



ARE YOU READY TO SERVE ON THE TPC PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE (PNC)?

At our last Session meeting, we decided to schedule two very important dates in the life of Tualatin Presbyterian Church: November 15th and December 10th. On Wednesday, November 15th, at our monthly meeting, the Session will look over names to nominate to the Pastor Nominating Committee. Then on Sunday, December 10th at a congregational meeting following worship, the Session will nominate seven (7) people to be elected by the congregation. The Session nominates. The Congregation elects. So, before November 15th if you would like to submit your name to be considered as a person serving on the PNC, now is the time! **But** before sending an email to Rev. Ken Henry at pastor@tpcspirit.org indicating your interest, keep reading. Make sure you understand what will be required of those on this committee and, ultimately, what it means to search for TPC’s next full-time pastor. Besides being a member of the church, serving on the PNC requires:

- Working with the Session, the Interim Pastor and other PNC members to prepare and submit a Ministry Discernment Profile (MDP). This document will tell potential candidates about TPC and why they should apply to be our pastor.
- Receiving, reading, and evaluating Personal Discernment Profiles (PDP) from pastors around the country who are interested in the position.
- Conducting video interviews, telephone interviews, and in-person interviews over a period of several months.
- Watching sermon videos and/or even visiting another church on a Sunday morning to watch/hear a potential candidate preach.
- Working with the Session and finance committee to establish terms of call (i.e. salary, housing allowance, moving expenses, etc.) that are fair but also within the church budget.
- Practicing confidentiality and building trust among other committee members.
- Praying and discerning who God is calling to TPC. This process may take up to year or even a year and a half.

PNCs normally meet twice a month, but as the candidate field narrows, it will probably require meeting more frequently. And typically, when the committee is down to two or three candidates, those pastors will spend a planned weekend in Tualatin to meet with the PNC face-to-face as well as preach in a neutral spot. Let me be clear. It will be hard work and will take some time discerning who will be the right pastor to lead TPC into the future, but this process can also be personally rewarding as you will be working with other people with whom you share a common goal.

If you feel God is calling you to serve on the PNC, please include in your email the answer to the following two questions:

1. Why do I feel God is calling me to serve on the PNC?
2. What gifts and experiences do I bring to the search process?

Blessings, Ken Henry, Interim Pastor



**RISING TO THE CHALLENGE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023
PLEDGE SUNDAY/POTLUCK**

Rising to the Challenge is the theme for the 2024 pledge drive, and it will be especially true for the year ahead. I have no doubt that the members and friends of TPC will meet that challenge as they have in the past. The members of the Finance Committee ask that you consider increasing this year's pledge, or pledge for the first time.

On Sunday, November 12, please bring your pledge card to worship as we celebrate our Rising to the Challenge. You can turn in your pledge card that day, or any time by mail, donation plate, or online at tpcspirit.org/pledge. After worship that day, plan on staying for a potluck lunch and fellowship.

Lynne Neilson, Finance/Stewardship Elder

THE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023, Men's meeting will be a show and tell regarding veterans' service to our country and a chance to create displays for an after-worship potluck on Sunday, November 12. During the Saturday meeting, which is on Veterans Day this year, we will share stories to honor any and all Veterans who are part of our congregation or who had a family member who served. All women are also invited to share stories and make a poster. There will be poster boards, markers, scotch tape and other materials available to display memorabilia and pictures of their service. There will be donuts on Saturday.

On Sunday, November 12 after worship there will be a potluck to celebrate stewardship and a chance to talk to and thank the veterans, and those who loved a veteran, for their service to our country! See all of you in November in the narthex for fun and education! Questions? Call Dale MacHaffie 503-784-2476

ADULT EDUCATION NEWS

There are new opportunities for Adult Christian Education. We invite you to the downstairs Adult Edge classroom **Sundays from 9:15 -9:45 am, before the worship service**. Join us for coffee and conversation as we preview the scriptures for that day.

Giving Thanks is the theme for **November**. We are adding another time to gather for study **on Wednesdays at noon**, November 1, 8, and 15. Pastor Ken will lead us in a Bible study on the book of Psalms. Bring your bibles and sack lunch for an hour of bible study; meet in the narthex.

Pastor Ken will lead a 3-week Advent series on "The Spirituality of Light," on **Wednesdays, December 6, 13, and 20 from 7 to 8:15 pm** in the sanctuary.

By offering classes/gatherings on different days and at difference times, we hope we can reach everyone who would like to be involved in a class, study, or discussion. We appreciate your ideas and input for future adult education programs.

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



JANUS YOUTH PROGRAMS - Sundays in November: 5th, 12th and 19th
Janus Youth Programs is a local organization that TPC has supported for years, and the Mission Committee plans to support this organization again in 2023.

JANUS serves thousands of youth in the Portland and SW Washington area. They provide programs to youth who have run away; youth who are homeless; youth who have been trafficked; and young parents in desperate situations. The organization provides young individuals opportunities to build successful lives. As a result, they and the entire community benefit.

