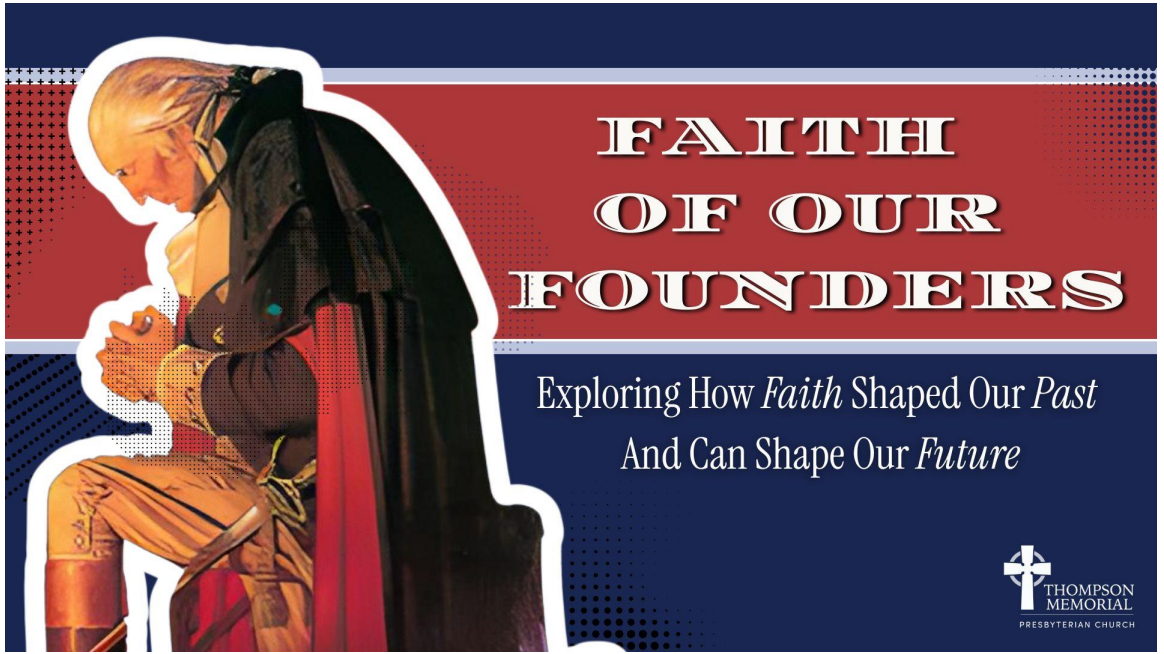




July 5, 2026

WELCOME!!

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us at Thompson. We hope it is a place where you feel God's presence. Generations of people have sat in these pews, felt the presence of the Holy Spirit, learned about the love of Jesus, and seen how the power of God has made a difference in their lives. Whatever is most important in your life right now, whether it is trials or joys, these things matter to God, and they matter to us. All of what you bring to the table is welcome here.

SUNDAY SERVICES

We offer a 9:00 AM Traditional service in the Sanctuary and an 11:00 AM Contemporary service with praise music in the Gathering Hall. Our services are available through livestream on www.tmpc.org. Recordings can also be viewed here at any time. Please follow along and respond when the type is in **bold**. Stand, as you are able, when you see an asterisk in the bulletin. Our Common Hour, described below, begins at 10 AM.

FOR CHILDREN

We offer Sunday School at both services, where the children attend class with an instructor to learn and grow in their faith. Children begin their time in worship and then come forward for the children's message, after which they proceed to Sunday School. Be sure to register your child from 4 years old through 5th grade. If your child prefers to stay with you during worship, activity baskets with crayons and activity sheets are located at the back of the Sanctuary. Nursery care is available for those attending services at 9:00 AM or 11:00 AM in the nursery room.

RESTROOMS

Please exit the Sanctuary to the right of the altar area and go up the stairs to the bathroom adjacent to the Community Room. There are also additional restrooms down the hallway past the Kids Ministry Rooms.

COMMON HOUR

TMPC has an hour between services that serves as a space for coffee and fellowship, Adult Education, Children's Choir, and other activities and meetings.

VISITOR BAGS

If you're visiting today, we'd love to share a gift bag with you that includes more information about TMPC. Feel free to ask an usher or pastor any questions. Visit www.tmpc.org for events, info, and e-giving. We're glad to be part of your faith journey!

