

# TOPSAIL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP SERVICE



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 14, 2024

**First time guests...Welcome!** Please be sure to ask an usher for any assistance you may need. Restrooms are located through the door to the right of the chancel. Church Parlor available for nursing mothers & parents in need of a quiet space with their children during worship.

\*Please stand as you are able.

Cover Art Title: Peace I Give You; Artist: Mindi Oaten

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

Prelude

**“Praise to the Lord”**

Arr. Roberson

Announcements

Call to Worship (Call & **Response**)

We live in the radiance of your glory.

***Our worship comes from  
the gladness you have put in our hearts.***

We give you thanks for the peace of your salvation.

***Oh, hear the joy of our praise  
for your grace and mercy.***

\*Gathering Hymn #307

**“God of Grace and God of Glory”**

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (**Unison**)

***What love you have given us, O God,  
that we should be called your children.  
What love you have given us, O Christ,  
that we should share a table with you.  
Forgive us when we act as if we were your  
only children:  
when we do not recognize your image  
in the faces of strangers, enemies, or friends;  
when we do not share our own tables,  
forgetting that we need each other.  
Forgive us, O Christ, maker of peace,  
and teach us to follow in your way.***

Silent Confession

Promise of Forgiveness

Hymn #582

**“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines On Me”**

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***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.***

***World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever  
shall be. Amen.***

\*Passing the Peace

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Psalm 40:1-5  
Luke 24:36b - 48

This is the word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God.***

Anthem **"Blessed Assurance"** Arr. Fritchie

Sermon **"May Cause Heartburn"** Rev. Cam Thomas

Affirmation of Faith - 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.***

Call for Offering

Offertory Hymn #450 **"Be Thou My Vision"** Page 6

Doxology #609

**"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

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***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia!***

***Praise God, in Jesus fully known:  
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*Unison*)

***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 sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, the power, the glory, forever.  
Amen.***

\*Closing Hymn #248

**“Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!”**

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\*Benediction

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

Postlude

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**Worship Led By:** Rev. Cam Thomas;  
**Music Director:** Dr. Rebecka Rose;  
**Organ/Piano:** Shelly Aebi

# 307 God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple  
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -  
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its  
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our  
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in  
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.  
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

## 450

## Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) E<sup>b</sup> (G) A<sup>b</sup> (D/F<sup>#</sup>) E<sup>b</sup>/G (A7) B<sup>b</sup>7 (D) E<sup>b</sup>



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;  
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) B<sup>b</sup> (D) E<sup>b</sup> (G) A<sup>b</sup> (A) B<sup>b</sup>




naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) A<sup>b</sup> (D) E<sup>b</sup> (F<sup>#</sup>m7) Gm7 (G) A<sup>b</sup> (A) B<sup>b</sup>



thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;  
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F<sup>#</sup>) E<sup>b</sup>/G (G) A<sup>b</sup> (D) E<sup>b</sup>

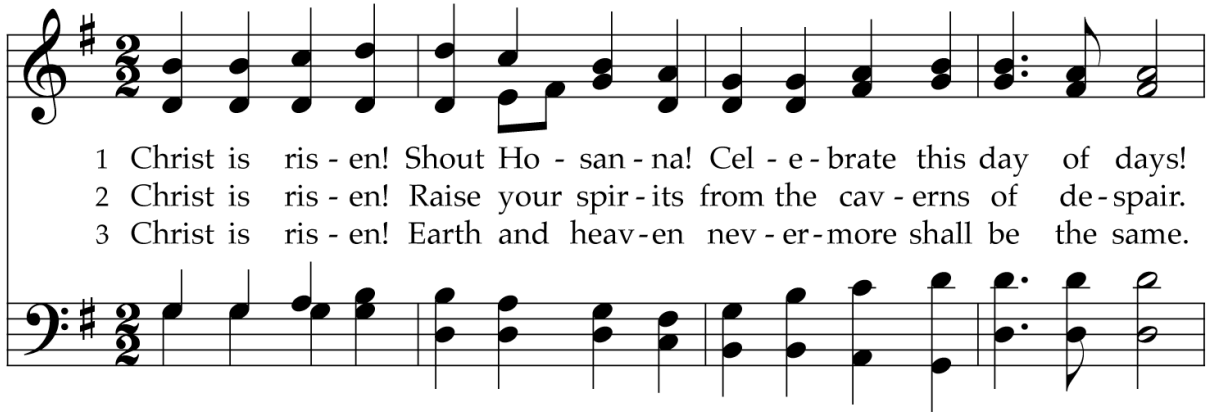


wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.  
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

