



## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KEN

Dear friends,

The early church thrived because the Holy Spirit enabled them to see their common life as a joy rather than a burden. They understood the deep connection between joy and giving. Here's how the writer of Acts puts it:

“All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food *with glad and generous hearts*, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.” Acts 2:44-46

It's no accident that the writer of Acts connects gladness with generosity. Psychologists today confirm what the early church knew by heart: the act of giving creates deep feelings of joy in our being. In his book *The Happiness Hypothesis* psychologist Jonathan Haidt relies on brain scans and thousands of personal interviews to demonstrate the ways in which giving creates these feelings of joy. He shows giving leads to glad hearts even when we don't feel like being generous. In an interview with Nicholas Kristof of the New York Times Haidt said this: “I interview people who were busy but reluctantly undertook some good cause because (sigh!) it was the right thing to do. Then they found that this ‘sacrifice’ became a huge source of fulfillment and satisfaction.” (The New York Times, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010)

Haidt and his fellow psychologists believe that biology alone offers the reason that generosity leads to joy. They may be right, but I believe the deeper reason is that we are made in the image of God, whose generosity created the abundance of our world, and who, in the person of Jesus Christ, poured out his very life for all. We are made to have glad hearts. We are made for generosity. It's who we are.

In the month of November we will hear two speakers reflect in worship on what giving means in their lives. **After worship on November 4<sup>th</sup> and November 11<sup>th</sup>, I will host a financial presentation sharing with you how the session stewarded our funds in 2012 and what we are planning for 2013. November 18<sup>th</sup> is “pledge Sunday”, and during worship we will celebrate our giving by coming forward in song and dedicating our pledge cards.** During this entire season look for a banner in the Narthex bearing the words: “With glad and generous hearts.” Let this banner remind us both who we are and whose we are as we prayerfully consider our annual financial pledge to Tualatin Presbyterian Church.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ken', written in a cursive style.

# MEET JAY AND NANCY WILCOX



Meet Jay and Nancy Wilcox of Parish 11. Maybe you already have, being greeted at TPC's front door, being served a cup of coffee, or you've seen them helping out around the church wherever needed. Nancy is the deacon for parish 6. Perhaps you've met Jay on the golf course – rumor is he's there a lot. Jay and Nancy have been a part of Tualatin and TPC for several years now.

Nancy grew up in the small town of Whitefish, Montana. Jay spent his childhood in Edina, Minnesota. They would meet at College of St. Catherine, when Jay stopped by the dorm to visit Nancy's new roommate and there was Nancy - It was love at first sight. It wasn't long before they married and moved (courtesy of Uncle Sam and the U.S. Army) to Fort Hood, Texas. Three months in Texas can be a very long time. Their next move in September, 1969 was to Belgium and SHAPE headquarters. SHAPE was the military arm of NATO and because all the NATO countries were present and each country had its own holiday observances, SHAPE observed them all. This allowed for lots of three day weekends to travel and explore Europe. After two years the couple bid farewell to Europe (and Uncle Sam) and returned Stateside, settling in Whitefish, Montana, where they managed a hotel for the Big Mountain ski resort for a short time. Then Jay started work with the Postal Service and Nancy began her career as a librarian. Soon, they were joined by two lovely daughters, Jocelyn and Jenny. In 1982 it was off to Ely, Nevada where Jay became a Postmaster.

A promotion for Jay, led the family to Tualatin, Oregon in 1984. Jay worked with Thom Nelson as part of Tualatin Youth soccer. Thom helped guide them to TPC in 2000. Once here, Jay continued his career as Tualatin's postmaster, retiring in 2003 with over 30 years of Federal Service. Nancy received her masters from Portland State and spent the next 15 years as an elementary school librarian for the Tigard/Tualatin school district, retiring in 2007. The girls grew up, and sadly Jocelyn passed away of cancer in 2002. Jenny lives with her husband, Jason, in Tigard.

So what are they doing now you ask? They tell me retirement life is GREAT. Lots of time on the golf course for Jay, and Nancy keeps herself busy with family, friends, reading, beading, glass fusing and all kinds of crafts. She is one talented lady. Did I mention that Jay likes to golf? He's also a Reiki practitioner. In 2004 the couple took a major trip to Peru, staying with friends and visiting Machu Pichu. They described the trip as simply INCREDIBLE. And in September, they experienced their first ever cruise, to Alaska and are now hooked on cruising, they can't wait to go again. So, next time you see Nancy or Jay at TPC's front door, or working behind the coffee counter – say hello and offer a suggestion for your favorite cruise destination.

