



NOVEMBER 23, 2025 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY



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Visiting today? Welcome!

November 23, 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.

WELCOME, REV. STACEY-KYLE REA



Rev. Stacey-Kyle Rea delights in serving God and feels called and blessed to do God's work with others.

Pastor Skyle has a social ministry heart and loves to help people of all ages learn about Christ's love through service. She has led large groups of youth and adults on servant trips, serving as a key leader

in urban servant and South Dakota planning teams for the SEPA Synod.

She currently serves on the SEPA Synod Forward Together in Faith Grant Team, the outcome of SEPA Synod's Forward Together in Faith capital campaign, where she served as a lead planning team member.

Pastor Skyle is a graduate of Boyertown Area Senior High, Muhlenberg College, and the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. She completed certificates in Urban/Metropolitan Ministry and Senior Pastor Training.

Prior to seminary, she had a career in merchandising and marketing, most recently at QVC in West Chester, PA.

In her spare time, her hobbies include knitting, singing, and photography. She lives in Philadelphia with her husband, John, and their faithful dog, Patrick.

FIRST READING: PROVERBS 3:1-10

¹ My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, ² for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare they will give you. ³ Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. ⁴ Then you will find favor and high regard in the sight of God and of people. ⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. ⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and turn away from evil. ⁸ It will be a healing for your flesh and a refreshment for your body. ⁹ Honor the LORD with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce; ¹⁰ then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 25:14-30

¹⁴ "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵ to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once 16 the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. ¹⁷ In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' ²⁶ But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷ Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸ So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹ For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'



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

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.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION GROUP



Meets every other Monday 11/24, 12/8, etc. @ 7 pm

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.

BIBLE STUDY

Every other Monday 12/1, 12/15, etc. from 7 – 8:30 pm Conference Room

Come as you are and grow in faith with friends.

Each week, 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!

ADULT EDUCATION AT CAFÉ



Sundays at 9 AM

Grab a cup of coffee and join us in the Café for Sunday Adult Education. Each week we'll gather for conversation, learning, and reflection. All are

welcome!





SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School takes place during worship. Children will be dismissed from church after the Sermon on the Steps and return for communion.



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

December 20th - Dress Rehearsal December 21st - 10:00 AM Pageant

Advent begins November 30th! If your child is interested in being part of the Christmas pageant this year, we hope that you will bring them to practice during worship each Sunday leading up to the pageant on December 21st. There will be a Pageant Dress Rehearsal from 4:30-6 pm on Saturday, December 20th, followed by our annual Cookies, Cocktails, and Karaoke!



CONFIRMATION CLASS November 16, 5:30-7:30 pm Dinner included

Confirmation Class meets every 3rd Sunday of the month at 5:30 pm.



MUSIC MINISTRIES

If you sing or play an instrument, we would love for you to share your talents with Temple Lutheran Church! Chancel Choir rehearses

on Sundays, and Handbell Choir rehearsals are on Tuesdays! Please get in touch with our Director of Music Ministries, Florrie Marks, at music@templelutheran.org.

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service: United in Gratitude

COMMUNITY INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING WORSHIP Sunday, November 23, 3:00 PM St. James United Church of Christ 135 Myrtle Ave, Havertown

The Haverford Township Ministerium invites you to an interfaith service led by clergy and lay leaders from several local congregations, featuring a message from Barbara Lee and Barry Lee of the Lenape Nation.

The offering will go to the **Native American Housing Alliance**, which connects Native individuals with housing, employment, and counseling in the Greater Philadelphia area.

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service. Refreshments are provided courtesy of Thrivent Financial.

All are welcome to participate in our community choir to sing one piece during the service conducted by Georgia Schrom. Rehearsal at 2:15 PM on the day of the service!



