



THIS IS MY STORY



April 12, 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 in the Sanctuary and an 11:00 AM Contemporary service with praise music in the Gathering Hall. 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.

RESTROOMS

Please exit the Sanctuary to the right of the altar area and go up the stairs to the bathroom adjacent to 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 for events, info, and e-giving. We're glad to be part of your faith journey!

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 12th, 2026

WE GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Prelude in F (Homage to J.S.Bach)

Ariana DuPont
Gordon Young

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The tomb is empty. Christ is risen. And the world will never be the same.

Hope walks behind us. Love is alive within us. Grace meets us right where we are.

Though we may not always see Him, Jesus is alive and among us—on the road, in the Word, at the table.

Our hearts are burning within us! Let us worship the risen Christ, who shows up, again and again in our lives. Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!

*HYMN NO. 234

ST. KEVIN

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

WE ARE RENEWED THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Risen Christ, we confess that we do not always notice your presence among us. We are too busy, too tired, too weighed down by grief, by worry, by our own expectations. We say, “We had hoped...”—and forget that you still move, still speak, still save. Forgive us when we miss you. Forgive us when we choose despair over trust. Stay with us, Lord. Open our eyes again to see you alive with us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Even when we don't notice, even when we don't pay attention, God is right there—walking behind us, waiting to be recognized. For the times we don't notice,

We are forgiven.

And for the times we need the reminder:

We are not alone.

Christ is risen, and grace walks with you.

Thanks be to God. 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

Urban Promise International

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

WE HEAR GOD'S POWERFUL WORD

SCRIPTURE John 21:1-14 (NT pg 115-116)

SERMON

TESTIMONY

At the conclusion of each speaker's testimony, we will sing the refrain of Hymn No. 839: Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!

***This is my story; this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story; this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.***

SILENT PRAYER, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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

Diapason Dialogue

Ariana DuPont
Gordon Young

*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

Three short pieces

Ariana DuPont
Jeremiah Clarke

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sun 4/12	9:00	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE	Sanctuary
	9:00-10:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	9:20–10:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 th Grade)	Kids Ministry Rooms
	10:00	COFFEE HOUR	Commons
	10:00	Alpha Omega (AO)	Room 132
	11:00	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE	Gathering Hall
	11:00-12:00	Nursery (Infant – 4 years)	Nursery
	11:20-12:00	Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 th Grade)	Kids Ministry Rooms
	12:15-1:15	NEW HOPE COMMUNITY MEAL	Commons
6:00-8:00	Youth Group	Lounge	

SIGN UP FOR OUR E-NEWSLETTER

Our e-news gets sent out every Friday via email. We also send out additional reminders for important dates and events in the life of our church. It's a great way to stay in touch with all things Thompson Church! Scan the QR code here to sign up!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

REVELATION SPEAKER AND LUNCH Sunday, April 19th and 26th, we will offer a brief two-week sermon series on the book of Revelation. On April 26th, Dr. Greg Carey, professor of New Testament at Moravian Seminary, will preach and offer a lunch workshop on the famous biblical book. Please sign up for the lunch in the e-news.



NEW MEMBER LUNCH Are you Interested in learning more about joining Thompson? On **Sunday, April 19**, we will host a new member lunch at 12:00 pm to talk about what it looks like to follow Jesus together in this place. Join us! Sign up using the QR code here.

LAMBERTVILLE/NEW HOPE PRIDE PARADE Saturday, May 16th - Parade starts at 11 in Lambertville, and ends in New Hope. There is also a carpool available for those who might need it. See the e-news for more information!

RUMMAGE SALE The Rummage Sale will take place on **April 24th and 25th**, with donations being accepted starting **April 6th** in the trailer in the upper parking lot. Drop-offs will be accepted Monday through Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM, and on Sundays during worship. Proceeds raised go to Urban Promise Trenton.

SERVE WEEKEND Serve Weekend is **May 2nd and 3rd!** See the e-news for sign up!

