



October 11, 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!

20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 11, 2026

WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Variation on "O Perfect Love"

Ariana DuPont

Richard Proulx

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to worship a God whose love is wider and longer and higher and deeper than we can comprehend.

Root us and ground us in that love.

We come before the God whose power is already at work within us.

Help us to know God's power.

We believe that God is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine.

So let us imagine what God can do through us.

To God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus, from generation to generation.

Let us worship God.

*HYMN NO. 634

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

To God, Be the Glory

WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of abundant grace, you are able to do far more than we can ask or imagine, yet too often our imaginations are small. We see scarcity where you offer possibility. We hold tightly to what we have instead of trusting what you might do with what we offer. We underestimate the gifts you have placed within us and the power of your Spirit at work among us. Forgive us when fear limits our generosity, when comfort limits our courage, and when we settle for what is familiar. Open our hearts, our hands, and our imaginations, that our lives might become part of what you are doing in the world. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: God's love is wider and longer and higher and deeper than we can comprehend.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new.

***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

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Qui sedes ad dexteram

Julie Carroll

A. Vivaldi

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 3:14-21 (NT pg 193)

SERMON

HYMN NO. 716

BEACH SPRING

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

SILENT PRAYER, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Intermezzo

Ariana Dupont
Cecile Chaminade

*DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

***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.***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE ARE SENT OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in F BWV 927

Ariana DuPont
J.S.Bach

**The altar flowers this Sunday are in honor of Vaughan Grundy's
mother, Hazel Grundy**

SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sun 10/11	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
	11:00	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE	Gathering Hall
	11:00-12:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	11:20-12:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 th Grade)	Kids Ministry Rooms

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

SOUP FOR FISHERMAN'S MARK This month, in lieu of meeting for church food assembly, we are preparing soup at home for Fishermen's Mark. Please sign up in the slots below, and pick up the Soup Kits in the cabinets outside the Gathering Hall. For questions, please contact Susan Auchenbach at 267-432-4312. Thanks so much!

NEW BOOK STUDY A new 5-week book study that began on **Wednesday, October 7th** continues on Wednesday nights from 6:30–8:00 PM in the Commons. We will be reading *Experience Jesus. Really. Finding Refuge, Strength, and Wonder Through Everyday Encounters with God* by New York Times bestselling author John Eldredge. You are welcome to join even if you missed last week!

NEW MEMBER CLASS Are you interested in membership at Thompson Church? Sign up can be found in the e-news and on the TMPC homepage for our informative lunch from 12-2 PM on **Sunday, October 18th** to learn more.

BINGO Act 2 is hosting BINGO on **Thursday, October 22nd** at 1 PM in the Community Room! The fee is \$10 per person. If you have any questions, reach out to Cheryl Boyle at cboyle8991@aol.com

FALL FEST Join us for Fall Fest on **Sunday, October 25th** at 2-4:30 PM at the church! We'll have food, games, BINGO, music and more, plus it's FREE! See the e-news to sign up to volunteer.

SERVE WEEKEND On **Saturday, October 31st and Sunday, November 1st** we will host a day of service. Please note on Sunday, November 1st there will be only ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9 AM!

ONE BIG TABLE Save the date for a churchwide potluck on **Sunday, November 15th!** Start time and additional details will come in the following weeks!

CHURCH LIFE & MEMBER CARE

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AT HOME Sandy Barford, Ulla Heinicke, Michael Koh, Jane Mayrhofer, Susan Nemzoff, Lisa Palise, Bucky Pope, Nancy Quanstrom, Dick Vestal, Bern Volski, 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 *October 11th-18th*: *Chrissie Duncan, Patti A Davis, Dave Chrencik, Christiana Mitchell, Neal Hafner, Sue Wert, Janice Slack, and Linda Torda.*

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

KIDS CLUB	Alternating 2nd Fridays (Sept–May) November 13th 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Kids Club is for children 4-12 years old. We provide dinner, learn about Jesus, play games, and complete a service project. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
PARENT'S NIGHT OUT	Alternating 2nd Fridays (Oct–June) December 11th 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 as an ongoing fundraiser. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
CATERPILLAR CORNER: GROWING WITH JESUS	Sundays (September thru June) 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM Orange Classroom	Caterpillar Corner: Growing with Jesus welcomes infants through age 4 to grow in faith through sensory play, expressive arts, Christian songs, and sensory experiences that nurture emotional, social, and developmental growth. <i>Led by Karlen Senseny</i>
KIDS CHOIRS, HANDBELLS, AND CHIMES	Sundays at 10:00 AM (September thru June) starting September 20th 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	Sundays: 3x Monthly (Off the 2nd Sunday) 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM Youth Lounge	Students grades 6-12th grade meet for dinner, bible study, devotion, 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 September 20, then October 4 & 18) Meeting Rm	Alpha Omega (AO) is an intergenerational women's group that will focus on Book/Bible Studies, Fellowship, and Mission. <i>Led by Marci Capel</i>
ACT 2	See Act 2 table for full list of events and flyers	ACT 2 is for those in their "second act" of life whatever that age is, offering fun events, fellowship, and opportunities to build Christ-centered friendships. <i>Led by: Kirsten Fleisher</i>
NORMAL PEOPLE* BIBLE STUDY	Mondays at 7:00 PM 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 & 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>
SUNDAY DINNER BIBLE STUDY	4th Sunday at 3:00 PM (not meeting in Oct.) Commons	On 4 th Sunday evenings, we will join together for a dinner and spiritual food for thought in the Commons. <i>Led by Louis Marut</i>
ART HISTORY	Third Tuesday of every month October 20: 6pm-8pm Commons	A member-led group exploring art each month through the interests and passions of its members. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby & Members</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 under the labeled table outside the Gathering Hall, or anytime during office hours before the event. <i>Led by Susan Achenbach</i>
TRENTON AREA SOUP KITCHEN (TASK)	October 13th & 29th 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 (next: <u>Wed. Nov. 4</u>) 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		