



AUGUST 25, 2024



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**Visiting today?
Welcome!**

August 25, 2024

Notes for Today's Services

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. 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.

**For more information about Temple Lutheran,
visit our website or use this QR Code.**



FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

¹Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ^{2a}And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” ¹⁶Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.

¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

GOSPEL: John 6:56-69

[Jesus said,] ⁵⁶“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. ⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.” ⁶⁶Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement: Paul Arata, Susan Bang, Dwin Barger, Brendan Bell, Bruce Burchell, Jack Byers, Mike Carr, Linda Clack, Joan Clarke, Jane Corso, Mark Davis, Bobbie Delaney, Gordon Dershimer, Declan Devlin, Julie Diehl, Diane Donnelly, Jeanne Donofrio, Chase Doyle and Adam, Christie Ennis, Bill Faust, Shane Faust, Kristine Ferguson-Franklin, Michelle Filler, Lois Ann Forges-Oler, Todd Gasper, Tom Gasper, Evin Gerofsky, Thomas Gibson (Gibby), Greg Hallquist, Roy Hollowell, Florence Homer, Clay Isakson, Cari Isakson, Craig Jamgochian, Boyce Johnson, Sylvia Johnson, Gina Kapusniak, Kailyn Kilfoyle, Kim Komar, Louis F. Lamoreux, Jean Long, Madison Lynn, Kevin Mack, Bob M., Helen M., Salvino Marra, Janet Marinari, Wayne Meider, Lino Mescia, Helen Neiser, Betty Pagan, Carmen Palacios, Melissa Rhodes, Jeanne Santarsiero, Chris Smith, Clark Smith, Marty Smith, Merry Snyder, Patricia Snyder, Karen Spangler, Steve, Gaetan Termini, Dick Torti, Diana Valvardi, Steve and Sue Voccola, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Philip White, and Linda Wilke.

Need to contact the Pastor?

The Rev. Timothy Johansen,
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WELCOME UNCONDITIONALLY

Back To School

Backpack Blessing

With games, prizes, resources,
food, and fun!
Open to the whole community!

Saturday, August 31, 11 AM

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INCLUSION ♦ SERVICE ♦ COMMUNITY

BACK TO SCHOOL BACKPACK BLESSING **Saturday, August 31** **11AM at Temple Lutheran Church**

On August 31, we welcome the community to Temple Lutheran Church for a special Back to School Backpack Blessing. Come for games, prizes, resources, food, and fun!

GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS. SUNDAY **September 8, 2024**

Join us on “God’s Work, Our Hands” Sunday to help register voters and encourage participation in the upcoming election.



God’s work. Our hands.



September 8
2024



WORSHIP FULLY



1...2...3... CHURCH! Worship Series

A new 3 week worship series will begin on September 1 called 1...2...3... CHURCH! Metaphors for Church.

ADULT EDUCATION AT CAFÉ



Sundays at 9 AM

Café continues through the summer!

Come enjoy coffee, tea, and delicious treats with meaningful discussions. Every Sunday at 9 am.

All are welcome!

RALLY DAY CARNIVAL AND WORSHIP

Sunday, September 15

9 am Carnival

10 am Worship

**Welcome one, Welcome all to
TLC's Rally Day Carnival!**



We will joyfully come together to celebrate the resumption of our ministries after the summer break. It's a time of renewal, fellowship, and excitement as we reconnect and recommit to our shared mission.

All are welcome to play some games and get to know what Temple Lutheran has to offer! See you there!



LIVE GENEROUSLY

LIFE CENTER MEAL



Tuesday, September 10

Sign up today to help this ministry provide a meal to those in need at the Life Center in Upper Darby.

Check out the Signup genius for more information or reach out to Ingrid Burd, ifburd410@gmail.com.



GIVING TO TEMPLE

TLC is dedicated to transforming our church, our neighborhood, and God's world. Your contributions drastically affect 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 regularly 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](#) or QR Code

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CELEBRATE GROWTH

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



Scan to schedule an appointment.

Thursday, September 12

2:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall at TLC

Urgent need for blood donations! We added another date! Sign up to Give Blood by scanning or clicking on the QR code today!

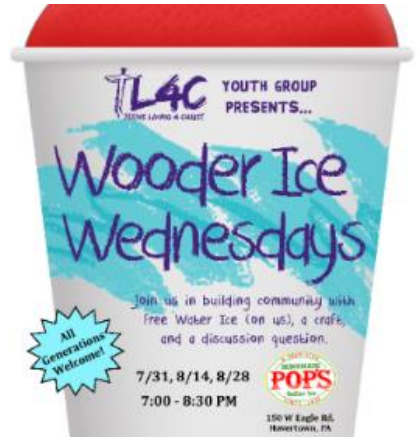
WOODER ICE WEDNESDAYS

Presented by TL4C Youth Group

@ Pop's, 150 W. Eagle Rd.

**Last one this summer is 8/28,
7pm - 8:30pm**

Join us in building community with FREE water ice (on us), a craft, and a discussion question. All generations welcome!



TLC FOOD PANTRY



Saturday, September 28, 1-2:30 pm

TLC Food Pantry is open for in-person shopping every 4th Saturday of the month from 1-2:30 pm.

Needs: Coffee, Cereal – Cheerios needed, snacks, Dish Soap, and Laundry Detergent

no glass or expired items

Please reach out to **Bridget McCormack** if interested in being part of this ministry.

CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Tuesdays	8:30 p.m.	The Oakmont Group [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.	Adult Café
	10:00 a.m.	Worship

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

August	18	You Are Invited Worship Series Begins
	24	TLC Food Pantry
	28	Wooder Ice Wednesday @ Pop's
	31	Back to School Backpack Blessing 11 am
September	1	1...2...3... Church! Worship Series Begins
	8	God's Work, Our Hands Sunday
	10	Life Center Ministry
	12	Red Cross Blood Drive at TLC
	15	Rally Day Carnival and Worship
	28	TLC Food Pantry 1-2:30 pm

Partners in Ministry

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



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