

~ Welcome To Worship ~

TIPPECANOE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

"A Community Of Many Faithing Communities Where All Belong!"

Living Waters Contemplative Life Center

Divine Intervention Ministry to the Homeless

Tippecanoe just.good.food Garden - Food Justice Site PCUSA

Arts and Science Literacy Camps For Children

January 29, 2017

9:30 a.m.

"The Story Continues"



Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.



*On a spiritual quest? Reached a tipping point? Reach out to Tippe! You are important to us.
 In Christ, there are no strangers, only new and wonderful people to meet each day!
 If you are visiting today, please be sure to sign our Guest Book at the back of the sanctuary
 or fill out a pew card and drop it in the offering plate.
 Our pastor would be glad to call you or pay you a personal visit.
 Just let us know as you sign in...and take a Welcome Packet, too!
 Come back often. We care! We are open for faith! Affirming and open to all!*

Helpful Worship Information



We're Glad You've Come.

*This is a safe place, a sanctuary of worship and prayer,
 comfort and justice-seeking for all God's people and all
 are welcome here
just as you are.*

Our church is a safe sanctuary for children..

We are proactive to protect our children with trained
 staff, enlightened volunteers,
 and aware congregants.

No concealed weapons of any type are allowed on
 Tippecanoe Church premises.

**Our children are invited
 to remain in worship with us.**

**We ask children be accompanied
 by an adult at all times throughout
 our morning together!**

During worship, children are welcome to use a book,
 stuffed animal, or crayons and papers from the bottom
 shelf of the cart at the back of the sanctuary. We want
 the sanctuary to be home to them.

**When your child (1st grade and under) is restless,
 when you are, when those around you are...**

you're/we're probably asking too much of everyone.
 Please let your child be in the nursery at times like this.
 Please return borrowed "goodies" to the cart after
 worship.

Infant through 1st Grade Care

is available all during worship down the stairs to the
 right to the "nursery."

In the order of worship, please note... the * indicates
 times to stand as you are able.

Today in Worship



*We open our hearts and minds to the texts,
 confronting the radical nature of God's wisdom.*



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Today's Wisdom Teachings ...

Speak to God's reign turning the world's
 conventional wisdom upside down! Praise be
 to our God! What a relief! They guide us to
 ask ourselves: How do I envision a world
 where the faithful do justice, love kindness,
 and journey humbly with God? Which paths
 of justice am I being called to follow....and
 what will get turned upside down in me and
 my personal world as I do? Wow...I am
 blessed!



Thanks for being here today!

*In deepest gratitude, we give God thanks
 for your presence with us in worship!*



WARNING....

If you take the Bible literally you may be disappointed
 here. We hope not, but we think you should know that
 we don't take *all* of scripture literally....
 any more than Jesus did,
 but we **DO** take it all seriously.

As you enter, please use this time to greet friends, welcome newcomers, and join in the spirit of community.

As the music begins, gift yourself a few moments of quiet perhaps becoming present to your own life -- your desires and needs and joys. Perhaps using this photo and reflective question to center yourself.

God rejoices in your coming and meets you this morning in special ways that are meant just for you.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Why do we worship? Think on this...

Worship is a human activity, celebrated in the presentness of God...the Sacred, rather than praise required of us by God. And so the "goal" is to help us know (head in our heart) how we relate as individuals to ourselves, others, world, universe.

To celebrate that relationship! To touch sources of creative transformation! To reinterpret our experiences!

To reaffirm living in this world which is indeed our sacred and worshipful work to do!



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## **WELCOME TO THIS CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY**

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### **✧ Welcome and Community News**

### **✧ Readyng Ourselves for Worship**

**Surely God is in this place, Holy Ground!  
Surely God is in this place,  
Holy Ground!**

### **✧ Prelude**

*◆ Bringing The Bible Forward*

*◆ Ringing the Bell...an ancient tradition to clarify the air enabling our prayers to rise more easily to our God.*

*Based on our theme and the  
Bible Wisdom Teaching  
from Micah.*

## Gathering As God's People

### ✧ **Becoming Present To God And Each Other**

One: Christmas and Epiphany bring us round to that extraordinary Ordinary Time of the church year. The Ancient Story now alive in us in amazing new ways!

All: But so often we live our lives so fast, we forget we're in a story...a new and never ending story! Our new story: Will we slow down so God can catch up to us and Wisdom enter in?

One: But at least for this morning, we slow down. We give God a chance to enter the story line of our lives!

All: God calls to follow in kindness and humility...and to do justice. We walk with God inspired by the master story of possibility!

### ✧ **Gathering Hymn #119 *Worship and Praise***

**“Praise To You, O God Of Mercy”**

### ✧ **Affirming Our Faith *With Intention***

Let me make of this day  
A prayer...  
an offering, a plea,  
gratitude and praise.  
Every task as worthy  
and every rough place  
bearable.  
With enough quietness of heart  
to find my way on  
toward  
connection  
with all that is.  
A prayer, a poem,  
a sculpting, a moment...  
Each day a life,  
My only life.