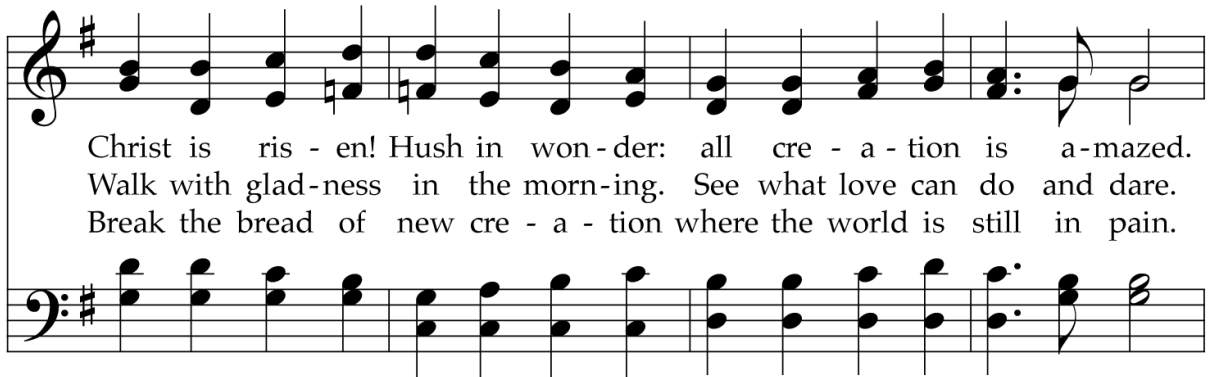
*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

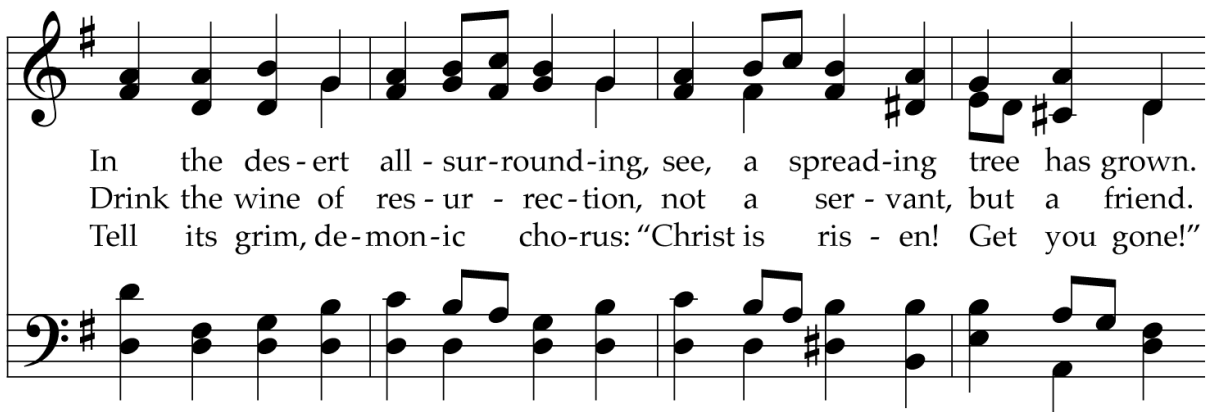
# Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! 248



