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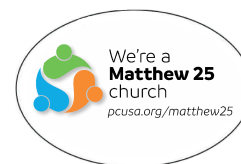


Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church



Follow Jesus. Love All. Serve Others.

TLPC NEWS



November 29, 2025



**Please Join Us In Worship
Tomorrow Morning at 9:00 AM**



**Pastor Rebecca Irelan Will Lead Us
In Worship Tomorrow -
Sunday, November 30
at 9:00 am.**

Tomorrow is the First Sunday of Advent and we will light the first candle on the Advent wreath as we begin our Season of Preparation. During the readings, we will hear Jesus tell us to: *"Be on guard."* Pastor Rebecca's sermon will help us think about Jesus coming again.

**Pastor Rebecca's sermon is titled:
*"Can Jesus Come Home Again?"***



***Please join us at 9:00 am
in-person or on Zoom!***

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR REBECCA



By the time you read this, I will be in the midst of moving into the Sipes parsonage. It has been an absolutely unbelievable whirlwind of work since October 30 when the house was finally level on the foundation so the renovations could begin in earnest. Over a few short weeks, I saw a very old, sagging building become a new and charming home.

Since I will be spending most of my Advent getting settled, I decided that *"Coming Home"* would be a good theme for my Advent sermons this year.

For the first Sunday of Advent, the lectionary gives us scriptures that focus not on the coming of baby Jesus, but the Second Coming of our risen Lord. We don't know when that will be or what kind of world Jesus will be coming home to. As we get closer to the darkest time of the year, we need God to shed

some light on the question of whether we are ready to welcome him into our homes and into our hearts.

Over the next four Sundays, I invite you to think about your own homecomings. How did you get there? What baggage did you need to leave by the side of the road? When

did you get there? what baggage did you need to leave by the side of the road? when you arrived, how did you feel? For those of you who have long since left home, where is home now? And where is God in your homecoming story? These are some of the questions we will explore this season, and remember, wherever you spend the holidays, Jesus will be waiting for you to come home to him.

I'm not going anywhere, but I have a lot of thanksgiving to do for all the individuals and organizations that donated time, talent, and treasure to the parsonage project:

I am so grateful for the many monetary and in-kind donations:

- TLPC, for the donation of \$14,000.
- Mountain Hardware for free paint.
- Chris and Melinda Shea for free primer.
- Kari and Lance Grosz for free lighting and bath fixtures.
- ZLine for the free dishwasher and stove.
- CalNeva for free bathroom vanity and shower glass.

And I am feeling doubly blessed for the labor of some really great people: John and Kathleen Zemaitis, Dave and Rob McCormick, Dennis Dodds, Lisa and Eric McCready, Gordon Shaw and Sue Rae Irelan, Jeff Rowe, Vince Brennan, Cathy and Earl Pearson, Marie Strassburger, Tom Conk, the volunteers and Pastor Melanie Oliver from Loomis UMC, Sue and Dwight Hatano, Scott Stafford, Jen Jackson, all the good folks at Madole Construction, and some hard workers: Fernando, Eduardo, Tim and his son Travis, and I know there are others.

Whoever you are, I'm sure you are on someone's gratitude list this year, and I pray that you will have a very blessed Thanksgiving weekend.

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

Colossians 2:6-7

***Thankfully "Coming Home",
Rebecca
(415)505-6237
rjirelan@gmail.com***





***TLPC is Again
Adopting Three
Families for
Christmas to Honor
Jesus' Birthday!***



As I ponder the true meaning of Christmas, I find myself thinking of whose birthday it is. God gave us the gift of *LOVE* when Jesus came to earth as a human infant! During his life on earth, Jesus always put those in need first. ***You can make a real difference in the life of a Truckee family and honor Jesus' Birthday this Christmas!***

Choose one or more gifts from Sign-Up-Genius (***just click the "ADOPT A FAMILY" button below***) and have fun shopping for the gifts! Make sure you label each gift with the name of the recipient.

Special thanks go to Sandy DeGuire, who again has made Christmas stockings for all the children!!

Please remember to bring the gifts to church and give them to Jerry Manifold or bring them to our home at 10435 Royal Crest Dr. (Glenshire) by Sunday, December 14. Alternatively, if you order early enough, you can purchase gifts on [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) or [Target.com](https://www.target.com), add our name and address to your address book and have them delivered directly to our house. If you do this, please send an email to let me know and include who the gifts are for.

Questions: Contact Edie at thelotts@gmail.com or (530)414-0799

Edie Lott - TLPC Social Action, Missions and Justice Team Leader

You can participate in helping our 2025 families by clicking the "ADOPT A FAMILY" button below:

ADOPT A FAMILY



Christmas **CAROLING**

DOWNTOWN TRUCKEE

Come sing along and celebrate the spirit of Christmas with our Truckee community. Bring your family and friends. Children are welcome.

