 5th, 12th and 19th

The **Janus Tree** Project will run on the first three weeks of the month, culminating on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, Sunday, November 19. This project collects, hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, and socks for homeless and at-risk youth in the Portland area. We plan to deliver donated items the week of Thanksgiving, November 20 - 22.

DECEMBER

The Cookie Sale will be held the second Saturday of the month - December 9th. Cookies will be collected on Friday and early Saturday morning, with the sale running from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Expect to see a postcard in the mail. Sales will be by good-will offering (with a minimum suggested donation). Proceeds pay for TPC's support of our two sponsored youth through Compassion International, Sarah and Estalin.

The **Giving Tree** Project will run for three consecutive Sundays, starting December 3 and concluding on December 17th. This project supports families in the Tigard Tualatin School District (TTSD). As we did last year, we will collect gift cards from Winco and Fred Meyer in lieu of food baskets and individual gifts. Last year was a banner year for this approach and we hope to repeat it this December.

The Christmas Joy Offering will be collected during December. Thank you for your continued support of our efforts.

The Mission Committee, Chip Kyle, Mission Elder

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COFFEE CONNECTION - OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER

This month's Coffee Connection is on **Tuesday, October 10**, at 10 am at the **Marquis Community Center** located at 19805 SW Boones Ferry Road, Tualatin just a few minutes north of TPC. Coffee Connection is open to all women of the church to renew connections and create joy in conversation with your TPC friends of faith. I will share some of the Pastor Survey highlights with you in case you haven't been able to attend Ken's overviews.

November 14, our Coffee Connection group will meet at 10 am to tour the new Family Promise *Bridge to Home* motel located at 11460 SW Pacific Highway, in Tigard. Bob Nix will fire up the bus and transport a group of up to 14 people if you meet at the church **at 9:30** on November 14. Gina Olson will be our amazing tour guide, and we should be back at the church no later than 11:45 am. Somewhere along the way, I'll make sure there is coffee for us.

Candy Richard has graciously offered to once again host the **December 12th** Coffee Connection at her home: 22850 SW 106th Avenue in Tualatin. This will be a festive time to enjoy each other's company before things get too hectic.

Mark your calendars now so you don't miss out on these opportunities for connection with some of the nicest people you would ever want to know.

Judy Nix, Connections Elder

MEN'S GROUP AGENDAS FOR OCTOBER 14 AND NOVEMBER 11, 2023

All men who attend TPC and any ladies who find the October and November topics and activities fascinating, please plan to attend and join in with us.

The **Saturday, October 14th meeting** will be focused on Tualatin and surrounding areas economics. Hopefully we will have a real economist on board to lead the discussion. Otherwise yours truly, Dale MacHaffie, will lead the discussion. Attendees will help out by giving their views on local economic activities from their unique points of view. Dale was Tax Director for Esco Corp. for 26 years. He has an MBA and a Masters in Taxation from Portland State Business School and can explain how not to run a large business. So come and share the right way to do it.

During the **Saturday**, **November 11** meeting, which is Veteran's Day, attendees will have the opportunity to share military stories. Also attendees can create a display reflecting their time in the military or the service of another veteran. There will be poster boards, markers, scotch tape and other materials available to display memorabilia and pictures of vets, be they yourself, a family member or a friend. You may honor these special veterans by creating a poster in honor of them. The posters will be displayed during coffee hour on Sunday, November 12.

On Sunday, November 12 after worship there will be cake and coffee. During the coffee hour, you will have an opportunity to talk to and thank the veterans and the family of veterans for their service to our country.

See all of you in October and November for fun and education. There will be donuts at both meetings. Ouestions. Call Dale MacHaffie 503 784-2476

SESSION will meet on Wednesday, October 18.

FELLOWSHIP ON TAP AT ANCESTRY BREWING

On **Wednesday, October 25^h from 6:30-8:00,** I will be over at Ancestry Brewing (20585 SW 115th Ave, Tualatin, OR 97062) waiting for anyone from TPC who desires an informal conversation with the interim pastor—that's me! This event will be primarily a social gathering (with beer, if you desire). All topics of conversation are welcome: last week's sermon, the pastor search process, The Ducks, The Beavers, the weather, hunting season, etc. No need to RSVP, just come as you are. I'm looking forward to this casual time of connection and fellowship outside of Sunday morning.

