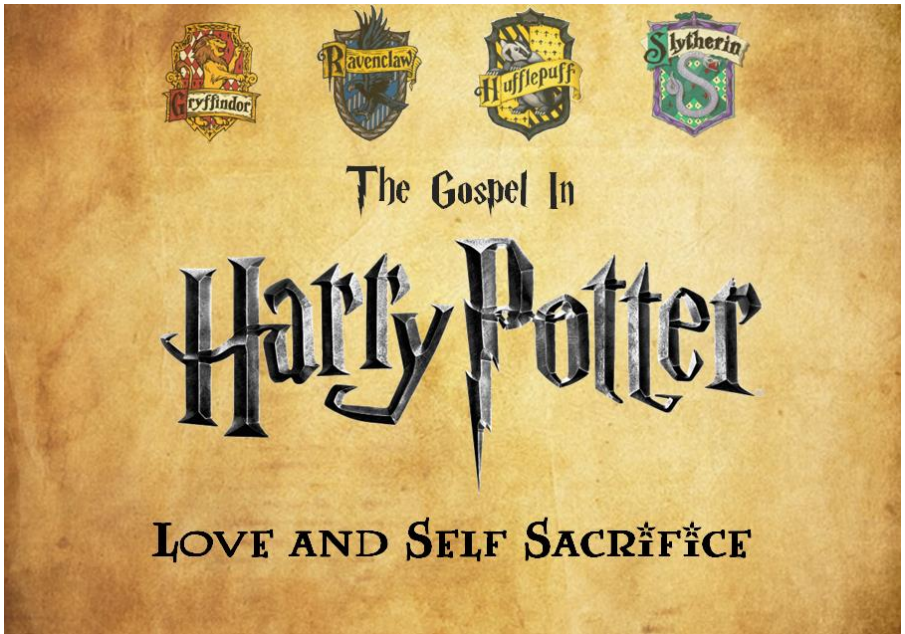




Temple

Lutheran Church



MAY 14, 2023
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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Havertown, PA 19083 —
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www.templelutheran.org

WELCOME UNCONDITIONALLY	WORSHIP FULLY
LIVE GENEROUSLY	CELEBRATE GROWTH

**Visiting today?
Welcome!**

**May 14, 2023
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.



Happy Mother's Day! May 14, 2023

FIRST READING: Romans 12:1-3, 9-21

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God — what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

GOSPEL READING: John 15:9-17

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹²This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

GRADUATIONS

Please let us know if you have a graduate. We would like to make sure all high school and college graduates are acknowledged on our Banner of Life with the date of graduation, school, and any honors/degrees.



WELCOME
TO
THE LORD'S TABLE

Jonah Galbraith

Regan Galbraith

Seth Galbraith

Colin Hatton

Sylvie Jennings

Leo Johansen

Eli Kontos

Mara Kontos

Eliotte Mescia

Andrew Phillips

Violet Terwilliger



WELCOME UNCONDITIONALLY

Welcome to Temple Lutheran Church of Havertown. You are not alone.

Each of us is a child of God, made in the image of God. Together, we create a diverse community of people who strive to share the love of Christ and to do God's work in the world. Jesus imposed no restrictions on who He welcomed at His table and neither do we. Our different experiences make us stronger together than separate. We value diversity of all kinds and invite you to join us as we learn more about God and strive to bring God's kingdom to all on this earth. We, the people of Temple Lutheran welcome all children of God – made in God's image – to join us in our work, no matter your race, your ethnicity, your sexual orientation, your gender identity or gender expression, your age, your status, your income, or your ability.

Temple Lutheran Church commits anti-racism, anti-sexism, anti-genderism, anti-classism, anti-ableism because of our love of Jesus Christ and his work in our world. We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation which extends hospitality, support, encouragement, and full participation to all children of God who seek to join us in doing God's work.

These are our core values, our mission, and our vision:

Core Values: Inclusion, Community, Service

Mission: Welcome Unconditionally, Worship Fully, Live Generously, and Celebrate Growth

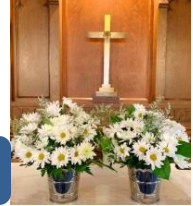
Vision: Transforming Church, Our Neighborhood, and God's World in the name of Jesus.



WORSHIP FULLY

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. Order online or by offering. Questions: Contact the [Office](#).



Altar Flowers

CAFÉ



All are welcome! You can join in the coffee or tea, or have a bite to eat! Discussions have been not only fun, but enlightening!

Discussion and fellowship at 9 a.m. In Person (in the Café) or on Zoom.