Saturday, Dec 20, 4pm

**Truckee Train Station
10065 Donner Pass Road**

**Hosted by:
Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church**



Click the "CAROLING FLYER" button below to view and print this flyer to hand out to your family, friends, and neighbors:

CAROLING FLYER



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

WEDNESDAY | DECEMBER 24

AT CHURCH OF THE MOUNTAINS
10079 CHURCH STREET



4:00PM FAMILY SERVICE

HOSTED BY TRUCKEE LUTHERAN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



5:30PM CHRISTMAS BELL RINGING SERVICE

HOSTED BY CHURCH OF THE MOUNTAINS



7:30PM CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

HOSTED BY CHURCH OF THE MOUNTAINS



Click the "CHRISTMAS EVE FLYER" button below to view and print this flyer to hand out to your family, friends, and neighbors:

CHRISTMAS EVE FLYER



As many of you know, I've been offering a brief service and singing every three weeks at the Tahoe Forest Hospital Extended Care Center. ***Tomorrow - Sunday, November 30, we will be mostly singing Christmas carols. Anyone who can come after worship at 11:00 am to sing for about 45 minutes would be most welcome!***

No need to be an official volunteer for this (or even a good singer). Just a desire to spread the joy. The more the merrier!

Please let me know who to expect by church time tomorrow morning.

***Thanks!
Lorelle***

TLPC KIDS & YOUTH!

Information, worship and faith formation resources
for kids, youth, and parents



As parents, we want to make sure our children have all the opportunities to achieve their best in school, experience athletic teams, follow their dreams and interests in music, dance, science, and art, and to have quality family time! At TLPC, we want to partner with you to ensure that your children have a strong spiritual foundation as well.

You can view and print this week's Sunday School activities by clicking the buttons below:

Sunday School Materials for Pre-Readers

Sunday School Materials for Readers





UPCOMING EVENTS AT TLPC

Everyone needs God's word and comfort... Please invite your friends, relatives, and neighbors to worship with us!

Sunday, November 30

- **9:00 am: *FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT*** Worship and Holy Communion in-person at 10079 Church Street or on Zoom. Pastor Rebecca Irelan will be preaching; her sermon is titled: "Can Jesus Come Home Again?"

You can view this week's service and bulletin by clicking the buttons below:

BULLETIN (PLEASE VIEW ON A MOBILE DEVICE OR PRINT AND BRING WITH YOU TO THE 9:00 AM SERVICE)

You can worship with us on Zoom by clicking the button below on Sunday at 9:00 am Pacific Time:

WORSHIP ON ZOOM

Monday through Thursday

- **11:00 am - 1:00 pm:** Pastor Rebecca's "Drop-In" Office Hours at 10079 Church Street.

Wednesday, December 3

- **10:30 am: Men's Bible Study via Zoom** - All are welcome! Please contact Mark Heyne (office@tlpc.org) for the Zoom link and for more info.

Sunday, December 7

- **9:00 am: *SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT*** Worship and Holy Communion in-person at 10079 Church Street or on Zoom. Pastor Rebecca Irelan will be preaching.

COMMUNITY NEWS!



TOCCATA Tahoe Symphony Orchestra & Chorus brings to life their 20th annual presentation of Handel's world-famous masterwork for orchestra, chorus, and soloists! Paired with your favorite carols and choral works from around the world, they're spreading their joyous holiday spirit all around the Reno-Tahoe region:

LOCATION & DATES

- Dec 13 - CARSON VALLEY
- Dec 14 - INCLINE VILLAGE
- Dec 18 - RENO (Trinity)
- Dec 19 - TRUCKEE
- Dec 21- RENO (St John's)

Click the button below for tickets:

TICKETS to MESSIAH



Friends,

Take a break from all the Christmas music to come hear our community band on Wednesday, December 10, 7:00 pm at the Truckee High School auditorium. (The flyer above may be a little misleading. We are a Sierra College OLLI course, but we will be performing at the High School.)

Free, about an hour, wide variety of music. Lorelle will be playing the timpani and Louis Pare has just joined the band on percussion.

Hope you can make it!

CLOSING THOUGHTS

Be strong, and let your heart take courage,

all you who wait for the Lord.

Psalm 31:24

How will you "wait for the Lord" this Advent?

PRAYER REQUESTS

We would like to pray for you! Please call or email Marie Colbert and indicate if your request is confidential or if you would like the Prayer Team or the congregation to pray for you:

mariejimc@gmail.com

*Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation,
be constant in prayer. Romans 12:12*

STAYING IN TOUCH

Are you looking for a way to contact us? Please click the button below for a list of who to contact at TLPC:

TLPC CONTACTS

TLPC YEAR TO DATE FINANCIAL RESULTS THRU OCT. 2025

REVENUES = \$81,038 Actual (compared to
Budget of \$95,450)
EXPENDITURES = \$75,121 Actual (compared
to Budget of \$103,206)
SURPLUS/DEFICIT = (surplus) \$5,917

Thank you for your faithfulness!

GIVE NOW

YOUR CHURCH OFFERING

We are hoping you are able to continue your regular weekly offering. We also ask you to prayerfully consider an additional contribution to support TLPC's mission to *"Follow Jesus. Love All. Serve Others."* in Truckee and across the globe. Giving is easy! Click the button below to give now... Thank you for your faithfulness!

GIVE TO TLPC

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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 / office@tlpc.org Thank you!

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