Respectfully,  
Robyn MacKay, Parish 11 Deacon

## PHOTO DIRECTORY UPDATE

The deacon's photo directory project is really beginning to **develop**. THANK YOU to everyone who has emailed in pictures! If you lost **focus** and haven't sent in your photo, don't worry; there is still time to do so.

For those who are unable to email in a photo, we have a great alternative available. The first three Sundays of November will be "**Photo Sundays**". On November 4, 11 and 18 there will be photographers (Presbyterian paparazzi!) available to take your picture after church. Look for them in the Narthex. Dan Barker, Parish 7 Deacon

## Kirkin' O' the Tartans

On Sunday, October 28, 2012, also known as Reformation Sunday, the congregation of Tualatin Presbyterian Church will celebrate their Scottish heritage. In Scotland in the mid-1700's the English Parliament and monarchy banned wearing tartans or kilts which represented the various families (or clans), playing of bagpipes, singing of Scottish songs, speaking Gaelic, Scottish dancing --but most importantly, forbidding the Scots to worship as they pleased. The Scots were ordered to follow the Order of Worship set by the Church of England. The Scots rebelled.



In our Kirkin' service, we will remember ancient times, as well as past and present family--while asking God's help and blessings in the future. We do not celebrate a Presbyterian division from others who follow the Protestant religion; we celebrate the glory of God in our Church and in our hearts.

October 28 will be the day for all of us to wear a "wee bit of tartan" in remembrance of those who endured such hardship during the early days of the church and, as the early Presbyterians did, ask blessings upon our loved ones. Please find a "wee bit" of tartan (plaid) to wear on that Sunday. If you can't, a "wee bit" will be provided so that you do not feel left out! Kilts would be entirely appropriate for both men and women. Tartan ribbons would be great! You need not be a Scot to wear tartan and most of us could never identify a clan to which our ancestors might have belonged. But--the Scots consider it a great honor when anyone wears their tartan--clan member or not.

On the 28th, I will have a form giving the history and the words for two pieces of "special" music. Dr. Ron Fabbro and the Bell Choir will present.

Our Kirkin' on the 28th will be followed immediately by a "proper" Scottish Morning Tea (tea and desserts) served in the narthex. And, gentlemen . . . tea in Scotland is not reserved for women only . . . it is a family event. Barb Crall, Pam Cameron and Carol Rhodes have graciously offered to organize the tea.

Please let me know if I can answer any questions.

Maureen Richardson, Worship Elder  
503-691-6711, maureenr44@comcast.net

## FUTURE FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

**All Church Potluck—Sunday, November 18** after worship. Sign up on the tower in the narthex.

**Hanging of the Greens—Sunday, December 2**

**Progressive Dinner—Sunday, December 16.**

## YOUTH GROUP MEETING OCT. 21



Thanks to Kathy Sweetland for organizing an evening of fun for youth and parents, an evening of pizza, games and writing letters to two of our troops stationed in Afghanistan. The letters will accompany care packages, with items selected by the youth.

## INTERESTED IN ATTENDING Presbyterian Youth Triennium?

**It's time to apply!**

Application forms are now available for both youth delegates and adult advisors for Presbyterian Youth Triennium, July 16-20, 2013 at Purdue University in Indiana. Triennium is an event unparalleled in our denomination where Presbyterian youth from all over the nation and all over the world gather for five days of community-building, worship, learning, service, fun and more. Please see your youth coordinator for more details and to pick up an application packet. You can also find out more at [www.presbyterianyouthtriennium.org](http://www.presbyterianyouthtriennium.org).

## VETERAN'S RECOGNITION BREAKFAST

The City of Tualatin is hosting a Veterans Recognition Breakfast on **Friday, November 9th from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.** at the Juanita Pohl Center. All Veterans can eat for FREE. Family members and others are invited to the breakfast (children must be 8 years or older). The fee is \$6.00 per person

We hope to have a few speeches from local veterans. We'll sing the Star Spangled Banner and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

We ask everyone to RSVP by Monday, November 5. Please call (503) 691-3014.

Matt Saviello, Juanita Pohl Center Supervisor  
8513 SW Tualatin Road, Tualatin, 97062  
503-691-3014, msaviello@ci.tualatin.or.us

## NEW WOMEN'S MINISTRY PROGRAM

Join the fun at **noon on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**, for a potluck salad luncheon and program at the church. The Women's Ministry Program is being designed for education and enhancement of spiritual life as well as connection to our community in ministry projects. Sign up on the tower to bring a salad or dessert. Include your email address if you would like future email notification of programs.

