



TEMPLE LUTHERAN CHURCH

INCLUSION, SERVICE, COMMUNITY

Lessons and Carols



LESSONS AND CAROLS JANUARY 1, 2023



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WELCOME UNCONDITIONALLY	WORSHIP FULLY
LIVE GENEROUSLY	CELEBRATE GROWTH

**Visiting today?
Welcome!**

**January 1, 2023
Notes for Today's Service**

We hope that you will be able to join with us in worship in person or through the livestream on the website templelutheran.org.

Because this is a livestreamed service, your likeness may be shown on Temple's YouTube channel and website.

HOLY COMMUNION - We welcome **ALL** to share in the meal of God's forgiveness, receiving the real presence of Christ in the sacrament. Please come forward to the communion rail by the center aisle maintaining a 3 feet distance. Children are welcome to fully participate in Holy Communion or to come forward and receive a blessing. Please return to your seat by the side aisle. If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and communion will be brought to you.

OFFERING - During today's service, an offering will be gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. At Temple Lutheran Church, we acknowledge financial stewardship to be an act of discipleship, done in response to the Good News of God's love. As you hear God's Word today and consider the ways God has blessed you, we invite you to share only what God is calling you to share. We thank you for your generous gifts and assure you that your donations will help to change lives as we transform church, our neighborhood, and God's world in the name of Jesus.

Please consider e-giving as a way to continue meeting your pledge to Temple. Please contact our Financial Secretary for information or the form to do this at finsecretary@templelutheran.org.

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1-5, 14-18

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights — the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night — and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.

SECOND READING: Micah 5:2-5a

² But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. ³Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. ⁴And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; ⁵and he shall be the one of peace. If the Assyrians come into our land and tread upon our soil, we will raise against them seven shepherds and eight installed as rulers.

THIRD READING: Luke 1:26-35, 38

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." ²⁹But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁸Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

FOURTH READING: Matthew 1:18-25

¹⁸Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. ²⁰But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²²All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: ²³"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." ²⁴When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, ²⁵but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

FIFTH READING: Luke 2:8-20

⁸In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

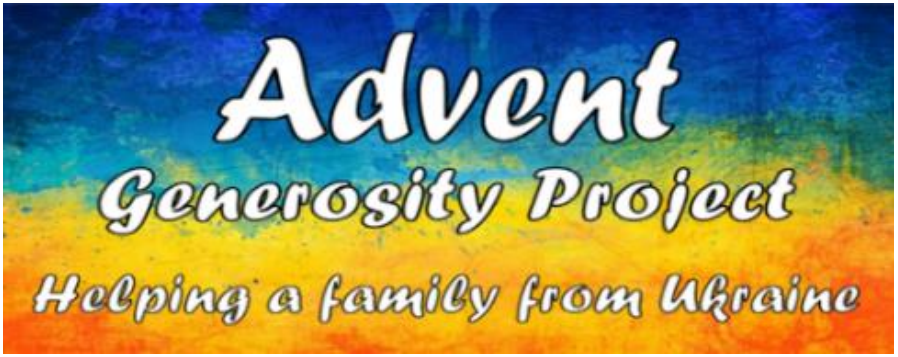
SIXTH READING: Matthew 2:1-11

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:
⁶And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

SEVENTH READING: John 1:1-14

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. ⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.



ADVENT GENEROSITY PROJECT *Updated*

The Tatarchuk-Gadzhaman family recently moved to Havertown from war-torn Ukraine. Olga and Alex are

Help a family from
Ukraine

raising their three children and doing their best to assimilate while coping with the trauma of losing their home. Olga parents, Igor and Elena, have arrived safely in the United States!

100% of everything donated will go towards getting them set up with an apartment while they learn English and look for jobs in the U.S.

For every \$10 given to support this family, we hung a sunflower on our Christmas tree in the narthex. Donations poured in and we had to add garland to the entrance for the others. Thank you for your generosity!

