

Welcome Unconditionally Worship Fully
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# **UNPACKING BELIEF**



August 8, 2021 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## **WELCOME TO**

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**OUR MISSION -**

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## Visiting today? Welcome! August 8, 2021 Notes for Today's Services

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

**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. 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.

During this difficult time, the work and expenses of the church continue. Please consider e-giving as a way to continue meeting your pledge to Temple. Contact our Financial Secretary at finsecretary@templelutheran.org for information or the form to do this.

## TODAY'S READINGS 1 JOHN 2:1-6

<sup>1</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; <sup>2</sup>and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

<sup>3</sup>Now by this we may be sure that we know him, if we obey his commandments. <sup>4</sup>Whoever says, "I have come to know him," but does not obey his commandments, is a liar, and in such a person the truth does not exist; <sup>5</sup>but whoever obeys his word, truly in this person the love of God has reached perfection. By this we may be sure that we are in him: <sup>6</sup>whoever says, "I abide in him," ought to walk just as he walked.

#### **2 CORINTHIANS 5:16-21**

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! <sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. <sup>20</sup>So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

## **Need to contact the Pastor?**

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

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement Angie, Paul Arata, Geoff Bailey, Brendan Bell, Barbara Burd, Nancy Butler, Jack Byers, Mike Carr, Linda Clack, Sue Cook, Jane Corso, Cynthia Davis, Bobbie Delaney, Gordon Dershimer, Declan Devlin, Chase Doyle and Adam, Christie Ennis, Bill Faust, Shane Faust, Kristine Ferguson-Franklin, Lois Ann Forgess-Oler, Todd Gasper, Roy Hallowell, Greg Hallquist, Mike and Sandy Harms, Florence Homer, Craig Jamgochian, Dan Joseph, Gina Kapusniak, Kim Komar, Louis F. Lamoreux, Jean Long, Madison Lynn, Kevin Mack, Janet Marinari, Audie Murphy, Betty Pagan, Carmen Palacios, Linda Palisano, Merry Snyder, Patricia Snyder, Karen Spangler, Vera Spangler, Benny Strain, Gaetan Termini, Dick Torti, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Philip White, Linda Wilke.



#### **TOWER BELLS**

Jeff Rosengarten needs help and is looking for an individual(s) to program the Tower Bells. If interested, please contact Jeff at <a href="mailto:luvmyflyers@yahoo.com">luvmyflyers@yahoo.com</a>.

### MEATBALLS AND SAUCE FOR SALE



We have quarts of meat and sauce on sale for a suggested donation of \$10 per quart. It's all based on the honor system – collect from the freezer to the left of the kitchen and pay cash at the office or use Paypal. Call the office with questions.

## PREPARING MEALS



We have set up a sign-up genius sheet to provide dinner for the Cook family for the next few weeks. Please sign up and with your "acts of service" let them know they are loved. New dates available.

Dave & Sue Cook

## UPDATE - SARAH AND DIEGO ALARCON

We recently received the following update about Sarah and Diego from Sarah's sister, Annie.

Greetings family and friends!



Sarah and Diego are taking a new step in their journey together as foster and adoptive parents and are beginning to provide respite care for families in their community. They will regularly welcome kids ages 2 through 12 into their home. Let's shower these amazing new foster parents with love and gifts to keep the little ones in their care happy and healthy. Please continue to support Sarah and Diego through your friendship and in prayer.

## Their current address is:

105 North Riverside Ave.

Apt. D

Croton on the Hudson

<u>10520</u>

Please see the following Amazon Wishlist for items Sarah and Diego might want to have on hand:

Sarah and Diego's Wish List

Remember to check "(X)Sarah and Diego Alarcon's Gift Registry Address" when purchasing on Amazon.

Additionally, if you would like to send your favorite children's book, Sarah and Diego would love to read and enjoy with whomever they welcome to their home.

Thanks, Annie, John and Elise



Thank you to everyone who is making live streaming the Sunday Service possible. For the Director of Music Ministries – Florrie Marks, and for our audio-visual coordinator – Kyle Barger. Special thanks to our cantor today, Mark Wallace.

#### **WORSHIP SERVANTS**

Now that we are back to In-Person worship, we are looking for servants to help in leading worship. Check out the link to sign up. You can sign up for as many jobs as you can do! Any questions please contact the office or Rob Mannix.

## **Worship Servants Sign Up**



## God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday, September 12

In-person, live-streamed worship at 9:30 a.m.
After the service we will be working on various repair/sort/clean projects around the church. Contact Rob Mannix for more information.

## RALLY DAY September 19

In-person, live streamed worship at 9:30 a.m. Rally Day activities will be held outside following the worship service.



September 19, 10:30 am

#### FAREWELL TO KEVIN AND CHRISTINE RIECK

We will be saying farewell to Kevin and Christine Rieck on Sunday and having a gathering outside following the service. Please join us!



Outside following service

## **GRACE BROOMALL Information**



## SUNDAY WORSHIP In-person Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Questions: please call the church office at 610-356-1824 or contact Vicar Kayla Sadowy at <a href="mailto:gracebroomall@gmail.com">gracebroomall@gmail.com</a>.

## FOODS FOR FORDS COOKBOOK



Looking for some new Dinner time recipes?

Then Foods for Fords is for you! It's a 53 page cookbook compiled by Jonah Sun, an amazing Haverford High School student, as a fundraiser for our TLC Food Pantry. For more info, check out his video on Temple's Facebook page as it tells the story of the cookbook's creation and the Pantry.

They are \$12 and all of the proceeds go to TLC. If you'd like one, please reach out to me by email: bmccormack29@gmail.com. Cash, check, or Venmo accepted.

