

January 2026



Temple Lodge No. 9 A.F. & A.M.

Stated Communications

*Second and Fourth
Thursday of Each Month*

7:30 PM

Fellowship with Dinner

6:30 PM

*Meetings are not held in
July and August or on
Thanksgiving or Christmas
(when those holidays fall
on a Thursday)*

Lodge Officers 2025-2026

*Worshipful Master
Curtis A. Perry
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*Senior Warden
Stephen Walter, PM, PGSB
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*Junior Warden
Chris Fitzgerald, PM
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*Secretary
Jeff Hague, PM, PGMar.
(302) 422-0233*

*Deputy Secretary
Chad Robinson, PM, PGMar.
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*Treasurer
Jim Bennett, PM
(302) 228-1228*

*Donald Foraker – Senior Deacon
Tom Postles – Junior Deacon
Ronnie Joseph – Senior Steward
Bobby Lee Jones – Junior
Steward
Roland Cohee, Jr., PGC - Chaplain
Mark Bertone – Tiler
Mike Wessell - Marshal
Roland Cohee, Jr., PGC – Lodge
Instructor*

Chartered January 16, 1815
2025-2026
211th Year of Fellowship

From the East – Curtis A. Perry, WM

What a great turnout we had at our Christmas party! It was wonderful to see so many brethren and families together, and I hope everyone enjoyed a happy and safe holiday season.

We have received the dispensation for our first meeting of the year, allowing us to attend the Grand Visitation at Endeavor Lodge on January 8th. This is an excellent opportunity for fellowship and to show our support, and I encourage all who are able to attend to please come out it should be a great time.

Looking ahead we have a busy calendar filled with activity and degree work, and I am excited about the progress we will make together.

Please mark your calendars for our Grand Visitation on February 26th. This event is open to the ladies, and we look forward to sharing the evening with our families and guests.

Also, don't forget our Bowling Tournament on February 7th. Please contact Worshipful Brother Jim Bennett to register your team.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Lodge and at the many upcoming events we have planned. Your involvement and fellowship are what make our Lodge strong.



Dates to Remember:

January 8, 2026

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January 8, 2026

Grand Visitation
Endeavor Lodge No. 17

January 10, 2026

Breakfast with the Grand Master
St. John's Lodge No. 2
8-11 AM

January 17, 2026

Grand Lodge Senior Officer
Training Workshop
Union Lodge No. 7
9:00 AM

January 22, 2026

Stated Communication
Dinner 6:30 PM/Lodge 7:30 PM

January 31, 2026

Grand Lodge
Polar Bear Plunge
Cape Henlopen State Park
Camping Area C17-C19
12:00 Noon

February 26, 2026

Grand Visitation
Temple Lodge No. 9

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The Lodge Where I Belong By: Arthur R. Herrmann

Though my lodge may lack the splendor
Of a Temple or a Shrine,
Or possess the gaudy fixtures
that are classed as superfine,

Yet the fellowship it offers
is in a price beyond compare.
And I wouldn't trade it ever
for life's treasures rich or bare!

The handclasp firm, the word of cheer,
Oh, such meanings they impart,
The mystic ties of brotherhood
that links us heart to heart!

You'd really have to travel far,
For the friendships quite so strong,
As those one always find right here
In the Lodge where I belong.

When all my earthly travels end,
And at last I'm borne to rest
Where mortal hands no longer toil
and I cease life's endless quest

Why there's nothing I'd like better,
should I join the heavenly throng,
than to meet with all the Brothers
of the Lodge Where I Belong..

Living Past Masters of Temple Lodge No. 9

Louis S. O'Day – 1978
Gilbert H. Emory – 1983
Steven L. Rogers – 1984
Jeff Hague, PGMar. – 1989/2007
William A. Dudley, Jr. – 1990
William T. Wadkins, PGM – 1992
Bruce K. Ney – 1993
Marlin A. Gillespie, PSGD – 1994
David F. Coady – 1997
Clarence R. Jackson – 1998
George Andreae, PSGD – 2002
George G. Jester, Jr. – 2005
Michael B. Saba – 2008/2009
Martin F. Hogan, III, PJGD – 2010
Chad Robinson, PGMar. – 2011
A. Daniel Doran, PGMar. – 2012
Will Currey, PGSB – 2013
Stephen Walter, PGSB – 2015
Jim Bennett, PJGS – 2016
Brandon Smith – 2017
Steve Kerr – 2018
Matt Thompson, DGM – 2019
John Cannon – 2020
Michael Nichols – 2021
Christopher Fitzgerald – 2022/23
Keith Geise - 2024

Affiliated Past Masters

James Cooke – 2008
John W. Marinucci, PGM – 2011
Matthew D. Hovatter – 2007/08
James G. Sutton – 1994
Jeffrey D. Haass, Sr., PGM – 2015
William C. Thompson, SGW –
2018
Charles Randy Wood - 2000

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TO THE FAMILY OF THE BROTHER NAMED ON THIS DOCUMENT: Should he become ill or in need of assistance, please notify the Secretary or Worshipful Master. Their names and contact information are contained within.