



*Forward together in Faith, Hope, and Love*

Sunday January 28, 2024

The Season of Epiphany

**We Prepare for Worship**

Praise Band

Preparing our Hearts

*And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."*  
Matt. 28:18

Prelude: A Majestic Voluntary

David Johnson (1922-87)

\*Processional Hymn: *All creatures of our God and King*

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Welcome and Community Life News

**We Worship God**

The Call to Worship

Yoelle Cho

L.: God's praise endures forever,

**P: and eternity meets us in fleeting moments.**

L.: God's praise endures forever,

**P: and glory bursts into ordinary activities.**

L.: God's praise endures forever,

**P: and faith is steadfast in the midst of change and challenge.**

L.: Let us worship our Great God!

Introit: Welcome, Welcome

Daniel Reed/Kurt Kaiser

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (*debts*)

The Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

\*Praise Time: **I Stand Amazed**

I stand amazed in the presence, of Jesus the Nazarene  
And wonder how He could love me. a sinner condemned unclean  
*Singin', how marvelous how wonderful, and my song shall ever be  
How marvelous how wonderful, is my Savior's love for me*

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He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own  
He bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone

- REPEAT

*Singin', how marvelous how wonderful, and my song shall ever be  
How marvelous how wonderful, is my Savior's love for me*

- REPEAT 2X

And with the ransomed in glory, His face I at last shall see  
It will be my joy through the ages, to sing of His love for me

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How marvelous how wonderful, is my Savior's love for me*

- REPEAT

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### **We Listen for God's Word**

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

George Meek

Scripture Readings:

Choral Psalm Sentence

Responsive Reading: Psalm: 111

Jeanette Hallworth

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup> Great are the works of the LORD,  
studied by all who delight in them.

<sup>3</sup> Full of honor and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup> He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;  
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

<sup>5</sup> He provides food for those who fear him;  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

<sup>6</sup> He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the heritage of the nations.

<sup>7</sup> The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy.

<sup>8</sup> They are established forever and ever,  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

<sup>9</sup> He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name.

<sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;

all those who practice it have a good understanding.  
His praise endures forever.

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

NT p. 35

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem: Jesus Is Our Joy, Our Treasure

Anonymous

Sermon: By what authority?

Rev. Dr. H. Vais

\*Hymn: *O Master, let me walk with thee*

**#642**

**We Respond to God's Word**

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

\*Doxology

**#830**

Dedication of Offering

\*Closing Hymn: *One more step along the world I go*

**#641**

**We are Sent Out as God's People**

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Musical Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe,  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen**

Postlude: A Majestic Piece

Ronald Arnatt (1930-2018)

-----\* if you are able, please stand-----

*Welcome*

We welcome everyone who is worshiping here with us today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You

are invited to fill out a pew card.

**\*\* We welcome all children in worship. If you need to take a child out during the worship service, the service can still be heard in the lobby. Alternatively for children 5 years old and under, we have a nursery in the Christian Education wing where the service can still be heard. Our ushers are available to assist you. Children must be accompanied by an adult relative.**

***Thank you to those who are assisting in today's service.***

*Please feel free to appreciate the Postlude  
at the end of the service!  
If you do leave the sanctuary during the postlude,  
please do so quietly. Thank you!*



### **Sunday School Classes!**

A one-room Sunday School class is available for our junior youth today after Praise Time. **All children grades 1-6 are welcome.**

### **Rev. Heather Away**

Rev. Heather is on study leave as of  
Monday January 29 to Sunday February 4.  
If you have a need please call our Clerk of Session,  
Sheila Gault at 905-751-6568.

### **TPC's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year!**

The year 2024 marks our congregational 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

There will be many great opportunities to celebrate.  
Please circle **Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup>** on your calendar for our Anniversary  
Celebration with guest preacher The Rev. Dr. Stephen Farris.

May 26<sup>th</sup> is also our **Great Day Capital Campaign.**

Our project this year is to raise money for the  
restoration of the Manse.

Also, circle **Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>** for our first event,  
***Soup and Stories.***

After church stay to enjoy a lovely soup lunch  
and listen to a narrative history of our congregation  
as told by some of our long-serving members.

### **TPC Community Pantry**

The pantry is open on Sunday mornings from 10:30 am onwards,  
and is located directly across from the Chapel in the back hallway.

If you or someone you know has a need during these challenging times,  
please help yourself.

### **Coldest Night of the Year – February 24, 2024**

In communities all across Canada, people will be  
participating in CNOY walks to raise much-needed  
funds to support those experiencing homelessness. In  
York Region, the walk supports Blue Door and their  
shelter and Out of the Cold programs.



We are hoping to form a **Team TPC** to participate in this year's walk. If  
you are interested in joining us, please visit our table at Coffee Hour or  
contact Lorraine McBride at [lorryainemcb@gmail.com](mailto:lorryainemcb@gmail.com) or (416) 738-9799.

## Weekly Offerings and Gifts

To continue to support the church through your regular offerings there are several options available to do so.

**Offerings may be placed in the offering plate** at the entry to the sanctuary as you enter church.

**Offerings can be mailed** (address below) or dropped off at the church mail slot in the old wooden doors to the right of the entryway any time.