Ken Henry, Interim Pastor

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CHRISTMAS PROGRESSIVE DINNER

One of the many things that fell by the wayside during COVID was the Christmas progressive dinner. We will be starting that up again this year! Sue and John Hayhurst have graciously agreed to host the group for appetizers. Gathering in their home full of Christmas decorations is a festive way to start the evening. We will meet at the Hayhursts **Saturday**, **December 16th** from 5:30 until about **7:00**. We will travel then to preassigned homes for the main course and dessert.

When you sign-up you will be asked if you would like to host a group for dinner and dessert. If you agree to host, you will be responsible for providing the main course. Others coming to your home will bring side dishes or dessert. The host/hostess will be given a list of who will be coming to your home so you can coordinate side dishes with them. Those who are not hosting will sign up to bring an appetizer, a side dish, or dessert.

We look forward to restarting a long-time TPC tradition. Any questions, contact Barb Crall at **barbjcrall@gmail.com** or 503 692 1677.

PASTOR SEARCH - Where Are We Now in the Process To Find a New Full-Time Pastor?

What We Have Done:

- 1. Edited the survey so it is a better fit to TPC.
- 2. Made the survey available to members and friends on line, or on paper.
- 3. Encouraged members and friends to take the survey.
- 4. Asked the survey company to process the responses we received and send us the results.

What We Have Yet to Do:

- 5. Review results of the survey and share with the congregation what the results show.
- 6. Review and amend the TPC Mission Statement, as needed.
- 7. Receive nominations for the PNC (Pastor Nominating Committee)
- 8. Present nominees to the congregation for their approval.
- 9. Begin the work of the PNC.

On Sunday, September 24, after worship Pastor Ken Henry showed slides that summarized data from the survey. About 70 people stayed after worship for this sharing of information.

For almost an hour, we talked about a variety of subjects.

Who Are We?

A Sense of Belonging - food delivered to member's door when her mother died.

We have differences, yet we care about each other.

What Keeps Us Here?

The 5 F's were suggested - faith, fellowship, food, fashion and forgiveness

TPC is a welcoming place. It is a safe place.

What Pastoral Roles Do We Like the Best?

Friend/Fellow Traveler

TPC Leadership - we do it together

My Kind of Pastor - Some of the words shared are listed below:

Relatable, Transparent, Integrity, Friend, Spiritual, Humility, Communicator,

Sense of Humor, Flexible, Charismatic. Fellow traveler, One of us

What Do I Want from Worship and The Sermon

Intellectually challenging

Touches directly on my life

Gives us something to chew on, something to think about.

More about the survey results will be shared in the days ahead. If you are interested in reading the complete results as sent to us by the survey company, an online copy can be emailed to you, or you can pick up a paper copy, all 110 pages, in the narthex. The office email address is: office@tpcspirit.org

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PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY

Thank you to our pastors, The Rev. Dr. Ken Henry and The Rev. Dr. Dick Wiggers for the dedication and care that they give to all of us here at TPC. It is very easy to take pastors for granted. They are just doing their job. But underneath the job is a person who experiences the day to day challenges as all of us do. This Appreciation Day gives us the opportunity to say thanks. Thank you, Ken and Dick. We really do appreciate you.

The TPC Family of Faith

Editor's note. While browsing recently in a Dollar Store, I noticed greeting cards for Pastor Appreciation Day. Here's what I learned from Google.:

"Each year, the second Sunday in October marks a special day of recognition for church pastors known as Pastor Appreciation Day. This Hallmark holiday dates back to 1992 when it was originally known as Clergy Appreciation Day. The idea behind the holiday is that church congregants take at least one day per year to show gratitude for everything pastors do for their church. Many churches celebrate their pastors throughout the year, but this holiday provides a specific day for recognition

Taking the time to recognize all the work that pastors do for a congregation is important. A pastor's role is uniquely stressful in that it doesn't have typical 8-5 business hours. Weeks are long, and the role carries a lot of emotional, mental, and spiritual weight. There are few, if any, "off-the- clock moments" for a pastor. They constantly work to meet the needs of the congregation."



