

Templetones

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
TEMPLETON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 2019

OCTOBER 27

Discovering
CHURCH 3:00pm
TPC Library
MEMBERSHIP

More info on
Pastor's Page

NEW MEMBER CLASS



Join us on the front lawn for
"TRICK-or TREAT on MAIN STREET"
October 31 3:00-6:00pm

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



TPC KIDS

In both TPC Kids and The Ark we have been digging into *Genesis 1*.

Here's what happens...

God makes the world. God is creative, making all different kinds of plants and animals, birds and fish, land and sea. Finally, he creates the pinnacle of his creation: humans! He makes people in his own image.

Bible Point: God is creative. We are his masterpiece!

the ARK



3rd Grade Bible Presentation

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." - *Psalm 119:105*

We presented the sensational 3rd graders (Josiah Hayes, Trinity Alsup, James Himelson, Lia Clemens) with an *Adventure Bible*...aptly named, because living and walking with Jesus is and will continue to be a life-long adventure.



Memory Verse

"Have you never heard?
Have you never understood?
The Lord is the everlasting
God, the Creator of all the
earth. He never grows weak
or weary. No one can
measure the depths of his
understanding."

-*Isaiah 40:28*

TPC KIDS Mission Statement:

Partnering with parents to make disciples by teaching and encouraging kids towards a lifelong, joyous relationship with Jesus.



PASTOR'S PAGE

My apologies for the blank Pastor's Page last month. The run-up to vacation got the best of me, and I opted not to squeeze one in once my vacation time officially started. I think that's the second time in 21 years that it's happened. And **speaking of my vacation**, or "stay-cation" as it was, I made the mistake of trying to do a 40-year-old man's work in a 68-year-old body. Still feeling the effects two weeks after the fact. But grateful for the opportunity to keep plugging away at the never-ending task of making something a bit more like "home" every day. I'm one of those people who love to put that check in the box (x) after every accomplishment, however small. Lots of checked boxes in two weeks' time.



I'm always looking forward to each installment of our **Discovering Church Membership Class** (see page 4). It's called a "class", but it's more of a small group discussion and sharing time as we learn what defines TPC – who we are, what we believe, how we worship, what is our mission, and what it means (and why it is important) to become a "member". For some, "membership" can be an off-putting phrase, especially when it comes to our personal faith and relationship with God. But our faith is both personal *and* corporate, for we are the *body of Christ*, and there is nothing more integrated, cooperative, and mutually dependent than the internal workings of the human body. And so it is with Christ's body. Membership, in short, is making concrete our commitment to be a follower of Jesus by choosing to plant ourselves in the context of a local congregation where we get to work out the realities of what it means to love Jesus and love one another.

My hope is that if you have been attending for a while now and would like to learn more about our church, and even possibly take that step of commitment, you will make room in your calendar to spend a Sunday afternoon (October 27, 3-6pm) getting to know others who are in a similar place, and getting better acquainted and connected to our congregation. It helps to let us know if you will be attending so the Fellowship Committee can plan to have plenty of food on hand for the dinner that follows the class (6-7:15pm). Simply let me know on a Sunday morning or call the church office. I look forward to seeing you there!



On the **Mission page** in this issue is the **IMPACT SUMMER MISSION TRIP** opportunities (see page 8). IMPACT is a short-term mission-sending organization that we have been supporting for as long as they have been in existence – over 30 years. Several members have been a participant or a leader on trips (I went twice to Turkey), though not for the last several years. Mission Committee wanted to give some extra effort in publicizing and encouraging people to think about the possibility of going on an IMPACT trip this year. We'll be having a Moment for Mission presentation in the next month to learn more about it, but for now, take a look at what is happening this summer and see if anything strikes a chord with you and resonates with where you are in your current walk with Jesus and how he may want to stretch, challenge, and grow you, as well as use you to love and serve one of IMPACT's mission partners somewhere else in the world.

Faithfully yours in Christ Jesus,

Charlie

VOYAGERS/SHOEBOX/GIVING/CLASS



VOYAGERS

Thursday, OCTOBER 17th

Pioneer Museum, Paso Robles (Docent led tour)

See how life has changed! Magnificent artifacts galore!

11:45 - Lunch at Griff's Pizzeria & Bistro (order from menu)
105 S. Main St., Templeton

1:30 - Pioneer Museum 2010 Riverside Ave, Paso Robles
(Just south of fairgrounds)

RSVP by Thurs., Oct. 10th - Jane Jennings (805) 462-2016

Operation Christmas Child
kicks off **OCTOBER 20**.
Shoeboxes will be available
for pick up in Butler Hall.



TPC now offers the option of ONLINE GIVING. From our templetonpres.org website, go to **GIVING** on the home page menu bar, then click on the link to "access ONLINE GIVING". If you have any questions, feel free to contact the church office.



