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8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday School: 9:15 AM

The Living Light

TALLMADGE LUTHERAN CHURCH | FEBRUARY 2020 | MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



FREEDOM 2020

Did you know, of the 38 recorded parables of Jesus, 16 deal with money or possessions. In the Gospels, one out of ten verses (288 in all) deal directly with the subject of money. The Bible offers 500

verses on prayer, less than 500 on faith, but more than 2,000 verses on money and possessions. Perhaps the reason the Bible puts such an emphasis on money is because, in Jesus' words, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matt. 6:21)

I would have thought He would have said, "Where your heart is, your treasure will be also," but your heart follows your treasure. If you put your treasure in the things of this world, your heart will be in this world. If you put your treasure in the kingdom of God, your heart will be there. Since your heart and your money are so inextricably bound together, it is crucial to your spiritual life to study what Scripture teaches about money.

God wants all of us to be at peace with possessions and to experience freedom from bondage to anyone or anything. He wants His children to master their money, rather than be mastered by it. So what does God's Word say about our financial planning and how we can achieve financial freedom? What do you think?

- Are you at peace financially?
- Do you feel enslaved by financial matters or possessions?
- Is God honored with the way you handle your money?
- Why do you think Jesus spoke more often about money and possessions than any other subject in the gospels?

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There is much haggling and squabbling over money. Almost every family has experienced this. Marriages even sometimes split over debt disagreements. Perhaps you are in financial bondage; why not ask yourself the following questions:

- Do you charge daily expenditures because you don't have enough cash to pay for them?
- Do you find yourself putting off paying bills or paying them at the last minute because of a lack of money?
- Do you borrow money to pay fixed expenses such as taxes, insurance, or rent?
- Do you find yourself unaware of just how much you owe?
- Have you taken new loans to pay off old ones?
- Do you argue over finances with your spouse?
- Have you ever thought about being dishonest money, such as cheating on income tax or participating in an unethical financial deal?
- Do you find it difficult to return God's tithe?
- Do you rationalize withholding from His offering?

If you answered yes to several of these questions, you are in financial bondage. If you don't agree, then how would you define financial bondage? God is opposed to any kind of bondage that enslaves us. He wants to break those shackles and set us FREE to be slaves of Christ, Who is the only Master Who wants His servants to have freedom, fulfillment, prosperity, and power.

Even a wealthy person may feel the false self-assurance. You may feel you have plenty of security, so financial bondage is the least of your worries. Yet you may be in great trouble.

- Do you find yourself putting more faith in your money than in God?
- Do you continue to ask God for your daily bread?

If you think that is unnecessary, you are putting your faith in your wealth. If your personal goals in life are no longer God's goals, you are in bondage.

I believe that Financial Peace University will help TLC carry out its mission of Growing as disciples of Christ, Caring for one another and Sharing the love of Jesus in our community. And as we observe the 60th Anniversary of TLC in 2020, a church-wise Financial Peace University Campaign **FREEDOM 2020** will help us celebrate our congregation's past while building momentum for the future.

- We believe **FREEDOM 2020** will produce a radical shift in our church culture, setting people free in every area of their life, even beyond their finances. And I believe that the change in our church can be a catalyst for change in our community.
- We hope to strengthen families and improve marriages by opening up lines of communication about finances in the home with practical tips and common goals to unite families.
- We believe that it will unite our church body as we become like-minded about how we should handle our finances according to God's word.
- We believe that friendships will be built and strengthened as we walk this path together and grow with each other, even when it is hard.
- We hope that as a church body we make steps to escape financial bondage so that we can have the freedom to give generously to others to show God's love.
- Ultimately, we want God to be glorified. FPU is about finding freedom in Christ, which is the foundation of the gospel. As God's Word is taught through FPU, we want people to be drawn closer to Jesus and set FREE to follow Him.

Sign up to be part of FREEDOM 2020 Financial Peace University today!

Praying God sets us all free to follow Jesus with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength!

Pastor Andy



Announcements & Events

- Tallmadge Christian Preschool Open House
- Monday, Feb 3, 2020 6:30 - 7:30 pm
- Prayer Shawl Meeting - Friday, Feb 7, 1:00 pm in the Youth Room
- Monthly Ministry Moment - Sunday, Feb 9
- Mom Group - Thursday, Feb 13 at 9:30 am
- Valentines Day - Friday, Feb 14
- Wise Owls - Saturday, Feb 15 at 12:00 pm
- Senior High Youth Group to Camp Burton - Saturday, Feb 16 to Sunday, Feb 17
- Pep talk With A Purpose Follow-Up Gathering - Thursday, Feb 20 at 11:30 am
- TLC's 6th Annual Euchre Tournament - Saturday, Feb 22, 12:00 pm in Room 12
- Financial Peace University Rally Day! - Sunday, Feb 23
- Chili Cook-Off - Sunday, Feb 26 at 11:45 am
- Ash Wednesday Worship, - Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 6:30 pm
- 2020 Vacation Bible School (VBS) June 22 through June 26 at 9:00 am



