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Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JEANIE

PANDEMIC SURVIVAL KIT FOR THE SOUL

In these days of pandemic we are caring for ourselves physically. I love the creative masks our Days For Girls wizards and Kathy Manifold are making for us. The Halvorsens and their Red Truck Food Delivery Ministry has helped families limit their exposure in stores. I hear stories about how we are all managing to get out in God's magnificent creation: kayaking on Lake Davis and Prosser Reservoir, early morning paddle boarding on Donner, and trying to keep up with the miles the Lotts put on their bicycles every week. I think we are taking care of ourselves physically. But what about our souls?

I've noticed that my emotions are a bit more tender these days. I think we are all experiencing the sadness and stress of our times. In response, I am preaching a sermon series titled Pandemic Survival Kit For The Soul. This week, I will be preaching on gratitude, using the beautiful words on blessedness that Jesus tells His disciples in Matthew 5:1-12. In Matthew's Gospel, the beatitudes are the first words Jesus says to his newly commissioned disciples. What a way to begin a new life, knowing that we are blessed!

I went on a treasure hunt Thursday, visiting and videotaping many of our members on their doorsteps who shared what they were grateful for in their lives. I found myself tearing up as people shared their gratitude. We have included these video clips in this week's online worship service; I hope you find it meaningful as well.

Being grateful and sharing our gratitude is one of the most important things we can put in our survival kits for our souls! I want you to know how deeply grateful I am to share the journey of serving our Lord Jesus Christ with all of you! Thanks be to God!

With Heartfelt Gratitude,

Pastor Jeanie

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OPERATION GRATITUDE & SUPPORT

Operation Gratitude & Support continues with so many stories of community response. Thank you for your prayers and support for Sierra Community House the last two weeks; we are making a difference TLPC! For the next two weeks, we will be sharing our gratitude for the staff at **Tahoe Forest Extended Care** and supporting the 24 patients that are separated from their families during this time of lock down. We invite you to pray daily for the patients and staff. We encourage you to write letters of gratitude to the 38 staff members of our extended care facility. And, we will be putting together small gift bags containing lotions, prepackaged snacks, and any other appropriate goodies you can think of. Please email Pastor Jeanie revjeanshaw@yahoo.com if you have items to donate and she will connect you with someone to pick up your donations from doorstep! Letters can be sent to:

Carrie
Tahoe Forest Extended Care
10121 Pine Ave.
Truckee, CA 96161

YOUTH MISSIONS FUNDRAISING UPDATE - LAST CALL!

Friday, July 10, is the last day to donate your soft goods to the Youth Mission Fund. Please give Lori Breuch a call at 530.386.0788 if you need items picked up. We will take all your old but usable bedding, clothes, shoes, and bags to Savers on the 11th for a payment based on the weight of the items. Thank you for your help!

RACE EQUITY CHALLENGE

How can we work to "unite all things in Christ" (Ephesians 1:10)? Please join us in 21 days of reading articles, listening to podcasts, and watching short videos leading to a greater understanding of racial tensions in our nation. The challenge is very flexible, simply choose one of the resources each day for 21 days. Additional information, including a link to access the articles, podcasts, and videos, is displayed on the right side of the TLPC website home page... please click here: TLPC.org

UPCOMING AT TLPC

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

Sunday, July 5

- 10:00 am: Worship and Holy Communion - Pastor Jeanie preaches this week; her sermon is entitled "Pandemic Survival Kit: Gratitude." A link to the service will be posted on the TLPC website: [TLPC.org](https://www.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, July 7

- 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](https://www.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.

YOUR CHURCH OFFERING

Giving during May was significantly less than expected. 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. 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!!

STAYING IN TOUCH (WITHOUT TOUCHING)

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

CLOSING THOUGHTS

But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed. Luke 5:16

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 residents and staff of Tahoe Forest Extended Care 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!

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