

# TEMPLETONES

TPC monthly newsletter—JANUARY 2023

Hello TPC Family!

Happy New Year! I was talking with my son the other day about New Year's resolutions, and he said to me that he doesn't think they are necessary. In his words, "A person ought to be disciplined enough to look at a new year as just another day."



I hear him and agree with him in many ways. If we are living our lives to the best of our abilities, indeed we should see each day as just another day on our journey of being the best we can be.

At the same time, I also think there is something special for people to have a chance to let go of some things in the past and focus on new things for the future.

The apostle Paul says in the letter to the Philippians, *"one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus"* -Philippians 3:13-14.

What he is saying here is that in the life of Christ our goal is the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. In Christ our old life is gone, and our new life has begun. This is a wonderful gift and as Paul says a prize. Yet it takes a lifetime to understand and make it our own.

My hope for us in the new year is a renewed sense of urgency to make the new life in Christ our own. For us to do the hard but necessary work of forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what is ahead. This is a message we need to hear and one we need to share with other people. It is a message the world is looking for.

My personal belief is that our best days are ahead! Jesus Christ has come to us. He has loved us. He has forgiven us. He has died for us. He has risen for us! Now our job is to accept his gift and live our best lives for Him! That is a message I can get behind and get excited about.

I hope you can too!

I want to wish each of you a very Happy New Year and I look forward to being the church with you!

Blessings and Peace!

Pastor Roger  
Soli Deo gloria



Guys, join us for good grub and friendly faces! Our guest speaker will be a representative from Templeton's Museum Society. See you there!

## VOYAGERS

**Soup Luncheon & Old-Time Music**

**Wed., JANUARY 18**

**12:00pm—TPC Butler Hall**

**Please bring soup, bread, fruit,  
or dessert to share**

**RSVP to Jane Jennings by Jan. 12**

**805/462-2016**



This year's Christmas Hope Offering raised over \$2,100 for **World Renew Disaster Response Services**. *Thank you!*



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# ECHO

EL Camino Homeless Organization



Did you know TPC provides a meal for ECHO homeless shelter on the third Monday of every month? That means 12 different groups choose a month to plan, prepare, and either serve or drop off a meal for 80+ people once throughout the year. Can YOUR group help? Life groups, Bible study groups, friend/neighbor groups are all encouraged to help with this important outreach.

For more information or to sign up provide a meal for ONE Monday, please contact Russ Westphal: [rvwestphal@calpoly.edu](mailto:rvwestphal@calpoly.edu) or 509/438-6509.



Coffee Fellowship happens every Sunday after church thanks to the many folks who volunteer to bring snacks. Please consider signing up for a Sunday on the board in Butler Hall. If you have any questions, feel free to check with Russ Westphal:

[rvwestphal@calpoly.edu](mailto:rvwestphal@calpoly.edu) or 509/438-6509.

# TPC Kids

We can always use extra hands in TPC Kids Sunday School. Have you considered being an occasional helper or teacher? Please reach out to Mendi Swan with questions or to volunteer: [children@fpcmepleton.org](mailto:children@fpcmepleton.org).

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

Financial Report for DEC 2022		
	Budgeted	Actual
Contributions	33,333	24,431
Expenses	39,039	18,165
Year to Date		
Contributions	200,000	169,505
Expenses	234,236	204,300

Your tithes and offerings keep things up and running at TPC. From utilities and salaries to children and youth ministry supplies, as well as community outreach programs—including Living Nativity—and other missions programs, your contributions make it all happen!



**THANK YOU for another wonderful year of Living Nativity!**



## CHECK OUT OUR DIRECTORY MOBILE APP

**VIEW OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE!**

FREE App for iPhone, iPad & Android



Our church directory is a great resource tool that allows you to get to know our church family better!

Simply go to the App Store, search for *Instant Church Directory*  and download the FREE app to begin.

You will use your email address listed in the directory to **CREATE A LOGIN** the first time you use the directory app. 

If you're not listed in the directory, OR if you have trouble logging into the app, please contact the church office.

 

OR access the directory at:  
[instantchurchdirectory.com](http://instantchurchdirectory.com).

You will be asked to create a free login using the email address the church has on record for you.

If you have any questions (or would like to be added to the directory), please contact the church office: 805/434-1921 or [admin@fpctempleton.org](mailto:admin@fpctempleton.org).

TPC youth

JANUARY 2023



Middle School  
Tuesdays  
7-8:30PM

High School  
Wednesdays  
7-8:45PM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3 NO YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	11 HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM	12	13 HS WINTER CAMP @ HUME LAKE	14
15 HS WINTER CAMP @ HUME LAKE	16	17 NO YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	25 HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM	26	27 MS WINTER CAMP @ HUME LAKE	28
29 MS WINTER CAMP @ HUME LAKE	30	31 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	1-FEB HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM			

SAVE THE DATE  
FEBRUARY 12

MEN'S MINISTRY  
BAKE RAFFLE  
Details to come!

**HUME LAKE WINTER CAMP**  
Please pray for our students and leaders heading to Hume Lake Winter Camp this month.  
High School: Jan 13-16 Middle School: Jan 27-29

**PRAYER REQUESTS** can always be placed in the blue prayer box in the narthex on Sunday mornings or sent by email to [admin@fpctempleton.org](mailto:admin@fpctempleton.org). Prayer requests are kept confidential and shared only with our Prayer Team unless otherwise requested.

*"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." -1 John 5:14*

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