



September 21, 2025

*I am the way – Come to me when you feel lost
I am the truth – when the world feels full of lies
I am the life – when everything else feels like death*

WELCOME!!

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us at Thompson. We hope it is a place where you feel God's presence. Generations of people have sat in these pews, felt the presence of the Holy Spirit, learned about the love of Jesus, and how the power of God has made a difference in their lives. Whatever is most important in your life right now, whether it is trials or joys, these things matter to God, and they matter to us. All of what you bring to the table is welcome here.

SUNDAY SERVICES

We offer a 9:00 AM Traditional service in the Sanctuary and an 11:00 AM Contemporary service with praise music in the Sanctuary. Our services are available through livestream on www.tmpc.org. Recordings can also be viewed here at any time. Please follow along and respond when the type is in **bold**. Stand, as you are able, when you see an asterisk in the bulletin. Our Common Hour, described below, begins at 10 AM.

FOR CHILDREN

We offer Sunday School at both services, where the children attend class with an instructor to learn and grow in their faith. Children begin their time in worship and then come forward for the children's message, after which they proceed to Sunday School. Be sure to register your child from 4 years old through 5th grade. If your child prefers to stay with you during worship, activity baskets with crayons and activity sheets are located at the back of the Sanctuary. Nursery care is available for those attending services at 9:00 AM or 11:00 AM in the nursery room. The Nursery is currently being held in Pastor Stephanie's office, and Sunday School is located in Pastor Bailey's office or the Conference Room, depending on space availability.

RESTROOMS

If you need to use the restroom, please exit the Sanctuary to the right of the altar area and go through the courtyard to enter the building through the office entrance or the stained glass doors.

COMMON HOUR

TMPC has an hour between services that serves as a space for coffee and fellowship, Adult Education, Children's Choir, and other activities and meetings.

VISITOR BAGS

If you're visiting today, we'd love to share a gift bag with you that includes more information about TMPC. Feel free to ask an usher or pastor any questions. Visit www.tmpc.org for events, info, and e-giving. We're glad to be part of your faith journey!

15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 21st, 2025

WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at the end of the pew)

PRELUDE

Air from Suite in D

Ariana DuPont

J.S.Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The source of love and life is the triune God, who is with us in our time of worship. Let us seek the love that allows us to walk in the ways of Jesus Christ.

Help us, Lord, to love our enemies and pray for the good of all people.

Because of what Jesus has done for us, we are to bless those who harm us;

We are to do unto others as we want done to us.

We have come to follow Jesus and learn his way of life,

trusting in him for all we need and desire.

So, as one body in mind and spirit, let us worship God together.

*HYMN NO. 366

HYFRYDOL

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
(congregation joins in singing on verse 4)*

WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we humbly come before you, recognizing the weight and challenge of loving our enemies. We confess that we can't do it on our own, but we know that with you, all things are possible. Soften our hearts towards those who have hurt us or opposed us. Help us see them through Christ's eyes, not as enemies to be defeated, but as people who need love. Fill us with your love, which knows no bounds and extends to all. Help us, O God, to fix our eyes on eternal perspective, knowing that our actions have a far-reaching impact, beyond what we can see in the present. May our love for our enemies testify to your transforming power in our lives. We rely on your love and grace to redeem and sustain us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God does not remember our sins, but remembers the promises made to us. God does not shame us but lifts us to new life. In Christ, we are led to hope and love. Friends, we are redeemed and forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*SUNG RESPONSE NO. 582

GLORY TO GOD (VASILE)

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.***

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Beloved, Let Us Love One Another

Adult Choir

P. Choplin

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Place prayer cards in the baskets as the deacons come forward)

WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:27-36 (NT pg 64)

SERMON

***HYMN NO. 693**

GIFT OF LOVE

Though I May Speak

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Alleluia from Exsultate Jubilate

Amanda Pfannenstiel

W.A. Mozart

*DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen***

WE ARE SENT OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Vivement from Suite in D

Ariana DuPont
L.A.Dornel

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sun 9/21	9:00	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE	Sanctuary
	9:00-10:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Pastor Stephanie's office
	9:20–10:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 th Grade)	Pastor Bailey's office
	10:00	COFFEE HOUR	Atrium
	11:00	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE	Sanctuary
	11:00-12:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Pastor Stephanie's office
	11:20-12:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5th Grade)	Pastor Bailey's office

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES Help send Halloween care packages to our college students! Drop goodies from our upcoming Amazon list in the box under the Table of Well Wishing. See e-news for more info.

LUKE FOR EVERYONE Order a companion commentary book that follows the next sermon series called The Way. See the e-news for a link to order and stay tuned for more information on ways you can learn more about the Gospel of Luke this fall.