*****An anonymous donor has offered to double the donations made to the Advent Generosity Project up to \$5000!*****

Thank you for Living Generously!

Donations to our "Advent Generosity Project" fundraiser have been made by:

Lori Corso in memory of Andrea Wolf who loved sunflowers, but loved helping others even more and in support of all Ukrainians.

Susan Best and Fran Talarowski in memory of their Grandparents.

Nikita and Sylvia Johnson in memory of Willie James Dees, father and husband.

Jeanne Daniels in memory of loving parents Frank and Constance Loeb.

Becky Wantman

The Burko Family in memory of Shelly and Harvey Burko.

The Bruss Family in memory of Janet's dad, William Codner and in honor of their family.

Gail and David Nichols in memory of their parents.

The Jennings Family in memory of their Grandparents.

Shane, Mallory, and Garrett Flickinger in memory of those lost and in honor of the survivors.

Anonymous: God Bless.

The Mittlemans in memory of the Tsutsura Family.

Kathy and Jim Farally in the hopes of peace around the world.

Jim Gallagher in the spirit of Christmas.

The Kampmeyer-Mannix Family in honor of Families Everywhere!

Lois and Tom Gasper in honor of the courageous Ukrainian people.

Lynn and Ian in memory of Digna and Ruth.

Ericka Esposito in memory of Marian and Amy Martin.

Maureen O'Ryan in memory of Dennis and Ruth O'Ryan.

Michele Smith in memory of William and Peg Lotz.

Leah Hynansky in honor of Freedom, Olena Zelenska, Katharyna Hlyniansky, Marusia Pelensky, Deanna Hynansky, Brittany Ormer, Natalka and Geaorge Popel, Yaru and Christina Snylyk, Lesya and Pravih Parekh, Father Volodymyr, and Mark Parekh and in memory of Walter Hyniansky and Irena Hlyniansky.

Ingrid Burd in honor of Temple Lutheran's mission to Welcome Unconditionally.

Noel Smyth in memory of innocent lives lost in war.

Despina Kontos in memory of Nikos P., her cousin.

Connie and Bill Bradley in memory of Catherine Bradley, John Bradley and Franny Bradley.

Joyce and Bob Quillen in honor of their Grandchildren.

John Kasper in honor of those who are working towards creating a safe life for their families.

Amanda Pagano in honor of all our immigrant families who make America more beautiful.

Zachary Segal in support of the Advent Generosity Project.

Linda Robertson in honor of all refugees seeking safety anywhere and anytime.

Kelly Mannion in memory of Kitsy Mannion.

Jay and Gail Tress in memory of their parents and brother.

Susan Holm in honor of the Ukrainian spirit and people.

Mary Anne Hlyniansky in memory of husband Walt.

The O'Hagan family in honor of Humanity.

In memory of Marguarita Frank Gallo.

Bob Hatton in memory of parents, brother, and sister.

The Wineberg Family in honor of the Ukrainian Family.

Christa Kerber in honor of the Generous Matching Donor.

Jennifer Comerici in honor of the People of Ukraine.

The McCormacks in memory of Gretta, Jackson, and Tiramisu.

Mary and Martin Mannion

Gaye and

Denise Johansen

The Eubanks

Mescia Family

Phil and Emily Earley

Becky Wantman



WELCOME UNCONDITIONALLY

CAFÉ

Discussion and fellowship in the Café resumes New Year's Day at 9:00 a.m. In Person (in the Café) or on Zoom.

[Adult Café Link](#)

BOOK CLUB – Monday, January 9 7:30 PM



**The Women of the Bible Speak:
The Wisdom of 16 Women and Their Lessons for Today** by Shannon Bream

If you would like a copy of a book but cannot afford it, please let Pastor Tim know!

Please join us on Monday, January 9 at 7:30 p.m. for great discussion and fellowship. We will be having the book club in person at Temple's Café, with the option to Zoom in as well. Even if you haven't read the book, you are very welcome to join!