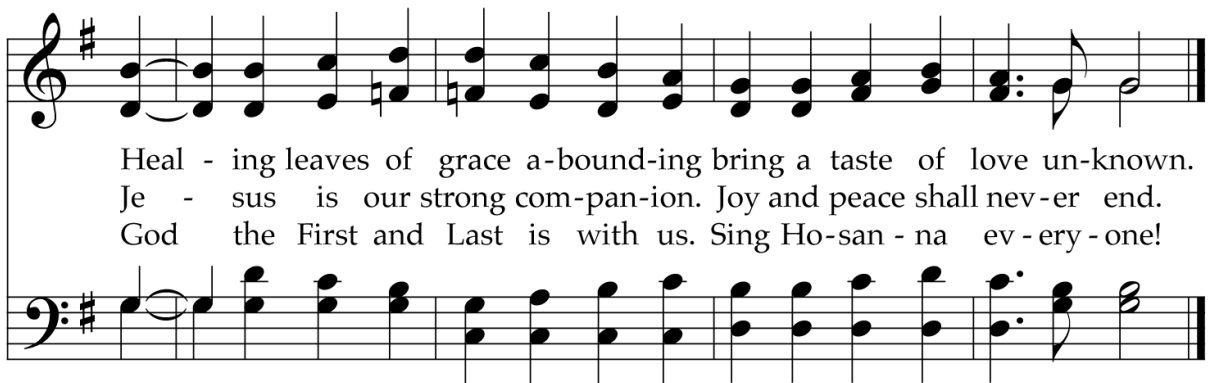
1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!  
2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.  
3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.



Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.  
Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.  
Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.



In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.  
Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.  
Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"



Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.  
Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.  
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!

In commenting on this late 20th-century text, the author has stressed his intention to affirm the social implications of an Easter faith: "Christian peace and justice action finds its wellspring, not in moral zeal or guilty conscience, but in the resurrection."

**Worship Led By:**  
Rev. Cam Thomas  
**Music Director:**  
Dr. Rebecka Rose  
**Organ/Piano:**  
Shelly Aebi

**Chancel Flowers**  
Today's flowers are given in loving  
memory of my late wife Diane Hill  
Smith by Jimmy Smith.

**Liturgists:**  
**8:15AM:**Kathy Crumpler  
**10:30AM:**  
**Elder of the Month:** Kathy Tobin

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### Announcements

**Prayer List**—Bobbie Ruegner, Bonnie Carpenter, Glenn Piver, Carolyn Rice, Sue Newton, Bruce Filer, Fleur McKnight, Tom Lowell, Mary Anne Matherly, Christine Sanders, John DiBiase, Judy Graves, Ginger & Charlie Hardee, Austin Padgett, Ricky Hurst, Ann Rogish, Bonnie Miller, Sandy Minnich, Nancy Lockamy, Joseph Rogish, Betty Anzalone, Janice Thomas, Tom Berry, Tom Feller, Brian Jones & family, Sharon Egan, Ruth Best, Jack Crouch, the family of Dixie Britton, Kristina Polk, Donna Kraynick, Savannah Hyde, Pete & Susan Brunsvold, Isla Mayes, Amy Coleman and the family of Ruth Best, Margie Alber and family.

**Choir & Handbells Rehearsals**— Choir rehearsals are held every Monday at 7:00pm and Handbells rehearsals will be held every Monday, at 6:00pm. **Exception:** Rehearsals for both will **NOT** be held if there is a Session meeting scheduled. Session is typically the 2nd Monday of the month.

**Elijah Bible Study** - The Elijah Bible study meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 2:30pm in the Youth Building. The next meeting will be held on **April 18th**. Please see Laurie Rucks or stop by the admin office if you are in need of a study guide.

**Present Word Sunday School** —The Present Word bible study class meets at 9:30am every Sunday morning. The Spring Study will be held from March to May. The spring quarter will explore the fullness of faith as a response to God's desire to be in relationship with us. Study guides are in the admin office. **Please Note: The Present Word Bible study we come back together on April 14.**

**Meals on Wheels**—If you would like to help prepare meals for seniors in need one Saturday per month, contact Kathy Tobin, at 401-309-9563 or email – kath2357@aol.com.