OCTOBER 27
3:00-6:00pm
(Dinner to follow)
TPC Library

**Discovering
CHURCH
MEMBERSHIP
NEW MEMBERS CLASS**

Contact the church
office or Pastor
Charlie to sign up.

THANK YOU
from Front Porch



Over 150 mugs
donated for this
year's ministry!

THANKSGIVING BASKETS/TREATS



The Deacon Board of Templeton Presbyterian Church, with your help, will again put together and distribute Thanksgiving Baskets to families in need from within our community.

Our plan is to collect financial contributions for turkeys and other food items during the coming weeks. Donations can be made by marking "Thanksgiving Baskets" on the Deacon Fund envelopes and placed in the offering plates. **October and November are donation collection months.**

On **Friday, November 22**, we will be picking up turkeys and food from our suppliers and unloading items at the church. We will need help setting up tables in Butler Hall with items organized in assembly line fashion for easy packing the next morning.

On **Saturday, November 23**, we will need volunteers to pack the boxes for distribution starting at 8:30am.

Please pray for this valuable community outreach.

Contact Mick Lebens at (805)674-2902 if you have any questions. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be available in Butler Hall over the coming weeks.

TPC is once again gearing up for Templeton's annual

"Trick-or-Treat on Main Street"

OCTOBER 31 3:00-6:00pm

Join us on the front lawn for games, prizes, and candy, candy, candy!

Speaking of candy...

CANDY NEEDED!!!

**Please drop off any
candy donations to
Butler Hall by October 27th.**



SAVE THE DATES...



October 20
12:00pm Butler Hall
Invite your friends
and family!



NOVEMBER 9 8:00am

NOVEMBER 10 6-9pm COUPLES' NIGHT

Come connect with other couples of all ages and stages. Enjoy good food and conversation, as well as glean advice and wisdom from both Right Now Media and each other.

Dinner and childcare provided. Tickets on sale mid-October. More info to come.



Shoeboxes
DUE
NOVEMBER 17



CAMP INFO EVENT

NOVEMBER 3 after church

Stay tuned for details!

13th Annual LIVING NATIVITY 2019

December 13 7:00pm

December 14 7:00pm

December 15 5:45 / 7:00pm

FELLOWSHIP/MOMS



Fellowship

Our coffee cup is happy because the new kitchen counter tops are installed and are beautiful!! We are all grateful for the leadership of Carla Martinez. She supervised all of the work including scrubbing the sinks back to a shine and getting all of the cabinets completely cleaned and our many kitchen supplies put back in order. THANK YOU, CARLA!

There are still a few empty spots on our fellowship calendar, so please check the board and find a spot that works for you. Treats are exactly that – no need to be fancy. We all like doughnuts, cookies, cake, veggies, chips, the list goes on. Share the gift of giving with one or two friends. Remember! Fellowship is a gathering to talk with friends and have a nibble before lunch.

In November we will have the unique “B, B, B Scones” Sunday. Bake a scone. Buy a scone. Bring a scone. Fellowship will provide the strawberry jam, Devonshire cream and lemon curd to make sure your scone is absolutely delicious.

IMPORTANT! SAVE THE DATE!!
Sunday, December 1st
“Celebration Potluck!”

This will be the beginning of a month-long celebration our 25 years young Sanctuary. The Fellowship committee will be taking sign-ups in November so that each of you can participate in preparing our celebration feast.

Nancy Jo Doughty
Fellowship Elder
805.286.4461
happycats.njd@gmail.com

MOMS IN PRAYER

What if you could change the world—not just today but for generations to come?

Moms in Prayer International believes that a mom can be the single greatest force of good in the lives of her children and the children around her—and that lives and whole communities are changed forever when moms gather together to pray to the only One who can change a human heart. Moms can make the difference as they reach out to God in prayer—moms just like you and me.

Come Pray with Us! Every Friday morning from 8:30-9:30am in the TPC Library to pray God’s Word over our children and teachers, staff, and administrators of Templeton Unified School District.

For more info, contact Maria Roberts @mariariseup@gmail.com.



IMPACT TRIP OPPORTUNITIES (from Pastor's Page)

Now forming the Hurricane Relief Team for Spring of 2020!



Haiti: June 22- July 4

Medical Professionals Wanted

This team will partner with Greg Barshaw and Connect 2 Ministries in Port-au-Prince. They will have the opportunity to come alongside

Christians in some of the poorest areas of Haiti. The ministry of this team will be decided by the makeup of the participants and their skills. A variety of options range from running a week long medical clinic to running a week long VBS program for a local church. The team will get to know and worship with the local church they are ministering in as they seek to encourage and equip Haitian Christians to live out the gospel in their neighborhoods.

