Temple Lutheran Church

Knowing Christ…Making Christ Known

Words of Affirmation

March 29, 2020

WELCOME TO

Temple Lutheran Church

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OUR MISSION –
"TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE CHRIST KNOWN"

Visiting today? Welcome!

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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 nancy.hallowell@gmail.com for information or the form to do this.

Today's Bible Readings

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 13:31-35

31When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has
been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. 32If God has
been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and
will glorify him at once. 33Little children, I am with you only a
little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so
now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' 34I give
you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I
have loved you, you also should love one another. 35By this
everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love
for one another."

WELCOME Samuel Johansen, born Wednesday, March 25 at 1:24 p.m. All are doing well.

Johansen Family Meal Train

We have set up a sign-up genius sheet to provide dinner for the Johansen's for the next month. Please sign up and with your "acts of service" let them know they are loved.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement Angie, Paul Arata, Geoff Bailey, Keith Bailey, Fernando Batista, Brendan Bell, Meredith Blanton Gaines, John Burd, Nancy Butler, Mike Carr, Linda Clack, Marion Crawford, Noah Davis, Bobbie Delaney, Gordon Dershimer, Declan Devlin, Chase Doyle and Adam, Mary England, Christie Ennis, Gil Eubank, Sr., Bill Faust, Shane Faust, David Fitch, Kristine Ferguson-Franklin, Lois Ann Forgess-Oler, Lois Gabbott, Patty Gardner, Todd Gasper, Mike, Lisa and Sandy Harms, Florence Homer, Craig Jamgochian, Gina Kapusniak, Kim Komar, Louis F. Lamoreux, Jean Long, Jason Luther, Madison Lynn, Pat Mannion, Janet Marinari, Bridget Marley, Mary Ann Mittleman, Sister Judy Moellet, Audie Murphy, Betty Pagan, Carmen Palacios, Linda Palisano, Jeanne Pocock, Marita Reardon, Susan Rush, Merry Snyder, Karen Spangler, Vera Spangler, Benny Strain, Gaetan Termini, Dick Torti, Frankie Vlassopoulos, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Philip White, Linda Wilke, The Family and Friends of Pastor Fred McElderry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Corona Virus Update from Council
Church Council teleconferenced Monday night. With the governor's order on Sunday, we will follow the same guidelines and keep the church closed until at least April 6. This means that the April 5th worship service will also be livestreamed. The 12 step programs and the blood-drive are still allowed to occur with the restrictions that were placed on them at the last meeting. The Easter Egg Hunt falls outside this time period, and is still a go as of now. Pat Keaveney, Council President

FOOD PANTRY
<u>Friends, Neighbors, and Patrons –</u>
We have been closely monitoring the ever-changing landscape of our both our town and our country in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our primary concern is for the health, safety, and well-being of everyone in our community.

We also know that Social Distancing is making it even more challenging for some to get work, earn a paycheck, or obtain basic food supplies. We have been exploring various ways on how to reach out to provide support for anyone struggling with food insecurity during this challenging time.

In order to maintain safe social distances, we will ***NOT*** be holding our regular group, shopping style service day this coming Saturday. Rather, we are making arrangements to *deliver a pre-packaged bag of food to our regular attendees.* Unlike our routine monthly shopping dates, the food bags are composed of standard items. Please understand that our supply is limited this month and we are doing the best to stay equitable for all. We are planning to recruit a group of volunteers to deliver these bags this coming Saturday (3/28/20).

We are praying for everyone in our neighborhood, town, and country right now. Regardless of the underlying cause, difficult times are always made more manageable when we are able to come together. Even if we are not able to come together *physically*, there is still much we **ARE** able to do for one another. Continue to look out for each other and please reach out with any service requests. God Bless – the TLC Food Pantry Team

Check the website https://tlcfoodpantry.com

Thank you to everyone who is making live streaming the Sunday Service possible. For the musicians – 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 Tim.

PART TIME HELP WANTED: Local start up company needs help 1-3 days a week. Some heavy lifting is required. Interested? Please text Gail at (610) 517-0304.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
Wednesday, April 1, 2:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Contact Sue Cook 610 608 2528 for an appointment

STOLE MAKING PROJECT
This year we are making stoles to celebrate the 50-40-10 Anniversary of Ordination in the ELCA - 50 years for ordination of women, 40 years for ordination of women of color and 10 years for ordination of members of the LGBTQIA+ community. We are recruiting sewers from all over the Synod (and beyond) to make the stoles and deliver them to the Synod Assembly (which has been postponed from May 1). We have packets available which include a paper pattern, a ready-to-iron-on logo and instructions. Please let me know if you would be interested in making one or more stoles or if you have extra fabric we could use. Thanks. Janet

TLC BOOK CLUB
This month's book will be "God Land" by Lyz Lenz (http://www.iupress.indiana.edu/product_info.php?products_id=809651). Join us on Monday April 6th at 8pm for discussion and fellowship! Hope to see you!"

Lenten Project - Shoe Drive Collection

Ends: March 29th

Gratitude 4 Grandparents (G4G)
Tell Family and Friends!

We are collecting gently worn, used and new shoes including sneakers and even cleats. Shoes, flip flops, work shoes, boots. No single or mismatched pairs, wet or moldy shoes, shoes with holes or tears, or badly worn soles.

This shoe drive will benefit grandchildren being raised by their grandparents mainly as a result of the opioid epidemic. Gratitude 4 Grandparents will earn funds based on the total weight of the pairs of gently worn (clean, soles attached, no holes) and new shoes collected. Shoes will be sorted by G4G with some going directly to the families and the remainder going to funds2orgs.com. They donate or sell the shoes to micro enterprise vendors or entrepreneurs in developing countries. The shoes are cleaned, repaired and sold, creating both work and income.

Let's Step Up and Help G4G!
Goal Donation: 300 pairs so far: 62 pairs

G4G: Mission Statement

"Working to uplift kinship families by providing emotional support, advocating for better legislation, and by providing a resource for their immediate needs".

Call or email office to sign up sheet to help

CALENDAR

Tuesdays	8:30 p.m.	AA Meeting
Thursdays	7:00 p.m.	Sober with Sitters (AA with Childcare)

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.

Wed, Apr 1	2:30-7:00	Red Cross Blood Drive
Sun, Apr 5		Palm/Passion Sunday
Mon, Apr 6	8:00 p.m.	Book Club
Thur, Apr 9	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
Fri, Apr 10	2:00 pm.	Community Good Friday Service at Llanerch Presbyterian Church, 211 Lansdowne Rd., Havertown
	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Tenebrae Service
Sat, Apr 11	10:00 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt
Sun, Apr 12		Easter Sunday
	6:00 a.m.	SONrise Service
	7:30 a.m.	Breakfast all morning
	8:30 a.m.	Organ Led Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Praise Band Led Worship

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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