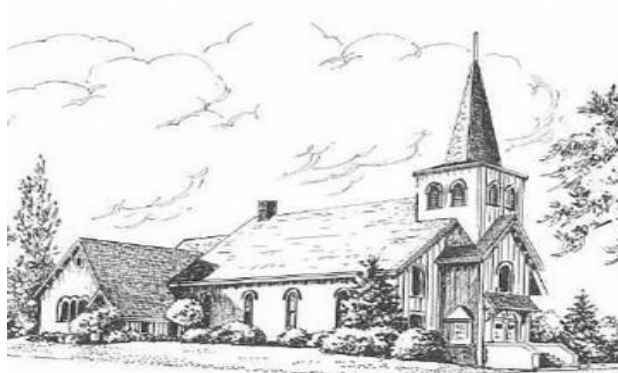


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Thursday, September 19, 2024

Newsletter

## WORSHIP UPDATE

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***Sunday morning September 22nd – Join us in person at church or online!***

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

***Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

*Proverbs 31: 1-31*

*Mark 9: 14-37*

**Pastor Amy Kosari**

**“Running to Him”**

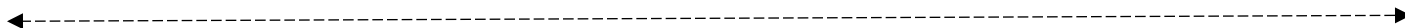
**Community Presbyterian Church - Home ([cpcplainview.com](http://cpcplainview.com))**

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

**Host: Cathy DeMartini**



## **PASTORAL SEARCH UPDATE**

The CPC Church of Rochester and the CPC church of Plainview are discussing the hiring of a shared pastor position. The sessions of the two churches have met twice, once at each church and a third meeting is planned. The sessions are discussing what qualifications their congregations want in a pastor, as well as many other details. Neither church has a full-time pastor now, and each are seeking a part time pastor. It is generally felt that finding a successful applicant for a full-time position is more likely than a part time pastor. This is still very early in the process, and the CPC congregation members will certainly have an opportunity to provide input. Please talk to your Session members with questions or concerns.

## **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

An adult bible study continues on Sunday mornings. We will meet at 9:00am in the conference room. We will be using the "Feasting on the Word" curriculum, which is lectionary based. All are welcome!

## **YOUTH/FAMILY ACTIVITIES NIGHT**

Wednesday night programming this year will be rebooted as a youth/family activity night. The first Wednesday night meeting will be October 23 at 6:00pm. More information will be upcoming. The next planning meeting will be September 8 right after church. Anyone who would like to join the discussion is welcome to attend this meeting.

## **COMMUNITY CLOTHESLINE**

The Community Clothesline is full at capacity and no longer accepting donations. We will be planning a \$5.00 bag sale the last two Thursdays of the season October 3<sup>rd</sup> and October 10<sup>th</sup>. Sign up to help in the office on the paper form or use this Google Document to sign up for shifts online:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1p2kNFIqGaEmX3IAe7bYPKVketP28IZABByMwqyGV6wo/edit>

Be careful to watch for number "1" and capital "I".

## **BACKPACK FOR STUDENTS' FOOD PROGRAM**

The backpacks for students' food program will provide a child friendly nonperishable, breakfast lunch and snack for weekends during the 2024-2025 school year. This service is offered with no charge to students in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade and enrolled in PEM school. This is not a government program, but all food and supplies are paid for by donations. This food program is offered to families who could benefit from extra food on the weekends when other resources such as free and reduced-price lunches are unavailable.

## **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](mailto: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.

## **PRAY FOR COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

A group of members has committed themselves to praying for the church at either 9am or 9pm, or both. Please feel free to join with the Lord in prayer at either or both of these times. There is great power in prayer, and praying together brings unity.

## **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

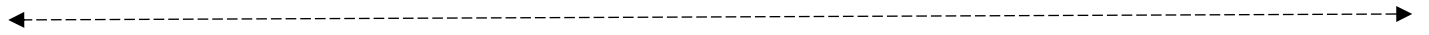
As the session continues to meet and to plan for change, we hope you will prayerfully consider joining one of these groups. They will be important in supporting the coming changes!!



