



JULY 26, 2026
9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
CHRISTMAS IN JULY



WELCOME UNCONDITIONALLY	WORSHIP FULLY
LIVE GENEROUSLY	CELEBRATE GROWTH

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**Visiting today?
Welcome!**

**July 26, 2026
Notes for Today's Service**

**We hope that you will be able to join 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.**



GOSPEL READING: LUKE 2:1-20

¹ In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. ² This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³ All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴ Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵ He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷ And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no place in the guest room. ⁸ Now in that same region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹ to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³ And 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!" ¹⁵ When 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." ¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them, ¹⁹ and Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told them.

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



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 to anti-racism, anti-sexism, anti-genderism, anti-classism, and 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



ADULT EDUCATION AT CAFÉ

Sundays at 9 am

Come enjoy coffee, tea, and delicious treats while having wonderful discussions on Sunday mornings at 9 am in the Café.



TL4C YOUTH GROUP

Youth in grades 6-12

MIDDLE & HIGH Schoolers

Regular monthly meetings will resume in September.

Continue to read your TL4C emails! More information? Contact Jennifer Pruski, TLC's Youth Minister at TL4Cyouthleader@gmail.com.



MUSIC MINISTRIES

Do you like to sing or play an instrument? We would love for you to share your talents with Temple Lutheran Church. Please contact our Director of Music Ministries, Florrie Marks, at music@templelutheran.org.



BIBLE STUDY

Every other Monday 7/27, 8/10, etc.

7:00 – 8:30 pm, Conference Room

Come as you are and grow in faith with friends. We explore scripture together, ask questions, and discover how God's Word connects with our daily lives. Whether you're new to Bible study or have been part of many, there's a place for you at the table!



SPIRITUAL DIRECTION GROUP

Meets every other Monday

8/3, 8/17, etc., 7 pm, Youth Room

TLC's Spiritual Direction Group offers a welcoming space to listen, share, and grow in faith. Questions? Rob Mannix @ robmannix@gmail.com.



LIVE GENEROUSLY



TLC FOOD PANTRY

Saturday, August 22, 1:00-2:30 pm

Open every 4th Saturday of the month from 1-2:30 pm.

Donations needed for the July 25th Service Day:

Tea	Rice
Apple Sauce	Cereal
Canned Salmon	Bar Soap

Please remember the Food Pantry when you go food shopping and pick up something you can drop in our bins.

We do not accept glass or expired items for the safety of our patrons and volunteers.

**HELP
WANTED**

HELP NEEDED – INVENTORY

TLC Food Pantry is always looking for volunteers.

Our greatest need is on Pantry Service days, which happen the 4th Saturday of every month. Only a 2-hour commitment and you don't have to be there every month.

If you'd like to be part of this rewarding and exciting outreach, contact Joe Mittleman at jjmittleman@gmail.com.

LIFE CENTER MEAL

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

Sign up to make meatloaf, donate items needed, prep the food, or serve at the Life Center in Upper Darby on September 8, 2026. For more information on this ministry, reach out to Ingrid at ifburd410@gmail.com.





This Christmas in July, we're collecting donations to support the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank, one of the largest hunger-relief organizations in southwestern Pennsylvania. Serving an 11-county region, the Food Bank works with hundreds of partner agencies, including food pantries, shelters, schools, and community organizations, to ensure that families, children, seniors, and veterans have access to healthy, nutritious food. Beyond providing meals, the Food Bank also connects neighbors with programs and resources that help build long-term food security and stability.

Our youth will have the opportunity to serve with this ministry in action during their servant trip to Pittsburgh.

The money collected through our Christmas in July campaign will be used to purchase the Food Bank's most-needed items, which our youth will shop for and personally deliver. It's a hands-on way for them to live out Christ's call to love and serve our neighbors while helping ensure that every person has enough to eat.

An anonymous donor has agreed to match, dollar-for-dollar, everything raised for this cause.

Together, we can make a meaningful difference for families throughout the Pittsburgh region.

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CELEBRATE GROWTH



TL4C PITTSBURGH SERVANT TRIP

August 12-16

TL4C will be going to Pittsburgh in August! Together with PLUM (Pittsburgh Lutheran United Ministries) the youth and leaders, Pastor Tim and Jenn Pruski, will

partake in a different service project each morning and have time to explore the city each afternoon. Please pray for our youth and their leaders, and consider contributing to help send the youth on this amazing and faith filled opportunity!



TL4C WOODER ICE WEDNESDAYS

July 29 & August 19

6:30 – 7:30 PM

Come join us at Pop's in Havertown! We'll treat you to water ice with conversation and a craft! All generations welcome!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