### November Program - "Nuns on the Run!"

Did women play a role in the protestant reformation? Well, the first meeting of the Women's Ministry Group will give some insight into this question by watching and discussing an engaging video about a 16<sup>th</sup> century woman named Katie. Katie was a nun who in 1523, upon hearing of the reformation, escaped her convent on Easter with eleven other nuns, hidden in a fish wagon. Can you say "scandal"? She eventually married a very famous man and even started her own brewery. Amazing! Can you guess her married name?

Carolyn Barker

## ESSENTIAL HEALTH CLINIC

TPC will provide dinner for the volunteer medical staff at the free, Essential Health Clinic, on **Wednesday, November 14**. The clinic, which is open every Wednesday evening at 15296 SW Royalty Parkway, (the North end of the Safeway Mall), serves both the

uninsured and the underinsured. The patients range in age from infants to the elderly.

We invite you to volunteer and continue the TPC tradition of great meals for the medical staff. Sign up in the Narthex to help provide dinner. Please plan your contribution to serve 16 adults. Dishes can be brought to TPC by 2:00 p.m. on Nov. 14, for delivery to the clinic. If you have questions, please talk to Joan Nardi 503 684-6529.

## Mission Committee Report

**Peacemaking Offering:** A hearty "thank you" to all of you who contributed to this offering. Total contributions were \$ 867, which exceeded our average level of support over the last four years. While the majority of the funds will go to the larger organization (Presbytery, Synod, PC (USA)), 25% will be retained by TPC to be used locally at the discretion of the Mission Committee. Your support of this offering is greatly appreciated.

**Save the Date:** It's not too early to begin thinking about our annual Cookie Sale which will be **Saturday, December 15th**. The congregation is blessed with numerous individuals whose culinary skills excel! They bring old time favorites and new concoctions to this annual event which supports the Mission outreach of our church. Besides the strong support within our congregation, the sale is anticipated each year by friends and neighbors. So, dust off those cookie recipes and mark the date on your calendar.

**Adult Mission Trip:** In October, the Presbytery of the Cascades sent 23 people to work in New Orleans for Project Homecoming, a ministry funded by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Volunteers, assisted by experienced, licensed contractors, built homes for those affected by Hurricane Katrina and more recently Hurricane Isaac. The team from TPC has just returned and a more complete report will be forthcoming.

Chip Kyle, Mission Committee Elder

## FOOD DRIVE CHALLENGE RESULTS

A total of 508 pounds of food and hygiene products were donated and delivered to the Tualatin School House Pantry from the food drive challenge on October 20<sup>th</sup>. The official weigh-in results are as follows:

Women's Results	280 pounds
Men's Results	228 pounds

Though most of the donated items were food products, the women's strategy of kitty litter over the men's strategy of paper products seems to have paid off in the weigh-in. However by volume, the men may have had the upper hand. Thank you for participating and thank you, Pastor Ken, for the enjoyable morning tour of the Holy Lands.

## WHAT'S BEST ABOUT FALL?

We asked that question at the October Treasure Night\* on October 16 and got these responses from Treasures and volunteers...changing leaf colors, dancing in the rain, picking mushrooms, cooler weather, hanging out with Mom, decorating pumpkins, fall sports, pomegranates, passing out treats, raking leaves for money, cooking 'squashy' things, scenic drives in Oregon, singing in the rain, Halloween!

\*The Treasure Night program is a monthly outreach event for developmentally disabled adults hosted by TPC. For more information about this program or how you can help, please contact Carolyn Locke [503-656-1534](tel:503-656-1534).

## COFFEE SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

Do you ever wonder about how to help as a coffee server after worship? The twelve deacons are each in charge of recruiting volunteers for one month. But what if you are unable to help during your deacon's assigned month, or what if you love serving coffee and want to help more than once a year? There is now a sign up sheet on the tower in the narthex. Please sign up! You will be contacted by the appropriate deacon to confirm your date and to see whether you would like assistance on that Sunday. Thanks for your help!

Carolyn Locke, Parish #9 Deacon

## October Session Meeting Highlights

Carolyn Barker, Clerk of Session

### Action Items

The Community Help Fund is nearly depleted and Session approved transferring an additional \$200 to the fund.