Lenten Worship Schedule

Ash Wednesday February 26, 2020

6:30 pm Worship

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

5:00 pm Lenten Supper

6:30 pm Worship

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

5:00 pm Lenten Supper

6:30 pm Worship

Wednesday, March 18, 2020

5:00 pm Lenten Supper (Youth hosting)

6:30 pm Worship

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

5:00 pm Lenten Supper

6:30 pm Worship

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

5:00 pm Lenten Supper

6:30 pm Worship

Maundy Thursday April 9, 2020

7:00 pm Worship

Good Friday April 10, 2020

12:00 pm Worship]

7:00 pm Worship

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12:00 pm Worship

7:00 pm Worship

Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday April 11 at 10:00 am

Easter – Sunday, April 12

6:30 am Sunrise Service

7:30 am Easter Breakfast

8:30 am Easter Celebration

10:30 am Easter Celebration Service

Dear friends,

You are invited to join me in this afternoon of internal exploration and refreshment. The cost is \$35 (includes the book) and I have room in my car for five more people if you are interested in carpooling.

Send My Roots Rain

Saturday, March 21 from 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

This day is designed to help caregivers, chaplains, Stephen's ministers and all those who are past the first pain of bereavement (6 months or more since the loss).

Our focus will be on resilience in grief that is evidence based and data driven, and participants will leave with many fresh ideas for how to improve coping skills whether they are the bereaved, or the person who companions them.

Kim Langley is a spiritual director, author, speaker and trainer. Her book, *Send My Roots Rain*, was published by Paraclete Press in April 2019 and garnered very positive reviews. She has over 10 years of experience using accessible poems, quotes and reflections for the mindful reading that leads to fruitful discussion or a private deep dive.

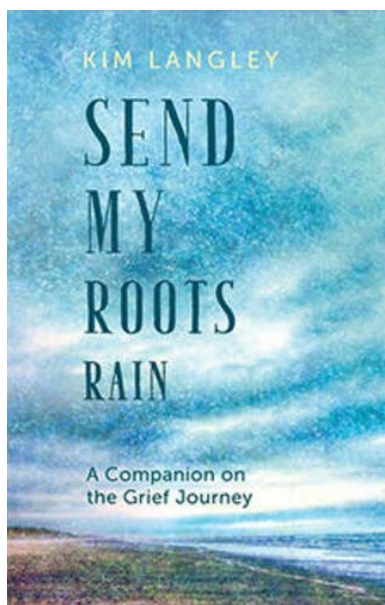
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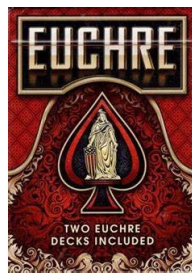
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LOCATION

Jesuit Retreat Center
5629 State Road
Parma, OH 44134



6th Annual Euchre Journey



It's almost time for TLC's 6th Annual Euchre Tournament!

Plan now to attend this annual event on Saturday February 22, 2020 at 12:00 in room 12.

Members of Tallmadge Lutheran and their friends are invited. You may bring a snack if you would like but it is not necessary.

If you are planning to attend, please sign the sheet next to the mailboxes.

Bottles & Tops

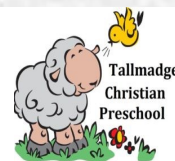
Sandy Dixon is collecting pop-can tabs, used stamps, and clean prescription bottles. To clean the bottles: fill the prescription bottle with very hot water, put in a bucket or container also with VERY hot water, sprinkle Baking Soda into the bucket or container. Leave the bottle/s in the water for about four days. Once the label are off, put the prescription bottle/s and lid/s in the dish washer to clean. Please place bottles and tabs in the LWML box on the wood shelf or in Sandy Dixon's mailbox.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has items available to anyone who would like one. The Ministry makes triangle and long Prayer Shawls for adults and children; baby and Baptismal blankets; scarves and hats. Please contact Sandy Dixon, Dorothy Taiclet or Barb Bass if you or someone you know would like a shawl/item.



Preschool and King's Kids News



Tallmadge Christian Preschool

Tallmadge Christian Preschool is Now Registering for the 2020-2021 School year!

Classes offered:

3/4 Years - Two morning sessions (Tues/Thurs or Wed/Fri)

4/5 Years – Morning and afternoon sessions (Mon, Wed & Fri)

Pre-K - Morning classes 5 days a week

Age cutoff date for all classes is September 1.