Meeting ID: 838 3646 6562 Passcode: BookClub

MUSIC MINISTRIES



Rehearsals resume after the New Year! Interested in being part of music at Temple Lutheran Church?

The beginning of the year is a great time to start! We have Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, and Children's Music. **Beginners welcome!** Please contact our Director of Music Ministries, Florrie Marks, @ music@templelutheran.org.

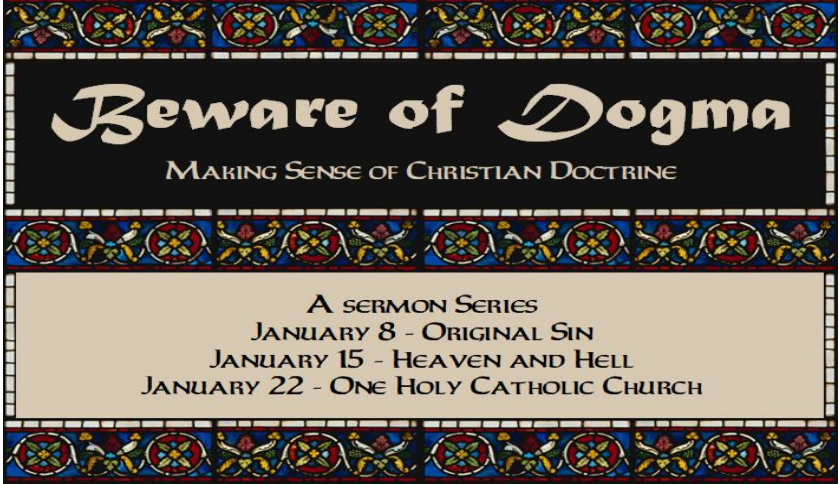


WORSHIP FULLY

NEW YEARS DAY - Lessons and Carols

Sunday, 10 AM, Come hear Bible readings that tell (and foretell) of Jesus' birth and sing some lesser-known carols.

NEW SERMON SERIES



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement: Paul Arata, Brendan Bell, John Burd, Jack Byers, Mike Carr, Linda Clack, Joan Clarke, family and friends of William Codner, Sue Cook, Jane Corso, Cynthia Davis, Marge Davis, Bobbie Delaney, Gordon Dershimer, Declan Devlin, Diane Donnely, Chase Doyle and Adam, Mary England, Christie Ennis, Bill Faust, Shane Faust, Kristine Ferguson-Franklin, Michelle Filler, Lois Ann Forgeess-Oler, Todd Gasper, Brian Hegarty, Roy Hallowell, Greg Hallquist, Family and Friends of Delores Harrison, Florence Homer, Amy Ingram, Cari Isakson, Craig Jamgochian, Dan Joseph, Gina Kapusniak, Kailyn Kilfoyle, Kim Komar, Louis F. Lamoreux, Jean Long, Leia Jean Louis, Madison Lynn, Kevin Mack, Janet Marinari, Wayne Meider, Lino Mescia, Audie Murphy, Helen Neiser, Betty Pagan, Carmen Palacios, Merry Snyder, Patricia Snyder, Karen Spangler, Gaetan Termini, Dick Torti, Diana Valvardi, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Philip White, Linda Wilke, and the family and friends of Benny Strain.



LIVE GENEROUSLY

LIFE CENTER MEAL

Tuesday, January 10



items and/or time.

Life Center SignUp

The next date is January 10th! If you would like to cook, we need meatloaves and mac and cheese trays. Non baked items needed as well. More info on the Signup Genius! Please label Life Center so we know to take it!

