



# Baptism



# Sunday

January 11th



January 11, 2026

## 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 seen 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 and an 11:00 AM Contemporary service with praise music in the Sanctuary. Our services are available through livestream on [www.tmpc.org](http://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.

## RESTROOMS

If you need to use the restroom, please exit the Sanctuary to the right of the altar area and go up the stairs to the bathrooms adjacent the Community Room. There are also additional restrooms down the hallway past the Kids Ministry Rooms.

## 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](http://www.tmpc.org) for events, info, and e-giving. We're glad to be part of your faith journey!

**WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PRELUDE

*Prelude BWV 936*

Ariana DuPont

J.S.Bach

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the beginning, God...

**swept over waters, spoke light into existence, created  
day and night and called it good.**

As the days and nights of creation filled with life, God...

**made humanity out of the dirt to love and tend  
creation, to be loved and tended by God.**

As we lost our way, God...

**sent Jesus to show us the way back.**

On the day Jesus came to the banks of the Jordan River to be  
baptized, God...

**declared, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I  
am well pleased.”**

Let us, then, follow Jesus into the waters, focused on baptism in  
which God...

**claims us as beloved children, the family of God.**

\*HYMN NO. 475

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

NETTLETON

## **WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE**

### **CALL TO CONFESSiON**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSiON**

**We are stubborn people, O Lord.**

**We know your blessings have been poured out on us and yet our minds are focused on our problems and our desires. Help us to desire you, Lord.**

**Pour your baptismal waters over us again, cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance. Wash away our jealousy, greed, and the negative thoughts and behaviors that stand in the way of truly being the people you have called us to be. Let us once again receive the blessings offered in the birth and baptism of Jesus. We ask this in your holy name. Amen.**

### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

The grace and forgiveness of God are always offered to us, freely, joyfully, for all eternity.

**We rejoice in this Good news of our forgiveness and God's saving grace. Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI NO. 581

GREATOREX

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.***

### **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

ANTHEM

*By the Water Flowing*

Adult Choir

Arr. Faye Lopez

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

## **WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD**

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 43:1-3 (OT pg 672) Mark 1:1-11 (NT pg 34)

SERMON

## **REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM**

*(The hymn will be sung through once. You are invited to come forward to receive a rock from the water. Everyone is invited, acknowledging that we are on different stages of the journey. While you walk forward, join in song. As you return to your seat, remember the promise of baptism, and we will give thanks to God in prayer. )*

\*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*HYMN NO. 698

TAKE ME AS I AM

*Take, O Take Me as I Am*

BAPTISMAL PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Prelude BWV 934*

Ariana DuPont

J.S. Bach

\*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***

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**WE ARE SENT OUT TO BE THE CHURCH**

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Fanfare from Water Music*

Ariana DuPont

G.F.Handel

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

# SUNDAY CALENDAR

<b>Sun 1/11</b>	<b>9:00</b>	<b>TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:00-10:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	9:20–10:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	Kids Ministry Rooms
	<b>10:00</b>	<b>COFFEE HOUR</b>	Atrium
	<b>11:00</b>	<b>CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	11:00-12:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	11:20-12:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5th Grade)	Kids Ministry Rooms

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ANNUAL MEETING** The Annual Meeting will take place on **Sunday, February**, immediately following the 9 AM worship service in the Sanctuary.

**THE BRIDGE COFFEE HOUSE** Join us on **January 23rd** at the Kalmia Club in Lambertville for an event with singer/songwriter Caitlyn Deviney. 7:00 PM, no charge, a portion of the donations go to support Fisherman's Mark.

**MLK DAY OF SERVICE** Our MLK Day of Service will be on **Monday, January 16th 2026**, and our sign-up is live! See the e-news or [tmpc.org/mlk](http://tmpc.org/mlk) for more info.

**TMPC STORE** Thompson Church now has a store filled with shirts, sweatshirts, tumblers, mugs, hats, hoodies, and so much more! All proceeds support the TMPC Youth Ministry and Mission Trip. Visit [tmpcyouth.store](http://tmpcyouth.store) to shop or check out the “merch” tab in the app!

**PLEDGES FOR 2026** We have received 106 pledges for 2026! This is great news, and we are on the way to our goal of 121. If you have not yet submitted your 2026 pledge card, please do so as soon as you are able. Your commitment helps our church plan faithfully and responsibly for the year ahead. Pledge cards are available in the atrium and can be returned to the office or completed online at [tmpc.org/give](http://tmpc.org/give).

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE** We have received pledges for 3.54 out of 4 million dollars! Can you help us reach our fundraising goal? Go to! [www.tmpc.org/give](http://www.tmpc.org/give), and select Building Campaign from the drop-down menu.

**MEN'S RETREAT** The Men's Retreat is on **February 28th-March 1st** held at

Black Rock Retreat Center in Quarryville, PA. See more info at [tmpc.org/men](http://tmpc.org/men).

**AMAZON BOXES NEEDED** Please bring in large Amazon boxes only to help us pack supplies for SERVE weekends and MLK Day projects. Thank you for helping us recycle and save resources!