## **PRAYER LIST**

- Prayers 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 Haven's brother, Delmar, who is in the hospital.
- Prayers for Ron's friend Chuck, who was diagnosed with cancer.
- Prayers for Tim's brother, Scott.
- Prayers for John and Zac Zabel, for better health.

- Prayers for Wendy Rollie, who is recovering from a wrist injury.
- Prayers for Diane's friend, Becca Johnson, who has cancer.
- Prayers for Karen Jurgenson, daughter-in-law of Janice, had surgery on her airway.
- Prayers for the family of Barb Borgen. Her funeral is on September 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Prayers for Mark's dad, who injured his leg several months ago and it is not healing well.



## CHOIR SCHEDULE

*We will continue rehearsals on Wednesday September 25 at 6:00pm in the sanctuary. All are welcome to join us!*



## September Birthdays and Anniversaries

Isabele Reeve	September 7
Josh Hollister	September 9
Hazel Bartley	September 11
Julie Flanagan	September 12
Bonnie Bosma	September 17
Haven Paulson	September 24
Lindsay Hammer-Bartley	September 27

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**



**Volunteers needed to serve in October & November!**

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](mailto:cpcoffice@hbc.com).



**Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!**

Sunday, September 22, 2024  
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**Gathering**

PRELUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark Rich

In this time set apart for worship, the Holy Spirit invites us;

**Draw near to God,**

Who is steady and sure.

**Draw near to God,**

Who welcomes those often overlooked.

**Draw near to God,**

Who draws us together, threads woven in a shared fabric of faith.

**Let us worship the Lord!**

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Mark Rich

Let us pray together:

**We observe this day as the Lord's Day, giving thanks to God, who gives justice to the oppressed, who forgives us and redeems us, and crowns us with steadfast love and mercy. Let us worship the One who hears our prayers, Loves and protects us, and is worthy of our praise! Amen.**

OPENING HYMN #645 "Sing Praise to God Who reigns Above"

(Verses 1, 2, & 4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Mark Rich

We are not here to pass judgment on each other:

**All of us have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.**

Therefore, let us go before God,

**And offer our honest confession.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mark Rich

Let us pray together:

**God our Judge, we admit we have double standards. We seek forgiveness for ourselves, but fail to forgive others. We seek relief for ourselves, but fail to seek relief for others. We seek leniency for ourselves, but fail to show that mercy to others. Forgive us,**

**mighty God, and help us to forgive, showing others the same grace and mercy that you have generously shown to us. Amen.**

#### INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Amy

People of God, hear and believe:

**God does not deal with us according to our sins,**

But according to God's own steadfast love for us.

**As far as the east is from the west,**

So far God removes our sins from us.

**Alleluia and thanks be to God!**

GLORY TO GOD #577 "Gloria Patri" "Glory be to the Father" from the old blue Presbyterian hymnal.

#### SHARING GOD'S LOVE

Pastor Amy

#### The Word

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mark Rich

Let us pray together:

**Faithful God, you do not promise that following you will be easy, but you teach us that your way is one of peace, gentleness, and mercy, of welcome for all. Guide us by your wisdom and inspire us to embrace this way of living, so that we might draw near to you. Amen.**

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark Rich

Proverbs 31: 1-31

#### THE GOSPEL LESSON

Pastor Amy

Mark 9: 14-37

#### SERMON "Running to Him"

Pastor Amy

#### Responding

#### HYMN #401 "Here in This Place"

(Verses 1, 2, & 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 #435 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" (Verse 1)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

September Mission of the Month: PEM Backpack Food Program

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### **Sending**

DEPARTING HYMN #839 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"

BENEDICTION

Pastor Amy

BENEDICTION SONG #837 "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

GREETERS: Julie Flanagan & Haven Paulson