FALL FEST Save the date for Fall Fest–Sunday, October 26th from 2-4 PM at Pat Livezey Park in New Hope, PA! More information to come.

RUN TMPC Head on over to the TMPC app and check out our “Groups” section to join our new running club, Run TMPC! Members meet periodically to run throughout the surrounding area.

PHASE 1 TOURS We will be hosting guided tours through our newly renovated spaces on **Sunday, September 28th at 10 AM and 12 PM.**

NEW MEMBER CLASS Learn about how to become a member at TMPC with an informative luncheon on **Sunday October 12th at 12 PM.**

CHURCH LIFE & MEMBER CARE

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AT HOME Doug Berry, Tim Bradley, John Donahue, Frank Gatto, Ulla Heinicke, Lisa Palise, Bucky Pope, Meredith Power, Nancy Quanstrom, Brenda Redfield, Bert Sandford, Tom Thatcher, and Arlene Whitticar. *If you have someone to add to our prayer chain, please send your request to Alison Yearley at apybobba@aol.com*

TMPC MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Please wish Happy Birthday to a few of our members who celebrate their birthdays between *September 21st - 28th: David Cane, Jane Burger, Gregg Osbeck, Mary Van Ellis, Cheryl Boyle and Layna Heckman.*

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

KIDS CLUB	Friday October 10th 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM (Offered every 2 nd Friday)	Kids Club is for children 4-12 years old. We provide dinner, play games, and complete a service project.
KIDS CHOIRS, HANDBELLS, AND CHIMES	Sundays at 10:00 AM (starting in September) Choir Room	Rotating rehearsals for groups that perform during worship about once a month. All abilities and ages welcome. <i>Led by Tricia Murphy</i>
ROOTED IN THE WORD	Sundays at 10:00 AM (starting September 21) Kids Ministry Rooms	Students in grades 9-12th will be studying/reading <i>Crazy Love</i> by Francis Chan from September 21 st - October 12 th . <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby and Garrett Bostwick</i>
THOMPSON YOUTH GROUP	Sundays at 6:00 PM Fellowship Hall/Conference Room (Lower Level Gathering Space starting September 28th)	Students grades 6-12th grade meet for study, games, and fellowship. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
Contact Zena Tredinnick-Kirby with any questions at dce@tmpc.org and Tricia Murphy for questions related to music at music@tmpc.org		

SMALL GROUPS

ALPHA OMEGA	October 5th 10:00 AM Conference Room	AO gathers for either a book or Bible study, fellowship, and mission. <i>Led by Marci Capel</i>
MONDAY MORNING WOMEN'S MINISTRY	Mondays at 9:30 AM Conference Room	Topics rotate between movie discussion, Bible study, faith and the news, and book studies. <i>Led by Sue Wert</i>
TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP	1st and 3rd Tuesday at 9:30 AM Conference Room	This group gathers for fellowship, book discussions, and time in prayer. <i>Led by Mike Wert</i>
SERMON TALKS	Thursdays at 9:30 AM	Join us for Bible Study and laughter. We will use this time to read through and unpack the scripture for the upcoming Sunday.
ART HISTORY	3rd Tuesdays (September thru April) at 6:00 PM Conference Room	The aim is to explore how different artists throughout history have depicted biblical narratives, comparing the works of the four most influential Renaissance artists (Leonardo, Michelangelo, Raphael, and Donatello) to modern interpretations. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
Contact group leaders by visiting tmpc.org/small-groups		

ONGOING OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

FOOD DRIVE	Wednesday October 15th	You can leave donations from 10:00 to 10:30 AM that day at our food pantry, located inside the church, or during office hours before the event. <i>Led by Susan Achenbach</i>
TRENTON AREA SOUP KITCHEN (TASK)	Tuesday September 30th 9:45 AM -1:00 PM	Those who want to carpool meet at the TMPC parking lot at 9:15 AM. <i>Led by Chuck Green</i>
COMMUNITY MEAL	Sunday October 12th 12:15-1:15 PM	TMPC hosts a free meal open to everyone in our church family and the community. All of our meals feature a main dish, with potluck sides, salads, and desserts. <i>Led by Melissa Michael</i>
FISHERMAN'S MARK	Tuesday October 7th 8:30 AM	Meets monthly to put together 100 meals for Fisherman's Mark, and they are then delivered weekly to those who cannot get to the food pantry. See SUG (when live) for meeting location. <i>Led by Susan Achenbach and Cheryl Boyle</i>
See more information, sign-ups, and contact information for each outreach event by seeing the e-news or visiting tmpc.org/mission		