

# TEMPLETONES

TPC monthly newsletter—MAY 2023

Hello TPC Family!

I think we can finally say Spring has sprung! It's so wonderful to see all the signs of new life and growth all around us. And what about all that green! In the liturgical calendar, green is the liturgical color for growth. It symbolizes the new life we find in Christ. As we finish our Easter season and celebrate Pentecost at the end of this month, let us remember to embrace this season of growth God has for our own lives and the life of our church. Many of us understand growth and change are not always easy, yet our faith teaches us we have a Savior who guides us and shepherds us as we find our strength and nourishment from Him. God is with us, dear friends. Let us embrace the wonderful life He has given us and share this goodness with others!

I pray blessings upon you during this season of growth, and I look forward to being the church with you!

Blessings and Peace!

Pastor Roger

Soli Deo gloria



**WOMEN'S  
SELF DEFENSE  
CLASS**

SATURDAY | TIME  
**MAY 13** | **10-12**  
TPC BUTLER HALL

Sign up with  
the office  
by May 8

SIGN UP: [ADMIN@FPCTEMPLETON.ORG](mailto:ADMIN@FPCTEMPLETON.ORG)

You're invited!

VOYAGERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP  
IS PLANNING AN EXCURSION & LUNCH  
AT THE COAST MID-MAY  
STAY TUNED FOR DETAILS!

A side view of a bright orange vintage Volkswagen van with a black and white checkered stripe along the side and luggage on the roof rack.

Mark your calendar!

**JUNE 4** after worship

congregational  
**MEETING**

**Election of church officers**



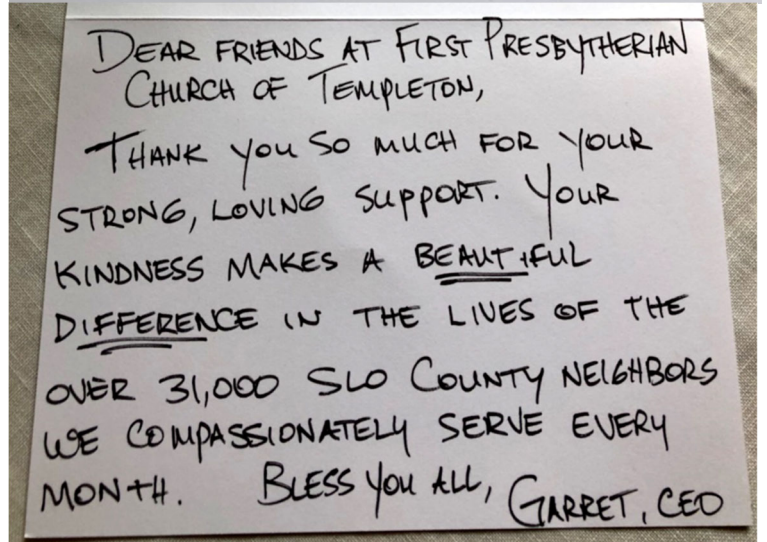
### **SPRING DEACONS QUARTERLY OFFERING**

The Deacons thank you for your generous contributions to the TPC Winter Offering. Please see the thank you note from Garret Olson, CEO of our SLO Food Bank, expressing their appreciation for the Easter Gift by the Deacons using some of the Winter Offering. Funds from the Winter Offering were also used to continue our voucher program through our partnership with Templeton Market and Deli.

The month of May brings us the next opportunity to give to the Deacons fund with this Spring Offering. We are planning to support those impacted by the severe tornados that have devastated communities back East. Please prayerfully consider how you can bless those hit by these terrible storms with your gift to the TPC Deacons Spring Offering. World Renew, our ECO disaster relief partner, will oversee the distribution of the TPC donation. Also this Spring the Deacons teamed up with the Stephen Ministers to provide a delicious dinner for 80 people at the ECHO shelter on April 17th . If you or someone you know needs help or prayer, please let your Deacon know or contact me.