NATIONAL PHYSICAL THERAPY MONTH (NPTM)

Every October we celebrate National Physical Therapy Month to raise awareness with consumers about the many benefits of physical therapy. Also to thank physical therapists for their hard work on behalf of their patients.

Editor's note: I have benefited from going to a physical therapist, Renee James. With October being National Physical Therapy Month, I asked Renee to write an article about Physical Therapy. See below:

Did you know October is Physical Therapy month? You may be thinking, "I don't really know what exactly a physical therapist does and how do I know if I need one?" Physical therapists (also referred to as PTs) are experts in human movement, with a particular focus on the musculoskeletal system and potentially other body systems depending on their area of expertise. Our job is to prevent and treat impairments that affect the body's ability to move efficiently. Most PTs have completed a four-year bachelor's degree and a three-plus-year doctorate degree complete with clinical rotations in different settings (outpatient clinics, rehab facilities, schools, homes and hospitals).

There is a time and a place for physical therapy, but physical therapy is usually most appropriate when you're dealing with an issue that is musculoskeletal (muscles, ligaments, tendons, bones). PTs can manage most musculoskeletal conditions (i.e., back and neck pain, osteoarthritis, tendonitis, etc.) without physician involvement.

Physical therapy is a safe, healthy, and effective way to combat various acute and chronic pain conditions—all without the use of harmful and addictive pain medication and unnecessary testing. This approach can assist to strengthen muscles, improve range of motion, manage injuries, improve balance, build endurance, and experience pain relief, all without the unwanted harmful risks of drugs or surgery. Physical therapy can help people of all ages live healthier, more active lives!

Renee James, Master's of Physical Therapy (MSPT), Orthopedic Certified Specialist (OCS), Certified Mulligan Practitioner (CMP)

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FAMILY PROMISE Thanks to all of you who have helped by providing meals for a Saturday dinner, volunteering in a variety of areas, making a donation to TPC identified for Family Promise to provide groceries for the pantry at Bridge to Home, and making desserts for the fundraiser. We are so grateful for all the help our congregation gives to support Family Promise. If you would like more info on volunteering, donations, etc., please email or give us a call.

Derrilyn Bayha <u>dabayha@mac.com</u> 661-747-8447 Pam Bowen <u>pamelabowen@gmail.com</u>

COFFEE HELPERS

Coffee after service - If you would like to help with serving cookies and coffee after church, PLEASE let me know. You can sign up online or give me a call 661-747-8447 or email dabayha@mac.com. The dishwasher is currently working!! Thanks Larry Nord and Rod Kerr! Derrilyn Bayha

INTERESTED IN LEARNING TO PLAY A STRINGED INSTRUMENT?

If you want to learn to play a stringed instruments, you now have a golden opportunity. A small group of people are currently meeting in the narthex on Thursdays from 12:45 to 1:30 pm. You are most welcome to join them. If you have an instrument, bring it to church and enjoy the camaraderie of learning and performing a song on your instrument. Guitarists and other string players who have not played in years are also welcome. Each week, the group will tune up and learn a song or two. Banjo Bill, aka Bill James, is leading the class and providing the fun. If you do not have a ukulele, Bill has a limited number of donated ukes that you can borrow to see if you might be the next great Tiny Tim. Put the hoot in hootenanny and join us for a guaranteed good time.

PASTOR KEN'S EMAIL ADDRESS IS PASTOR@TPCSPIRIT.ORG

If you get an email from someone who says he is Ken Henry, but it came from a different email address than the one above, ignore it. And please check your saved email addresses. If appears that some people may have accidentally saved a scam email address rather than the correct one.

WAYS TO DONATE TO TPC Scan this code with your smart phone to donate to TPC by debit/credit card or bank account. Scanning this code takes you to the TPC donation page. Questions? Talk to Mike Shiffer. If you haven't already, please bring your pledge up to date. Our financial people will sleep better....



ANNUAL PER CAPITA FEE FOR 2023 IS \$45.60. Make check payable to TPC and write per capita on the comment line. Place check in the offering plate, turn it in at the office or mail to TPC. Thanks.

TPC POLO SHIRTS - Two shirts remain. Yours for the taking, hanging in the hallway.

