



Nancia Sical, owner of Nancia's Antojitos, is one of the vendors who depends on the Community Kitchen to help grow her business, 2017

Who We Are

Takoma Park Presbyterian Church (TPPC) is celebrating its 125th anniversary as a Church for All People! TPPC began in 1888 as a non-denominational house of worship welcoming members of all faiths, under a large tent at the corner of Maple and Tulip Avenues. Within a year, Union Chapel was built to house the congregation. Today, the Church is affiliated with Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA), yet our mission remains unchanged and harkens back to our earliest days worshipping together under a large tent as we strive to be a **Church for All People**.

YOUR DONATION WILL HELP FIX OUR ROOF AND PRESERVE TPPC: MAKE A CHECK OUT TO TPPC WITH "ROOF FUND" IN THE MEMO LINE

TPPC's Architectural Journey

The Little Free Library on Maple Ave. is a replica of Union Chapel. The large stone sanctuary at the corner was built in 1923 with a matching stone facade covering the front of Union Chapel, to create a more imposing structure. Union Chapel continued to serve as the city's community center until being torn down in 1949. It was replaced by the existing Education Building. The gym and Fellowship Hall on Tulip Ave., with its Mid-century Modern design elements, was completed in 1962 on the site of Takoma Park's first public school.

We Want to Hear from You!

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Parade marchers line up outside Union Chapel, 1918

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*Thank you for joining
us for the House &
Garden Tour!*



Visitors to the Grand Opening of the Takoma Park Silver Spring Community Kitchen plant the community garden outside, 2017

What We Do

TPPC is a place of worship and a center of community activity and support. For 125 years, TPPC has provided space and support for over 100 groups. These include Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, a child care center, refugee and community organizations like CASA de Maryland, and *many* youth sports groups. TPPC partners with Crossroads Community Food Network to provide a commercial kitchen for 17 farm-to-food business partnerships and a micro-enterprise training program. Through its Racial Justice Ministry, TPPC trains for advocacy for social change. As we move forward, Takoma Park Presbyterian Church continues to partner with our neighbors to make our Community a more just place to live and work.

We Need Your Help...To Get A New Roof!

Takoma Park Presbyterian Church faces the same challenges as many houses of worship across the country. The cost of maintaining our beautiful, historic structure, which is accessible to all members of the community and provides a safe environment for young and old, has skyrocketed. Through the years, we have been forced to defer necessary maintenance for lack of funds.

Right now we need help putting on a new roof! We have thoughtfully debated how we can preserve our building and still keep our space affordable for community groups. A new roof is the biggest piece of the puzzle. Your donation will ensure the church is accessible for decades to come.

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How You Can Help

We are calling on all those who cherish this beautiful, historic and useful community space to help us raise \$25,000 for the new roof. We are working to secure a loan that would replace the roof and make other critical repairs, but we need a sizable down payment. We have raised about one-third of the down payment, but still need about \$25,000.

If you or members of your family have benefited from TPPC's accessible, affordable space through Scouts or other events and activities at the Church, now is the time to show that you care.

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Takoma Park Presbyterian Church Choir, 1937