



Knowing Christ...Making Christ Known



September 20, 2020

WELCOME TO



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OUR MISSION -

"TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE CHRIST KNOWN"

Visiting today? Welcome!

September 20, 2020

Notes for Today's Services

**We hope that you will be able to join
with us in worship through the live streaming
on the website templelutheran.org**

OFFERING - *During today's service we cannot collect an offering for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. At Temple Lutheran Church, we acknowledge financial stewardship to be an act of discipleship, done in response to the Good News of God's love. As you hear God's Word today and consider the ways God has blessed you, we invite you to share only what God is calling you to share. We thank you for your generous gifts, and assure you that your donations will help to transform lives as we come to know Christ, and make Christ known throughout Havertown and the world. Please mail checks to the church.*

While we are all social distancing, the work and expenses of the church continue. Please consider e-giving as a way to continue meeting your pledge to Temple during this time. Contact our Financial Secretary at finsecretary@templelutheran.org for information or the form to do this.

TODAY'S READINGS:

MICAH 4:1-5

¹In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised up above the hills.

Peoples shall stream to it,

²and many nations shall come and say:

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

³He shall judge between many peoples,
and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more;

⁴but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their
own fig trees,
and no one shall make them afraid;
for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.

⁵For all the peoples walk,
each in the name of its god,
but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God
forever and ever.

READING: 2 KINGS 2:1-12

¹Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal.

²Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

³The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

⁴Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. ⁵The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

⁶Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan.

⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." ¹⁰He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

VIRTUAL CAFÉ! will happen directly after service using the link found below! This is a new Zoom meeting and will be held on Sundays, every week from 10:20am to 11:35am. Bible study in Café begins Sunday, September 13.

[Virtual Café Link](#)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement Angie, Paul Arata, Jane Bachensky, Geoff Bailey, Keith Bailey, Fernando Batista, Brendan Bell, John Burd, Nancy Butler, Jack Byers, Mike Carr, Linda Clack, Jane Corso, Marion Crawford, Noah Davis, Bobbie Delaney, Gordon Dersheimer, Declan Devlin, Chase Doyle and Adam, Mary England, Christie Ennis, Bill Faust, Shane Faust, David Fitch, Kristine Ferguson-Franklin, Lois Ann Forges-Oler, Lois Gabbott, Patty Gardner, Todd Gasper, Greg Hallquist, Mike and Sandy Harms, Florence Homer, Craig Jamgochian, Gina Kapusniak, Kim Komar, Louis F. Lamoreux, Jean Long, Madison Lynn, Kevin Mack, Pat Mannion, Janet Marinari, Bridget Marley, Mary Ann Mittleman, Sister Judy Moellet, Audie Murphy, Betty Pagan, Carmen Palacios, Linda Palisano, Marita Reardon, Susan Rush, family and friends of Freddy Seefeldt, Merry Snyder, Karen Spangler, Vera Spangler, Benny Strain, Gaetan Termini, Dick Torti, Joyce Van, Frankie Vlassopoulos, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Philip White, Linda Wilke.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**TLC Food Pantry Service Day
on SATURDAY, September 26**

1:00-3:00 p.m.



**We need some help:
Stocking, Restocking,
Organizing and Recycling**



**Call Bridget to sign up
856-607-6702**

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, November 4, 2:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Call Sue Cook, Red Cross or [click](#) to make an appointment. Giving blood saves lives!



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School (for the meantime) will have two modes: one in person (Saturday School) and one online (Sunday School)!



The online version will run just like it did in the spring, on **Sundays** before service from 9am-9:30am with Miss Jeanne via a Zoom link:

Sunday School on Zoom

Meeting ID: 759 0842 5637

Passcode: XpcX0X

Our second mode will be in person, similar to Adult Worship on Wednesday nights. The in person Saturday School will be meeting on **Saturday** mornings. Saturday School will meet at:

9:30-10:15: Kindergarten – 5th Grade

10:30-11:15: Middle School/High School Youth Group

We will meet at Grange Field under/near the pavilion. Make sure to bring your own chairs! Health precautions will include wearing a mask for the length of the time and remaining 6 feet apart at all times. Because of this, I strongly recommend (and ask) that parents for Kindergarteners through 5th Graders stay the whole time to help with social distancing and health protocol. Children attending the Middle School/High School Youth Group may attend on their own. Parents may stay, but are encouraged to give the group privacy for reasons of confidentiality.