BOOK STUDY Join us for a 4-week book study on the New York Times Best Selling Book *The Color of Compromise: The Truth About The American Church's Complicity in Racism*, on **Wednesday nights in April** at 7 PM in the Community Room. See the sign-up in the e-news. You are still welcome to join in the discussion even if you missed a week!

BUILDING WHAT MATTERS CAMPAIGN UPDATE We are thrilled with the amazing space God has provided for us! As of today, we still need to raise \$323K (out of \$4 million). If you would like to contribute in any way to help us reach our goal, please write Building Campaign in the memo line of your check or choose Building Campaign in the drop-down menu at www.tmpc.org/give

VBS 2026 Vacation Bible School and Camp Thompson will be July 27th - 31st, and registration is LIVE! VBS is a FREE camp. Children from 4 years old through those who have completed 5th grade are invited to join us for games, music, storytelling, & crafts! Camp Thompson is an extended day program that costs \$75/child for the week. We ask that kids bring a packed lunch to eat before we begin our activities, and we'll play games, create art, and do other activities together! Use the QR code to register now!



CHURCH LIFE & MEMBER CARE

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AT HOME Ulla Heinicke, Jane Mayrhofer, Nancy Morabito, Lisa Palise, Bucky Pope, Nancy Quanstrom, 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*

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY Christopher Campbell, Sean KIELTY, 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 *April 12th-19th: Bailey Heckman, Lisa Palise, George Wislar, Jonathan Lester, Nancy Morabito, Jeff Campbell, Allan Salt, Ben Yearley, Jackie Chrencik, and Scott Shaffer.*

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

KIDS CLUB	Every 2nd Friday 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. <i>Led by Zena Tredinnick-Kirby</i>
KIDS CHOIRS, HANDBELLS, AND CHIMES	Sundays at 10:00 AM (September thru June) Community Room	Rotating rehearsals for groups that lead music during worship about once a month. All abilities and ages welcome. <i>Led by Tricia Murphy</i>
THOMPSON YOUTH GROUP	Sundays at 6:00 PM The Lounge	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	April 12th 10:00 AM Room 132	AO gathers for either a book or Bible study, fellowship, and mission. <i>Led by Marci Capel</i>
MEN OF A CERTAIN AGE	April 19th and May 10th 10:00 AM Room 132	Men of a Certain Age provides a space for men to connect, share, and navigate life's challenges. They are now studying <i>How the Bible Actually Works</i> by Pete Enns. <i>Led by Garrett Bostwick</i>
NORMAL PEOPLE* BIBLE STUDY	Wednesdays at 7:00 PM Commons	<i>*Skeptics, Sinners, Saints, and Everyone In-Between!</i> Join us in combining book and Bible study to help broaden our understanding of how to live and love like Jesus as everyday, normal people (see the definition of "normal" people). <i>Led by Susie Minno and Garrett Bostwick</i>
MONDAY MORNING WOMEN'S MINISTRY	Mondays at 9:30 AM Community 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 Community 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 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. <i>This group is led by the pastor who is giving the sermon on Sunday.</i>
ART HISTORY	May 12th at 5:30 PM Conference Room	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>
Contact group leaders by visiting tmpc.org/small-groups		

ONGOING OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

FOOD DRIVE	Wednesday May 20th	You can leave non-perishable donations from 10:00 to 10:30 AM that day at our food pantry, located inside the church, or anytime during office hours before the event. <i>Led by Susan Achenbach</i>
TRENTON AREA SOUP KITCHEN (TASK)	Thursday April 23rd 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	Every 2nd Sunday 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 May 5th 8:30 AM	Meets monthly at the church 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>
LAMBERTVILLE COMMUNITY MEAL	Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday 12:00 PM	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. <i>Led by Jeff Campbell</i>
See more information, sign-ups, and contact information for each outreach event by seeing the e-news or visiting tmpc.org/mission		