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TEMPLETON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
JANUARY 2020

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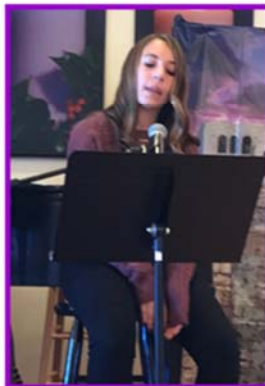
TPC KIDS



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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

from TPC KIDS and The ARK



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

Just typing the date in my Templetones file folder gave me a start: January 2020. **2020!** It hardly seems like 20 years ago that we were all contemplating the potential impact of turning the corner into the 21st century – would computer systems fail ... would the energy grid go down ... would access to basic services come to a standstill ... etc. etc. etc. ????? The world didn't come to a crashing halt, and here we are prepared to enter another decade.

For my household, we enter this new decade awash in puppies. Remind me never to do this again during Advent and Christmas! Two litters ... 15 furballs ... and all the feeding, cleaning, cuddling, playing, and endlessly picking up all the post-digested food they eat every day. It's a beautiful thing to witness how a mother animal – with absolutely no preparation whatsoever – knows exactly what to do when the first pup is born. They never read a book or saw a video ... they never witnessed another dog doing it ... their mom never gave them "the talk" about puppybirth ... and yet God's gift of instinct kicks in and they get the job done.



As I preached through Advent, I was struck how each of the Advent Candle themes were so inter-connected with each other. None were stand-alone qualities; they were all inter-dependent upon each other, with LOVE being the anchor of them all.

It is because of the LOVE of God – that is, our confidence that God loves us with an everlasting, grace-given love ... a love that means he would never lie to us -> that we can trust his promises and have HOPE for the future – hope for our live and hope for the world.

It is because of the LOVE of God – a love that will not leave us as we are, but is committed to our transformation into image of Christ -> that we can have PEACE in our hearts and minds, knowing that he is always at work bringing good, even in the worst of times.

It is because of the LOVE of God – a love that has a plan and purpose for restoring this fallen world into the beauty and goodness of creation -> that we can have JOY in all things, knowing that we reside in the loving arms of our Heavenly Father and that on the other side of the suffering and sadness of this world, is a new heaven and new earth that awaits us.

And of course, each of the other three (Hope, Peace, & Joy) feed and sustain each other.

Our sure Hope in Christ grounds us in the Peace that he gives, not as the world gives.

Our Peace with God, because of our being reconciled to the Father, is our source of Joy in sharing in his glory, both now and forever.

Our Joy in sharing in God's glory, as it did for Jesus, enables us to endure suffering, with the Peace of knowing that what we've been promised cannot be taken away from us.

I'm writing this on December 31, New Year's Eve. May we all enter this New Year's Day, this New Year, and this New Decade secure in the love of God for us, and wrapped in the hope, peace, and joy of Christ. May they be the qualities of faith that sink deep roots in our lives and give us an enduring vision to love God, love ourselves, love one another, and love the world as Jesus did ... and does.

With deep gratitude for you all,

Charlie

MEN'S BREAKFAST / IF: 2020



At the mic: **Rich Eastin**, “Good Food and Bad Poetry”

On the menu: French toast, eggs, muesli, sausage, fruit, coffee, and juice

Bring a friend and join us for delicious food and great fellowship!

Ladies, mark your calendar...

A poster for a Women's Conference. The top has a decorative header with orange, teal, and blue shapes. The text "Women's Conference" is in blue, and "IF:TEMPLETON" is in large, bold, blue letters. Below this, a quote in blue reads: "AT IF:GATHERING 2020, WE ARE GOING TO FOCUS COMPLETELY, ENTIRELY ON THE PERSON OF JESUS. THAT IS IT, THIS IS OUR HOPE AND WE NEED HOPE." The dates "February 7 & 8" are in black, followed by the times "2/7: 6pm - 9pm" and "2/8: 9am-12pm & 2-5pm". The location "Templeton Presbyterian Church" and "610 Main St." are in black. The registration information "Register at templetonpres.org" is in black. The registration fee "Registration fee: \$25" is in black. The catering information "Catered lunch for an additional cost at Fig available upon reservation." and the email "Email: tragoandleslie@sbcglobal.net" are in black. The hashtag "#IFGATHERING2020" is written vertically on the right side. At the bottom, a quote in black reads: "FOR THE LAW OF THE SPIRIT OF LIFE HAS SET YOU FREE IN CHRIST JESUS FROM THE LAW OF SIN AND DEATH - ROMANS 8:2". The bottom right corner has a decorative blue and black shape.

