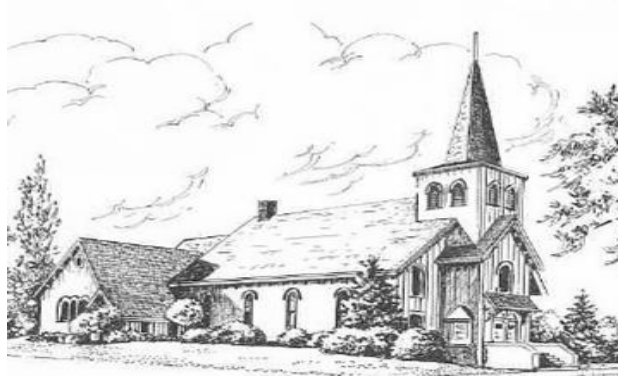


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Thursday, March 14, 2024

Newsletter

## WORSHIP UPDATE

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***Sunday morning March 17th – Join us in person at church or online!***

***10:00 a.m.***

***Fifth Sunday in Lent***

*Jeremiah 31: 1-17*

*Hebrews 5*

**Pastor Amy Kosari**

**“Thou Art My Son, Today I have Begotten Thee”**

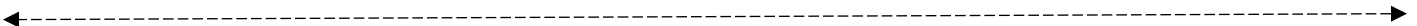
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Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube

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**Coffee Fellowship in the church basement following worship.**

**Host: Bonnie Bosma**



## PER CAPITA

We must be mindful of our per capita payments to the Presbytery. Per capita is set at \$40.00 per individual. Our church still owes the Presbytery about \$3,350 in per capita payments. If you haven't paid your per capita for 2024 yet, please do so soon.

## 2023 GIVING STATEMENTS

Mark is ready to send out 2023 giving statements. These are tax deductible statements of your 2023 giving to CPC. Please email or let Mark know that you would like your statement. They will be emailed out, or you can pick your copy up in the office. *Please note **that you must request your statement**, it won't be automatically e-mailed out to you.*

## 6-WEEK ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Alan Dewey will lead a 6-week adult bible study starting Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup>, here at church before morning worship. The dates for this study are Feb 18, Feb 25, Mar 3, Mar 10, Mar 17, and Mar 24. The study is titled "Christian Hope". The Bible study starts at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings and is held in the Conference Room.

## SIGN UPDATE

This project is on hold until we can take the sign apart and send in the two transmitters to the company. There does not seem to be any way to take the sign apart, so we may have to cut into the sign with tools to remove the transmitter.

## EASTER BREAKFAST

The men of CPC will host an Easter Breakfast on March 31, Easter Sunday morning. We need a group of 6-8 men working together in the kitchen to prepare a nice breakfast for the congregation. The breakfast will run from 8:30 a.m. until the 10 a.m. worship service. If

you have interest in helping prepare breakfast, let the office or Tim Pries know.

## **YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Christian Education Committee is asking the congregation for dessert donations for Wednesday night youth programs this year. There is a sign-up in the office. Plan for 10-12 people each week. The Youth Group meets each Wednesday from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

## **COMMUNITY CLOTHESLINE UPDATE:**

The Community Clothesline is now closed for the season. **We are currently full and are not accepting donations at this time.**

## **ALANON MEETINGS**

Alanon Meetings take place weekly on Tuesdays at Plainview Church of Christ from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Enter the south door on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Alanon is for friends and family members of alcoholics and addiction.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

If you would like your prayer request printed in the newsletter and bulletin, please provide a written request, and give it to Mark in the office (cpcoffice@hbc.com). I do not always hear the prayer requests in church or cannot write them down quickly enough for complete information. I want to have complete and accurate information for the prayer request. Thank you.

## **UPDATE FROM SESSION:**

The session has committed to re-booting a few committees to help with all the changes we know we need to make.

