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A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JEANIE

GRADUATES, GRATITUDE, AND A CHALLENGE

GRADUATES: Thank you to Marie Strassburger and Miriam Hoffmann for the exquisite quilts honoring our Truckee High School Graduates Ben Breuch and Kaley Settle! Ben has a busy summer ahead finishing his Eagle Scout project building bike stations on the Legacy Trail. He will matriculate to Sierra College this fall to major in engineering! Kaley has been the awesome outside hitter for our Wolverine Volleyball Team. Kaley was recruited to American River College and plans to study graphic design. The quilts incorporated Ben's and Kaley's interests as well as material from Alaska reminiscent of their work on the Alaska Mission Team!

GRATITUDE: Thank you to all who have sent letters of gratitude for *Operation Gratitude & Support!* In the past three months, TLPC has focused on thanking our essential workers including doctors and nurses, post office personal, firefighters, grocery store workers, and the Truckee Police. We have delivered gratitude bags with gift certificates, prayers, and thank you cards to hundreds of essential workers in our community. These next two weeks we will be focusing on the clients of Sierra Community House - Hunger Relief, families who have been deeply affected financially by the pandemic. More information on *Operation Gratitude & Support* is included below.

AND THE CHALLENGE: In the aftermath of the death of George Floyd, I have spoken with many of our members and friends who have wondered how we might respond. Our Missions, Justice, and Social Action Committee joins me in inviting you to participate in the "*Race Equity Challenge*"; 21 days of reading articles, books, and watching short films leading us to a greater understanding of the racial tensions in our nation. This challenge is not politically one sided. It was created by the Myers Park Presbyterian Church in North Carolina to help men and women of faith be healers in this time of national crisis. I invite you to prayerfully consider joining me in participating in this challenge. Additional information, including a link to join the challenge, is displayed on the right side of the TLPC website home page; please click here: TLPC.org

Blessings and peace.

Pastor Jeanie

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OPERATION GRATITUDE & SUPPORT

Sierra Community House – Hunger Relief (formerly Project MANA) is a non-profit organization that collects, stores, and redistributes food throughout the North Lake Tahoe/Truckee region in an effort to reduce the incidence of hunger and its detrimental effects on individuals, families, and the community. As a result of the economic impact of the pandemic on many in our community, the number of clients Sierra Community House – Hunger Relief serves has more than doubled. This increase has created a need for our support in several areas:

- Financial – Sierra Community House has set up a separate account for donations from TLPC. Contributions to this account will be used to purchase fresh produce that will be distributed to those who need it. You can make a contribution by mailing a check to TLPC at PO Box 10620, Truckee, CA 96162. Please write "Sierra Community House" on the memo line of your check.
- Volunteers – Current volunteer needs include: substitute drivers to deliver food boxes (on an "as needed" basis most weekday afternoons); and, packing food boxes and sorting produce at the warehouse in Kings Beach (90 minute shifts on Tues., Thurs., or Fri.). If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mayra Islas, Sierra Community House Volunteer Coordinator at 530.414.7369 / mislas@sierracommunityhouse.org
- Paper bags – Clean, gently used paper bags are needed. For information on how to donate paper bags, please click here: [Paper Bags](#)
- Prayer – For the next two weeks, we ask that you pray daily for the clients, volunteers, and staff of Sierra Community House – Hunger Relief.

Heavenly Father, we bring to you today our concern for those in our community who are struggling to feed themselves and their families. We ask you to bless the clients of Sierra Community House - Hunger Relief. Nourish their bodies, feed their souls with

knowledge of your never-ending presence, and shield them from harm. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who led the 5,000. AMEN

UPCOMING AT TLPC

Everyone needs God's word and comfort... Please consider forwarding links to worship services to your friends and neighbors!

Sunday, June 21

- 10:00 am: Worship and Holy Communion - Pastor Jeanie preaches this week; her sermon is entitled "Esther." A link to the service will be posted on the TLPC website: TLPC.org. Click the play button to view the service. You can view this week's bulletin here: [Bulletin](#)
- 10:30 am: Prayers of the People and fellowship via an on-line Zoom Meeting. A link to the Zoom Meeting will be emailed to you.

Tuesday, June 23

- 7:00 pm: Together Tuesday. An opportunity for fellowship via an on-line Zoom Meeting. Instructions for participating in the Zoom Meeting will be emailed to you prior to the meeting.

Ongoing

- Sunday Worship Services: will be videotaped and posted to the TLPC website TLPC.org every week.
- Sunday School: A children's message and on-line Sunday School materials parents and their children can use at home will be emailed to you each week.
- More Worship and Faith Formation Opportunities: We are working on additional ways for us to safely worship and study God's word from home. We will keep you up to date on new opportunities as they are developed.

STAYING IN TOUCH (WITHOUT TOUCHING)

Please click on this link for a list of who to contact at TLPC: [TLPC CONTACTS](#)

YOUTH MISSIONS FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Keep collecting those old clothes, blankets, purses, shoes, and other soft goods for our youth mission fund! Even though mission trips are currently on hold, we will be bringing in donations to Savers in early July to help fund future trips. Call or text Lori Breuch for pick-up: 530.386.0788

YOUR CHURCH OFFERING

Giving during May was significantly less than expected. We understand the current situation not only impacts TLPC's finances, but also yours. We are hoping you will be able to continue your regular weekly offering. We also ask you to prayerfully consider an additional contribution to help TLPC cover the May shortfall as well as increased expenses while we wait for the time when we can again safely pass the offering plate. Giving is easy! Instructions for how to give, including secure online and mobile giving options, are outlined on the "Giving" page of the TLPC website or by clicking this link: [GIVE TO TLPC](#). Thank you for your faithfulness!!

CLOSING THOUGHTS

Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand. Matthew 14:19-21

What can you do to help while sheltering-in-place? **Pray** people of TLPC, **PRAY!**

(As part of *Operation Gratitude & Support*, please add a petition for the clients of Sierra Community House - Hunger Relief to your daily prayers this week.)

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If you have requests for announcements to be included in future editions of TLPC NEWS, or if you have ideas on additional topics to be included in future issues or ways we can improve, please call or email Mark Heyne: 612.741.9119 / mheyne8@gmail.com Thank you!