LIVE GENEROUSLY

TLC FOOD PANTRY



Soup

Saturday, December 27, 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: Dish Soap, Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Fruit/Applesauce (Cans or Plastic), Canned Chicken and Tuna, Snack Items, Veggies, and *no glass or expired items*

Please reach out to **Bridget McCormack** if interested in being part of this ministry. Monetary donations may be made by cash, check, or through PayPal at templelutheran.org/tlcfoodpantry. Please make note of TLC Food Pantry when giving by cash or check.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE November 25, 2-7 pm **Fellowship Hall**

up to give Sign blood on November 25th in Fellowship Hall. Follow the signs to enter the doors to Café on Earlington Rd. Contact Kristy Burko

kmburko@gmail.com or

Scan to schedule an appointment. at

Larry Passmore, Larry Passmore@gmail.com, for more information.

LIFE CENTER MEAL



January 13

Every 2nd Tuesday of each odd month, we deliver and serve a meal to residents at the Life Center in Upper Darby. Our next date will be in January, so sign up and

let us know how you want to help. Thank you for your generosity! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4eaaae28a3fe3-life27

CHESTER EASTSIDE MINISTRIES



Take a bag from the narthex, fill it, and bring it back to church by **December 7** to be delivered to women at Chester Eastside Ministries in time for Christmas.

Inside each bag is a list of toiletries and examples of items to fill.

FAIR ACRES GERIATRIC CENTER



Share the joy of giving this Christmas! We still have a few gift requests needing to be filled. Envelopes are in the back of the church for those who have signed up for gifts. Gifts are due **Dec.** 7th for blessing during worship and delivery to Fair Acres. Please follow the instructions included in your envelope.

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 <u>Celia Engman</u>
- Use this PayPal link or QR Code





CONSECRATION SUNDAY November 23 Worship 8:15 am & 10 am Brunch @ 11:15 am

Join us as we dedicate our prayers, time, talents, and offerings to God's work through our congregation. Consecration Sunday is more

than a financial pledge; it's an act of faith, trust, and gratitude. We commit anew to live as God's stewards, recognizing that all we have is a gift, and we offer it in service to Christ's mission in our community and world.

Come, worship, and make your commitment as together we affirm our calling to follow Jesus by giving generously, loving sacrificially, and serving faithfully.

All are welcome.



TL4C YOUTH GROUP
Meetings in December
@ Temple Lutheran Church
5:30 pm
December 7
Middle Schoolers

December 14

High Schoolers

Youth in grades 6-12 are welcome to participate in TL4C. Led by Temple's Youth Minister Jenn Pruski, youth get together to build faith through service projects, games, dinners, and fun!

Middle Schoolers will meet on the 1^{st} Sunday of the month. High Schoolers will me on the 2^{nd} Sunday of the month.

Email Jenn Pruski @ <u>TL4CYouthLeader@gmail.com</u> for more info!

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., Susan Gallagher and family, Roger Gasper, Todd Gasper, Evin Gerofsky, Thomas Gibson (Gibby), Roy Hallowell, Greg Hallquist, Florence Homer, Clay Isakson, Craig Jamgochian, Bovce 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, Jeanne Santarsiero, Vivi Shea, Tom Shiffer, 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.

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

CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Mondays 7:00 p.m. Spiritual Direction Group (11/24, 12/8, etc.)

7:00 p.m. Bible Study (12/1, 12/15, etc.)

Tuesdays 7:15 p.m. Handbell Choir

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

11:15 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

November 24 Spiritual Direction Group

25 Red Cross Blood Drive

30 First Sunday in Advent

December 1 Bible Study

7 TL4C Middle School

8 Spiritual Direction Group

14 TL4C High School

20 Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 4:30 PM20 Cookies, Cocktails, and Karaoke! 6 PM

21 Christmas Pageant 10 AM

24 Christmas Eve Worship 4 & 7 PM

25 Christmas Day!

Partners in Ministry

Ministers
Pastor
Congregation Council President
Director of Music Ministries
Director of Discipleship
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