King's Kids

Do not get left out of all the fun! **King's Kids is taking registration for both Summer and next Fall's Before and After School Care Programs.** Your child will be welcomed into a safe Christian atmosphere licensed by the State of Ohio with a wide range of activities that everyone can enjoy!

- * The Summer Camp is offered from 9:00 am-3:00 pm 3, 4, or 5 days a week.
- * (YOU CAN PICK YOUR DAYS for your set schedule).
- * Before (6:30-9:00 am) and After Care (3:00-6:30 pm) is offered.

For more information, contact Director, Katie Bungard
330-633-4908 or kbungard@tlcoh.org

Check out all the fun on Facebook: [www.Facebook.com/ KingsKidsSchoolAgedChildCare](https://www.Facebook.com/KingsKidsSchoolAgedChildCare)

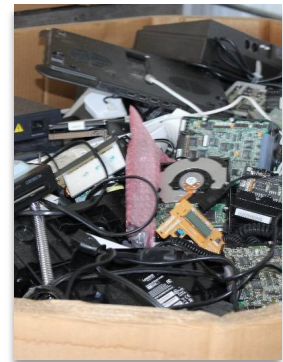
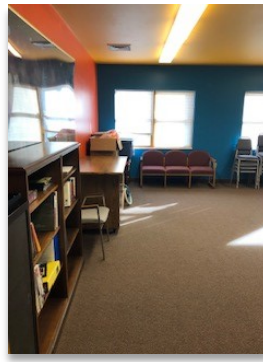
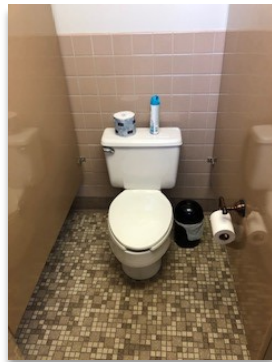


Completed Projects

- ◇ Organized room 6, mechanical room, and shed
- ◇ Cut down shrubs outside of door 5 for safety
- ◇ Plastic cover on nursery window
- ◇ Radiator maintenance in nursery
- ◇ Repaired projector cables
- ◇ Certificate of Insurance from TLL received
- ◇ Recycled old electronics
- ◇ Repaired toilet in lady's restroom
- ◇ Monthly building safety check completed

Upcoming

- ◇ Paint preschool hallway
- ◇ Paint stairwell to mechanical room
- ◇ Sanctuary repairs
- ◇ Paint youth room
- ◇ Gutters
- ◇ Clean lights for TCP Open House



TLC Building Projects
Your financial gifts help us care for God's House. Thank you!

Birthdays

1 Bob Ray	19 Matthias Rettig
3 Cindy Strand	19 Diane Staszak
4 Michelle Tennant	21 John Dailey, Jr.
5 Robert Bloom	21 Juliana Eyring
6 Laura Eyring	22 Alexander Dutka
6 Roger Lattimer	25 Kay Graybeal
10 Claire Michelberger	25 Giuliana Hovey
12 Michele Kaiser	25 Jessica Huzzard
12 Jenna Senderling	25 Drew Richard
13 Andy Alberts	26 Janet Gearhart
13 Von Alleshouse	27 Cindy Phipps
16 Ben Dailey	27 Joe Schuster
16 Chuck Emslander	28 Anne Kuntz
17 Spike Moyer	28 Lucy Reynolds
18 Ellen Tywon	

Anniversaries

- 7 Mr. & Mrs. Pat Larson
- 15 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Shinafelt
- 27 Mr. & Mrs. Todd Miller

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 6:00 AM - 12:00 PM Super Bowl Subs prep
2 FPU drawing Member Event (Rm 12 & gym) 9:00, 10:15, 11:30AM Super Bowl Subs pick-up 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:20 AM Bible Studies 10:30 AM Worship	3 6:00 PM Bible Study (home) 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Bible Study (Youth Rm) 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM TCP Open House 7:00 PM Board of Elders (Rm 12)	4 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Jubilate Ringers	5 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM TCP Little Scientists 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Confirmation 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study (Library)	7 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting (Youth Rm)	8
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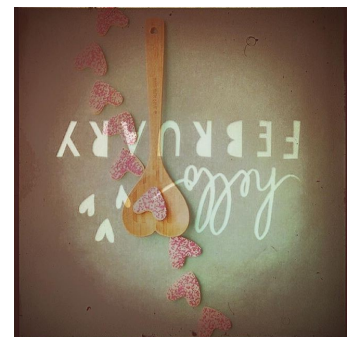
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