LIVING NATIVITY'S 13th SEASON



**THANKS for
another
great year!**



FELLOWSHIP / VOYAGERS



Fellowship

January has arrived and we hope that your holiday season was a joyous one. Winter is upon us with cloudy skies, rain, and chilly temperatures. A small solution to the doldrums of winter is spending time with friends sipping coffee and nibbling snacks in Butler Hall. Taking a few minutes after Sunday worship to meet up with friends and greet newcomers gives you that opportunity to enjoy a bit more warmth before heading out into the elements, whatever they may be.

The new Fellowship sign-up calendar is up and has lots and lots of empty spaces! Fellowship provides good old Presbyterian coffee but if there is nothing to snack on it might not quite give you that boost you need for the drive home! So, please take a moment to choose a date on the calendar. Providing a simple snack for your fellow worshippers is a small act of service and is very much appreciated by your Fellowship committee! Remember, there is no need to be fancy. Everyone likes doughnuts, cookies, cake, veggies, chips, the list goes on. Team up with one or two friends to make it even easier.

Welcome to 2020!!

Nancy Jo Doughty
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VOYAGERS

Wednesday, January 15

12:00 Butler Hall



Join us for yummy soups, salads, bread, and dessert. Carrie Brightwell (Kathy Loeschner's sister) will be sharing about her life.



Please RSVP by January 10 to Jane (805/462-2016 or 559/967-4584)
and specify what you would like to bring to share.

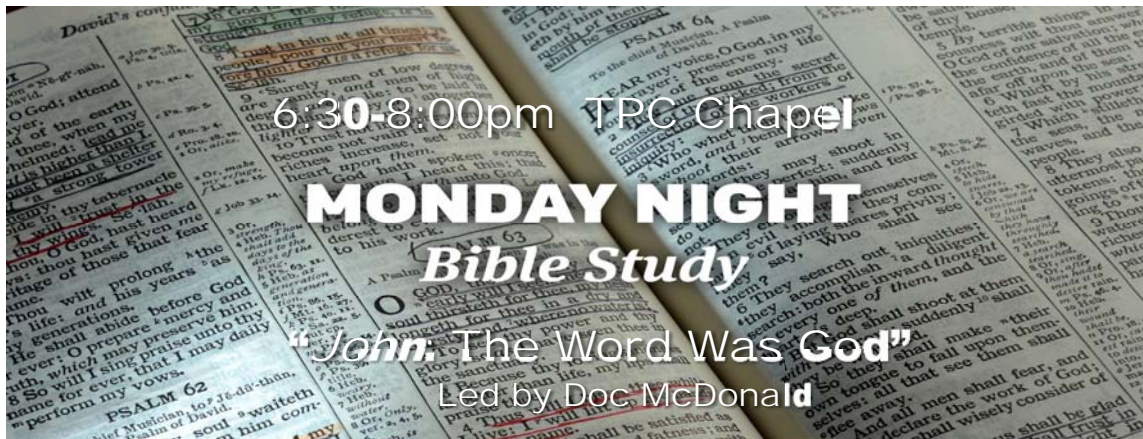
ADULT MINISTRY

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

“Five Hours with the Master” 8:45am TPC Library, led by Ray Derby

Knowing the time was fast approaching for Him to depart this world, Jesus spent His final hours with His closest friends. Bible Scholars tell us that the events described in John chapters 13-17 cover a five-hour period; one that is commonly known as “The Upper Room Discourse”. As the disciples sat with their master, unaware of what would soon take place, Jesus served them, taught them, and prayed for them.

In this study, we are discovering a vivid picture of the disciples’ final moments with their Savior. Carefully walking through John 13-17, reminds us of the centrality of Christ in all of life.



NEW TIME!

TUESDAY MORNING

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

11:00am TPC Library

STEPHEN MINISTRY / MOMS

Get Ready to Celebrate with our Stephen Ministers

As we move into 2020, the Stephen Ministry program is preparing to celebrate “20 Years of Stephen Ministry at TPC”. In March, our 20 Year Celebration will include some “Did You Know...” sharing through Templetones, a Minute for Mission and recognition of all Stephen Ministers, past and present during a Sunday Service, time for meeting and thanking Stephen Ministers during Fellowship following the Sunday service and a lunch for the Stephen Ministers to honor the work each one has done as a Stephen Minister and/or a Stephen Leader.

In the meantime, remember that Stephen Ministers are available to you or anyone in our community that you know who would appreciate a non-judgmental, committed listener to walk with you through any difficult situation that would benefit from confidential conversations and prayer.

To initiate Stephen Ministry care for yourself or someone you know, contact Lois Ecklund at (408)718-8613 (cell) or (805)461-1470 (home).



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 other Friday morning starting January 10 from 8:30-9:30am in the TPC Library.