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 5, 2026

WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

PRELUDE

Ariana DuPont, Lewis Baratz, Tricia Murphy
Wakatanka Taku Nitawa

(Many and Great, O God, Are your Works) Traditional

"Wakan Tanka," a traditional Lakota expression meaning "Great Mystery," reflects the Native American belief in the sacred presence of the Creator throughout all of creation. This song is a prayer of reverence and gratitude, reminding us to approach God with humility, wonder, and respect for the gift of life. We begin by honoring the faith of our Indigenous ancestors who occupied these lands.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Ariana DuPont, Janice Slack
Amazing Grace arr. Fred Bock

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Sailer

From the beginning, God dreamed of a world where all people could flourish in peace and dignity.

A world where none are forgotten, excluded, or afraid.

Through Jesus Christ, God has gathered people from every tribe, nation, and language into one family.

In Christ, we are one, bound together by grace and love.

As followers of Jesus, we are called to be citizens of God's kingdom.

We are called to seek peace, pursue justice, welcome our neighbors, and love without fear.

Today we give thanks for the freedoms we enjoy.

**And we dedicate those freedoms to the service of
God and the good of our neighbors.**

Let us worship the God whose vision of a just and beautiful world is larger than we can imagine.

*HYMN NO. 354

BATTLE HYMN

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

*Written by **Julia Ward Howe** in 1861 during the American Civil War, The Battle Hymn of the Republic draws its language from the prophets and the Book of Revelation, proclaiming a God who is just, righteous, and active in history, calling God's people to live faithfully in every age.*

WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

Steve Sailer

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, You created every person in your image and called us to live together in peace. Yet, we confess that we have often settled for smaller dreams than your kingdom. We have allowed fear to keep us from loving our neighbors. We have accepted divisions that Christ came to overcome. We have used our freedom for ourselves while neglecting the needs of others. Too often, we have placed our trust in earthly powers and forgotten that our true hope rests in you. Forgive us. Renew our hearts with your Spirit and make us one. Teach us to use our lives, our freedom, and our gifts for the flourishing of all your children. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: in Jesus Christ, God is creating a new humanity. The walls that divide us do not have the final word. Fear and sin do not have the final word. God's grace does. In Christ, we are forgiven, reconciled, and made one.

Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI NO. 581

GREATOREX

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.***

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Steve Sailer

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Place prayer cards in the baskets as the deacons come forward)

TESTIMONY

Ariana DuPont

Ariana DuPont is our staff organist. She grew up in the Southeastern European country of Kosovo and lived during the Kosovo war in the 90's. She emigrated to Germany and then to the United States.

ANTHEM

Jess DiDonato

America the Beautiful

Samuel A. Ward

Written by Katharine Lee Bates in 1893 after a journey across the American West, America the Beautiful is a prayer. Throughout the hymn, Bates asks God to bless the nation with wisdom, justice, self-control, and "brotherhood."

TESTIMONY

Luke Kirby

Luke is a U.S. Marine and a member of TMPC. He is a civil servant in support of our armed services.

WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD

SCRIPTURE

Micah 4:1-4 (OT pg 864)
Philippians 2:1-11 (NT pg 197)

SERMON

*HYMN NO. 340

FINLANDIA

This is My Song

*Written by **Lloyd Stone** in 1934, This Is My Song emerged during a time of growing international tension between the World Wars. The hymn begins with gratitude for one's own country but broadens into a prayer that all nations may know God's peace, reminding us that our deepest allegiance is to God's kingdom and God's people throughout the world.*

SILENT PRAYER & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Short Suite of Colonial Tunes Lewis Baratz
Traditional

This short set includes popular tunes and a protest song from colonial America that celebrates our nation's history.

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise. You have given us life and new birth through your Holy Spirit. Once we were no people, but now we are your people. You claimed Israel as your covenant people and raised up the church as a witness to the resurrection, breathing into it your life and power.

From every nation and generation, you gather us into one family. When we wander, you welcome us home. You have blessed us with many freedoms, yet remind us that true freedom is found in lives shaped by your grace. Teach us, by

the mind of Christ, to seek not our own advantage, but the good of our neighbors, that our common life may bear witness to your kingdom.

In love for you and compassion for the world, Jesus healed and taught, challenged and comforted, welcomed and saved. He gathered disciples into a community marked by humility, forgiveness, hospitality, and love. He showed us that greatness is found in serving, and that those who lose their lives for his sake will truly find them.