Adult Café



KIDS' SUNDAY - NEXT WEEK!

May 21, 2023

Join us at worship as we celebrate the children of our congregation with crafts, songs and Worship fun!



2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

STELLAR

Shine Jesus' Light

August 7-11, 9 am - Noon

VBS Sunday - August 13th

Registration is open now for campers ages 4 – 10, and youth volunteers aged 11+. Forms are available in the back of church, and online at templelutheran.org/vbs.

Adult Volunteers needed! Please see the link to information at the website listed above.

VBS week at church is filled with the excitement of children learning, crafting, and singing about Jesus' light!

We encourage everyone to take part in this wonderful adventure for the children! Volunteer to help with decorating during the week(s) leading up to August 7th, by donations for snacks, crafts, and supplies needed, and/or volunteer the week of VBS.

DELCO PROJECT SHARE

Self-Care Barbeque

Wednesday May 17

11am to 3pm

7200 Chestnut Street, Upper

Darby



Project Share Recovery Learning Center offers self-help, mutual support, information and referral, peer support, vocational and social integration into the community. SHARE Recovery workers teach budgeting and WRAP, and other life skills to reintegrate back into the community and support the recovery process.

Please contact Ann Shiffer at: 484-995-1751 with any questions, to donate items and to let her know that you will be able to attend and how many people will be coming with you.



LIVE GENEROUSLY

The KIVA Microloan Team Gives its First Loans!

The KIVA Microloan Team has hit the ground running and they have extended loans to entrepreneurs in El Salvador, Kenya, Liberia and Pakistan!

Here is some information about María Julia, our first ever microloan recipient:

Maria lives in El Salvador. Maria studied until the 6th grade of school and decided not to continue studying to help her parents support the household. She is a single mother of 3 independent children.

Maria has worked in farming since she was young. Her parents worked in this activity as well and that is why she always liked to work in this trade. She needs the loan to buy seeds and fertilizers to cultivate basic grains. Maria wishes to have a better quality of life.

TLC's Kiva team was able to complete her loan!



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](#)

PayPal Giving

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement: Paul Arata, Brendan Bell, Jack Byers, Mike Carr, Linda Clack, Joan Clarke, Sue Cook, Jane Corso, Cynthia Davis, Marge Davis, Bobbie Delaney, Gordon Dershimer, Declan Devlin, Diane Donnelly, Jeanne Donofrio, Chase Doyle and Adam, Mary England, Christie Ennis, Bill Faust, Shane Faust, Kristine Ferguson-Franklin, Michelle Filler, Lois Ann Forgess-Oler, Todd Gasper, Greg Hallquist, Roy Hallowell, Florence Homer, Amy Ingram, Cari Isakson, Craig Jamgochian, Sylvia Johnson, 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, Helen Neiser, Betty Pagan, Carmen Palacios, Melissa Rhodes, Marty Smith, Merry Snyder, Patricia Snyder, Karen Spangler, Gaetan Termini, Dick Torti, Diana Valvardi, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Philip White, Linda Wilke, and Everett Xu.



CELEBRATE GROWTH

Did the 12 Steps Worship Series move you? Would you like to share with others what Café brings to your Sunday? How did Holy Week services make you feel leading up to Easter? What makes Temple Lutheran Church special? How are we transforming the church? Community? God's world?

TLC Blog

These are just a few of the numerous possibilities for you to consider making into an article for the Blog or Evangel! Help us to spread the word of Temple's many blessings!

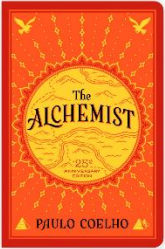


Please email the office with questions or writings at temple@templelutheran.org.

BOOK CLUB – Monday, June 19 7:30 PM

The Alchemist

By Paulo Coelho



Note the new date!

Book Club will be in person at Temple's Café, with the option to Zoom in.

If you would like to read, but the expense is too much please reach out to Pastor Tim. Even if you haven't read the book, you are very welcome to join!

Meeting ID: 838 3646 6562

Passcode: BookClub

THE WENDY LONG MEMORIAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Thank you to all who came to the Wendy Long Memorial Spaghetti Dinner on May 7th! We raised \$1,857! It was a lighter crowd, but full of wonderful fellowship!

CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Tuesdays	7:15 p.m.	Handbell Choir (Resumes in the fall)
	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
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Music
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Chancel Choir

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

April	16	Harry Potter Worship Series Begins
May	14	Mother's Day / First Communion
	21	Kids' Sunday
	27	TLC Food Pantry 1-3 pm
	28	Pentecost
	4	Faith, Hope, and Love Worship Series Begins

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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