

# ~ Welcome To Worship ~

**TIPPECANOE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**

Living Waters Contemplative Life Center

Divine Intervention Ministry to the Homeless

Tippecanoe just.good.food Garden & Native American Wellness Garden

Food Justice Site PCUSA

Arts and Science Literacy Camps For Children

March 6, 2016

9:30 a.m.

Lent 2016:  
“Time After Time”



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 (1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.*



***"Time After Time"***



*Today's wisdom teachings remind us nothing in  
 God's creation is ever so lost that it is beyond  
 God's finding. Looking through a lens of love  
 and reconciliation, we are able to welcome all  
 without counting the cost. More self-aware and  
 courageous, given a second chance, we find  
 ourselves the Prodigals Sons and Daughter  
 called to truth and acceptance as we find  
 ourselves within God's mercy and care*

***"Time After Time!"***



*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 invitation 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 of Lent

### **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**

~ ~ ~

*"Time After Time"*



### **✧ Welcome and Community News**

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

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

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**Holy Ground!**

### **✧ Prelude**

*♦Bringing The Bible and Bread Forward*

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

## **Gathering As God's People**

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

One: In Lent, we journey toward Jerusalem with Jesus,

**Many: our brother, mentor, friend, and Christ.**

One: People of God, God's timing and our timing come together within Christ's timing during this holiest of seasons.

**Many: Time after time...now and for all time to come!**

✧\*Gathering Hymn                      Handout

**“O Christ, Surround Me”**

✧Affirming Our Faith *With Intention*

I give myself to God...time after time!

God will use me to accomplish great things on the condition

I believe much more in God's love

than in my weakness.

✧A Moment With God For Each Of Us....

✧Kyrrie

**O tender God have mercy, for You are for us.**

**O living God have mercy, for You will heal us.**

**O tender God, have mercy, for You are for us,  
for You are for us!**

✧\*Passing of the Peace

**Held WithIn the Word**

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

✧Unlighting Of The Lenten Candles

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

✧Bible's Wisdom Teaching:    **Joshua 5: 9-12**

✧Bible's Wisdom Teachings

**Sirach 4: 20** - Watch for the opportune time, and beware (of evil), and do not be ashamed to be yourself.

**Romans 13:11** - Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near.

*By Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, adapted.*

*Let us say this out loud together twice...pausing in-between to take a deep breath...breathing in our weakness, exhaling God's possibilities!*

*Please sing twice.*

*Richard Bruxvoort-Colligan used with permission, Worldmaking Music*

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

*A psalm of trust to take heart!*

*Three different voices will read these verses out loud for us each week.*

**2 Corinthians 6: 2** - Christ says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation.

*Please remain seated.*

✧ **Hymn of Preparation #293 Hymnal**

**"This Is My Father's World"**

✧ **Bible's Wisdom Teaching: Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32**

One: This is the way our story is told.

God speaks to us anew through ancient stories.

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

*How do you recognize an opportune time when it is upon you? What is the "shame within" (the challenge, fear) keeping you from doing what you know it is time to do?*

*What does salvation mean to you? How is salvation nearer...if it is? Is it indeed here, all the time?*

*How is it that this just may be the acceptable time...time after time?*

*Let there be some quiet.*

✧ **Prompting**

*"Time After Time..."*

*"It's Time For Self- Acceptance...  
Begin Where You Are!"*

Pastor Karen Hagen

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

*~As my reflection after Your prompting Lord, I feel You inviting me to...*

✧ **Special Music Affirming God's Constant Care**

**Opening to God's Grace**

✧ **Opening Ourselves To God's Grace**

*Deeply hear this invitation.*

*A silent prayer for each  
of us based on our  
Wisdom Teachings*

## ✧ Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God

God, when I feel your acceptance, I feel truly happy  
...wonderful! In those times, I am energized to be all I can be.  
I am at peace with my own life and with you. Yes. Old  
understandings can pass away! Everything can become new! I  
can be a new creation....if I let myself be new! It's time!

But Holy One, Present Divine Inspiration, just like both the  
Prodigal Sons, I have squandered many of the gifts You have  
lavished on me....gifts of friendship, trust, resources, family,  
contentment. Just like them, I often follow my own self-  
interest and live for the moment, not taking the time to see  
how and where I belong.