In addition to the hats, scarves and mittens we usually donate, JANUS has advised us that this year their “high need” items include:

Underwear
Leggings
Bath towels

Socks
Jeans (size 36 and up)
Blankets (twin sized)

Sweatshirts, Sweatpants
Hand towels
Toiletries

Please note that all clothing is adult sized – no child sizes are needed. We will collect these items and decorate the Janus Tree in the narthex on three Sundays: Nov. 5th, 12th and 19th. Collected items will be delivered to Janus before Thanksgiving immediately following the 19th. Thank you for your support of this meaningful program.
Chip Kyle, Mission Elder

CONNECTION FELLOWSHIP HAPPENINGS

Attendance at the last two Connections meetings has been robust with 19 and 20 women. In October, attendees reviewed the “Leadership Competencies” for TPC’s next called pastor. The competencies were discussed as a group. The ten competencies that were important to those present were: Advisor, Willingness to Address* Conflict, Collaboration, Strategy and Vision, Bridge Builder, Flexibility, Preaching and Worship Leadership, Communicator, Hopeful, and Spiritual Maturity.

*the word used in the document was *engage*, but this group felt *address* better described the verbiage.

On Tuesday, November 14, the Connections group, and other interested people, will tour the new Family Promise *Bridge to Home* facility located at 11460 SW Pacific Highway, in Tigard. You can meet us there at 10:00 am; Gina Olson will lead the tour, which will last about one hour.

If you would like a ride on the TPC bus, be at the church by 9:20 am on Tuesday, November 14th. . The van seats 14. Bob Nix will drive. Reserve your seat by signing up through email or text/call Judy Nix: jcnix@comcast.net or 503-735-5127.

Tuesday, December 12th, all women are invited to the home of Candy Richard, 22850 SW 106th, Tualatin, who is hosting December’s Coffee Connection at 10 am.

SESSION will meet once in November on Wednesday, the 15th at 7 pm.

DECEMBER 3RD is The Rev. Dr. Dick Wiggers retirement date. Plans are in place for something special after church to celebrate.

MISSION COMMITTEE CALENDAR

The month of December is always a busy time and it’s easy to let activities slip by. Please mark your calendars for the following:

- Cookie Sale on Saturday, December 9th
- Giving Tree for TTSD Families concluding on Sunday, December 10th
- Christmas Joy offering on Sunday, December 17th and 24th

More information on each will be forthcoming in the December *Spirit*.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

John and Sue Hayhurst will host a Holiday Open House on Saturday, December 16, 7805 SW Edge-water East, Wilsonville, at 5:30 pm. Bring a hearty appetizer to share. We can gather in fellowship and enjoy and marvel at their beautifully decorated home.

Several folks plan to host dinner for 8 following the appetizer event at the Hayhursts (i.e., as in the spirit of the previously held progressive dinners, some will go to another home for main course and dessert.



Thanks to the amazing TPC volunteers for supporting and helping at the recent Family Promise Fundraiser.

I can't thank you enough for all your help. The new facility keeps growing and providing so many fantastic activities to help our families. Of course, this means Family Promise is in need of many

volunteers to make the program successful. Below are some of the new volunteer opportunities.

COMMUNITY DINNERS - Our new community chef, Eric, continues to do a fabulous job preparing hot meals for our guests. Please consider volunteering to assist Eric in one of the following ways:

Meal Prep: (You do not need to complete the Family Promise training.) Work alongside Eric assisting with meal preparation on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1-4pm. The prep work is done at local churches. THANKS to Mark Hansen for volunteering.

Meal Service & Cleanup: Work alongside Eric to help serve community dinners at Bridge to Home and help with clean up afterwards on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 5-7:30 pm.

MAINTENANCE at Bridge to Home - Monthly yard maintenance at the shelter on the second Saturday of the month from 1-3 pm.

CHILDREN - Volunteers with educational background can help with homework, enrichment, and games - Tuesdays from 3:45 - 5:30 pm

Volunteers engage with children and families through play, crafts, games and reading in the indoor playroom. Daily from 4-6 pm.

BINGO NIGHT - Monthly Bingo night from 6:15 - 8:15 pm. Assist with popcorn, special treats and help the lead volunteer - Saturday, November 18 and Saturday, December 16.

MOVE-IN SUPPORT - Sort, organize and inventory donated housewares.

FOOD PANTRY - Volunteers needed to help fill guest's orders for groceries. Wed. 3:30 - 6:15 pm.

FOOD SUPPORT - Please give donations for grocery purchases to TPC and label it for Family Promise. We have helpers who will do the grocery shopping.

FINANCIAL LITERACY - Classes will generally take place on Tuesday evenings.

If you have any questions or would like the sign up genius link, please email Derrilyn at dabayha@mac.com or call 661-747-8447.

Thanks - Derrilyn Bayha and Pam Bowen, Family Promise of Tualatin Valley Coordinators

COFFEE HELPERS Coffee and cookies are such a treat after service. Volunteers are needed to get it ready on Sundays. If you would like to help, sign up at <https://goo.gl/9imGAU> or TPC website and go to members - fellowship - and click on coffee sign up. If you are new to volunteering, let me know and I will make sure someone will be there to help. THANKS. Derrilyn Bayha - dabayha@mac.com or 661-747-8447

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

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....