Blessings in Jesus, Frank Bush, Deacon Moderator

*Contributions to the Deacon Fund can be made by cash or check made payable to **TPC** (please indicate "DEACONS" on memo line) or online at [templetonpres.org/giving](http://templetonpres.org/giving) (DEACONS FUND).*

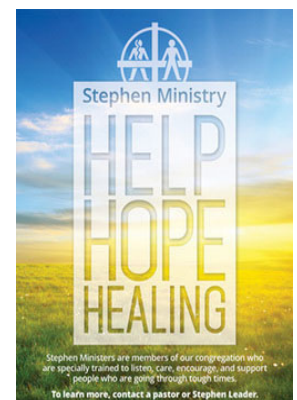


### **STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING HAS BEGUN!**

Our Stephen Ministry team is excited to announce that we have begun a new training class. They will be trained to provide confidential Christian care to those individuals facing difficult challenges in their lives. They will learn skills and a process that enables them to talk with you, listen to you, and reflect back your thoughts as you face any difficult changes in your life.

Congratulations to Yvonne Hoffman and Mary Beth Alvord, who have committed to 50 hours of intense training to become Stephen Ministers.

If you, a family member, or a friend want the support of a Stephen Minister, please contact Lois Ecklund (805-461-1470/home or 408-718-8613/cell) to discuss partnering with a Stephen Minister.





## THE MEANING OF LITURGICAL COLORS

The communion table at the front of the sanctuary is covered with a tablecloth and the front of the wooden lectern has a little banner hanging from it. Have you ever noticed that the colors change occasionally? Have you ever wondered if it was just random or had a meaning behind it? I will answer that burning question! The colors are determined by the liturgical calendar. Liturgical means pertaining to liturgy. Liturgy is defined as “a form or formulary according to which public religious worship, especially Christian worship, is conducted.” The church’s year is divided into seasons which are Advent, Christmas and Epiphany, Ordinary Time, Lent, Easter, Pentecost and back to Ordinary Time. Some denominations celebrate some feast days or other sacraments. Our church typically sticks to the aforementioned calendar. Advent and Lent use the color purple which symbolize penance, preparation, sacrifice. Christmas and Easter use the color white which symbolize purity, joy, light and glory. Red is used on Pentecost Sunday symbolizing blood, and fire. Green is used during Ordinary Time which is a season focused on the three year public ministry of Jesus, His teachings and miracles. The green symbolizes hope and life. The use of liturgical colors is used by many Christian denominations with the origination attributed to the Roman Catholic church in 1198. Other Christian churches have adopted the use of liturgical colors over time with the Presbyterian church making it official in 1970 so we are newcomers to the tradition. It is a visual way to remind ourselves of the changing of the seasons in the church. It will stay on white until May 28 to celebrate Pentecost. The following day it will change to green where it will stay until December 3 when it changes to purple to begin Advent. Now you know!



*Submitted by Debby Price, Elder of Worship and Music*



### WEDNESDAYS 5:30PM

This women's group meets in the church library to discuss the previous week's scripture and message.

### THURSDAYS 1:00PM

This women's group meets in Butler Hall to discuss the previous week's scripture and message.



### MONDAYS 7—8PM

This co-ed group meets ONLINE.

Please contact Donna McDonald for login info:  
docanddonna1@gmail.com  
626/483-7016



We can always use a few extra helping hands in TPC Kids Sunday School. Please reach out to Mendi Swan with questions or to volunteer:

[children@fpctempleton.org](mailto:children@fpctempleton.org)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1	2 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	3 HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM	4	5	6
7	8	9 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	10 HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM	11	12	13
14	15	16 NO YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 YOUTH @ The Wallaces!	25	26	27
28	29	30 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	31 HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM	1	2	3
4 PROMOTION SUNDAY 10AM	5	6	7	8	9	10



**Middle School  
Tuesdays  
7-8:30PM**

**High School  
Wednesdays  
7-8:45PM**



**The Church Office will be CLOSED  
May 11th, 15th, and 29th**

**The Church Parking Lot will be  
CLOSED May 24th—27th**



**Ways to Give:**



**In Person**

Whether it's cash or check, we appreciate your kindness. Checks can be made payable to TPC. Please place your donations in the offering box in the narthex/lobby.



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