Session has approved receiving the following new members: John and Jean Martin, Cecil and Betty Taylor, Jeff and Kitty Taylor, and Michael Ratliff.

No additional payment will be made to Cascades Presbytery for travel reimbursement because the financial obligation has been fulfilled.

Job descriptions for the Choir Director and Handbell Choir Director were approved.

### Committee Reports and General Information

Annual reports from Session and other church committees and groups are due December 1<sup>st</sup> so they can be compiled for the January meeting.

A thank you was received from Elise Steffen for the \$500 scholarship.

The pastor is conducting a Bible Study training class.

The fall stewardship drive is planned for three Sundays in November.

Deacons reported the new photo directory is underway.

The nominating committee announced that Jeff Taylor has agreed to fill the Deacon vacancy.

The new sign on Boones Ferry will need to be moved closer to the rock wall to avoid intruding into the street right-of-way.

The first review of a revised scholarship policy was presented.

The itinerary for the Session planning retreat on November 2 and 3 was discussed. The retreat will function as the regular November Session meeting.

Jeni Wiggers was invited to welcome others to join her in registering her concern with the National Boy Scouts of America over social justice policies of exclusion.

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

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CHRISTMAS PROJECT

In preparation for a Christmas craft project, Elder Katrina Weener asks you to save and bring to church empty toilet paper rolls. She needs about 100 more of these rolls. We'll put a collection bag on the shelf outside the office. Thanks for your help.

## PLEDGE PAYMENTS

Now is a good time to check the status of your 2012 pledge payments. Call the office or email Rhoda at Rhoda@tpcspirit.org. Rhoda can let you know if you are on track to fulfill your pledge by the year end; she can also check if you've paid the \$23.85 per capita expense for 2012.

## HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

Heifer uses donations to provide livestock and training to underprivileged people around the world. Giving an animal is like giving a small business. And small businesses can lead to very big changes.

The founder, Dan West, knew that emergency relief could not end hunger. Since our first overseas mission in 1944, our goal has been the same. Provide families in need with an opportunity to support and feed themselves. Instead of feeding the hungry, Heifer helps the hungry feed themselves. Like the saying goes, it's a hand up, not a handout. Plus each family who receives an animal agrees to give one of their animal's offspring to another family. We call it Passing on the Gift and it's what sets Heifer International apart. To donate, call (800) 698-2511. To see a catalog, go to [www.heifer.org/catalog](http://www.heifer.org/catalog).

## Medicare Open Enrollment, 2012 October 15 -- December 7

Open enrollment for all Medicare beneficiaries began October 15<sup>th</sup>. During this time you may change your Medicare Advantage Plan or your Part D, Prescription Drug Plan.

Choosing the best Medicare plan is complex and is very individual. Factors to consider are the prescription drugs you are taking, premium cost, co-pays and co-insurance. SHIBA volunteers will help you consider all these factors.

Karen Black, TPC Health Ministry Liaison, is also a SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance) counselor and can provide information about Medicare to help you choose the right plan. For an appointment, please call (503-679-2182) or email ([karendblack@comcast.net](mailto:karendblack@comcast.net)). She can talk with you over the phone, come to your house or meet at any location.

This opportunity is open to all Medicare recipients in Oregon. For the state SHIBA office, call 1-800-722-4134.

## Author Jane Kirkpatrick to Keynote 2013 Leadership Fair

Noted local author Jane Kirkpatrick will keynote the Cascades Leadership Fair on **Sat, Feb. 28, 2013**, at First Presbyterian Church in Salem. She will address the event theme of "The Power of Story: Your Story, Our Story, THE Story."

Kirkpatrick is the author of 23 historical novels, each of which has a spiritual message, but not a heavy-handed one. One of her original editors, Dudley Delffts, says that she is "miles beyond the genre writers,...especially the Christian writers who often let their faith agenda override their writing agenda." Over 500,000 copies of her books are in print, and another is due out next spring.

The story theme will be woven into the daylong fair, with sessions on journaling, writing a church history, narrative preaching and even setting up a church library. The Leadership Fair is designed for clergy and laity and offers something for those who serve in all sorts of roles in the church—elders, deacons, choir members, teachers, treasurers and clerks, among others.



