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OUR MISSION -

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Visiting today? Welcome!

August 1, 2021

Notes for Today's Services

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

HOLY COMMUNION - We welcome ALL to share in the meal of God's forgiveness, receiving the real presence of Christ in the sacrament. Please come forward to the communion rail by the center aisle maintaining a 3 feet distance. Children are welcome to fully participate in Holy Communion or to come forward and receive a blessing. Please return to your seat by the side aisle. If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and communion will be brought to you.

OFFERING - During today's service, an offering will be gathered 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 change lives as we transform church, our neighborhood, and God's world in the name of Jesus.

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

TODAY'S READING ISAIAH 44:9-20

⁹All who make idols are nothing, and the things they delight in do not profit; their witnesses neither see nor know. And so they will be put to shame. ¹⁰Who would fashion a god or cast an image that can do no good? ¹¹Look, all its devotees shall be put to shame; the artisans too are merely human. Let them all assemble, let them stand up; they shall be terrified, they shall all be put to shame.

¹²The ironsmith fashions it and works it over the coals, shaping it with hammers, and forging it with his strong arm; he becomes hungry and his strength fails, he drinks no water and is faint.

¹³The carpenter stretches a line, marks it out with a stylus, fashions it with planes, and marks it with a compass; he makes it in human form, with human beauty, to be set up in a shrine.

¹⁴He cuts down cedars or chooses a holm tree or an oak and lets it grow strong among the trees of the forest. He plants a cedar and the rain nourishes it. ¹⁵Then it can be used as fuel. Part of it he takes and warms himself; he kindles a fire and bakes bread.

Then he makes a god and worships it, makes it a carved image and bows down before it. ¹⁶Half of it he burns in the fire; over this half he roasts meat, eats it and is satisfied. He also warms himself and says, "Ah, I am warm, I can feel the fire!" ¹⁷The rest of it he makes into a god, his idol, bows down to it and worships it; he prays to it and says, "Save me, for you are my god!"

¹⁸They do not know, nor do they comprehend; for their eyes are shut, so that they cannot see, and their minds as well, so that they cannot understand. ¹⁹No one considers, nor is there knowledge or discernment to say, "Half of it I burned in the fire; I also baked bread on its coals, I roasted meat and have eaten. Now shall I make the rest of it an abomination? Shall I fall down before a block of wood?" ²⁰He feeds on ashes; a deluded mind has led him astray, and he cannot save himself or say, "Is not this thing in my right hand a fraud?"

Need to contact the Pastor?

The Rev. Timothy Johansen,
by calling (610) 446-3270

or by emailing pastor@templelutheran.org
Emergency Phone Number (610) 853-1736

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement Angie, Paul Arata, Geoff Bailey, Brendan Bell, Barbara Burd, Nancy Butler, Jack Byers, Mike Carr, Linda Clack, Sue Cook, Jane Corso, Cynthia Davis, Bobbie Delaney, Gordon Dershimer, Declan Devlin, Chase Doyle and Adam, Christie Ennis, Bill Faust, Shane Faust, Kristine Ferguson-Franklin, Lois Ann Forgress-Oler, Todd Gasper, Roy Hallowell, Greg Hallquist, Mike and Sandy Harms, Florence Homer, Craig Jamgochian, Dan Joseph, Gina Kapusniak, Kim Komar, Louis F. Lamoreux, Jean Long, Madison Lynn, Kevin Mack, Janet Marinari, Audie Murphy, Betty Pagan, Carmen Palacios, Linda Palisano, Merry Snyder, Patricia Snyder, Karen Spangler, Vera Spangler, Benny Strain, Gaetan Termini, Dick Torti, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Philip White, Linda Wilke.



TOWER BELLS

Jeff Rosengarten needs help and is looking for an individual(s) to program the Tower Bells. If interested, please contact Jeff at luvmyflyers@yahoo.com.

MEATBALLS AND SAUCE FOR SALE



We have quarts of meat and sauce on sale for a suggested donation of \$10 per quart. It's all based on the honor system – collect from the freezer to the left of the kitchen and pay cash at the office or use Paypal. Call the office with questions.

PREPARING MEALS



We have set up a sign-up genius sheet to provide dinner for the Cook family for the next few weeks. Please sign up and with your “acts of service” let them know they are loved. New dates available.

Dave & Sue Cook



Thank you to everyone who is making live streaming the Sunday Service possible. For the Director of Music Ministries – Florrie Marks, and for our audio-visual coordinator – Kyle Barger. Special thanks to our cantor today, Sarah Foss.

DIGNITY DUFFLES FOR FOSTERING HOPE



was enjoyed by young and old. Thank you to the organizers, Lisa and Mike Schneller, Grace Schneller, Jeanne Daniels, Amy Mescia, Juli Pierdomenico, Rob Mannix and Karen Kampmeyer Mannix. Altogether \$1,672.96 was raised and so far we have purchased 66 duffle bags.. Thank you to everyone who participated.