**You may also donate** on-line at Canada Helps through our web site at [www.tpchurch.net](http://www.tpchurch.net) or directly to Canada Helps.Org at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/thornhill-presbyterian-church/>

**As an alternative to regular offering envelopes**, this is a perfect time to join our **PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance)** program. In doing so you don't have to worry about picking up your envelopes or mailing/dropping off cheques. Here is the information you need to know about the PAR program.

**Under this arrangement, a monthly debit is made to your account on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month and credited the same day to TPC's account. You can allocate funds the same way you do with your regular offering envelopes. You can also make changes, (increasing, decreasing, or cancelling) your pre-authorized amount at any time.**

**If you have any questions about the PAR program, please contact Nadine Calfa at 905-889-5391 or [admin@tpchurch.net](mailto:admin@tpchurch.net).**

**Thank you for your Support.**

## 2024 Offering Envelopes

Please pick up your offering envelopes in the lobby when you are able.

## 2023 TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts are available for pick-up at the church **today**.

Alternatively, please call the church office to arrange pick-up or drop-off.

Receipts are being mailed for those living out of town.



We are in need of volunteers to help run the **sound system on Sunday mornings.**

It is not complicated.

Speak to Abel.

If Abel is able, you can be able too!

On February 11<sup>th</sup> Buy a \$5 Snack  
&  
Change the World!!

Your Sunday School and Mission and Outreach Committee have teamed up with PWS&D to provide gifts of change to people around the world. Our goal is to provide 2 children with school supplies for 1 year, and 3 farmers with sustainable farming training. To meet that goal, we need to raise **\$300**. With your help we know that we can do it!!



How You Can  
Help!



On **Sunday February 11**, your Sunday School kids will be making delicious bags of snack mix. We will be selling them for **\$5** during the soup lunch after church. Please come, enjoy soup, bring your cash and buy a snack for a great cause!



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**Duty Elder: Sandra Bhikram-Lee and Jessica Chapman**

### UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

#### **Sunday January 28, 2024**

9:45 – 10:30 am            Sunday Morning Discovery – Conference Room

11:00 am                    Worship Service

#### **Tuesday January 30, 2024**

10:00 am                    ESL Classes – Fellowship Hall and  
Conference Room

#### **Sunday February 4, 2024**

9:45 – 10:30 am            Sunday Morning Discovery – Conference Room

11:00 am                    Worship Service

### The Open Door

The deadline for the next issue of our congregational newsletter, "The Open Door" is **Sunday February 25th**.

For this 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, we invite people to submit to Garth Low at [garth.low@garthlow.com](mailto:garth.low@garthlow.com) the impact TPC has had on your faith, including how TPC has helped nurture your faith, and how you see yourself growing in faith and being transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Please include when you first came and why you still come today.

Written submissions can be put in the Open Door newsletter mailbox located by the Chapel.

# Hymn

## *All creatures of our God and King*

All creatures of our God and King  
lift up your voice and with us sing:  
sing praises, hallelujah!  
O brother sun with golden beam,  
O sister moon with silver gleam,  
O praise Him, O praise Him!  
sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Wild rushing wind, unbounded, strong,  
high clouds that sail in heaven along:  
sing praises, hallelujah!  
New rising dawn in praise rejoice,  
kind lights of evening, find a voice:  
sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Deep flowing water, pure and clear,  
make, music for your God to hear:  
sing praises, hallelujah!  
Fierce fire, so masterful and bright,  
pierce now the dark with heat and light:  
sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Dear mother earth, who day by day  
brings forth your blessings on our way:  
sing praises, hallelujah!  
All flowers and fruit that in you grow,  
let them God's glory also show:  
sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Let everyone of tender heart,  
forgiving others, take their part:  
sing praises, hallelujah!  
All who long pain and sorrow bear,  
give God your burdens and your care:  
sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship God in humbleness:  
sing praises, hallelujah!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One:  
sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!



## Hymn

### ***O Master, let me walk with thee***

O Master, let me walk with thee  
in lowly paths of service free;  
tell me thy secret; help me bear  
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move  
by some clear winning word of love;  
teach me the wayward feet to stay,  
and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee  
in closer, dearer company,  
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong,  
in trust that triumphs over wrong,

In hope that sends a shining ray  
far down the future's broadening way,  
in peace that only thou canst give,  
with thee, O Master, let me live.

# Hymn

## ***One more step along the world I go***

One more step along the world I go.  
One more step along the world I go.  
From the old things to the new  
keep me traveling along with you.

### ***Refrain:***

And it's from the old I travel to the new.  
Keep me traveling along with you.

Round the corners of the world I turn.  
More and more about the world I learn.  
All the new things that I see  
you'll be looking at along with me.

### ***Refrain***

As I travel through the bad and good  
keep me traveling the way I should.  
Where I see no way to go,  
you'll be telling me the way, I know.

### ***Refrain***

Give me courage when the world is rough.  
Keep me loving though the world is tough.  
Leap and sing in all I do.  
Keep me traveling along with you.

### ***Refrain***

You are older than the world can be.  
You are younger than the life in me.  
Ever old and ever new,  
keep me traveling along with you.

### ***Refrain***