TEMPLETONES

TPC monthly newsletter—FEBRUARY 2024



The Bake Raffle is back! Men's Ministry is once again hosting this fun and tasty event which starts with a delicious FREE lunch after worship on Feb. 4. But save room for dessert! All kinds of delicious treats carefully crafted by our talented guys will be raffled off right after lunch. Proceeds from the raffle will be used to help defray camp registration costs for our students and leaders.



We are excited for the start of our new mid-week series, happening on **THURSDAYS @7pm in Butler Hall** (No Class on 2/15). We will be using the *Knowing the Bible: Romans* study guide by Jared C. Wilson. A \$7 donation per book is appreciated (cash or check made payable to TPC). This study is open to the community—invite a friend!



VOYAGERS

Wed., FEBRUARY 21

Tour: ETTO's Pasta Factory 11AM
Lunch: ETTO's Pasta Bar 11:30AM
\$20 Salad & Pasta

ETTO's Pasta Bar 3070 Limestone Way (Tin City) Paso Robles



VOYAGERS' goal is "to provide fellowship and encourage connection and involvement in building a thriving Christian community through service, adventure, and fun." All are welcome to attend any activities. This is a great way to connect with others in our congregation. We always have a good time, whether we're in Butler Hall having lunch and hearing from a guest speaker or away on an adventure. Join us, we'd love to have you!

For more information, contact Jane Jennings or Richann Robinson.

CHECK OUT THE 2024 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES INSIDE!



Reasons to Consider Becoming a Stephen Minister

Is God calling you to become a Stephen Minister?

In Stephen Ministry, members of our congregation are trained and equipped to meet once a week, one to one, with someone going through a difficult time. Stephen Ministers provide a caring presence, a listening ear, and comforting words—supporting care receivers through out their journey.

There are many reasons people become Stephen Ministers. Here are a few to think about as you prayerfully consider whether Stephen Ministry is the right place for you to serve:

- 1. **Make a real difference in the lives of people who are hurting.** Stephen Ministers walk alongside people going through life challenges like grief, divorce, a medical crisis, job loss, and more. They offer care, support, and encouragement, *connecting hurting people with Christ's healing love* during some of the hardest times in their lives.
- 2. Be involved in a meaningful ministry that uses your spiritual gifts. Serving as a Stephen Minister gives people an opportunity to put their spiritual gifts into action—gifts such as faith, mercy, compassion, and encouragement. Ministry that draws on your gifts is personally fulfilling and touches people's lives in powerful ways.
- 3.**Be a part of a group of caring Christians who support each other as they care for those who are hurting.** One of the blessings of being a Stephen Minister is *being part of a community of people who care*, all of whom lift one another up as they strive together to provide the best possible ministry. The strong relationships you'll form are both rewarding and a great source of support.

We will begin a new training class to become a Stephen Minister in March 2024.

To learn more or sign up, please contact one of our Stephen Leaders:

- Lois Ecklund at 408/718-1470
- Frank Bush at 805/466-6012
- Susan Hayward at 917/613-9903.

The Stephen Ministry logo signifies that we are all broken people and it is only through the cross of Jesus that we are made whole.



January Missions Wrap-Up

Our TPC family raised over \$2000 for *GOD'S HIDDEN TREASURES*, an organization helping displaced people, orphans, and the disabled in Ukraine.

THANK YOU for your support!



DEACONS' OFFERING

Dear TPC Congregation:



February is the month for

the quarterly DEACON FUND offering. You generously donated \$3,124 for Thanksgiving baskets in November for which we are so grateful! The total for the 64 baskets we gave away was \$4,523.72. Our giving for Templeton Market was \$389.65 for November and \$268.51 for December for gifts of food and gas to our community. We depend on you for this benevolence and also for requests from such organizations as SLO Food Bank and giving to World Renew for aid with disasters around the world. We also support people within our church who have financial needs. Stephen Ministry is a part of our budget as well (for training materials, etc.), so we depend on donations to meet all these needs year round.

Contributions to the Deacons Fund can be made by cash or check made payable to TPC (please indicate DEACONS on memo line) or online at templetonpres.org/giving (DEACONS).

. . . the righteous gives and does not hold back. (Proverbs 21:26)

Thank you! Linda Hansen, Deacon Moderator

VOYAGERS CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 2024

FEB 21—Tour of ETTO's Pasta Factory & lunch

MAR 2—Symphony rehearsal at PAC (free); lunch @Spirit of St. Lous (SLO airport)

APR 17—Estrella War Birds Museum tour (\$20); lunch to follow

MAY 25—Great American Melodrama(\$36 seniors)

JUNE 20—Brunch @The Cow Tipper followed by Piedras Blancas light station tour (\$10)

JULY 16—Lunch @Del Monte Café followed by Amtrak trip from SLO to Paso

AUG—electric boat trip @Estero Adventures in Morro Bay & lunch

SEP—Americana picnic lunch & entertainment @Richann's

OCT 23—Luncheon in Butler Hall; Guest Speaker:
Denise Fitzgerald (Therapy Dogs)

NOV—tour & lunch (details TBD)

DEC—No planned activity. Merry Christmas!

Would you like to be added to the contact list? Let us know!

Jane Jennings: 559/967-4584 crbjjenn@charter.net

Richann Robinson: 805/712-3564

ronandrich@gmail.com

From Our Stewardship & Administration Team

Session has established an Endowment Fund to ensure the future of Templeton Presbyterian Church and the ministries that we offer to our congregation and community. Deferred gifts such as bequest, endowment, memorial, Charitable Remainder Trust, or Charitable Gift Annuity are plans you can make for income and property to benefit this church and the community that we serve.

Please prayerfully consider a planned gift to the TPC Endowment Fund. Consult with your legal and financial advisors before making ANY deferred gift. Donors contribute in a number of ways including cash as well as other assets.

Contributions can be for a specific purpose, such as the building fund, youth, children, music, or it can be given to support the day-to-day operations by helping with salaries and maintenance and upkeep of the campus. If a specific donation is made, the funds are kept in a separate account used only for that purpose. Call Elder, Greg Honegger at 661/301-1995 for more information.

For current giving, please check out our online option through our website: templetonpres.org/giving. If you need help with setup, please give Julie in the church office a call: 805/434-1921.

Also, please note that annual contribution statements for 2023 were sent via email on 1/23/24. If you did not receive your statement, please contact the church office for a printed copy.

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YOUTH GROUP

Middle School Tuesdays 7:00-8:30pm High School Wednesdays 7:00-9:00pm

Frank Prebor, Director of Student Ministries 820/786-8501 students@fpctempleton.org



WHERE DID THE OFFERING PLATE GO?

If you've been searching for the offering plate on Sunday morning, look no more! Offerings and prayer requests can now be placed in the locked box on the back wall near the doors to the sanctuary.





Financial	Financial Report for JANUARY 2024	
	Monthly	Year-to-Date
Contributions (Budgeted)	30,000	210,000
Contributions (Actual)	20,639	164,170
Difference	-9,361	-45,830



CALENDAR OF EVENTS





What's happening @TPC? (Calendar displays best in "landscape" on phone)