WORSHIP SERVANTS

Now that we are back to In-Person worship, we are looking for servants to help in leading worship. Check out the link to sign up. You can sign up for as many jobs as you can do! Any questions please contact the office or Rob Mannix.

Worship Servants Sign Up

GRACE BROOMALL Information



SUNDAY WORSHIP

In-person Sundays at
10:00 a.m.

Questions: please call the church office at 610-356-1824 or contact Vicar Kayla Sadowy at gracebroomall@gmail.com.

ALTAR FLOWERS The altar flowers July 25 were donated by Susan Best and Fran Talarowski in memory of her mother, Jane Best, whose memorial service was July 24.



SPONSORING ALTAR FLOWERS



Order Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are a great way to beautify the sanctuary and remind your fellow worshipers of the new life that Jesus brings. They are also a great way to commemorate an event near a specific date, or honor/remember someone close to your heart. You can now sponsor altar flowers for a specific week. Select the week, enter the note as you would like to see

it in the bulletin (in honor of __/in memory of __/in celebration of __) and pay through PayPal. The cost is \$42 per week. The florist will deliver a beautiful arrangement to the church. You can collect it after the 9:30 a.m. service or ask for it to be delivered to someone in the community going through a difficult time. Questions: Contact the office.

FOODS FOR FORDS COOKBOOK



Looking for some new Dinner time recipes?

Then Foods for Fords is for you! It's a 53 page cookbook compiled by Jonah Sun, an amazing Haverford High School student, as a fundraiser for our TLC Food Pantry. For more info, check out his video on Temple's Facebook page as it tells the story of the cookbook's creation and the Pantry.

They are \$12 and all of the proceeds go to TLC. If you'd like one, please reach out to me by email: bmccormack29@gmail.com. Cash, check, or Venmo accepted.

FOOD PANTRY



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

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

TOWELS FOR HOMELESS

TLC Food Pantry is no longer collecting towels or linens for distribution to the homeless in Philadelphia.



VBS OPPORTUNITY

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ardmore

VBS 2021: COMPASSION CAMP,
August 9-13, 9 am-12 noon

Cost for VBS is \$20 per child or \$30
for a family.

Important VBS Information:

- August 9-13 from 9 am-12 noon
- For children ages 4 through entering 5th grade
- Children will be assigned by grade/age to a small group. As a small group they will travel around outside and inside for various activities.
- Any large group activities will be done outside.
- Masks should be worn at all times, except when eating and drinking. Masks will be worn by all participants, helpers, and leaders.
- In the case of inclement weather, all activities will be held inside.
- Please apply sunscreen to your child each day before they come to VBS.
- We ask that all participants bring a mask, beach towel, and reusable water bottle to use each day.

Register online at

<https://www.stpaulsardmore.org/vacation-bible-school>

The Rev. Laura M. Tancredi

Pastor, St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

415 E. Athens Ave, Ardmore, PA 19003 (610) 642-3211

In-Person Worship Service Protocol - updated 7/8/2021

1. **In-person Attendance:** In-person worship will be conducted with the following understandings:

- a) Attendance will be limited to 50% of occupancy (86 people)
- b) Each service will have 3 foot distancing between families and consenting “bubbles” in 1st floor pews
- c) The balcony will be restricted to the Director of Music Ministries and any other musicians she utilizes.

2. **Self-screening:** At the beginning of each service the presider will encourage participants that do not feel well to please exit the building.

3. **Contact Tracing:** In the event of a positive Covid test within one week of someone’s attendance to a worship service, they should notify the church office so that we will help them to notify anyone with whom they were in close contact before, during, or after worship.

4. **Distancing and Face Covering for all attendees regardless of vaccination status.**

- a) **Distancing:** While inside the TLC building, all families and consenting “bubbles” will maintain 3 feet distance between themselves and any other family or “bubble”.
- b) **Face Covering:** All participants must wear a mask covering both nose and mouth at all times while inside the TLC building, including while speaking. If you need to uncover your nose or mouth for any reason, please exit the building first.
 - i. The preacher and speakers involved in the service may remove their mask if:
 - 1. They are fully vaccinated
 - 2. They are speaking/reading from the pulpit or behind the altar

5. **Singing:** Vaccinated congregants may sing while masked.

6. **No Food or Beverages:** To avoid the need to remove masks, no food or drinks are allowed. Communion is the exception.

This document was produced by TLC’s Resurgence Task Force.