**2024 Flower Calendar** - Help us fill our 2024 flower calendar, located in the overflow room. Approx. \$60 per arrangement. **Be sure to complete a dedication card (hanging near the calendar) and return to the admin office. You can also sign up online by following the link on our website. Please be sure to leave your dedication in the Comment section.**

**Cookies & Punch** - Now that Spring has officially sprung, it's time to take our worship fellowship outside. Join us each Sunday following the 10:30am worship for some post-service treats and fellowship hosted by the TPC Congregational Life Committee. **Sign up to donate treats! Sign-up sheet located in the narthex.**

**Camp Kirkwood 2024** - Topsail Presbyterian Church's children and youth will be headed to Kirkwood June 2nd through June 6th. Registration opens March 17th. The deadline for registering is April 28th. This is open to children who have completed Kindergarten through 5th Grade, Youth Leaders (Middle & High School). \$20.00 registration fee.

**New Membership Directory** - The TPC Digital Ministry team is pleased to announce a new online TPC membership directory. The new online directory will allow members of the congregation to search for other members, update their personal information, and control what personal information is displayed in the directory. For more details and information on how to create an account visit our church website at <https://www.topsailpresbyterian.org/ministries/digital-ministry>. Feel free to reach out to Dickie Grace at [amazng\\_grace@yahoo.com](mailto:amazng_grace@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.



**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - We are in need of 3 additional nursery workers to be on our standby list. We have 3 paid nursery workers, when one of them is going to be absent we need a volunteer to fill in. The standby would be contacted in advance and if you are unable to work, another volunteer would be contacted. Please sign up in the Nursery or contact Laurie Rucks at [laurie.rucks@gmail.com](mailto:laurie.rucks@gmail.com), or 410-6274671 for further details.

**Rodgers Meal Train** - Thank you all for participating in the Rodgers meal train. If you have dishes from participating in the meal train, they are located in the kitchen with a note attached.

### Monthly Giving Report

Monthly income goal to meet our operating budget in 2024 is \$31,460.

March income for budget was \$23,643.

The monthly average income for the budget year to date is \$28,666.

# SHEPHERD'S BOX DONATIONS

## ALL THROUGHOUT APRIL

We're still collecting items for the 4 C's Food Pantry.

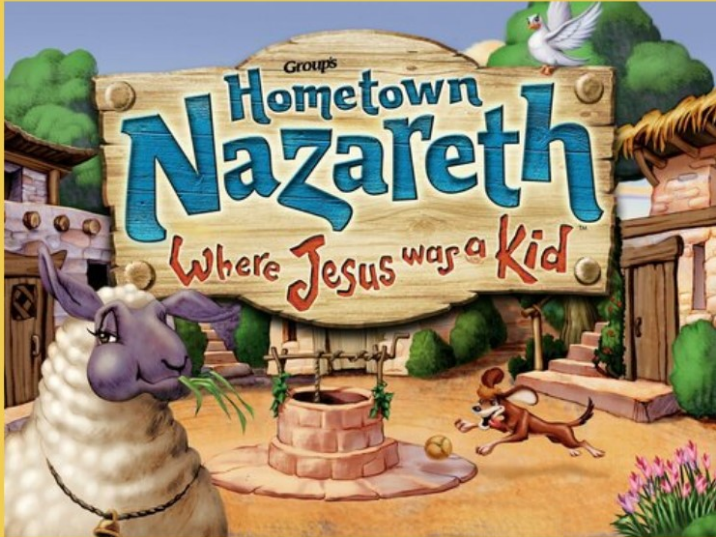
Items Needed: Canned Goods, Non-Perishable items, Personal Hygiene items (soaps, toothpaste, shampoos, etc.), Dog and Cat Food.

Items can be placed in the Shepherds Box located in the Narthex.



Please see Kathy Tobin if you have any questions.  
([kath2357@aol.com](mailto:kath2357@aol.com))

CALLING ALL VBS FAMILIES TO  
**SAVE THE DATES!**  
AUGUST 12TH - 15TH, 2024



EACH DAY VBS PARTICIPANTS WILL GET TO IMAGINE AND EXPLORE WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO LIVE IN THE TOWN OF NAZARETH JUST AS JESUS WAS BEGINNING HIS MINISTRY AROUND GALILEE! AGES PRE-K (MUST BE COMPLETED) - 5TH GRADE YOUTH LEADERS MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

**REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 1ST**  
STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS!