There is a **need for servers** so please see the signup genius below for ways to give of

SPONSORING ALTAR FLOWERS



Altar flowers are a great way to beautify the sanctuary and remind your fellow worshipers of the new life that Jesus brings. They are also a great way to commemorate an event near a specific date, or honor/remember someone close to your heart. Select the week, enter the note you would like in the bulletin and pay through PayPal. The cost is \$42 per week. The florist will deliver a beautiful arrangement to the church. You can collect

it after the 10:00 a.m. service or ask for it to be delivered to someone in the community going through a difficult time.

Questions: Contact the [TLC Office](#)

[Order Altar Flowers](#)

The Rev. Timothy Johansen,
by calling (610) 446-3270
or by emailing pastor@templelutheran.org
Emergency Phone Number (610) 853-1736

2023 TLC CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING

January 22

Fellowship Hall

After Church on Sunday January 22nd, we will meet in Fellowship Hall for our annual meeting and potluck. An email was sent out this past week with information



regarding constitutional amendments and bylaws. A signup sheet for the potluck will be in the narthex. We look forward to seeing you there!

GIVING TO TEMPLE

Did you know that Temple has doubled its' congregational giving in the last ten years? This drastically affects the impact we can have on our community and beyond. It's because of your generosity that this is a growing, thriving, multi-generational community of people dedicated to living out our values of Inclusion, Service, and Community.

There are now many ways you can financially contribute to TLC's Mission

- Mail a check to the church office
501 Brookline Blvd, Havertown, PA 19083
- Authorize payment through your bank
- Sign up for electronic giving with Celia Engman

Questions? Contact [Celia Engman](#)

Use this [PayPal link](#)

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CELEBRATE GROWTH

FOOD PANTRY SERVICE DAY



January 28, 2023

1-3 PM

Our next day for providing food and necessities to those in need will be **January 28th**.

Needs: Peanut butter, canned fruit, detergent, snacks, and tomato products. To volunteer please email Bridget McCormack at bmccormack29@gmail.com.

TLC: Tender Loving Care

Sharing words of inspiration and hope!

We are excited to offer this blog as way to share God's presence in our lives and community.

Perhaps you attended Café and were moved by the discussion. You spent time helping at the food pantry and witnessed a kindness that may move others. Something Pastor Tim shared in a sermon helped you to learn a new perspective. You have a recipe that has been passed down for generations and a story to go with it. Kids are welcome to share their stories as well! Please reach out to Lisa Schneller @ lisaschneller23@gmail.com to post on our blog.

TLC Blog

Another way to communicate the wonderful happenings of Temple Lutheran Church is to write an article for our monthly newsletter, **The Evangel**. The newsletter can be found on our website, through email, or in the narthex at church. We love to have articles written by all ages! Anyone who takes pictures at church events please send to the church office or to Eileen. Email articles and/or pictures to Eileen Keaveney at ekeaveney@yahoo.com.

TLC Evangel

CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Tuesdays	7:15 p.m.	Handbell Choir
	8:30 p.m.	AA Meeting
Friday	7:30 p.m.	I Am Responsible [AA meeting]
Saturdays	9:30 a.m.	Bryn Mawr Early Birds [AA meeting]
Sundays	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School / Café
		SS resumes 1/8 and Café resumes 1/1
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Music 1/8/23
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Chancel Choir 1/8

12-Step meetings are held regularly at the church, but not all of them are posted at the request of each group's leadership.

Please contact Pastor Tim if you have an addiction and need help.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January	1	Lessons and Carols (No Livestream)
	9	Book Club 7:30 PM
	10	Life Center Meal
	22	Congregational Annual Meeting 11:30 AM
	28	Food Pantry Day 1-3 PM

Partners in Ministry

Ministers	People of Temple Lutheran Church
Pastor	The Rev. Timothy B. Johansen
Congregation Council President	Amanda Quillen
Director of Music Ministries	Florrie Marks
Director of Discipleship	Rob Mannix
Parish Administrator	Darcy Mannion
Director of Sunday School	Jeanne Daniels
Sexton	Calvin Lawler Sr.



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