CHILD AND YOUTH SAFETY POLICY The Council has approved a new Child and Youth Safety Policy (CYSP). This incorporates a new process for approving adults to work with children and youth in the congregation and establishes approvals for youth volunteers. Anyone who wants to work with children and youth will need to follow this new process, which may require them to **resubmit or update** their clearances to the Child and Youth Safety committee. **There may be new forms you need to fill out so be sure to read the instructions on the website.** The directions can be found on the TLC website under the Kids-> Child and Youth Safety heading.

GIVING TO TEMPLE

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 Celia Engman

Questions? Contact [Celia Engman](#)

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



RESOURCES AVAILABLE

More from Max Lucado:

Think about the Christian you want to be. What qualities do you want to have? More compassion? More conviction? More courage? What attitudes do you want to discontinue? Greed? Guilt? Endless negativity? You see, with God's help you can. You can close the gap between the person you are and the person you want to be. Indeed, the person God made you to be. You can live "from glory to glory" (2 Corinthians 3:18).

[Resources – TLC Family
Doin' the Work](#)



School Supplies Needed Help Fill the Backpacks

Last day to contribute!

This year we have several ways to contribute:

- ❖ Drop off donated school supplies in the collection box found outside the glass doors, next to the Food Pantry tub.
- ❖ Make a monetary contribution to this effort. 100% of funds collected will be used to purchase school supplies to fill the backpacks. Contributions can be mailed to School Supplies c/o Jody Troyan, 1201 Swarthmore Ave., Folsom, PA 19033. Checks should be made payable to Grace Lutheran Church – Broomall. Dave Ehret is serving as Treasurer of this effort.
- ❖ Make a monetary donation to Temple, clearly marked for “School Supplies”.
- ❖ Use the links below to an Amazon Wishlist – School Supplies. Place an order and it will be shipped directly to the crew that will assembly the backpacks.

Links to Wishlist:

<https://tinyurl.com/DelcoSchoolSupplies>

or



The collection will continue until August 1st.

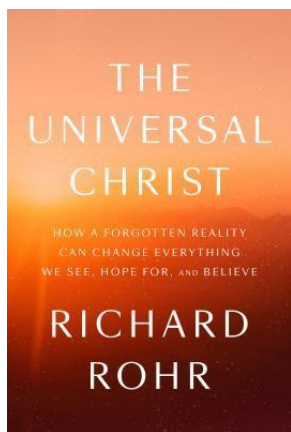
Questions: Contact the office.

Let's see if we can make this a huge collection. Thanks for your continued support.



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BOOK CLUB - RESCHEDULED

The Universal Christ: How a Forgotten Reality can Change Everything We See, Hope For, and Believe by Richard Rohr

Richard Rohr, one of the world's most influential spiritual thinkers, delivers his long-awaited book on Jesus. In this radical message of hope, Rohr shows how "Jesus" + "Christ" reveal the divine wholeness at the heart of things--and what that means for every one of us.

In his decades as a globally recognized teacher, Richard Rohr has helped hundreds of thousands realize what is at stake in matters of faith--and it is not religion as usual. Yet Fr. Rohr has never written on the most perennially talked about topic in Christianity: Jesus Christ. Most know who Jesus was, but who was Christ? Is the word simply Jesus' last name? Too often, declares Rohr, our understandings have been held captive by culture, nationalism, and Christianity itself

Drawing on history, theology, and psychology, Rohr articulates an exhilarating and ultimately more sensible view of Jesus Christ as a portrait, so to speak, of how God works. "The whole of creation is the beloved community--the child of God--not just Jesus," he writes. In a world where religion too often divides, Rohr's understanding of the Incarnation changes not just the significance of Christmas, but how we read history, relate to nature and each other, and find our highest purpose each day.

Fans of Rohr's earlier works will find here a synthesis that reveals the broadest, most hopeful vision for humanity imaginable. Newcomers will be drawn to a science-friendly spirituality that feels both modern and timeless. All will value Rohr's practical insights on mindfulness, prayer, and enlightened social action.

Please join us on Monday, August 2 at 8 p.m. for great discussion and fellowship. Even if you haven't read the book, you are very welcome to join! The meeting will be on Zoom.

[Book Club](#)
[Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 838 3646 6562 Passcode:
BookClub For more details on how to join
the video chat, contact Despina at

despina.kontos@gmail.com

CALENDAR

Tuesdays	8:30 p.m.	AA Meeting
Thursdays	7:00 p.m.	Sober with Sitters (AA with Childcare)
Saturdays	9:30 a.m.	Bryn Mawr Early Birds (AA meeting)
Sundays	9:30 a.m.	In-person, Live Streamed Worship

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	Amanda Quillen
Director of Music Ministries	Florrie Marks
Children, Youth & Family Minister	Julianna Pierdomenico
Director of Discipleship	Rob Mannix
Office Administrator	Janet Bruss
Director of Sunday School	Jeanne Daniels
Sunday Nursery Staff	Shelly Davis
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