## **PASSIONATE WORSHIP**

Session Leaders: Joan Lee and Betsy Dewey

## **OUTREACH (LOCAL)**

Session Leaders: Tim Pries & Shawn Jensen

## **STEWARDSHIP**

The Session as a body

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Session Leaders: Alan Dewey

## **BUILDING & GROUNDS**

Tim Pries & Tom Ellringer

## **MISSION**

Session Leaders: Bonnie Bosma & Janet Rouillard

As the session continues to meet and to plan for change, we hope you will prayerfully consider joining one of these groups. They will be important in supporting the coming changes!!



## **PRAYER LIST**

- Resolution of conflicts in the mid-east.
- For the people of Ukraine.
- Prayers for the country of Israel, in their battle against the Hamas.
- Prayers for the hostages in Gaza.
- Prayers for Penny, who is having a difficult time after the death of her sister.
- Prayers for Julie Flanagan that her shoulder replacement surgery went well without complications.



## CHOIR SCHEDULE

*We will continue to have rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. ALL are welcome!*



*We will rehearse on March 20<sup>th</sup> and March 27<sup>th</sup>.*

## March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Tom & Mary Jo Strain	March 6
Sharon Firzlaff	March 11
Sue Ihrke	March 11
Vivian Cranston	March 12
Kent Harrington	March 14
Mattison Jensen	March 22
Janice Jurgenson	March 25

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY



## Volunteers needed to serve in April and May!

Is there a Sunday you would be interested in helping serve during worship?  
We need greeters, coffee fellowship, and liturgist. Email [cpcoffice@hbcu.com](mailto:cpcoffice@hbcu.com).



Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday in Lent

### Gathering

PRELUDE

Mark Rich, Organ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Donna Christison

Let us join our voices with the saints whose lives inspire.

**We are here today, aspiring to claim the gift of faith with courage.**

We are ready to worship and give thanks for whose we are.

**In our worship, we share God's message with the world.**

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Donna Christison

**Together here we wait for the Lord. Our souls wait and hope in God's word. We hope in the Lord. With God there is steadfast love, and great power to redeem. Our souls wait for the Lord, more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN #366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

(Verses 1, 3, & 4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Donna Christison

Christ is nearer to use than we can imagine.

**Jesus' power is not just for a distant past and a far-off future.**

Jesus is here for us here and now.

**Because there is forgiveness with God, let us call upon the Lord.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Donna Christison

Let us pray together:

**God of resurrection, we know the power of death. We have seen its works; we have felt its sting. We have been to the valley of despair, and felt like there was no chance for life. We do not believe in your power to resurrect. We do not believe in your power to redeem our pain, and fashion something beautiful in this world. Forgive us. We cry from the depths—however faint our call may be, we pray you hear our voice. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Amy Kosari

Thus says the Lord,

**You shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves,**

And bring you up from your graves, O my people.

**I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live.**

We believe in the Good News!

**Thanks be to God! Amen!**

GLORY TO GOD #581 "Gloria Patri" "Glory Be to the Father"

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

Pastor Amy Kosari

## **The Word**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Donna Christison

Let us pray together:

**O Lord, please hear our prayer. As we start the climb down the mountain with Jesus after these forty days and forty nights, we pray that we will be ready for what comes next. As the ministry of Jesus began after a season of prayer, so does ours. We give thanks for the promise that you will be with us, as we continue to spread the gospel to the world. May your will be done through us, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Donna Christison

Jeremiah 31: 1-17

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Donna Christison

Hebrews 5

SERMON     “Thou Art My Son, Today I have Begotten Thee”     Pastor Amy Kosari

## **Responding**

HYMN     #772 “Live into Hope” (Verses 1, 2, 3, & 4)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostle’s Creed)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

CALL TO PRAYER

#471 “O Lord, Hear My Prayer” (Verse 1)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastor Amy Kosari

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we**



**forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERINGS OF LOVE AND THANKSGIVING

March Mission of the Month: MN Adult & Teen Challenge

DOXOLOGY: #606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Sending**

DEPARTING HYMN #463 "How Firm a Foundation" (Verses 1, 2, 4, & 5)

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION SONG #188 "Jesus Loves Me!" (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE

Mark Rich, Organ

GREETERS: BJ & Lauren Jones