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO JOIN OUR VBS TEAM CONTACT:  
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CHRISTIANEDTPC@YAHOO.COM OR 910-270-2315

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**COUNTING ON JESUS**

**JUNE 2 - 6**

**REGISTRATION OPENED**

**MARCH 17**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

**APRIL 28**

**KINDERGARTEN - 5TH GRADE**

**(GRADE COMPLETED)**

**YOUTH LEADERS**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**& HIGH SCHOOL**

**\$20 REGISTRATION FEE**

**FOR CHILDREN & ADULT VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION CONTACT:**

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TOPSAIL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# GAME Day

**Friday, April 19**

at Topsail Presbyterian Church  
16249 US Hwy 17N  
Hampstead, NC 28443

10:00am to 2:00pm  
\$15.00 per player

Board Games - Multi-player  
Card Games - Dominoes -  
Mahjong - Bunko and more!  
Bring your games to play!

**Bring your foursomes,  
family, or friends, to join  
the event!**

**Breakfast snack, lunch &  
dessert included!**

*A day of  
Fun for all!*

To register please contact us:  
Diane Hughes at  
910-232-8596  
or Joanne Foster at  
910-270-7050

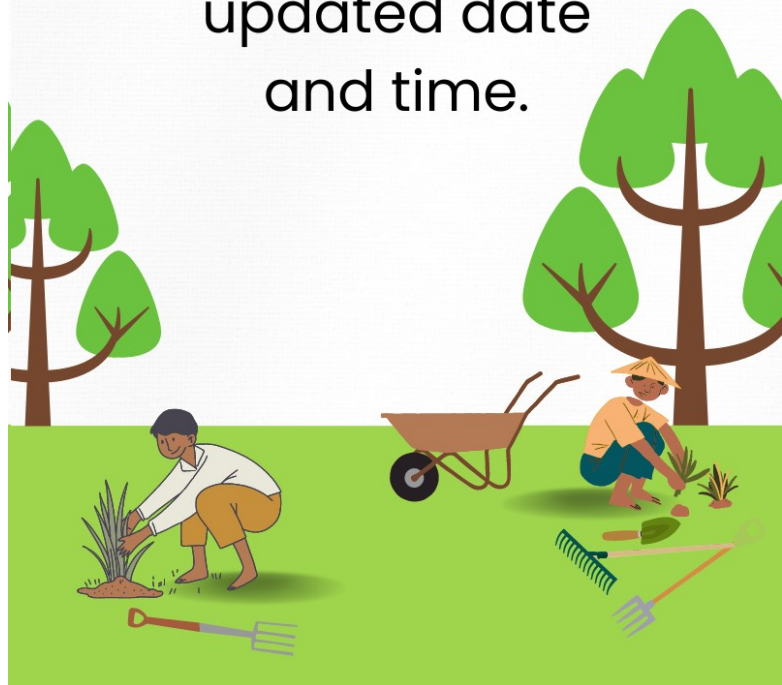
## SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

**APRIL 20**

It's spring clean-up  
time at TPC. Join us  
Saturday, April 20th  
to help beautify the  
TPC grounds.



Stay tuned for  
updated date  
and time.





SCAN WITH YOUR CELL  
PHONE TO DONATE OR  
TEXT THE WORD GIVE  
TO 910-714-4454



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**Members of Session**

**2024**

Sally Ferrante - **Clerk of Session**  
Cheri VanCleave - **Worship**

**2025**

Cody Chewning - **Buildings & Grounds**  
Joanne Foster - **Congregational Life-Fellowship**  
Chris Thomas - **Congregational Life-Membership**  
Richard Grace - **Digital Ministry-IT**  
Beverly DeLuise - **Christian Education**  
Mike Steed - **Finance**

**2026**

Russ Layman - **Stewardship**  
Jennifer Schwarz - **Digital Ministry-Data**  
Shona Talbert - **Personnel**  
Kathy Tobin - **Missions**

**Deacons**

Mary Rogers-Ellsworth - **Parrish Associate**  
Jay Heidel - **Chair**  
Bryna Fair - **Secretary**  
Jimmy Smith  
Patty Bowdoin  
MaryLou Hurst