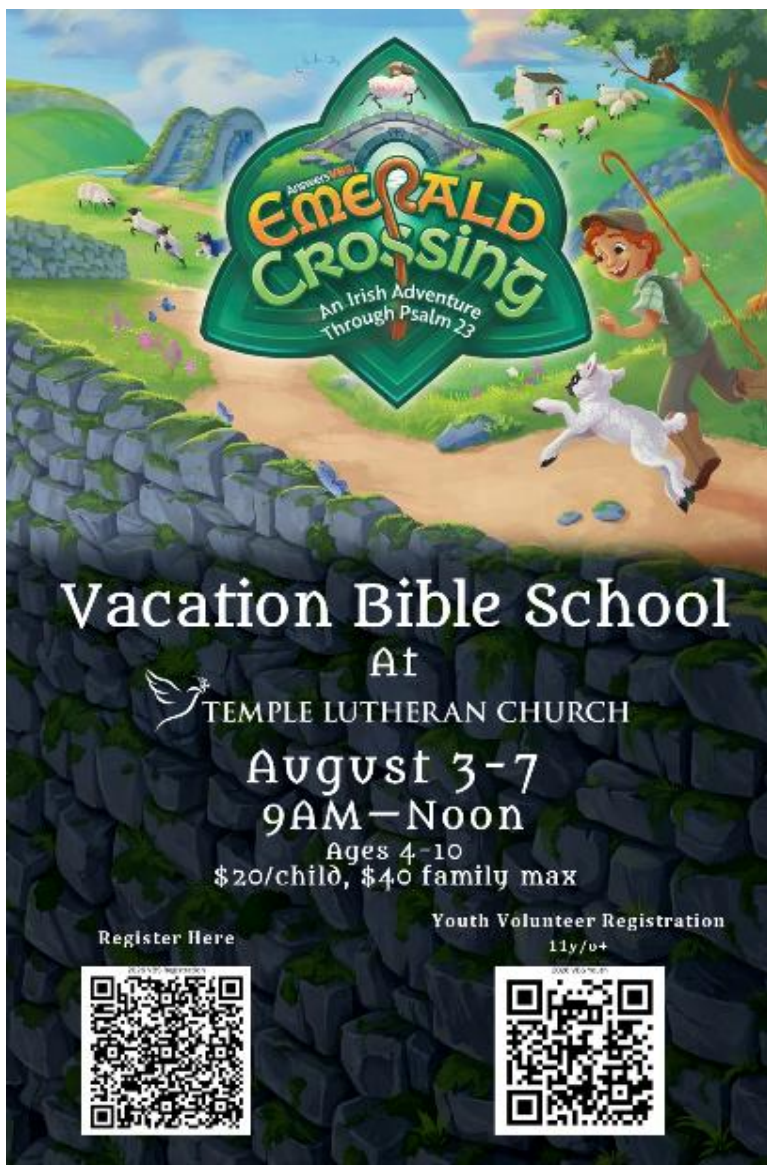
September 23, 1-6 pm

Fellowship Hall

Sign up to give blood on September 23rd in Fellowship Hall. Contact Kristy Burko at kmburko@gmail.com or Larry Passmore, LarryPassmore@gmail.com, for more information.



Scan to schedule an appointment.



TLC'S VBS 2026: EMERALD CROSSING
An Irish Adventure Through Psalm 23
August 3-7, 9am-Noon
August 9 - VBS SUNDAY
Campers ages 4-10 yrs

Registration is open! Email the church with any questions. Adults volunteers wanted! More information at TempleLutheran.org/vbs.

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



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For Healing and Encouragement: Lexi Amici, Spiros Angelos, Susan Best, Mike Bruss, Jack Byers, Joan Clarke, Linda Cohen, Pat Colflesh, Coralisha and family, Jane Corso, Bobbie Delaney, Julie Diehl, Diane Donnelly, Jeanne Donofrio, Michael Ewing, Michelle Filler, Lois Ann Forgress-Oler, Kelly Gallagher, Margie Gallagher, Michael Gallagher, Susan Gallagher and family, Gary, Roger Gasper, Todd Gasper, Evin Gerofsky, Thomas Gibson (Gibby), Roy Hallowell, Greg Hallquist, Elizabeth Haslam, Florence Homer, Nicholas Hughes, Boyce Johnson, Cheryl Johnson, Melissa Johnson, Em Johnston, Cindy Jones, Chris Keislar, Kailyn Kilfoyle, Calvin Lawler, Jean Long, Bernadette Luciani and TJ, Lori Lutz, Lisa MaCullen, Marty Mannion, Susie Margarite and family, Janet Marinari, Tricia McGee, Wayne Meider, Lino Mescia, Justin Messina, Cadence Monroe, Jane Mooney, Helen Neiser, Eliana Nicholson, Kate Osborn, Carmen Palacios, Tonya Parker, Toni Rossi, Gary Routzahn, Mel Shralow, Brian Sinclair, Chris Smith, Merry Snyder, Patricia Snyder, Sonny, Karen Spangler, Toni Stifano, Phil Strybuc, Chaplain Dr. Eileen Teel, Dick Torti, Steve and Sue Voccola, Lily Walker, Barbara Ward, Betsy West, Philip White, Leah Wilhjelm, Linda Wilke, and Chloe Gorby Zarko.

CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Mondays	7:00 p.m.	Spiritual Direction Group (8/3, 8/17, etc.)
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study (7/27, 8/10, 8/24, etc.)
Tuesdays	8:30 p.m.	The Oakmont Group [AA Meeting]
Fridays	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
	8:15 a.m. & 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

July	26	Christmas in July
	27	Bible Study
	29	Wooder Ice Wednesday
August	3	Spiritual Direction Group
	3-7	VBS Week – Emerald Crossing
	9	VBS Sunday
	10	Bible Study
	12-16	TL4C Pittsburgh Service Trip
	17	Spiritual Direction Group
	22	TLC Food Pantry
	30	Back to School Sunday
September	13	God's Work, Our Hands Sunday
	20	Rally Day

Partners in Ministry

Ministers	People of Temple Lutheran Church
Pastor	The Rev. Timothy B. Johansen
Congregation Council President	Amy Mensch
Director of Music Ministries	Florrie Marks
Director of Discipleship	Rob Mannix
Office Administrator	Darcy Mannion
Director of Sunday School	Jeanne Daniels
Youth Minister	Jennifer Pruski
Custodian	Delaney Mannion



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