### ✧ **A Moment With God For Each Of Us...**

### ✧ **\*Passing of the Peace...*Temenos!***

*Temenos is an ancient Greek concept of creating a safe space for others in which healing can take place in the midst of what is.*

*You are invited to light a  
prayer candle now and  
anytime in worship you hear a  
prayer lifted or answered.*

## Held WithIn the Word

✧ **And the Children Will Lead The Way: Kids' Time**

✧ **Preparing To Hear The Word...*Our Prayer***

✧ **Bible's Wisdom Teaching: Micah 6: 1-8**

✧ **Hymn of Preparation**

Star of Wonder, Star of Wisdom, illumine minds and hearts;  
Guide us on Your healing mission; Your radiant life impart.  
Light new pathways for our journey, leading to creation new;  
Send Your truth expanding always to show a wider view.  
Then all heaven and earth will open with possibility,  
A whole universe before us, far more than we can see.

✧ **Bible's Wisdom Teaching: Matthew 5: 1-12**

One: This is the way our story is told.

God speaks to us anew through ancient stories.

**All: Thanks be to our God.**

✧ **Prompting**

“The Story Continues”

“An Upside Down World of Blessings!”

Pastor Karen Hagen



✧ **A Moment Of Personal Reflection...**

✧ **Sung Response**

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah; Hallelujah...  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah; Hallelujah...  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah; Hallelujah....

*Please remain seated.  
Listen once and sing  
once.*

*By Aldredge-Clanto and  
Holst, "Inclusive Hymns  
for Liberation, Peace,  
and Justice, (Eakin  
Press, 2011)*

*Feel free to write in the  
margins! Use this space  
for your personal  
reflections!*

*From Leonard Cohen's  
"Hallelujah"*

*Deeply hear this invitation.*

*The Bible Wisdom Teaching of the Beatitudes, underlined, and below a translation from the Aramaic from Douglas Neil Klotz.*

## Opening to God's Grace

### ✧Opening Ourselves To God's Grace

### ✧Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.  
Blessed are those who, from their inner wombs (wounds),  
birth mercy, they shall feel its warm arms embrace them.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.  
Healthy are those whose passion is electrified by deep, abiding  
purpose, they shall see God everywhere.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called  
children of God.

Blessed are those who plant peace each season,  
they shall be named the children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessings to those who are dislocated for the cause of justice,  
their new home is the province of the universe.

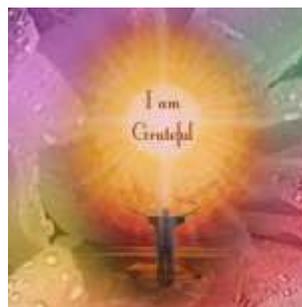
Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and  
utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Health when your strength is sucked out, when you are  
disunited and falsely classified as a waste of time,  
for My sake....

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven,  
for in the same way they persecuted the prophets  
who were before you.

Drink a drop, or drench yourself. No matter where you turn  
you will find the Name inscribed in light: it's all the One  
Creation. It is the sign of the prophets and prophetesses  
to feel the disunity around them intensely.

### ✧A Moment With God For Each Of Us...



Let there be some quiet. We will be "stilled" together  
for 5 minutes or so! You have time....go deeper....

*Please listen to this once  
and then sing twice.*

✧ **Kyrie**

*In this moment, in this place, all is mercy, all is grace.  
In this moment in this place, we are...One.*

✧ **Receiving God's Grace....God With Us Always**

✧ **Rejoicing In God's Divine Care**

**Glory be to the Father, & the Son, & the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. As it was in the beginning, is now  
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. A-men.  
Amen. A-men. Amen. A-men. A-men!**

✧ **Naming Our Gratitudes, Joys, and Concerns**

**Throughout This Week Let Us Pray For...**

...continued abundance and celebration of possibility as God  
grows Tippe's ministry.

...the continuing flow of guests who grace us with their  
presence.

... these members, spiritual leaders, staff and communities:

♦ Sue and Bill Frazier & Gary and Ruth Schultz

♦ Counters

♦ Maynard Bell

♦ Barbara Wooldrage

♦ Larry Hartmann

♦ Common Ground and MICAH

♦ Holding Guests, Hosts, Staff into the light of our prayer!

♦ Holding Teachers, Artists, Children and their Families in the light of  
our prayer!

♦ United Church of Christ

♦ Employment

♦ Immigration Reform

♦ Torture Awareness ♦ God's Creation: Environmental Concerns

*A Sung Response*

*Please call Patti at  
630-674-1272 if you  
would like the Tippe  
Prayer Chain to lift a  
special prayer for you  
this week.*

*All prayers are  
confidential and shared  
with Pastor Karen.*

*Members & Friends*

*Tippe Ministry*

*Spiritual Leaders:*

*Elder*

*Deacon*

*Staff*

*Community*

*Outreach Partners*

*Divine Intervention*

*& Arts and Science*

*Literacy Camps*

*Faith Communities*

*Partnering in Ministry*

*Current Issues Calling*

*Us To Prayer*

✧ **Quieting Ourselves For Prayer**



✧ **Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Giving Thanks To God**

✧ **Offering Ourselves**

✧ In Thankfulness  
With Energized Commitment!

