

TEMPLETONES

TPC monthly newsletter—MARCH 2024

Hello TPC Family!

From the looks of things around our wonderful community it seems that Spring is in full bloom! This time of year is a perfect time to reflect on the new life God brings to us in nature and otherwise. We understand true life comes from Jesus Christ our Lord. Last month we began the season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday service. Lent is a season of reflection and preparation for the resurrection of Jesus Christ we experience and celebrate on Easter. We begin Lent with a liturgy of Ash Wednesday that reminds us “we are dust, and to dust we shall return.” This reminder speaks to our frailty and brokenness as sinners. It speaks of our coming physical death and the mourning and grief we all experience. This symbol of ash also serves as an important marker of things to come. Through the death of Jesus, we receive atonement for our sins. Through our death in Him we find the assurance of forgiveness and the HOPE of resurrection. There are lots of exciting ministry happenings this month and I hope you will take some time to be part of these and support them with your prayers, enthusiasm, and encouragement. I pray blessings upon you during this season of Spring and Lent, and I look forward to being the church with you!

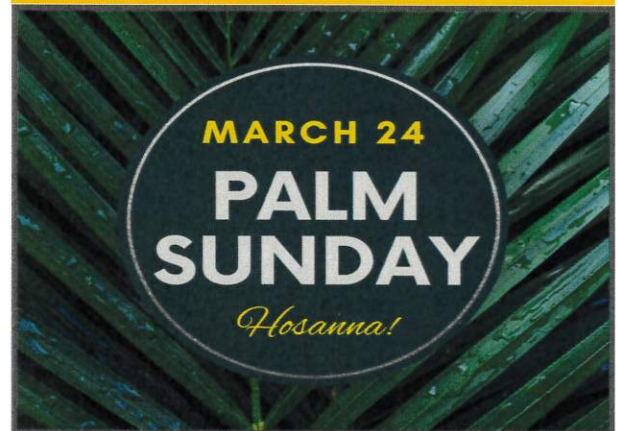
Blessings and Peace!

Pastor Roger

Soli Deo gloria



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE





March Mission Outreach:
CARE CORPS INTERNATIONAL:
A Crisis Care Education Ministry

Care Corps, founded by Dr. Jim Witty in 1996, works to support and train

local members of communities around the world that are in crisis due to disaster and war. This includes working with and helping orphans, victims of genocide, and refugees. Since many of those affected by these crises are children, Care Corps also prepares teams to lead Children's Trauma Care programs. "It is our hope that through addressing the emotional, psychological, and spiritual needs of children affected by trauma, Christ's redemptive love will be witnessed and received."

(carecorpsint.org)

To help support CARE CORPS INTERNATIONAL, contributions can be made by cash or check made payable to **TPC** (please indicate CARE CORPS on memo line) or donate online:

templetonpres.org/giving (CARE CORPS).



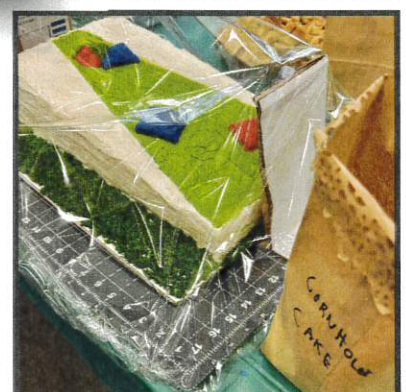
FAMILIES: Come join the fun! Children's Ministry is hosting an **EASTER EGG HUNT** here at TPC on **MARCH 24** right after church.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Check in with Mendi to help: 805/434-7605

TPC kids

3rd Annual Bake Raffle raises \$1700!

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Bake Raffle held on February 4, from the wonderful women who prepared lunch to the gung-ho guys who baked the goodies, and of course our fabulous church family who made the event a huge success! Proceeds will be used to help offset registration costs for students going to camp.



Preparing our hearts for Easter
by reflecting on **Good Friday**

"JOURNEY TO THE CROSS"

March 29

Sanctuary open 12-7pm



Journey to the Cross is a self-guided, contemplative event. It gives individuals the opportunity to reflect on Jesus' sacrifice on the cross by experiencing a series of stations which depict events leading up to the crucifixion. As you move at your own pace through these stations, you will Read, Reflect, and Act on various Holy Week moments.

Dear Congregation,

*"I do not cease to give thanks
for you, remembering you in
my prayers." (Ephesians 1:16)*



This is what each deacon is saying after we learned that **our church family contributed over \$2800 to the Deacon Offering last month.** You heard some of us express to you what deacons do to support members of the church and how much your financial giving helps our community, our country and even the world. Our work is ongoing, each day and month of the year, so we greatly appreciate your heart for helping others.

Gifts to the Deacon Fund can be given any (and every) month of the year.

Love and blessings on all of you for your ongoing generosity, prayers, and support!

Linda Hansen
Deacon Moderator

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Going through a tough time—
emotionally or spiritually?
Struggling with a life crisis?
Or simply feeling down?

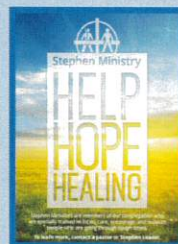


Consider letting a Stephen Minister help. A Stephen Minister is a member of our congregation who is trained to listen, care, encourage, pray, and walk alongside you during difficult times. It is confidential and free.

To request a Stephen Minister
or to find out more, contact:
Susan Hayward 917/613-9903

Have you considered becoming a Stephen Minister?

A new class is starting soon!
Contact Frank Bush 805/466-6012
or Susan Hayward 917/613-9903
for details.



*Bear one another's
burdens and so fulfill
the law of Christ.
-Galatians 6:2*



Confidential prayer
requests can be placed in
the offering box on the
back wall of the sanctuary
or emailed to:
admin@fpsctempleton.org

Join us for our
Mid-week Study:
ROMANS
THURSDAYS
7:00pm Butler Hall
All are welcome!

It's not too late to jump in on our weekly study happening on Thursdays at 7pm in Butler Hall. Pastor Roger is leading the way as we dig deep into the book of Romans. We'll save you a seat!
(No meeting 3/28 due to Maundy Thursday)



YOUTH GROUP

Middle School
Tuesdays
7:00-8:30pm

High School
Wednesdays
7:00-9:00pm

We're looking for Youth Leaders to join our team!

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

THANKS to everyone who joined us for the HS Youth Career Night on Feb 21!



JULY 8—11
Details to come!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



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

Want to receive TPC's weekly email updates?

STAYING CONNECTED

Please let us know:
admin@fpctempleton.org

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

SIGN UP ON THE BOARD IN BUTLER HALL



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