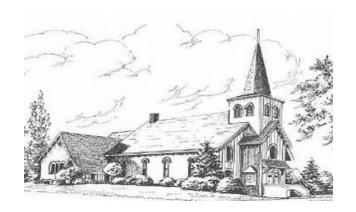
Community

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Thursday, March 21, 2024 Newsletter

WORSHIP UPDATE

Sunday morning March 24th – Join us in person at church or online!

10:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50: 1-11 John 12: 1-17 Pastor Amy Kosari

"Fear Not, Daughter of Zion"

Community Presbyterian Church - Home (cpcplainview.com)

Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube

Coffee Fellowship in the church basement following worship.

Host: Katie & Ryan Flanagan

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.

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. We plan on serving pancakes, ham, coffee, juice, or water.

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 2nd 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@hbci.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.

PROGRESSIVE SUPPER

CPC will host a Progressive Supper on April 27. We have a signup sheet in the office. Please sign up by April 14 so we can make plans for the dinner. This should be a fun time for all!

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 as she recovers from shoulder surgery.

CHOIR SCHEDULE

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

We will rehearse on March 27th and April 3rd.

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





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@hbci.com.



Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

<u>Gathering</u>

PRELUDE Joan Lee, Organ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Harmonie Hollister

We claim God's salvation in Christ our Savior with the word:

Hosanna, hosanna!

An unlikely king, he rides into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey never before ridden.

And still we recognize him:

We find God's majesty in this humble man who leads a bunch of ragtag followers!

Let us worship Christ with thanksgiving for his hope-filled entry into our lives.

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Harmonie Hollister

God in Christ, you came to be a servant among us. You taught us how to love you by serving one another with humility and tenderness. We earnestly pray that you will wash us clean so we may share your salvation story. We pray to be known as your disciples, not by reputation or stature, but by our love for one another. You call us to follow you. May our works grow from your love, "They will know we are Christians by our love."

OPENING HYMN #196 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" (Verses 1, 2, 3, & 4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Harmonie Hollister

Christ comes to the center of our busy, conflicted lives.

He comes in triumph and humility.

He comes in glory and in mercy.

He comes knowing the best of who we are, and he comes knowing our worst.

Trusting in God's grace,

Let us make our confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Harmonie Hollister

Let us pray together:

Christ our Redeemer, try as we might, we do not follow your example. We do not empty ourselves, we do not humble ourselves, we are not obedient. You simply ask us to care about this world you created, but we fail to do even that. Forgive us. You have given us the greatest, clearest, example of love. Heal us, and help us to follow. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Amy Kosari

Even in the face of hatred and violence,

We know that Christ loves us.

Even when enduring death,

Christ cares for us;

Christ forgives us.

Thanks be to the God of mercy. Amen!

GLORY TO GOD #577 "Gloria Patri" "Glory Be to the Father" found in the old Blue

Presbyterian hymnal.

SHARING GOD'S LOVE Pastor Amy Kosari

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Harmonie Hollister

Let us pray together:

Holy One, we thank you for your promise to provide for us. You clothe the lilies of the field and feed the sparrow. We thank you that today hope rolls into town, a response to all the times we have looked around and found no answers. Glory to you for hearing our cries and for saving us. On this day, remind us that you always extend your grace to us. May we wave our palm branches with the assurance that you are with us, even as you make your way to the cross. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Harmonie Hollister

Isaiah 50: 1-11

THE GOSPEL LESSON Harmonie Hollister

John 12: 1-17

SERMON "Fear Not, daughter of Zion" Pastor Amy Kosari

<u>Responding</u>

HYMN #197 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (Verses 1, 2, & 3)

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

#227 "Jesus, Remember Me" (Sing Twice)

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: #593 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" from the Old Blue Presbyterian Hymnal.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

<u>Sending</u>

DEPARTING HYMN #353 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

(Verses 1, 2, 3, & 4)

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION SONG #198 "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!" (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE Joan Lee, Organ

GREETERS: Tim & Diana Pries