# **TEMPLETONES**

## TPC monthly newsletter—MAY 2022

#### Hello TPC Family!

As May approaches and we see the beautiful trees in leaf and wildflowers in bloom, don't we continue to marvel at God's wonderful creation! As I write this article, I am still in awe over such an outpouring of blessings we



have witnessed over the Easter season. We had two wonderful and full Easter morning worship services. The Sunday following Easter we welcomed 10 new members into the fellowship of our congregation, four of these by profession of faith and baptism! The first Sunday in May will mark the commissioning of four new Stephen Ministers, and our nominating committee is hard at work putting together a wonderful slate of nominees for Deacon and Elder. This of course is just a snapshot of the growth we are experiencing as a church. On Sunday, May 1 we begin a new message series about "community". The community God calls us to be is like the many expressions of community we enjoy but is ultimately grounded in the work of Jesus Christ who is ultimately responsible for our communion with the Father. By Christ's love for us, we can know and enjoy God and each other the way God wants us to! That is amazing when we think about it.

I pray blessings upon you during this season of growth, and I look forward to being the church with you!

Blessings and Peace!

Pastor Roger Soli Deo gloria

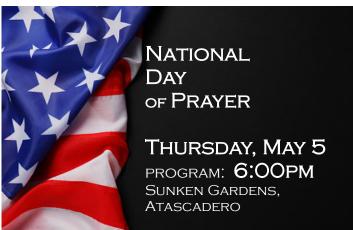






The only skill needed - counting to FOUR!!

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\*Women's Bible Study\*
Thursdays
1:00-2:30pm
TPC Parking Lot

#### **Deacons Offering in May**

Our next Quarterly Offering to support the services of the Deacons of Templeton Presbyterian Church is the month of May. The Deacons thank you for your generous contributions in previous quarterly offerings, as TPC has been able to support international, national, and local community needs, including gas and food vouchers to Templeton Market and Deli. An urgent need at this time is to help World Renew, the ECO partner for relief efforts in the USA and in the world, with its efforts to help refugees fleeing the war by Russia against the people of Ukraine. At the last Deacons meeting, we voted to contribute \$1,000.00 to that relief effort. Contributions for the Deacons Offering can be made online or placed in the offering plate in the Narthex in an envelope marked for the Deacons Offering. Bless you for your prayers and financial help to people in need here in our North County and across the world.

-Frank Bush, Deacon Moderator

#### Session Meeting Highlights Summary, 4/19/22

- -Praise and excitement for the success of the Children's Ministry Easter Sunday School and celebration. Over 20 children participated!
- -Excitement for Youth Ministry's report about the youth helping Men's Ministry serve the monthly ECHO dinner in April.
- -Annual staff evaluations are underway.
- -A committee made up of Steve Pointer, Kathy Westphal, and Leslie Wallace will oversee the process of the annual pastoral review and evaluation.
- -The Session thanked the Nominating Committee for its hard work in recruiting candidates to become elders and deacons. Candidates will be presented for a vote at the congregational meeting on Sunday, June 5. Newly elected elders and deacons will be installed/ordained during the June 26 Sunday service.

## **Deacon Meeting Highlights Summary, 4/20/22**

- -The Deacons will be responsible for the monthly ECHO dinner on May 16.
- -Total contributions for the quarterly Deacons Offering in February was \$865.00.
- -The Deacons are ready to once again offer extended communion. Members can reach out to their deacons or to the office if they or someone they know would like to receive communion outside of regular Sunday service.
- -Following their nomination and election by the congregation, three new Deacons will begin their terms in July.
- -The Deacons are discussing a reorganization of parishes according to geographical boundaries. This plan is still under discussion/construction.
- -The Deacons voted to contribute \$1000 to World Renew to be used for aid to Ukraine.

## Men's Ministry BBQ for ECHO a Great Success!

Men's Ministry fired up the grill for the monthly ECHO dinner in April. Many thanks to Russ, Roger, Dave, Neil, Marty, Frank, Steven, Mike, Trevor, River, Lane, Noel, George, Greg, and a special thanks to Kathy W. behind the scenes for the advice, magic dust seasoning, and non-meat option.





#### **EASTER OFFERING**

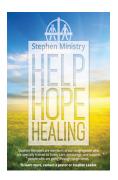
This year's Easter Offering raised over \$2500 for North County's ECHO programs!





#### WELCOME to the New Stephen Ministers!

Stephen Ministry classes have concluded. What a pleasure it is to introduce our new Stephen Ministers to the congregation! The training takes dedication and study along with approximately 50 hours of in-class training from January to April. The commissioning on May 1<sup>st</sup> marks the beginning of their service. Our congregation is blessed with the addition of Joanne Breffle, Betty Dawson, Maria Roberts, and Cal Struble as members of the Stephen Ministry team.



Contact Lois Ecklund to find out if a Stephen Minister may be able to hep you or a loved one through a difficult time (408/718-8613 cell or 805/461-1470 home).

## **WELCOME New Members!**

TPC received 10 new covenant partners during our Sunday service on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Joining our church family are: Floy Woodruff, Heather Hansen, Elaine Taunt, Alan and Jenni Bond, Cal Struble, Neil Roberts; and Vince, Val, and Josiah Walla.















## **YOUTH GROUP**

Middle School Tues: 7:00-8:30pm **High School** Wed: 7:00-8:45pm



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