I also ask that if you have a cell phone, please bring it! To try and help save trees, I will be sending out materials via an email.

I am super excited for this opportunity, and am looking forward to seeing your children in a way that still honors their health. As with everything else, flexibility is key during this time. I will be monitoring the health safety protocol for the area each week to determine the best way to deliver Sunday School. There will be a weekly email with updates, so be on the lookout!

Any questions, please do not hesitate to text or email me. I look forward to seeing you on Saturday!

Juli

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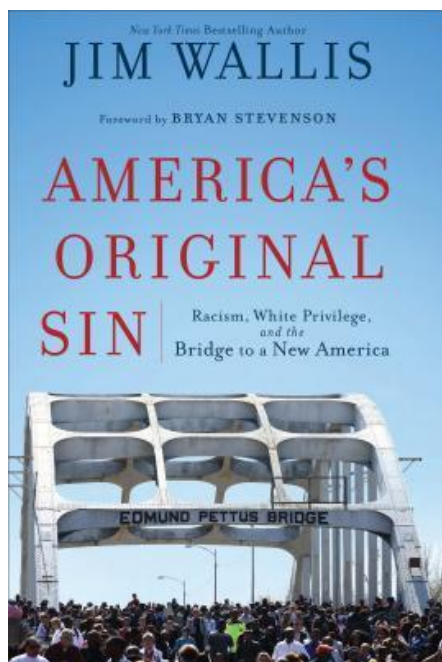
RESOURCES AVAILABLE

As part of the Anti-racism Task Force at TLC I have been keeping my eyes open for opportunities to learn and grow. I recently listened to the book **America's Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege, and the Bridge to a New America**. The cover art is a picture of the Edmund Pettis Bridge in Selma Alabama, and this excellently written book utilizes the author's first person experiences as an anti-racist to help the reader build bridges in their minds and communities.



I recently found a study guide on-line at <https://sojo.net/sites/default/files/americas-original-sin-study-guide.pdf>

Rob Mannix



Whatever stage(s) you are in, we're all right there with you. Temple's Racial Justice Task Force is working on ways to engage in learning together as a church community. As we all continue to learn, examine and engage, we are sharing some opportunities for taking action together. Thanks for joining us in this journey!

P.S. If you'd like to talk, we have a team of people standing by. Reply to this email and you'll get connected with one of us.

Resources – TLC Family
Doin' the Work

STAYING CONNECTED IN COMMUNITY

Life has ups and downs and we all go through challenging times.

Especially now, when social distancing has brought in an additional level of human distancing, we can often find ourselves craving human interaction and support. This group has been initiated for exactly

this purpose, to build human connections, especially in the face of the current adversity. TLC's "Staying Connected in Community" aspires to be a safe group that welcomes everyone to share their experiences and challenges, and to listen and connect with others while recognizing both our common humanity and the divine light we share. "Staying Connected in Community" will be meeting virtually every 3rd Thursday of the month, with group gatherings starting at 7:45 pm and discussion between 8-9.30pm.

First meeting will be Thursday, September 17. Zoom link is below.

For more details, please contact Lisa Schneller at lisaschneller23@gmail.com



Staying Connected in Community



COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

We are collecting light weight items, "store bought" treats such as raisins, dried fruit and nuts, gum, lollipops, popcorn, peanuts, pretzels, crackers, cookies, Halloween candy, small packs of coffee, tea or hot chocolate, instant soup.

NO POTATO CHIPS or CRUSHABLE SNACKS, PLEASE.
Please put items in the tub by the glass doors.



**A Sermon Series
Beginning Oct. 4**

**Live Streamed
Sundays
@ 9:30**

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

through Bethany Adoption and Foster Care Agency.

Now is the time to sign up to buy gifts for children living in foster care right here in the Delaware Valley. Sign up today and let us know how many children you would like to sponsor. Each child will provide a “wish list” of gifts that cost up to \$25. Wish lists will be provided to you in November, and gifts will be gathered at Temple Lutheran Church in early December. *This is a great opportunity to invite your friends, neighbors and family members to participate in the mission of Temple Lutheran Church!* Sign up using the link below through October 26 or call the church office. Questions: Check with Vanessa Wallace

**Christmas Gifts for
Foster Children**



We are also filling gift bags for the women at Chester Eastside Ministries. Please provide your own bags (7” wide, 9” high) or contact the church office. [Click](#) for a list of suggested items. Please return bags by December 6. Thank you.