RECYCLE PRESCRIPTION GLASSES AND CASES - still possible

If you have prescription glasses and cases that you no longer use or want, bring them to the church to be recycled. The glasses go to Tualatin Eye Associates where they determine what the lens prescription is and give the glasses to people who need and can use them.

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OCTOBER TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10 am in-person, and on-line worship 2 pm Blessing of the Animals	2	3	4 10 am Loving Stitches at TPC	5 12:45 pm Uke practice	6	7
8 9:15-9:45 scripture discussion 10 am in-person, and on-line worship Install deacons&elders Deacon (hot) dogs after worship Pastor Apprec. Day	9 7 pm Deacon Meeting	10 10 am Coffee Connection 7 pm Stephen Ministry/Zoom	7 pm Mission committee Meeting Pledge cards to be mailed.	12 10 am TPC Readers/Zoom 12:45 pm Uke practice 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	13	14 10 am Men's Group 10 am at TPC
15 9:15-9:45 scripture discussion 10 am in-person, and on-line worship Stewardship discussion after worship	16	17	18 10 am Loving Stitches at TPC 7 pm Session Meeting	19 10 am TPC Readers/Zoom 12:45 pm Uke practice 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	20	21
22 9:15-9:45 scripture discussion 10 am in-person, and on-line worship	23	24 7 pm Stephen Ministry/Zoom	25 Nov. news- letter deadline office@tpcspirit.org 6:30 - 8pm Fellowship on Tap with Pastor Ken	26 12:45 pm Uke practice 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal	27	28
29 10 am in-person, and on-line worship Survey discussion on line after worship	30	31 Halloween				

Worship with us at the church, or on line Sundays at 10 am.

To find us on line, go to the church website, www.tpcspirit.org, or Facebook, or YouTube. To leave a message at the church, call 503-692-4160. Pastor Ken Henry can be reached at pastor@tpcspirit.org

TPC 2023 FINANCIALS	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
Operating Income Year to Date 8/31/23	\$216,272	\$216,288	(\$16.)
Operating Expenses Year to Date 8/31/23	\$229,822	\$238,389	\$8,567

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!!!	08-Gina Olson 08-Shawn Schipporeit	23-Bryan Wolf 25-Barbara Crall
??-Derrick Olsen	Fleck	25-Ethan Love
02-Tom Holland	15-Gregory Woods	26-Jennifer Ayers
02-Kaity Olsen	17-Linda Roth	27-Ryan Hotchkiss
03-Chris Robertson	18-Lauren Ayers	29-Matthew Dannemiller
06-Lynn Friese	19-Marshall Watkins	29-Kelvin Dwyer
07-Eliana Ramos	20-Kathy Kinyon	30-Betty Taylor
08-Jack Lemmon	20-Molly Winterrowd	31-Sherry Nelson

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Worship Service - Sundays at 10 a.m. in person, and on line at www.tpcspirit.org

Interim Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Ken Henry

Parish Associate: The Rev. Dr. Richard Wiggers

Elders: Eileen Eakins, Worship; Sandy Gurney, Family Ministries; Chip Kyle, Mission; Lynne Neilson, Stewardship and

Administration; Judy Nix, Connections; Greg Owen, Technology and Building and Grounds

Deacons and their parish number: Derrilyn Bayha (5), Susan Cameron (7), Linda Fukasawa (2), Jason James (4), Dianne

Lemmon (3), Kerry Weaver (1), and Rosemary Willis (6).

Director of Family Ministries: Sarah Beck

Financial Assistant: Julie Flint

Administrative Assistant, Newsletter Editor: Susan Springer

Director of Music Ministries: Jennifer Schloming

Pianist: Dr. Evan C. Paul

Bell Choir Director: Debbie Ivanov

Building and Grounds Caretaker: Larry Nord

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Cookie Coordinator: Sue Hayhurst Fellowship Director: Barbara Crall Hospitality Coordinator: Derrilyn Bayha Membership Coordinator: Diane Paetsch

Men's Fellowship Group Coordinator: Dale MacHaffie

Parish Nurse: Susan Fee Prayer Chain: Greg Imus

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Treasurer: Chip Kyle

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The office is open limited hours. Leave voice message at 503 692-4160. We will get back to you.