Minimum age: 18

Honduras: June 22- July 10

The IMPACT team will be working alongside of Orlando and Silvia Japas and the Unión Bíblica Staff and



volunteers to share Biblical values with the young people of Honduras. The people of Honduras are living through a time where children are growing up learning from cycles of family disintegration and violence. The team will have opportunities to minister within schools teaching a different way of life based on the gospel, minister alongside the local church, and form bonds with inspirational Honduran Christians. Knowledge of Spanish is helpful but not required. Minimum age: 16



Xpujil, Mexico: June 22-July 3

Partnering with the Outreach Foundation, this team will experience more than just a clean water/poverty alleviation project, a relation-based work movement is happening within communities of subsistence level farmers. Many are indigenous Ch'ols, and they suffer from poor health due in part to the lack of access to clean water. Ch'ol Presbyterian laymen organize families to work together to build family-owned cisterns that collect rainfall. Year after year, hundreds of families have easy access to millions of gallons of rainwater. But most importantly, the Gospel is shared and its implications are lived out by our partners in unique ways that people clearly notice. Mutual respect grows, and we pray the Holy Spirit will empower the hearts of all involved to be assured of the grace of Jesus Christ.

Minimum age: 15



Romania: June 22- July 10

This team will work with Dana & Brandi Bates and VIATA Program, a youth ministry sent through Young Life and

located in the mountains above the impoverished coal-mining town of Lupeni in Jiu Valley. VIATA serves to help build a sense of community and hope for better life in this economically depressed area, where people seek work, basic needs, and a vision for the future. We will work to support a summer camp for high school and middle school aged children, where they are taught outdoor skills, rock and rope climbing, and Christian values. There will also be opportunities to serve in a book camp with children and other service projects around the camp or mountain bike trail. Minimum age: 15

South Africa: June 22- July 10

This team will partner with African Leadership, who is committed to educating and serving the people of Africa through the teachings of the Bible and the love of



Christ. They believe in the importance of training local community members to empower and enrich their communities with the Gospel. The team will have opportunities to participate in children's ministry, preschool ministry, school ministries, construction, and local/rural evangelism. Minimum age: 16



Ukraine: June 22-25 (Cross Training) July 2- 17 (trip)

In Ukraine we work with Nita Hanson and God's Hidden Treasures ministry to encourage them and build relationships with the least and the lost in that community. This organization has been growing in scope and now encompasses wheelchair, orphan, medical, spiritual and outreach ministries. The team will have the opportunity to serve in many of these areas alongside Nita and GHT staff. "Our mission is to serve the needs of the poor, afflicted and the orphaned; and to bring God's love through personal relationships in the name of Jesus Christ." Minimum age: 17

2020
TRIP INFO

IMPACT

Visit www.impact-theglobe.org for more information, or to apply for any of the teams!

STEPHEN MINISTRY/PRAYER NIGHT

Situations Where Stephen Ministers Provide Care

Individuals ask to meet with a Stephen Minister for a variety of reasons. According to the Stephen Ministries website, the reasons people meet with Stephen Ministers fall into 10 major categories (see chart below).

The highest ranked reason, Grief, encompasses not only grief over the death of a loved one, but also loss of a job, loss of a relationship, loss of health, loss of home or livelihood due to natural disasters like fire, earthquakes or flooding.

Health Issues cover short and long-term illnesses, hospital stays due to surgery, on-going treatments, or accidents.

Personal Crises include any and all issues—small or big, short-term or long-term, that create difficulties, struggles, or hurt to an individual.



Stephen Ministers are trained to provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are struggling through a difficult time in life. Stephen Ministry is non-judgmental, confidential, and can be short-term or long-term.

If you or someone you know would like to speak with a Stephen Minister, contact Lois Ecklund at (408)718-8613 (cell) or (805)461-1470 (home).

WOMEN'S PRAYER NIGHT

**For One
Another**

A women's evening of connection and prayer

Thursday, OCTOBER 24

WOMEN'S PRAYER NIGHT
October 24 7:30pm

Plan to join us the last Thursday of the month for this special time of sharing with one another. Location varies, so please check with Camille (305-7084) or Leslie (423-3209) for details.