## IN NOVEMBER

1-Carolyn Barker, 3-DonnaLee Benner, 4-Greg Lewis, 5-Valerie James, 7-Bruce Benner, 8-Kitty Taylor, 9-Kathy Sweetland, Adele Pelletier, 10-Jodi Breshears, Philip Schmitt, Nicholas Sweetland, 11-Heather Bartlett, 14-Julie Pairamore, Adam Winkler, 16-Nina Oliver, Emily Ricker, Stephen Ricker, Mark Schleicher, 17-John Olsen, Madison Broughton, 20-Rebecca Backen, 22-Cailyn Bowen, 23-Bob Bolton, 25-Martha Wilson, Monroe Mattox, 26-Kendra Sundt, 27-Eva Dwyer, Cindy Hoppe, 28-Renee James, 29-Denise Collins, 30-Jay Wilcox, Jackson Schleicher

# TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

## NOVEMBER, 2012

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>28</b> Reformation Sunday 8:45 Adult Ed. 10:00 Worship	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 7 pm Vocal choir practice	<b>31</b> Halloween	<b>1</b> All Saints' Day 7 pm Bell choir practice	<b>2</b>  Session	<b>3</b>  Retreat
<b>4</b> 8:45 Adult Ed. 10:00 Worship/CSS Financial presenta- tion after worship. 7:30 p.m. Starlight Symphony Concert	<b>5</b> 7 pm Spir- itual Formation off site. For info, talk to Laura Spurrell 503-692-7034	<b>6</b> Election Day	<b>7</b> 7 pm Choir practice	<b>8</b> 7 pm Bell choir practice	<b>9</b> 10 to noon Loving Stitches  Presbytery Mtg	<b>10</b> Noon to 2 p.m. Women's Luncheon @ Lake Grove
<b>11</b> 8:45 Adult Ed. 10:00 Worship Children's Sunday School—leave wor- ship after Children's Message Financial presenta- tion after worship.	<b>12</b> Veteran's Day observed  7 pm Deacon meeting	<b>13</b> 7 pm Mission Committee Meeting	<b>14</b> 7 pm Choir practice  Dinner for Essential Health Clinic	<b>15</b> 7 pm Bell choir practice	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 7 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast
<b>18</b> 8:45 Adult Ed. 10:00 Worship Children's S. School During worship, ded- icate pledge cards. Potluck after worship	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 7 pm Tuesdays Treasures	<b>21</b> 7 pm Choir practice	<b>22</b> Thanksgiving Day	<b>23</b> 10 am to noon Loving Stitches	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> 8:45 Adult Ed. 10:00 Worship Children's Sunday School	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 9 am Newslet- ter deadline	<b>28</b> 7 pm Choir practice	<b>29</b> 7 pm Bell choir practice	<b>30</b>	

### 2012 FINANCIALS

Income Year to Date (as of 9-30-2012)	Actuals	Budget	Dollar Difference
	\$207,509	\$192,156	\$15,353
Expenses Year to Date (as of 9-30-2012)			
	\$200,260	\$211,119	\$10,859

**For the latest updates, check the calendar posted on the church website, [www.tpcspirit.org](http://www.tpcspirit.org)**

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.

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Reformation Sunday  
October 28, 2012  
Kirkin' O' the Tartans  
Wear a "wee bit of tartan"



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

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

**Elders:** Randy Beyer, Barb Crall, Norm Dannemiller, Chip Kyle, Maureen Richardson, Karen Schmitt, Kathy Sweetland, Craig Walker and Katrina Weener.

**Deacons:** Julian Awdry, Dan Barker, Bud Bender, Barb Kerr, Carolyn Locke, Robyn MacKay, Bob Nix, Marilyn Staples-Sundt, Karen Stevenson, Jeff Taylor (acting), Jeni Wiggers, and Nancy Wilcox.

**Treasurer:** Scott Mitchell  
e-mail: [treasurer@tpcspirit.org](mailto:treasurer@tpcspirit.org)

**Interim Choir Director:** Dr. David Kelly

**Bell Choir Director:** Debbie Ivanov

**Clerk of Session:** Carolyn Barker  
Email: [carolynjbarker@mac.com](mailto:carolynjbarker@mac.com)

**Music Accompanist:** Dr. Ron Fabbro

**Art Director:** Mary Shiffer

**Webmaster:** Ted Pelletier  
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**Bereavement Committee:** Vacant

**Parish Nurse:** Dianne Lemmon

**Newsletter Editor:** Susan Springer  
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**Wedding Coordinator:** Stacy Mauer

**Administrative Assistants:** Rhoda Friesen and Susan Springer  
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