I am beginning to realize limitations in going it alone and can  
begin to see *no one* can make it on their own....that's why I'm  
here this morning. I am dumbfounded you forgive me my  
preoccupation with me and my stubborn stuckness! *It's time to  
move beyond awareness and toward self-acceptance.*

Hear me! I am bringing energy to a fresh start, taking time to  
accept the truth about myself and my motivations, accepting  
others in new, deep ways as well.

Help me stay self-aware, live from my courageous love,  
and take the second chance You offer,  
to accept the truth so I am free in the moment...*time after time.*

Lord, I ask it.



*(Release a sigh...)*

✧ You may wish to name with God a way in which you left "home" and  
squandered your "inheritance"; or you may share new truths you are  
accepting about yourself and others....a new, *freeing time* of truth and  
acceptance; or you may simply invite Jesus to come sit beside you in the  
pew this morning shining his healing light all around and through you

*Let this invitation to  
personal sharing move  
you toward the Divine.  
Contemplate the mystery!*

✧ **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 sing twice.*

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*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*

✧ **Kyrie**

**Lift your heads, raise your eyes, look around,  
Our time has come, Our time has come....  
Light the world, heal the earth, bear the Christ,  
Our time has come! Our time has come!**

✧ **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:

- ♦ Alcita & Tom Brown and Georgene Voutila & James Dieball
- ♦ Property
  
- ♦ Maynard Bell
- ♦ Kathy Schultz
- ♦ Nancy Hartmann

*Community  
Outreach Partners  
Divine Intervention  
& Arts and Science  
Literacy Camps  
Faith Communities  
Partnering in Ministry  
Current Issues Calling  
Us To Prayer*

*MaryBeth will play intro,  
then let us sing.*

*Words and Music by Rob  
Hyman & Cyndi Lauper*

♦ 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!
- ♦ First Congregational UCC
- ♦ Employment      ♦ Immigration Reform
- ♦ Torture Awareness   ♦ God's Creation: Environmental Concerns

✧ **Quieting Ourselves For Prayer**



✧ **Sung Call To Prayer**

**If you're lost you can look and you will find me,  
time after time.  
If you fall I will catch you, I will be waiting....  
time after time, time after time, time after time,  
time after time....**

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

Our Father who art in heaven,  
*Our Father-Mother God, All Harmonious...*  
Hallowed Be Thy Name,  
*Adored One...*  
Thy Kingdom come,  
*Your Kingdom is come; You are ever present...*  
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.  
*Enable us to 'know' as in heaven, so on earth  
You, O God, are omnipotent, supreme.*  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
*Give us grace for today...feed our famished  
affections,*  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,  
*So love is reflected as love,*  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
*From power-over, denial, disease and dis-ease,  
and from our life stopping ways,*  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power, & the glory forever.  
*For You God are infinite, all power, all life,  
truth, love... over all and all, time after time.*

Amen.

## Giving Thanks To God

### ✧Offering Ourselves

✧In Thankfulness  
With Energized Commitment!

### ✧Offertory and Sung Response

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

**"We lift our voices,  
we lift our hands,  
We lift our lives up to You!  
We are an offering,  
we are an offering."**

### ✧Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### Sending Forth With Blessing

### ✧Preparation of the Table Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: We belong to God! And we release ourselves from all unrealities around us that rob us of our belonging. For this is not meant to be a time of endless sorting of options and information...so much information it spins us out of control...so much expectation...so little time!

**People: No! We need *more* than information! This is the time for inspiration, transformation, new creation!**

Pastor: So unhook from the TV and radio and endless news reports; the blurred screen, mindless chatter, things that don't really matter, and all forms of information overload! Take time to look inward and outward to see.....

**People: People are hungry! We all thirst after new life!**

Pastor: And one good word may be the bread of courage for another. And one outward deed can quench the thirst for hope in others. This is not the age of information, imitation, perspiration, hesitation, agitation, aggravation, desecration, defamation, allegation! This is a *new time* of our creation for ours is a God of inspiration!