Remembering your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves with gratitude as living sacrifices, dedicated to your service.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and cup. Make them be for us the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with one another, that we may become one body, serving your world with joy. As we are nourished at this table, send us into our homes, our neighborhoods, and our communities to embody the way of Jesus, seeking justice, loving mercy, walking humbly, and sharing your peace.

Gracious God, we pray for your Church throughout the world, that we may faithfully proclaim the gospel and embody the way of Jesus. We pray for our nation, giving thanks for the freedoms we enjoy. Grant wisdom to those who lead, integrity to those who serve, and compassion to all your people, that justice, mercy, and peace may flourish. We pray for those who are lonely, who suffer, who grieve, and all who long for hope.

Surround them with your presence and with communities of love and care. Strengthen this congregation, that we may be faithful witnesses to your grace in our homes, our workplaces, and our neighborhoods. Gather us with all your saints, until we feast together at your heavenly banquet, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now, with confidence as the children of God we offer our prayers to you...

And grateful for Jesus, our savior, we pray the prayer he taught us, saying,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(Eat the bread as you are served. Hold the cup until all have been served. Our cups are filled with grape juice, and we also have gluten-free crackers in the center.)

The communion music features selections from “Album des Enfants” by Cécile Chaminade (1857–1944), French female composer and pianist.

WE ARE SENT OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Ariana DuPont, Leonardo Naranjo
God Bless America Irving Berlin

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

***~The altar flowers this Sunday are in honor of our nation from
Vaughan Grundy~***

A special thank you to our guest musicians for sharing their time and talents for music and giving glory to God:

Lewis Baratz, recorder
Leonardo Naranjo, trumpet
Janice Slack, keyboard
Jess DiDonato, vocalist

SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sun 7/5	9:00	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE	Sanctuary
	9:00-10:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	9:20–10:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 th Grade)	Kids Ministry Rooms
	10:00	COFFEE HOUR	Commons

STAY CONNECTED WITH TMPC

SIGN UP FOR OUR E-NEWSLETTER

Our e-news gets sent out every Friday via email. We also send out additional reminders for important dates and events in the life of our church. It's a great way to stay in touch with all things Thompson Church!



SIGN UP FOR OUR DAILY TEXTS

At noon each day, we will send out a text message with a verse of scripture that connects to our sermon series and can offer you a word of faith in the middle of the day.



If you have issues connecting with TMPC, please contact the office at office@tmpc.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLIDAY WEEKEND HOURS The office will be closed on Monday, July 6th. The office will reopen for regular hours starting on Tuesday, July 7th.

CEMETERY TOURS Join us on **Sunday, July 12th** for a guided walking tour of the historic section of our church cemetery as we celebrate our nation's 250th birthday. Meet at the flagpole at 10 AM for lemonade and cookies before the 30-minute tour. Learn about members of our church whose lives helped shape our congregation and our country. Please wear comfortable shoes. Rain date: Sunday, July 19.

COFFEE HOUR Want to be a Coffee Host? Join our Hospitality Team! We'll train you on the equipment and setup, and pair you with an experienced host until you're comfortable. Sign up whenever it works for you—no pressure to serve regularly. See e-news for email information to learn more.

BUILDING WHAT MATTERS CAMPAIGN UPDATE We are thrilled with the amazing space God has provided for us! As of today, we still need to raise \$323K (out of \$4 million). If you would like to contribute in any way to help us reach our goal, please write Building Campaign in the memo line of your check or choose Building Campaign in the drop-down menu at www.tmpc.org/give

VBS & CAMP THOMPSON 2026 Register Now! VBS is free and open to children ages 4 through completed 5th grade, featuring games, music, storytelling, and crafts. Camp Thompson is our extended day program (\$75/week), filled with art, games, and fun activities. Scan the QR code to register today!



CONGREGATIONAL CAMPING TRIP We are gathering interest for a camping trip tentatively scheduled for October 16th-18th at a location to be determined. Please fill out the interest form located outside the Sanctuary and the Gathering Hall and place it in Zena's mailbox, or send Zena an email at dce@tmpc.org.