BED LINEN ITEMS FOR HOMELESS

TLC Food Pantry is collecting the following New or Gently Used items for distribution to the homeless in Philadelphia:



Flat sheets
Pillows
Pillow cases
Towels
Comforters

No ripped, torn, or visibly soiled items please.
Please put donations in the tub by the glass doors.

SUPPORTING THE LUTHERS

Please consider helping his family financially through this difficult time by clicking the "Go Fund Me" link below:

[Go Fund Me](#)

*****NEW LOCATION*****

IN-PERSON WORSHIP OPPORTUNITY WEDNESDAYS

Please join us this Wednesday (and each Wednesday to come) at 7 PM for worship in the parking lot of the old Brookline School on Earlington Road (and Sagamore). We'll gather together for a scripture lesson and a prepared reflection, then we'll break into small groups for check-ins and Bible Study. Please come prepared to wear a mask the whole time and abide by appropriate social distancing guidelines. If you have any questions, email Rob Mannix: robmannix@gmail.com





IMPORTANT ELECTION DEADLINES AND INFORMATION

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3. Voting is one of the most important things U.S. citizens can do. We all benefit when everyone makes their voice heard. Whether voters choose to vote by mail or at the polls, all voting options are safe, legitimate, and secure.

- **October 19** is the deadline to [register to vote in Pennsylvania](#).
- **October 27 at 5 p.m.** is the last day for your county office to receive mail-in and absentee ballot applications
- **November 3** is the day of the General Election. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. As long as you are in line by 8 p.m., you will be able to vote. Voted mail-in and absentee ballots must also be received by 8 p.m. on Election Day.

Visit [VotesPA](#) for any statewide updates and general information about voting in Pennsylvania.



Thank you to everyone who is making live streaming the Sunday Service possible. For the musicians – Sarah Foss, Florrie Marks, Amanda Quillen and Mark Wallace, for the audio-visual tech man – Kyle Barger, for the creative children’s activities – Juli Pierdomenico and Pastor Timothy Johansen.

GIVING TO TEMPLE

While we are all social distancing,
the work and expenses of the church continue.

There are now many ways you can now give to TLC

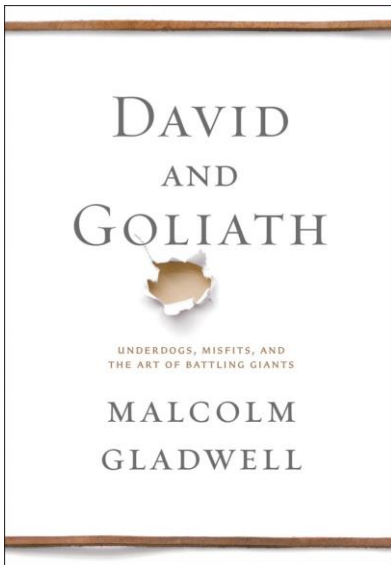
- Mail a check to the church office
- Authorize payment through your bank
- Sign up for electronic giving with Nancy Hallowell

Questions? Contact [Nancy Hallowell](#)

