

INCLUSION, SERVICE, COMMUNITY



Abraham Speaks with God by Cunradus Schlapperitzi, 1455

JULY 27, 2025
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



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## Visiting today? Welcome!

### July 27, 2025 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 <u>ALL</u> 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.

#### **LESSON READING: GENESIS 18:20-32**

<sup>20</sup> Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup> I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know." 22 So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. <sup>23</sup> Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup> Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup> Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup> And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." <sup>27</sup> Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup> Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." 29 Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." 30 Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." 31 He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." 32 Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

#### **GOSPEL READING: LUKE 11:1-13**

<sup>1</sup> [Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." So he said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread. <sup>4</sup> And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." <sup>5</sup> And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, 6 for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' 7 And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup> "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. 10 For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. 11 Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? 12 Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

#### Need to contact the Pastor?

The Rev. Timothy Johansen, by calling (610) 446-3270 or by emailing pastor@templelutheran.org Emergency Phone Number (516)592-0412





# ✓ RENEW: The Green VBS✓ Temple Lutheran ChurchAugust 4-8, 9 am – Noon

Children ages 4–10 are invited to join us for RENEW: The Green VBS, a fun and faith-filled Vacation Bible School experience focused on caring for God's creation!

Campers: Ages 4-10, Minor Helpers: Ages 11-17

Adult Leaders and Helpers Needed!! Reach out to the office or check the VBS website for information on clearances.

Reach out to TLC's Director of Discipleship, Rob Mannix at robmannix@gmail.com if interested in helping in any way!

#### Needed for the week of VBS:

- 1. Colorful Magazines (Need roughly 30-40)
- 2. Paper Pulp Egg Cartons

#### Register today at TempleLutheran.org/vbs.



#### WOODER ICE WEDNESDAYS 7:00-8:00 PM July 30 August 13

TL4 Youth Group hosts Wooder Ice Wednesdays at Pop's on Eagle Rd. in Havertown on July 30<sup>th</sup>, and August 13<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to build community through a discussion question, craft, and a water ice on us!



## ADULT EDUCATION AT CAFÉ Sundays at 9 AM

Come enjoy coffee, tea, and delicious treats with discussions. Every Sunday at 9 am. All are welcome!



#### **MUSIC MINISTRIES**



If you sing or play an instrument, we would love for you to share your talents with Temple Lutheran Church! We especially would like to feature soloists/duets/etc. during the

summer months. Please contact our Director of Music Ministries, Florrie Marks, at <a href="mailto:music@templelutheran.org">music@templelutheran.org</a>.

#### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement: Paula Andrade, Paul Arata, Margaret Barger, Jack Byers, Mike Carr, Joan Clarke, Linda Cohen, Jane Corso, Bobbie Delaney, Gordon Dershimer, Declan Devlin, Julie Diehl, Diane Donnely, Jeanne Donofrio, Chase Doyle and Adam, Christie Ennis, Bill Faust, Shane Faust, Kristine Ferguson-Franklin, Michelle Filler, Lois Ann Forgess-Oler, Kelly Gallagher, Michael Gallagher Jr., Roger Gasper, Todd Gasper, Evin Gerofsky, Thomas Gibson (Gibby), Roy Hallowell, Greg Hallquist, Florence Homer, Craig Jamgochian, Boyce Johnson, Em Johnston, Gina Kapusniak, Kailyn Kilfoyle, Kim Komar, Louis F. Lamoreux, Calvin Lawler, Jean Long, Lori Lutz, Madison Lynn, Susie Margarite and family, Salvino Marra, Janet Marinari, Wayne Meider, Lino Mescia, Cadence Monroe, Helen Neiser, Betty Pagan, Carmen Palacios, Tonya Parker, Pat Rhodes, family and friends of Melissa Rhodes, Beth Rossi, Larry Rossi, Toni Rossi, Jeanne Santarsiero, Chris Smith, Clark Smith, Merry Snyder, Patricia Snyder, Karen Spangler, Derick Spence, Phil Strybuc, Gaetan Termini, Dick Torti, Steve and Sue Voccola, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Philip White, Linda Wilke, and Chloe Gorby Zarko.



#### LIFE CENTER MEAL





#### September 12

Signup to donate food, items, or your time. Click on or scan the QR code for the signup genius.

#### RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Thursday, September 25 2-7 pm **Fellowship Hall** Reach out to Kristy Burko

kmburko@gmail.com or Larry Passmore Larry Passmore@gmail.com for more information.





an appointment.

#### **GIVING TO TEMPLE**

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





#### TLC FOOD PANTRY

#### Saturday, August 23, 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:** Laundry Detergent, Dishwashing Liquid, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Peanut Butter, Coffee, and snacks \*no glass or expired items\*



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

# SPIRITUAL DIRECTION GROUP \*\*NEW SCHEDULE\*\* Meets every other Monday 8/4, 8/18, etc.





TLC's Spiritual Direction Group offers a welcoming space to listen, share, and grow in faith together. New faces welcome anytime!

Questions? Rob Mannix @ robmannix@gmail.com.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER BREAK



Sunday School will resume in September. However, we have several adult mission partners that will be opening the kids' room between the children's sermon and communion for supervised activities during many Sundays over the summer.

#### CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS

**Mondays** Spiritual Direction Group 8/4, 8/18, etc.) 7:00 p.m. **Tuesdays** The Oakmont Group [AA Meeting] 8:30 p.m. **Fridays** 7:30 p.m. I Am Responsible [AA meeting] Saturdays Bryn Mawr Early Birds [AA meeting] 9:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Adult Café

Sundays 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

30 Wooder Ice Wednesday **Iuly** 

**August** 4-8 RENEW VBS!

**4 & 18** Spiritual Direction Group

10 VBS Sunday

13 Wooder Ice Wednesday

23 TLC Food Pantry

September 1, 15, 29 Spiritual Direction Group

7 God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday

9 Life Center Meal

14 Rally Day!

#### **Partners in Ministry**

People of Temple Lutheran Church Ministers The Rev. Timothy B. Johansen Pastor **Congregation Council President Director of Music Ministries** Director of Discipleship Parish Administrator Darcy Mannion **Director of Sunday School Jeanne Daniels Jennifer Pruski** Youth Minister Calvin Lawler Sr. Sexton





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