THANK YOU to everyone who contributes redeemable bottles and cans, either by bringing them to the church, or by taking a blue Bottle Drop bag, filling it and dropping it off at a redemption site, such as Fred Meyer. Mike Shiffer just requested a check for the balance of our account; TPC has a check coming for \$316.72! It will be deposited to the general fund. Every bit helps.

THANK YOU to the two “church elves” who cleaned the two VISITOR PARKING ONLY signs in the parking lot. The signs look a lot better without a coating of dirt. Thanks again.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
Sunday, October 1st, 2 to 3:30 pm at TPC.

**FELLOWSHIP ON TAP
AT ANCESTRY BREWING**
*Great time on Wednesday,
October 25th*

About 35 people showed up for connection and fellowship at a time other than Sunday morning, at Ancestry Brewing (20585 SW 115th

Ave.). Pastor Ken will schedule another such gathering sometime in November, 6:30 to 8 pm. You might want to car pool.



HOWARD'S HEART

A Message from Julie Flint, TPC Finance Assistant

As a board member of Howard's Heart, I asked TPC for the opportunity to share more about this organization and the impact it makes in the lives of local teens. Howard's Heart is a local non-profit organization that supports teens in foster care. Stories of children in foster care have always been heavy on my heart and I had been searching for a way to help. When I discovered Howard's Heart and their mission of listening, showing up and providing direct support to the teens, I knew I wanted to be involved. During the annual holiday drive, over 300 teens submit their top 3 wishes and Howard's Heart does their best in fulfilling these wishes through monetary donations to purchase the items, individuals or groups purchasing the items from a teen's list, and/or groups holding gift card drives.

Throughout the year, Howard's Heart also provides essential hygiene supplies to the DHS teen units and for pick up at the Howard's Heart site as well as hosts a drive where teens can pick out their own school supplies through our back-to-school store. Their most meaningful program, however, is the special requests program, where teens can ask for anything, they want, need, or can't find elsewhere. This program runs year-round; in the five years Howard's Heart has been operational, donors have fulfilled every kind of request, from a favorite bag of chips to a cross country choir trip! In everything they give, their highest priority is letting teens choose what they need for their own individual journey.

If you are interested in learning more about this organization, their website is www.howardsheart.org and the holiday wish lists will be posted on their Facebook page starting in November. Also, if you love to wrap gifts, there will be wrapping parties at the Howard's Heart site at Lloyd Center – contact me to receive the sign-up information.

I will be at the TPC service on November 12th, look forward to meeting more of the TPC Community and will be available then or through email at detailsbyjulie@msn.com if you have any questions about this organization.



TPC 2023 Youth Ministries in a Snapshot



NOVEMBER TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| | | | 1 10 am Loving Stitches at TPC | 2 12:45 pm Uke practice 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal | 3 | 4 Choir Rehearsal 10 am to 12:30 pm |
| 5 10 am in-person, and on-line worship Daylight saving time ends | 6 | 7 | 8 7 pm Mission committee meeting in the narthex | 9 10 am TPC Readers/Zoom 12:45 pm Uke practice 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal | 10 Youth Lock In 8 pm to 8 am | 11 Men's Group 10 am at TPC |
| 12 10 am in-person, and on-line worship Pledge Dedication-and Veteran's Potluck after worship | 13 7 pm Deacon Meeting | 14 10 am Coffee Connection 7 pm Stephen Ministry/Zoom | 15 10 am Loving Stitches at TPC 7 pm Session Meeting | 16 10 am TPC Readers/Zoom 12:45 pm Uke practice 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal | 17 | 18 |
| 19 10 am in-person, and on-line worship | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 Thanksgiving Day | 24 | 25 |
| 26 10 am in-person, and on-line worship | 27 Dec. newsletter deadline office@tpcspirit.org | 28 7 pm Stephen Ministry/Zoom | 29 | 30 | | |

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 9/30/23 | \$249,060 | \$245,296 | 3,764 |
| Operating Expenses Year to Date 9/30/23 | \$264,517 | \$267,271 | \$2,754 |



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!!!

James Olsen
01-Carolyn Barker

01-Karolyn Phillips
01-Gary Roth
03-DonnaLee Benner
05-Valerie James
07-Bruce Benner
08-Kitty Taylor
11-Heather Bartlett
14-Susan Fee
14-Adam Winkler

19-Camden Carlson
19-Erin Dwyer
20-Becky Backen
22-Melinda Woods
23-Bob Bolton
26-Kendra Sundt
27-Eva Dwyer
28-Rene'e James
30-Jay Wilcox



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Web Address: www.tpcspirit.org We're also on Facebook.

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

Art Director: Chris Robertson

Bereavement Committee Chair: Barbara Crall

Blood Drive Coordinator: Scott Cameron

Clerk of Session: Craig Bowen

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

Stephen Ministry: Jean Martin, Susan Springer

Treasurer: Chip Kyle

Wedding Coordinator: Stacy Mauer

Archivist: Rick Crall

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