CHURCH LIFE & MEMBER CARE

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AT HOME Tom and Sandy Barford, Melissa Callans, Ulla Heinicke, Jane Mayrhofer, Lisa Palise, Bucky Pope, Nancy Quanstrom, Dick Vestal, Arlene Whitticar, and George Wislar. *If you have someone to add to our prayer chain, please send your request to Alison Yearley at apybobba@aol.com*

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY Christopher Campbell, Sean Kielty, Christian Mirande, Jim O'Donnell, Matt Peshek, and Will Schaub.

TMPC MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Please wish Happy Birthday to a few of our members who celebrate their birthdays between July 5th-19th: *Paul Templin Ashford, Suzanne Henrich, Sean Ozias.*

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

KIDS CLUB	Alternating 2nd Fridays (Sept–May) September 11th 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Kids Club is for children 4-12 years old. We provide dinner, play games, and complete a service project. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
PARENT'S NIGHT OUT	Alternating 2nd Fridays (Oct–June) October 9th 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Drop your children off for THREE hours as they have fun with dinner, games, and a movie. This event is \$30.00 per child and helps support the Youth Group Mission Trip as an ongoing fundraiser. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
KIDS CHOIRS, HANDBELLS, AND CHIMES	Sundays at 10:00 AM (September thru June) Community Room	Rotating rehearsals for groups that lead music during worship about once a month. All abilities and ages welcome. <i>Led by Tricia Murphy</i>
THOMPSON YOUTH GROUP	Saturdays starting in September, 3x Monthly (Typically Off the 2nd Saturday) 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM Lounge/Commons	Students grades 6-12th grade meet for dinner, bible study, games, and fellowship. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
Contact Zena Tredinnick-Kirby with any questions at dce@tmpc.org and Tricia Murphy for questions related to music at music@tmpc.org		

SMALL GROUPS

ALPHA OMEGA	Sundays at 10:00 AM (starting in September) Rm 132	AO gathers for either a book or Bible study, fellowship, and mission. <i>Led by Marci Capel</i>
NORMAL PEOPLE* BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays at 7:00 PM (starting in September) Commons	<i>*Skeptics, Sinners, Saints, and Everyone In-Between!</i> Join us in combining book and Bible study to help broaden our understanding of how to live and love like Jesus as everyday, normal people (see the definition of "normal" people). <i>Led by Susie Minno and Garrett Bostwick</i>
MONDAY MORNING WOMEN'S MINISTRY	Mondays at 9:30 AM Community Room	Topics rotate between movie discussion, Bible study, faith and the news, and book studies. <i>Led by Sue Wert</i>
TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP	1st and 3rd Tuesday at 9:30 AM Community Room	This group gathers for fellowship, book discussions, and time in prayer. <i>Led by Mike Wert</i>
SERMON TALKS	Thursdays at 9:30 AM Commons	Join us for Bible Study and laughter. We will use this time to read through and unpack the scripture for the upcoming Sunday. <i>This group is led by the pastor who is giving the sermon on Sunday.</i>
Contact group leaders by visiting tmpc.org/small-groups		

ONGOING OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

FOOD DRIVE	Every 3rd Wednesday	You can leave non-perishable donations from 10:00 to 10:30 AM that day at our food pantry, located inside in the kitchenette, or anytime during office hours before the event. <i>Led by Susan Achenbach</i>
TRENTON AREA SOUP KITCHEN (TASK)	Every 3rd or 5th Tuesday and 4th Thursday 9:45 AM -1:00 PM	Those who want to carpool meet at the TMPC parking lot at 9:15 AM. <i>Led by Chuck Green</i>
COMMUNITY MEAL	Every 2nd Sunday 12:15-1:15 PM	TMPC hosts a free meal open to everyone in our church family and the community. All of our meals feature a main dish, potluck sides, salads, and desserts. <i>Led by Melissa Michael</i>
FISHERMAN'S MARK	Every 1st Tuesday 8:30 AM Commons	Meets monthly at the church to put together 100 meals for Fisherman's Mark, and they are then delivered weekly to those who cannot get to the food pantry. <i>Led by Susan Achenbach and Cheryl Boyle</i>
LAMBERTVILLE COMMUNITY MEAL	Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday 12:00 PM	We're looking for volunteers who can help the day of the meal or are willing to bring desserts for the meal for our neighbors in Lambertville, NJ. Our meals take place at the Lambertville Presbyterian Church at 31 N Union Street. <i>Led by Jeff Campbell</i>
See more information, sign-ups, and contact information for each outreach event by seeing the e-news or visiting tmpc.org/mission		