✧ **Offertory and Sung Response**

**Hymn #146** Worship and Praise "We Are An Offering"

✧ **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Sending Forth With Blessing**

✧ **\*Departing Hymn**

The days of old have come and gone,  
yet linger in our hearts;  
We ponder all the times ahead and seek a brand new start.

May God's great love and grace abound  
in everything we do;  
Let perfect peace surround us now,  
our lives begin as new.

We trust that all our future days be filled  
with hope and peace;  
And that our care for those we love  
will evermore increase.

May God's great love and grace abound  
in everything we do;  
Let perfect peace surround us now,  
our lives begin anew.  
Let perfect peace surround us now,  
our lives begin anew!

✧ **\*Benediction**

✧ **Postlude**

*Shared with Tippe at  
Grace Presbyterian  
Church 1-1-17*

*So glad you have come.*

*Join us for Tippe Café right after  
Worship here in the Sanctuary!*

*All Are Welcome!*

*TODAY and THIS WEEK at Tippe*



**Monday Nights 6:30pm:**

**Sanctuary Time of Belonging meets  
tomorrow night!**

Come for this worshipful time of self-reflection and theological thinking as we informally gather around table in the sanctuary, closing each gathering in prayer and communion.

**Circle of Faith** meets Wednesdays 10:30am in the parlor as we reflect on our individual and corporate lives through the lens of the wisdom teachings...*lectio style!*

**AA Meeting** Wednesday 7pm in Study Lounge.

**An extension of ASLC...our Bay View Children's Choir** starts up again January 25<sup>th</sup> 4:15-5:15 here at Tippe. 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders welcome!

*TODAY and THIS WEEK at Living Waters*

**Center yourself... Sunday Centering meets 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 6pm.** Join us for a time of quieting, opening us to the Holy within & within each other.

**One Blessing** meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday evenings in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

**Thursday Centering** meets 2:30pm in the parlor.

**Southside Buddhist Sangha Mindfulness Center** gathers Thursday 7pm. in sanctuary.

*UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS!*

**Lunch Bunch** gathers 1st Tuesdays at Noon. The 7<sup>th</sup> we will be at Botanas 2 on Howard Avenue.



**Brave Places Letter Writing/Calling Meet-up**

**Where: McDonald's at 6<sup>th</sup> and Oklahoma**

**When: 1-2 pm on First Sundays, beginning Feb 5.**

When times are tough it can be tempting to retreat into our safe spaces, but we need to make our voices heard. This is a group to help hold us accountable for contacting our legislators about issues we care about. Not a group with a political position, not an attempt to get lots of letters on any one topic, not a group for discussion or debate, but support to help us actually write those letters and make those calls. Bring your concerns, your cell phone, and your pen and for one hour a month DO something about the issues you care about. We'll bring the paper, envelopes, stamps and phone numbers!



**Threshold Singing:**

**A Night of Quieting, Sung Meditation, and Reflection**

**First Friday Nights monthly 7 - 8:30pm.**

**GONG WASH: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> 7PM**

## Opening Ourselves To God's Grace

Worship Leader:

In this extraordinary, ordinary time of the church year, we can let the power of our Holy Master Story continually open us to make new meaning of our lives. We can tell a new story, live a new story. Held by the Holy Story...our story continues!

Each with our own beloved story,  
let us **SILENTLY** lift our prayers to our God  
using the written prayer on page 6 to guide us.

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### **Tippe-Ministers**

*All are ministers every day in every way in the world.*

#### **Today in Leadership**

Pastor/Teaching Elder ..... Karen Hagen  
Accompanist ..... MaryBeth Garrett  
Ministry Support Associate..... Erin Dentice  
Facility Host..... Margaret Majewski  
Worship Leader..... Judy Mundy  
Worship Hosts..... Maynard Bell and Patricia Bowne  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia and Community  
Director of *Living Waters* ..... Pastor Karen  
*Living Waters* Staff

Pastor Karen, Diane, Jane, Tami & Donna  
*Living Waters* Adjunct Staff ..... Kathy and Don

#### **Week of February 5<sup>th</sup> in Leadership**

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Ministry Support Associate.....Erin Dentice  
Facility Host .....Margaret Majewski  
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**If you have questions regarding our missions and how you can help, please email: [sustainingtippe@gmail.com](mailto:sustainingtippe@gmail.com).**

**To assist with sharing our supper (SOS meals), please contact email: [sosmealsdi@gmail.com](mailto:sosmealsdi@gmail.com).**

**If you have donations for Project Home, please contact email: [projecthomedonations@gmail.com](mailto:projecthomedonations@gmail.com).**

**For more information about Arts and Science Literacy Camps, please contact email: [aslcforkids@gmail.com](mailto:aslcforkids@gmail.com).**

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