

AT THE TABLE



November 8, 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!

24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Ariana DuPont

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ Jesus, friend of the poor, the meek, and the merciful, has been enthroned above all authority and power in this world and in the world that is to come.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, serve the Lord with gladness, and come into his presence with singing.

God has placed everything under Christ's wounded feet, appointed the one who wore a crown of thorns as the supreme head of the church, his body.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, come into his courts with praise. Give thanks and praise his loving name!

*HYMN NO. 509

HOLY MANNA

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Christ our King; when we have only a few pennies of hope in our pockets, you multiply us into a blessing. When the world whispers seductively to us, you tell us of your joy for us. When we have forgotten who we are, you shout out our name with delight: "My Beloved!" When we would divide people as "insiders" or "outsiders," you cast your lot with the outcasts of society. When we get lost from the muddled directions the world gives us, you lead us down that path called Peace. When we grow impatient with all the trivial matters of life, you surround us with serenity. When the world puts us on the route to sin, you transfer us to the streets of the kingdom. Christ our King; we ask you to forgive us, and we trust that you have and you will. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, this is the good news: God remembers! Not our sins, not our foolish lives, not our rebellion. God remembers our belovedness - and redeems us!

Christ prepares the way for us—the way to grace, to hope, to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*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

Think on These Things

Men's Trio
Mark Burrows

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Siena Rafter

BAPTISMAL HYMN NO. 188

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus Loves Me!

***Jesus loves me! This I know for the Bible tells me so
Little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong
Yes Jesus loves me, yes Jesus loves me
Yes Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so***

WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD

SCRIPTURE

Luke 5:27-32 (NT pg 63)

SERMON

HYMN NO. 769

FOR EVERYONE BORN

For Everyone Born

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.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Ariana Dupont

*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

Ariana DuPont

****The altar flowers this Sunday are in honor of Vaughan Grundy's sister, Isabelle Hill****

SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sun 11/8	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 & BREAD FUNDRAISER On **Sunday, November 15th** during Coffee Hour, stop by right outside the Gathering Hall for our TMPC Youth Group Homemade Soup & Bread Fundraiser! Grab a to-go container of soup and fresh bread to enjoy at home on a chilly November night. Every purchase helps support our Youth Group activities and mission opportunities. Come grab dinner to go and support our youth!

ONE BIG TABLE Jesus spent a lot of his ministry at the table and so do we! Join us for an all-church potluck dinner on **Sunday, November 15th at 5 PM**. TMPC will provide a turkey breast, roast, and a vegan entree. Bring sides: last names starting with A-K bring salad, L-P bring a side dish, and Q-Z bring dessert! Be sure to RSVP so we have an accurate headcount in the e-news, and please invite friends and family to join us for a night of fellowship and food!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING There will be a congregational meeting on **Sunday, November 22nd at 10 AM** immediately following the 9 AM worship service in the Sanctuary for the election of officers as well as a review of the 2025 financials.

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, November 22nd** to learn more.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL Have you ever received a message from a friend or loved one that felt like God was speaking directly to you? Sometimes, God's love, wisdom, and encouragement reach us through the people in our lives! We invite you to share your experience in our upcoming Advent devotional, The Messengers of Christmas. Consider writing a short reflection (300–500 words) about a time when someone else's words helped you hear God's voice. Please submit your reflection to office@tmpc.org by **Monday, November 23rd**. We look forward to sharing these meaningful stories throughout the Advent season!

INAUGURAL ADVENT EVENT On **Sunday, November 29th** from 5-7 PM, ACT 2 and the TMPC Youth Group are coming together to host TMPC's Inaugural Advent Tree Lighting Ceremony & Event! Join us for the tree-lighting ceremony, prayer, Christmas caroling, cookies, a chocolate fountain, crafts, ornaments, and our Giving Tree supporting local children this holiday season. Scan the QR code to sign up!



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 *November 8th-15th*: *Stephanie Templin Ashford, George Brandenburg, Julie Lalonde, Kristin Nguyen, Christene Garafola, Derek Donohoe, Mike Murray, and Molly Tait.*

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@tmpe.org and Tricia Murphy for questions related to music at music@tmpe.org		

SMALL GROUPS

ALPHA OMEGA	Sundays at 10:00 AM (November 8th & 22nd) 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 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 Tuesdays at 6:00-8:00 PM 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)	November 19th & 24th 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		