#### FOOD PANTRY



Check the website <a href="https://tlcfoodpantry.com">https://tlcfoodpantry.com</a> Needed: Paper products (particularly paper towels), detergent, hand soap (bars) and coffee both instant and ground.

## 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

Order Altar Flowers specific date, or honor/remember someone close to your heart. You can now sponsor altar flowers for a specific week. Select the week, enter the note as you would like to see

it in the bulletin (in honor of \_/in memory of \_/in celebration of\_) 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 9:30 a.m. service or ask for it to be delivered to someone in the community going through a difficult time. Questions: Contact the office.

CHILD AND YOUTH SAFETY POLICY The Council has approved a new Child and Youth Safety Policy (CYSP). This incorporates a new process for approving adults to work with children and youth in the congregation and establishes approvals for youth volunteers. Anyone who wants to work with children and youth will need to follow this new process, which may require them to resubmit or update their clearances to the Child and Youth Safety committee. There may be new forms you need to fill out so be sure to read the instructions on the website. The directions can be found on the TLC website under the Kids> Child and Youth Safety heading.

### **GIVING TO TEMPLE**

There are now many ways you can now give to TLC

- Mail a check to the church office
- · Authorize payment through your bank
- Sign up for electronic giving with Celia Engman Questions? Contact <u>Celia Engman</u>
  - Use the PayPal link on the website or in Temple Connections or below



#### VBS OPPORTUNITY

## St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ardmore

VBS 2021: COMPASSION CAMP, August 9-13, 9 am-12 noon Cost for VBS is \$20 per child or \$30 for a family.

## **Important VBS Information:**

- August 9-13 from 9 am-12 noon
- For children ages 4 through entering 5th grade
- Children will be assigned by grade/age to a small group.
   As a small group they will travel around outside and inside for various activities.
- Any large group activities will be done outside.
- Masks should be worn at all times, except when eating and drinking. Masks will be worn by all participants, helpers, and leaders.
- In the case of inclement weather, all activities will be held inside.
- Please apply sunscreen to your child each day before they come to VBS.
- We ask that all participants bring a mask, beach towel, and reusable water bottle to use each day.

## Register online at

https://www.stpaulsardmore.org/vacation-bible-school

The Rev. Laura M. Tancredi

Pastor, St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church 415 E. Athens Ave, Ardmore, PA 19003 (610) 642-3211



#### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

We collected 4 boxes of school supplies and \$175. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

## RESOURCES AVAILABLE

More from Max Lucado:

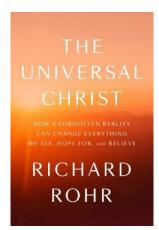
Think about the Christian you want to be. What qualities do you want to have? More compassion? More conviction? More courage? What attitudes do you want to discontinue? Greed? Guilt? Endless negativity? You see, with God's help you can. You can close the gap between the person you are and the person you want to be. Indeed, the person God made you to be. You can live "from glory to glory" (2 Corinthians 3:18).

## Resources – TLC Family Doin' the Work









#### **BOOK CLUB - RESCHEDULED**

The Universal Christ: How a Forgotten Reality can Change Everything We See, Hope For, and Believe by Richard Rohr

Richard Rohr, one of the world's most influential spiritual thinkers, delivers his long-awaited book on Jesus. In this radical message of hope, Rohr shows how "Jesus" + "Christ" reveal the divine wholeness at the heart of things--and what that means for every one of us.

In his decades as a globally recognized teacher, Richard Rohr has helped hundreds of thousands realize what is at stake in matters of faith--and it is not religion as usual. Yet Fr. Rohr has never written on the most perennially talked about topic in Christianity: Jesus Christ. Most know who Jesus was, but who was Christ? Is the word simply Jesus' last name? Too often, declares Rohr, our understandings have been held captive by culture, nationalism, and Christianity itself

Drawing on history, theology, and psychology, Rohr articulates an exhilarating and ultimately more sensible view of Jesus Christ as a portrait, so to speak, of how God works. "The whole of creation is the beloved community--the child of God--not just Jesus," he writes. In a world where religion too often divides, Rohr's understanding of the Incarnation changes not just the significance of Christmas, but how we read history, relate to nature and each other, and find our highest purpose each day.

Fans of Rohr's earlier works will find here a synthesis that reveals the broadest, most hopeful vision for humanity imaginable. Newcomers will be drawn to a science-friendly spirituality that feels both modern and timeless. All will value Rohr's practical insights on mindfulness, prayer, and enlightened social action.

Please join us on Monday, August 2 at 8 p.m. for great discussion and fellowship. Even if you haven't read the book, you are very welcome

to join! The meeting will be on Zoom.

Book Club Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 838 3646 6562 Passcode: BookClub For more details on how to join the video chat, contact Despina at

despina.kontos@gmail.com

## **CALENDAR**

Tuesdays 8:30 p.m. AA Meeting
Thursdays 7:00 p.m. Sober with Sitters (AA with Childcare)
Saturdays 9:30 a.m. Bryn Mawr Early Birds (AA meeting)
Sundays 9:30 a.m. In-person, Live Streamed 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.

## **Partners in Ministry**

People of Temple Lutheran Church Ministers The Rev. Timothy B. Johansen **Pastor Congregation Council President** Amanda Quillen **Director of Music Ministries** Florrie Marks Children, Youth & Family Minister Iulianna Pierdomenico Director of Discipleship Rob Mannix Office Administrator **Ianet Bruss** Director of Sunday School **Ieanne Daniels** Sunday Nursery Staff **Shelly Davis** Calvin Lawler Sexton

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