- Use the PayPal link on the website or in
Temple Connections or below



BOOK CLUB



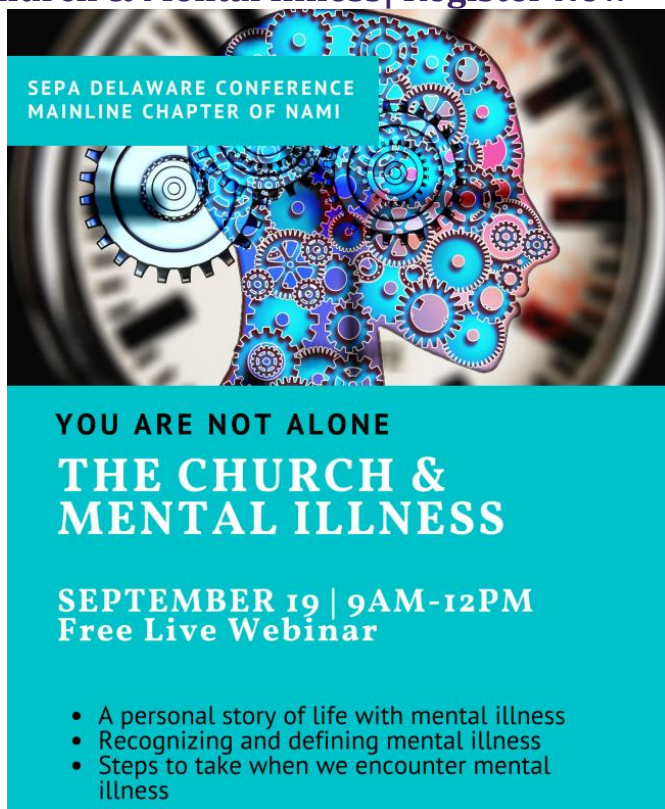
Our next book for the TLC
Bookclub will be "***David and
Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits, and
the Art of Battling Giants***" by
Malcolm Gladwell.

"In his #1 bestselling books *The Tipping Point*, *Blink*, and *Outliers*, Malcolm Gladwell has explored the ways we understand and change our world. Now he looks at the complex and surprising ways the weak can defeat the strong, the small can match up against the giant, and how our goals (often culturally

determined) can make a huge difference in our ultimate sense of success. Drawing upon examples from the world of business, sports, culture, cutting-edge psychology, and an array of unforgettable characters around the world, *David and Goliath* is in many ways the most practical and provocative book Malcolm Gladwell has ever written." - Goodreads

Please join us on Monday, October 5 at 8PM for great discussion and fellowship. Even if you haven't read the book, you are very welcome to join! For more details on how to join the video chat, contact Despina at despina.kontos@gmail.com

The Church & Mental Illness| Register Now



Saturday, September 19, 10am-noon Main Line Chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Health) in conjunction with the Delaware Conference Executive Committee will be hosting a free live webinar on the topic of Mental Illness and Mental Wellness for the leaders and members of the Delco congregations (you may invite a friend from beyond this "circle"; registration will be limited to the first 100 registrants). The discussion will include:

- A presenter's personal story of life with mental illness
- Recognizing and defining mental illness
- Steps we can take when we encounter mental illness

This is an important topic made more urgent in these increasingly stressful times.

[Register Here](#)



FOOD PANTRY

Check the website <https://tlcfoodpantry.com>

Needed: Paper products (particularly paper towels), detergent, hand soap (bars) and coffee both instant and ground.

VIRTUAL 5K SUPERHERO RUN

Run anytime before October 31.

**CHILD GUIDANCE
RESOURCE CENTERS**

**VIRTUAL
5K**

SUPERHERO RUN

Making healthy choices, one stride at a time

- Run anywhere!
- Tek-tee & Festival-in-a-Box sent to your home!
- Lots of prizes: top fundraising team, best Superhero costume, most steps taken in one day & more!

Run anytime before October 31!
Prizes will be drawn at 3pm, 11/1 on FB Live!

Wherever we run, we choose to run with heroes. Join us!

To register: bit.ly/CGRC5K

This event is funded by the Delaware County Office of Behavioral Health, Drug and Alcohol Division.

CALENDAR

Tuesdays	8:30 p.m.	AA Meeting
Wednesdays	7:00 p.m.	Outdoor Worship at Old Brookline School, Earlington & Sagamore Rds.
Thursdays	7:00 p.m.	Sober with Sitters (AA with Childcare)
Saturdays	In-person	Saturday School, Grange Field
	9:30-10:15:	Kindergarten – 5th Grade
	10:30-11:15:	Middle/High School Youth Group
Sundays	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School with Ms. Jeanne
	9:30 a.m.	Live Streamed Worship Service

12-Step meetings are held regularly at the church, but not all of them are posted, at the request of each group's leadership. Please contact Pastor Tim if you have an addiction and need help.

Partners in Ministry

Ministers	People of Temple Lutheran Church
Pastor	The Rev. Timothy B. Johansen
Congregation Council President	Pat Keaveney
Director of Music Ministries	Florrie Marks
Children, Youth & Family Minister	Julianna Pierdomenico
Director of Discipleship	Rob Mannix
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