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Thursday, May 2, 2024

Newsletter

WORSHIP UPDATE

Sunday morning May 5th – Join us in person at church or online!

10:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Psalm 101

1 John 5: 1-6

Special Guests

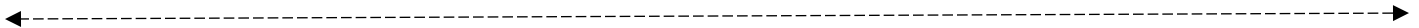
Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge

Community Presbyterian Church - Home (cpcplainview.com)

Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube

Coffee Fellowship in the church basement following worship.

A full Potluck Luncheon is served in the basement after worship.



RUBY'S PANTRY

Here is a mission opportunity for you! We are trying to set up a Ruby's Pantry in the Plainview/Elgin area. We need your help! If you have an interest in helping organize and set up this food distribution organization, or if you have questions, please call Sue Cain at 507-421-7163. We need 2 or more people from each area church to organize and get the project going.

MN ADULT & TEEN CHALLENGE

MN Adult & Teen Challenge are visiting us this Sunday May 5th in worship! They will present stories of faith and power over addiction with God's help. We also look forward to the large group choir pieces they have prepared. Thank you, MN Adult & Teen Challenge, for a fantastic worship experience this Sunday! Please stay after church for a full Potluck luncheon served in the church basement. This is a time of one-on-one conversations with MN Adult & Teen Challenge members.

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.

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.

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@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.

MISSION OF THE MONTH FOR MAY

Our mission of the month of May is Operation Dignity International. This is a faith-based organization using our faith as a guiding principle for the work we do in Ghana, a country in western Africa. Due to extreme poverty, very few children have access to education. We want to provide education for these kids so that they can have more job opportunities in the future. ODI has bought 500 acres in central Ghana. The goal is to develop the land into a training farm to teach people how to farm. This will help ease poverty, increase opportunities, and change the outcome for many people who deserve to hope, dream, and live a thriving life of dignity and possibilities. There is also significant need for medical assistance in Ghana. We have had the privilege of sending several medical teams over to care for the underprivileged and to teach basic healthcare and hygiene.

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

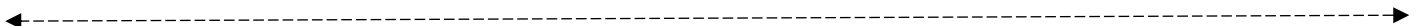
Session Leaders: Bonnie Bosma & Janet Rouillard

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 the earthquake victims in Taiwan.
- Prayers for Haven's brother Lyle, who is struggling with Parkinson's disease.



CHOIR SCHEDULE

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



We will rehearse May 8th and sing in church May 12th.

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

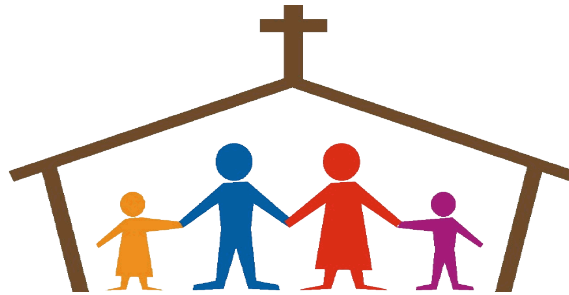
Barb Ellringer	May 6
Jerome Walch	May 6
Haylee Firzlaff	May 8
Tom Schnieder	May 9
Cathy DeMartini	May 15
Adam Ellringer (AJ)	May 16
Molli Funk	May 18
Betsy & Jerry Dewey	May 19
Alyssa Kreofsky	May 23
Alex & Lindsay Bartley	May 24
Presley Marshman	May 26

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY



Volunteers needed to serve in May & June!

Is there a Sunday you would be interested in helping serve during worship?
We need greeters, coffee fellowship, and liturgist. Sign up on the deacon's sign
up clipboard or email cpcoffice@hbc.com.



Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Gathering

PRELUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark Rich

The Psalmist encourages us to praise God for all the marvelous things God has done.

We join with all creation in praise, for God's Love and faithfulness to us is endless.

We sing because God chooses us out of God's great Love.

We choose God's Love, which bears us in fullness beyond compare.

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Mark Rich

You promise to complete us with your joy, O Christ. This blessed assurance is ours as we do what you commanded and live in the fullness of Love. As you love us, give us the strength of heart to love one another. Fuel us with love and joy, that our petitions might fly to your ear. May our faith bear fruit pleasing to you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Amen.

OPENING HYMN #15 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

(Verses 1, 4, & 6)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Mark Rich

Jesus taught us mercy:

By praying for the forgiveness of those who killed him.

This miraculous grace assures us that no matter what we have done,

No matter the words we have left unsaid,

We can come to Christ:

With our honest confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mark Rich

Let us pray together:

Christ, our way, our trust, our life, you have shown us the way, so clearly and fully. You have not simply told us how to live, you have shown us. But we still don't get it. We do not believe all you have said to us; we do not trust the way you have shown us. Help us, O God. Forgive us. Open our ears to your truth, open our eyes to your way, and lead us into new life. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Mark Rich

Beloved, believe the Good News!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Jesus prepares a place for us,

Jesus brings us close to him,

Jesus answers us even in our unbelief.

We are God's own people. Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

GLORY TO GOD #577 "Gloria Patri" "Glory Be to the Father" found in the old blue Presbyterian hymnal.

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

Mark Rich

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mark Rich

Let us pray together:

Blessed Savior, you keep showing up for us in unexpected places. When we face uncertainty, you are there. When we worry about our tomorrows, you are there. And even in the doubt-filled lonely hours, you are there. Hear our prayer of thanks for your constant Love, which convinces us to sing aloud, "Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!" Amen.

THE PSALM

Mark Rich

Psalm 101

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark Rich

I John 5: 1-6

SPECIAL GUESTS: MN Adult & Teen Challenge program

Responding

HYMN #263 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

(Verses 1 & 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 #703 "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me" (Verse 1)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mark Rich

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

May Mission of the Month: Ghana Agricultural Program

DOXOLOGY: #593 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" from the old blue Presbyterian hymnal.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending

DEPARTING HYMN #761 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

(Verses 1 & 4)

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION SONG #306 "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds" (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

GREETERS: Janet Rouillard & Ron Manzow