YOUTH MINISTRY

TPC Youth
Fall Activities Calendar
September 2019 - December 2019
Student Ministries Director: Dave Johnson
Phone: (508) 424-8408
Email: students@fpctempleton.org

Legend:
FCA EVENT
SERVICE CRAFT DAY
MOCKTOBER
TRICK OR TREAT ON MAIN
AWAKEN
CHRISTMAS PARTIES
SERVICE-NIGHT OUT

SEPTEMBER 2019
MONDAYS - HSM 7-8:45PM
TUESDAYS - MSM 7-8:30PM

OCTOBER 2019
MONDAYS - HSM 7-8:45PM
TUESDAYS - MSM 7-8:30PM
10/9 - HS FCA FIELDS OF FAITH @ AHS 6:30-8:30PM
10/11 - THIS HOME COMING
10/20 - HS SERVICE PROJECT
10/20 - HSMS MOCKTOBER
10/31 - TRICK OR TREAT ON MAIN STREET

NOVEMBER 2019
MONDAYS - HSM 7-8:45PM
TUESDAYS - MSM 7-8:30PM
11/4 HUME DEPOSIT DUE
11/15 - 11/16 AWAKEN
HS & MS STUDENT INVITED
REGISTER ONLINE AND IN THE YOUTH ROOM
11/25-11/26 NO HS OR MS YOUTH GROUP

DECEMBER 2019
MONDAYS - HSM 7-8:45PM
TUESDAYS - MSM 7-8:30PM
12/16 - HS CHRISTMAS PARTY
12/17 - MS CHRISTMAS PARTY
12/20 - SERVICE PROJECT
12/23-12/31 NO HS OR MS YOUTH GROUP

Facebook.com/templetonpresstudents
Instagram: @templeton_youth
templetonpres.org/ministries/tpc-youth/

**\$55 BEFORE OCT 4TH
INCLUDES TEE SHIRT**

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TPC STUDENT MINISTRIES

FALL CONFERENCE

NOV 15-16

**ABC CHURCH
ATASCADERO, CA**

HS & MS STUDENT EVENT

**STUDENTS MUST REGISTER @
ABCCHURCH.ORG/HSM AND
RETURN THIS FORM TO TPC**

Get Informed: UPCOMING EVENTS:

OCTOBER 1ST - HUME SIGN-UPS OPEN
OCTOBER 9TH - FCA FIELDS OF FAITH (High school Only)
OCTOBER 30TH - MOCKTOBER (MS & HS STUDENTS)
OCTOBER 31ST - TRICK OR TREAT ON MAIN STREET

Get Invested: MINISTRY NEEDS

PRAYER NEEDS: We are experiencing rapid growth within our Youth Ministry. Currently we are ministering to over 30 High School students weekly and over 20 Middle School students weekly in our programs. With this our first and most pressing need is PRAYER. Pray for our students, that their time in our ministry is transformative. Pray for our leaders, that we may have the mind of Christ to speak truth and love into the lives of our students. Pray for our students' families that God would reach them through the relationship we have with their students.

Get Involved: BE A HOST HOME!

Are you looking for a way to serve the youth at TPC? We are looking for HOST HOMES for our 2019 Awaken Fall Conference. We need people to host students overnight Friday Nov. 15th in their homes. The students will be High School age and each home will host a specific grade and gender of students (i.e. Freshman Boys Home 1, Freshmen Girls Home 2, Sophomore Boys Home 3, etc.) If you are interested in hosting a small group of students in your home, please give me a call. We would only ask that you would help by providing a light breakfast on the morning of Saturday, November 16th. Students would arrive on Friday night at about 10:30PM and we would get the students out of the house by 8:30AM on Saturday.

In Christ,

David Johnson (508) 424-8408 students@fpctempleton.org

**OCTOBER 9TH!
6:00-8:45PM**

**FCA
FIELDS OF
FAITH**

**ATASCADERO HIGH SCHOOL
FOOTBALL FIELD**

**IF YOU NEED TRANSPORTATION
MEET AT THE CHURCH @ 6PM AND
INDICATE IT ON BACK OF FORM**

Student Ministry Schedule

Sundays 10:00AM
MS Sunday School
12:00PM Worship Practice

Mondays 7-8:45PM
High School Ministry

Tuesdays 7-8:30PM
Middle School Ministry

OCTOBER CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 10:00 AM Worship Service 10:25 AM TPC Kids 11:10 AM Coffee Fellowship 1:00 PM House of Restoration service	30 6:30 PM Men's & Women's Bible Study in Chapel 7:00 PM High School Youth Group	1 9:00 AM Prayer Group 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM House of Restoration - practice 7:00 PM Middle School Youth Group	2 2:00 PM Youth for Christ 6:00 PM A.A. 6:30 PM House of Restoration service	3 9:30 AM Women's Study Group 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:30 PM Handbell Choir	4 Church Office Closed 8:30 AM Moms in Prayer	5
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Dean Dawson Memorial Saturday, October 12 @10:00am at TPC.
 Lunch reception to follow.

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SHOEBOXES and THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Kick Off This Month!



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VOYAGERS

heading to *Pioneer Museum*

OCTOBER 17th

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**WOMEN'S
PRAYER NIGHT
OCTOBER 24**

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MOMS IN PRAYER

MEETS ON FRIDAYS

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