

THE FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

April 9, 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.

FLOWERS Palms will be given out today.

PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL Our chapel is open this morning for prayer. Located directly across from the nursery, the Chapel is a small worship space. Nancy Kopp, a member of Thompson Church's Prayer Team will be onhand to pray with you or provide you with resources to help you deepen your prayer life.

COFFEE HOUR Thank you to the Finance Committee (8:30); Melissa Michael and The Oxley Family (11:00) for hosting Today's Coffee Hours. 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 by visiting TMPC's website, Life Together/Fellowship/Coffee Hours.

WELCOMING AMBASSADORS Please take the time to visit the sign up genius site and join our other welcoming ambassadors for this important role.

USHERS AND GREETERS Today's ushers are Rosanne Bell and Barbara Pope (8:30); Susan Achenbach and Katherine Marriott (11:00). Our youth ushers are Grace and Ella Berry (11:00).

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.

ADULT FORUM STUDY ON THE APOSTLES CREED BEGINS TODAY! This seven-session study, based on Alister McGrath's book *I Believe*, introduces us to the Apostles' Creed and the essential truths about God the Father, the person and work of Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Each session consists of a commentary reading, discussion questions. Seminary Interns Kelly LePenske and Jean Wilkinson lead the first two studies on 4/9 and 4/23 and Pastor Spencer leads the final five sessions on 5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 6/4 and 6/11. Copies of the study book will be available on the first Sunday of the class, **April 9th**. The Adult Forum meets in the Conference Room from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

THOMPSON GARDEN CLUB is getting ready to spring into action! If you like to garden, this is the place for you. Once our flowers are planted, we take turns watering and weeding

through the growing season. It's fun and very rewarding to see how our efforts make our beautiful church grounds even more beautiful. A sign-up sheet is on the Table of Well Wishing or contact Carol Carpenter.

AID FOR FRIENDS On **Tuesday, April 11th** 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 - contact Susan Achenbach or Holly Tomkovicz.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING Today, **Palm Sunday, April 9** envelopes have been enclosed for your participation in the One Great Hour of Sharing. 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! Alternatively, donations can be made online at www.tmpc.org/giving.

MEN'S STUDY GROUP Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, April 18 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 4** which includes chapters 12 and 13. The men's study group meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. ALL MEN ARE WELCOME.

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. Sign up at the Table of Well Wishing.

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.

FINALS SURVIVAL KITS Supplies are needed for our college students "finals week" survival kits. Please take a look at the list on the table outside Fellowship Hall. Thanks for your support.

THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING—SPRING EDITION. Sign up TODAY! By popular demand, we are holding a **SPRING EDITION** of The Church Has Left the Building to turn outward and serve those in need. We have ten different projects spread over the weekends of April 29/30 and May 6/7. Note that we WILL be worshipping on both Sunday, April 30th and May 7th. [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up. Contact Rick Schaub with any questions.

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

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

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| Sun 4/9 | 8:30 | Traditional Worship Service (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 (Choir Appreciation) | (Fellowship Hall) |
| | 12:30 | Community Meal | (Fellowship Hall) |
| Mon 4/10 | 9:00 | Women's Bible Study "The Power of a Woman's Words", Chapter 5 | (Conference Room) |
| Tues 4/11 | 9:00 | AID for Friends | (Fellowship Hall) |
| | 7:00 | CE Committee Meeting | (Choir Room) |
| Wed 4/12 | 1:00 | UPW Meeting | (Conference Room) |
| | 5:30 | Grey Sheetters Anonymous | (Room 115) |
| | 6:30 | Contemporary Music Rehearsal | (Fellowship Hall) |
| | 7:45 | Adult Forum-Small Groups (Pastor Stuart) | (Chapel) |
| Thur 4/13 | 4:30 | Jesus' Joyful Choir Rehearsal | (Choir Room) |
| | 5:15 | Cherub Choir Rehearsal | (Choir Room) |
| | 5:45 | Chime/Handbell Choir | (Room 123) |
| | 6:00 | MAUNDY THURSDAY Soup and Bread Supper & Service | (Fellowship Hall) |
| | 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 4/14 | 9:00 | Fabulous Folders | (Conference Room) |
| | 7:00 | GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE | (Sanctuary) |
| Sun 4/16 | 6:30 | Sunrise Easter Service | Courtyard (weather permitting) |
| | 7:30 | Joyful Coffee Hour (After all Services) | (Choir Room) |
| | 9:45 | Easter Children's Festivities & Egg Hunt | (Sanctuary) |
| | 11:00 | Easter Traditional Worship Service | (Fellowship Hall) |

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