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



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE



TPC's annual **MLK, Jr. Work Day** will be from 9-12 on **Monday, January 20**. Helpers will meet at ECHO Homeless Shelter at 6370 Atascadero Ave for a clean up day. Check with Kathy Westphal if you have any questions (westphalslo@charter.net).

In addition to the work day, **we are collecting the following items to donate:**

- Shaving razors (both men & women's - **MUST be brand new**)
- Unisex sweat pants (Sizes M, L, XL) - can be gently used
- Unisex hooded sweat shirts (Sizes M, L, XL) - can be gently used
- Thermal underwear (Long johns- Sizes M, L, XL) - can be gently used
- Underwear (Women's cotton underwear sizes 7, 8, 9, 10 - **MUST be brand new**)
(Men's boxers sizes 32/34, 34/36 - **MUST be brand new**)

Please bring to the Church by January 19th. There will be a box in Butler Hall.



TPC is creating a MEAL TRAIN TEAM to help members of our church family who are in need of temporary assistance with meals due to illness, loss of family, etc. If you would like to "hop on board" the train to help, please contact Robin Scott (441-3601).

Sunday morning
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PRAYER CHAPEL
ATENDANTS
Needed

Please contact Margaret Ybarra to help (286-7954).

ATASCADERO WARMING SHELTER is in dire need of chaperones. The shelter is made available when temperatures are predicted below 40 degrees and chance of rain is greater than 50%. For more info and how you can help, please contact Lori Head at 805/423-5114 or via email at nagginmom@msn.com.



YOUTH MINISTRY



Happy New Year from TPC Student Ministries!

There is much to be thankful for as we begin our 2020 Ministry Calendar and look forward to all the Lord has planned for our ministry in this coming year. Please continue to pray for our ministry as we begin 2020 in our series "Influencer" and talk about what it takes to influence others for the Kingdom!

REMINDERS:

In just three short weeks we will be taking 50 High School Students and a handful of leaders to Hume Lake Christian Camps for our 2020 Winter Camp! Please join us in praying for this time, pray that the Lord would work mightily in the lives of our entire group while they are on the hill. **Just a reminder that the Final Due Date for High School payment is January 7th!**

On February 7-10 we take our Middle School group up to Hume Lake for our 2020 Winter Camp. **Final payment for Middle School Hume is due January 28th.** Registration for Middle School Winter Camp is currently closed, however, if you have a student interested please talk to Dave or Kerry and we will see if we can squeeze them in!

Get Involved:

Are you looking for a way to serve the youth at TPC? We are looking for Small Group Leaders for both our Middle School and High School students. If you are interested in being a Small Group Leader, contact Dave either by the email or phone number below!

Upcoming:

On January 8th we will be taking our students to a worship event at ABC Church called Church Arise. This event will see churches from all over SLO County join together for a night of worship, prayer, fellowship and the Word. Students interested in this event can sign up in the Youth Room or by following the link on the website, facebook or instagram!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In Christ,

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

WEDNESDAY JAN. 8TH | 6:30 PM

CHURCH ARISE WORSHIP NIGHT

TPC HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Come with us as we join with other churches in SLO County for a night of worship and unity!
\$5, Meet at TPC at 6:30PM and return by 8:45PM.
Sign-up using the link below!

Student Ministry Schedule

Mondays 7-8:45PM
High School Ministry

Tuesdays 7-8:30PM
Middle School Ministry

January 7th
Final Hume Payment Due
(High School)

January 8th 6:30-8:45PM
Worship Night @ ABC
(HS ONLY)

January 17-20
High School Winter Camp

January 28th
Final Hume Payment Due
(Middle School)

February 7-10
Middle School Winter Camp

JANUARY CALENDAR

JANUARY 2020

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 Pastor Charlie out of office	31 Pastor Charlie out of office 9:00 AM Prayer Group 6:00 PM House of Restoration - practice	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY - Church Office closed 6:00 PM A.A. 6:30 PM House of Restoration service	2 Pastor Charlie out of office 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:30 PM Handbell Choir	3 Church Office Closed 8:30 AM Moms in Prayer	4
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Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2020

They Showed Us
Unusual Kindness

(cf. ACTS 28:2)

JANUARY 18 –25

ALL PRAYER SERVICES BEGIN AT 7:00 P.M.

Sunday, January 19

North County Christian Fellowship
421 9th St ~ Paso Robles

Tuesday, January 21

Hope Lutheran
8005 San Gabriel Rd ~ Atascadero

Thursday, January 23

Bethel Lutheran
295 Old Country Rd ~ Templeton

Saturday, January 25

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church
820 Creston Rd ~ Paso Robles