

THE FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

March 26, 2017

WELCOME TO THOMPSON MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

“We are a joyful family called by God through Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to: welcome all, share our faith, love each other, serve the world, and glorify God.”

WELCOME, VISITORS! We are so glad that you are worshiping with us today! Please sign the Fellowship Pad in your pew so that we can send you a welcome note. If you have any questions or would like to have a tour of our building, please feel free to ask an usher.

COFFEE HOUR Hosting coffee hour is a great way to meet new friends. We can teach you to make coffee (3 easy steps!). All you have to do is bring some goodies to add to our basic supply and smile! Please look for our sign-up list on the Table of Well Wishing.

WELCOMING AMBASSADORS Today's welcoming ambassadors are Jo Ann Lieber (8:30) and Michelle Summerson (11:00). Please direct any visitors to them!

USHERS AND GREETERS Today's ushers are Rosanne Bell and Linda Torda (8:30); Melissa Mantz and Jeffrey Berry (11:00). Our youth usher is Matthew Leiber (8:30).

MORNING PRAYER GROUP Join Pastor Stuart Spencer for a Morning Prayer Group each Thursday morning in Lent until Holy Week. The group meets in the chapel (across the hallway from the nursery) from 8:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Stuart guides the time using the order of Morning Prayer with time set aside for an extended reflection on God's Word.

LENTEN SOUP & BREAD SUPPER AND EVENING PRAYER SERVICE Join us at 6:00pm for Soup & Bread and for Lenten Prayer Service in the Sanctuary featuring singing, prayer and a testimony from TMPC member at 7:00 pm. For **Wednesday, March 29**, we will have a remembrance prayer instead of a testimony.

AID FOR FRIENDS Our April Aid For Friends meal will be hot dogs and baked beans. Please look for the sign up sheets on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall to volunteer to bring some of our needed ingredients. Questions - Susan Achenbach or Holly Tomkovicz.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING On Palm **Sunday, April 9** we will once again participate in the One Great Hour of Sharing. This is a program run by the Presbyterian Church through its Presbyterian Mission Agency. For over 60 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has helped people who have been devastated by natural disasters, war and political uprisings, malnutrition and starvation, and poverty. WE can help! On Palm **Sunday, April 9**, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing (we will provide special envelopes that day). Alternatively, donations can be made online at www.tmpc.org/giving.

PRO-ACT FAMILY EDUCATION If someone you know or love is struggling with a drug or alcohol addiction support is here for you. PRO-ACT provides a safe and supportive environment for families and individuals impacted by addiction to gain understanding and find healing within a community of grace. Call (800) 221 – 6333 or visit www.addictionawarenessinitiative.com

MEN'S STUDY GROUP Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, April 4 at 9:00 AM** in the Conference Room. We are doing the Lenten study, "Finding Your Way Back to God" by Dave and Jon Ferguson and are currently preparing for **Section 3** which includes chapters 9, 10 and 11. The men's study group meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. **ALL MEN ARE WELCOME.**

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE Mark your calendars for the **SPRING Rummage Sale Thursday, April 6, (9am-5pm)** and **Friday, April 7, (9am-12pm)**. We have begun accepting rummage items. We accept clean gently used clothing in good condition and small household items. (No electronics or large items of any kind.) Thank you!!

SPRING BLOOD DRIVE AT TMPC The Red Cross is coming to Thompson Church for the Spring Blood Drive on **Wednesday, April 19th**. Mark your calendars and plan to come and give. Watch for sign up information.

SENIOR SPRING LUNCHEON On behalf of the Deacons of Thompson Church, we invite our seniors to the Spring luncheon on **Saturday, April 22**, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. We have an exciting performance by the Fitzpatrick Irish Dancers and don't forget to **WEAR YOUR GREEN!!** Please RSVP to Joanne Clark or sign up at the Table of Well Wishing. Be sure to let us know if you need transportation.

THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING—SPRING EDITION. Mark your calendars. By popular demand, we are organizing a **SPRING EDITION** of The Church Has Left the Building for us to turn outward and serve those in need. Most projects will be scheduled on Saturday, **April 29th** and the balance on Sunday afternoon, **April 30th**. Note that we **WILL** be worshipping on Sunday, April 30th. **Project signups will start on Sunday, April 2nd**.

SPRING PRAYER RETREAT AT HOLY CROSS MONASTERY From **Tuesday, May 30, to Friday, June 2**, Pastor Stuart Spencer will lead a prayer retreat at Holy Cross Monastery in West Park, NY. Members and friends of Thompson Church are invited to a place of beauty and peace. Pastor Spencer will lead five sessions on the theme "Constant Prayer" with lots of time for personal reflection and prayer. Brochures can be found on the Table of Well Wishing or online on our website.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun 3/26	8:30	Traditional Worship Service	(Sanctuary)
	9:00	Youth Choir Rehearsal	(Choir Room)
	9:45	Sunday School; Adult Forum-Small Groups (Kelly/Jean)	(Rooms 122-125) (Conference Room)
	11:00	Contemporary Worship Service	(Fellowship Hall)
	5:00	Vesper's Service with Brother Joseph	(Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall)
	6:00	Rock (Jr. High)	(Youth Room)
	7:30	Rooted (Sr. High)	(Youth Room)
Mon 3/27	9:30	Women's Bible Study "Finding Your Way Back to God" AWAKENING TO LIFE: "Now this is living."	(Conference Room)
Wed 3/29	5:30	Grey Sheetters Anonymous	(Room 115)
	6:00	Lenten Soup and Bread	(Fellowship Hall)
	6:30	Contemporary Music Rehearsal	(Fellowship Hall)
	7:00	Lenten Evening Service	(Sanctuary)
	7:45	Adult Forum-Small Groups (Pastor Stuart)	(Chapel)
	7:45	Theology on Tap at TMPC for Lent	(Conference Room)
Thurs 3/30	8:15	Morning Prayer Group	(Chapel)
	4:30	Jesus' Joyful Choir Rehearsal	(Choir Room)
	5:15	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	(Choir Room)
	5:45	Chime/Handbell Choir	(Room 123)
	7:00	Men's AA Meeting	(Conference Room)
	7:00	With One Voice Choir	(Choir Room)
	8:00	Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal	(Choir Room)
Fri 3/31	9:00	Fabulous Folders	(Conference Room)
Sun 4/02	8:30	Traditional Worship Service	(Sanctuary)
	8:30	Choir Appreciation	(Sanctuary)
	9:00	Youth Choir Rehearsal	(Choir Room)
	9:45	Sunday School; Adult Forum-Small Groups (Kelly/Jean)	(Rooms 122-125) (Conference Room)
	11:00	Contemporary Worship Service	(Fellowship Hall)
	6:00	Rock (Jr. High)	(Youth Room)
	7:30	Rooted (Sr. High)	(Youth Room)

Foglifters AA group meets daily, 7:00-8:00 a.m. (Monday-Friday in Fellowship Hall); (Saturday/Sunday in the Conference Rm).