*After the Words of Institution, please come forward, as you are able, perhaps after a few moments of private reflection, to partake of the "kindom".  
Be mindful of members whose step may be vulnerable.*

*If you wish to remain seated as you commune, we will gladly serve you.*

*Those who come forward, please join in a circle of hearts and hands around the sanctuary connecting with those seated, creatively as necessary! Please keep the circle on the inside of the columns so all can be seen.*

*As we commune, please join in singing "That We May Be Filled."*

As you leave, you are invited to linger longer enjoying sanctuary time. You may partake of the Bread of Life remembering Christ with you always. The kneeler is also available for a time of quiet prayer. Please take a copy of a previous prompting from the Cart in the back for your own or another's enrichment!

**People: This is the Lord's Day! We belong in God all the times of our lives!**

Pastor: And this is God's table where all belong and are fed....not merely with words but with life and love and hope made real...once in Jesus....and now in us. Jesus implores us....digest who I am into who you are. Swallow what I say and so live a new life *time after time!* Let us affirm our faith, singing from Worship and Praise, #134, "That We May Be Filled."

✧\***Benediction**

*...Our Affirmation and Invitation  
to Become a Living Blessing*

✧\***Our Response**

**Holy One, now we your servants go in peace.  
Your word lives on in us.**

*Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, adapted, with permission.*

✧\***Postlude**

# Tippeca-News March 6, 2016

*So glad you have come.  
Join us for Tippe Café right after Worship  
in Fellowship Hall, downstairs!*

*All Are Welcome*

*And then,  
Education For All Ages!  
Come and learn more about living a  
"With God Life"!*

**TODAY:**

Parlor Class with Pastor Karen to explore ourselves in exploring the Belhar Confession!

*TODAY and THIS WEEK at Tippe*

**Monday Nights 6:30pm:**

**Sanctuary Time of Belonging**

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. Nibbles welcome for sharing!

**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.

Remember to bring healthy canned goods for the food pantry!

*TODAY and THIS WEEK at Living Waters*

**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 Tuesday evenings in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

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

## UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS!

**Lunch Bunch** gathers 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays at noon!

### Lent 2016 "Time After Time"

~Parlor Class: The Belhar Confession....our newest PCUSA confession from South Africa. Pastor Karen will guide us. Then Intern Ken will guide us prepare for Palm Sunday Worship!

### ~Palm Sunday March 20th

Ken will lead an Intergenerational Worship Celebration to guide us into Holy Week! Bring a dozen hard boiled eggs for kids of all ages to dye for Easter, after Tippe Café!

### ~Maundy Thursday Simple Meal, Worship, Communion March 24, 6pm in sanctuary.

Recapture the movement of Holy Week and make your way to your cross! Please bring finger food to share as dinner together.

### ~Good/God Friday Ecumenical Worship March 25 1pm Service of Worship

with all our brothers & sisters in the faith! Gather at Unity Lutheran Church

### ~Easter Vigil Saturday March 26, 6:30-7:30pm.

Enter into the quiet of the sanctuary, receive an anointing, light one of our Easter Candles in anticipation. Stay long if you'd like.

### Easter Morning Celebrations!

8:30am: Special Tippe Café

Please bring a dish to share!

9:30: Easter Egg Hunt with our Kids

10am: Holy Worship in Sanctuary

## Opening Ourselves To God's Grace

Deeply we know the present moment is the genesis for anything new to happen. Time after time, all the time, what we need most can only happen right now.

This genesis in the present moment, this inward movement of the soul, begins as you stop spiraling out of control in your daily living and scheduling...  
*and intentionally belong in the moment!*

It's Lent. There is time. Take this time...for we do indeed belong to each other within God's deepest embrace...now...and time after time for all time to come!

Let us slow our minds, draw near to God. 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  
Pastoral Intern ..... Ken Sann  
Accompanist ..... MaryBeth Garrett  
Church Secretary ..... Traci Morgan Horenke  
Facility Host ..... Margaret Majewski  
Worship Leader ..... Ken  
Worship Hosts.... Christian Parlock & Karin Conway  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia, Mary Koerner, &  
..... Nancy Hartmann  
Educational Offerings:  
Parlor Offering ..... Belhar Confession  
Director of *Living Waters* ..... Pastor Karen  
*Living Waters* Staff  
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