**COFFEE HOUR** We're looking for volunteers to make or donate baked goods for the weekly coffee hour. Sign up for a weekend, then drop items in the kitchen or lower lounge by 9:45 a.m. on Sunday. If dropping off earlier, please label items clearly for coffee hour. See sign up in e-news.

## **CHURCH LIFE & MEMBER CARE**

**PRAYERS FOR HEALING AT HOME** Ulla Heinicke, Jane Mayrhofer, Nancy Morabito, Lisa Palise, Bucky Pope, Nancy Quanstrom, Carl Slack, Dick Vestal, Fran Volski, Arlene and Doc Whitticar and George Wislar. *If you have someone to add to our prayer chain, please send your request to Alison Yearley at [apybobba@aol.com](mailto:apybobba@aol.com)*

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY** Christopher Campbell, Christian Mirande, Jim O'Donnell, Matt Peshek, and Will Schaub.

**TMPC MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS** Please wish Happy Birthday to a few of our members who celebrate their birthdays between January 11<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>: *Bob Austin, Aiden Robbins, Fred Wustholz, Kai Brown, Susan Achenbach, Christopher Murphy and Tricia Murphy.*

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

<b>KIDS CLUB</b>	<b>Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday</b> 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Kids Club is for children 4-12 years old. We provide dinner, play games, and complete a service project.
<b>KIDS CHOIRS, HANDBELLS, AND CHIMES</b>	<b>Sundays at 10:00 AM</b> (starting in September) Community Room	Rotating rehearsals for groups that perform during worship about once a month. All abilities and ages welcome. <i>Led by Tricia Murphy</i>
<b>ROOTED IN THE WORD</b>	<b>Sundays at 10:00 AM</b> Blue Kids Ministry Room	Students in grades 9-12 are invited to the Blue Room for an hour of discussion and fellowship. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby and Garrett Bostwick</i>
<b>THOMPSON YOUTH GROUP</b>	<b>Sundays at 6:00 PM</b> The Lounge	Students grades 6-12th grade meet for study, games, and fellowship. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
<p><b>Contact Zena Tredinnick-Kirby with any questions at <a href="mailto:dce@tmpc.org">dce@tmpc.org</a> and Tricia Murphy for questions related to music at <a href="mailto:music@tmpc.org">music@tmpc.org</a></b></p>		

## SMALL GROUPS

<b>ALPHA OMEGA</b>	<b>January 11<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM</b>	AO gathers for either a book or Bible study, fellowship, and mission. <i>Led by Marci Capel</i>
<b>MONDAY MORNING WOMEN'S MINISTRY</b>	<b>Mondays at 9:30 AM</b> Community Room	Topics rotate between movie discussion, Bible study, faith and the news, and book studies. <i>Led by Sue Wert</i>
<b>TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 9:30 AM</b> Community Room	This group gathers for fellowship, book discussions, and time in prayer. <i>Led by Mike Wert</i>
<b>SERMON TALKS</b>	<b>Thursdays at 9:30 AM</b> Community Room	Join us for Bible Study and laughter. We will use this time to read through and unpack the scripture for the upcoming Sunday.
<b>ART HISTORY</b>	<b>3rd Tuesdays (September thru April) at 6:00 PM</b> Lounge	This group examines how artists across eras have expressed their lives and shaped culture, with a focus on gender equality and celebrating diverse voices, past and present. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
<p><b>Contact group leaders by visiting <a href="http://tmpc.org/small-groups">tmpc.org/small-groups</a></b></p>		

## ONGOING OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

<b>FOOD DRIVE</b>	<b>Wednesday January 21<sup>st</sup></b>	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>
<b>TRENTON AREA SOUP KITCHEN (TASK)</b>	<b>Thursday January 22<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday January 27<sup>th</sup> 9:45 AM -1:00 PM</b>	Those who want to carpool meet at the TMPC parking lot at 9:15 AM. <i>Led by Chuck Green</i>
<b>COMMUNITY MEAL</b>	<b>Sunday January 11<sup>th</sup> 12:15-1:15 PM</b>	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>
<b>FISHERMAN'S MARK</b>	<b>Tuesday February 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:30 AM See SUG (when live) for meeting location</b>	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. <i>Led by Susan Achenbach and Cheryl Boyle</i>
<b>LAMBERTVILLE COMMUNITY MEAL</b>	<b>Wednesday January 14<sup>th</sup> 12:00 PM</b>	We're looking for volunteers who can help the day of the meal or are willing to bring desserts for the meal for our neighbors in Lambertville, NJ. Our meal will take place at the Lambertville Presbyterian Church at 31 N Union Street.

***See more information, sign-ups, and contact information for each outreach event by seeing the e-news or visiting [tmpc.org/mission](http://tmpc.org/mission)***



# MLK DAY OF SERVICE

**JANUARY 19, 2026**  
**9:00 AM-1:00 PM**



Our MLK Day of Service will feature music from Bob Egan and Dave Hopkins, speaker Judy Klyde Waite, a photography presentation from Dr. Wendell White, professor at Stockton University (and Amanda White's father), a panel discussion on practical implementation of the biblical principles of justice, many service projects, children's activities, and more!