

Community  
Presbyterian  
Church



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Thursday, January 9, 2024

Newsletter

## WORSHIP UPDATE

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***Sunday morning January 12th – Join us in person at church or online!***

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

***Baptism of the Lord***

***Celebration of the Lord's Supper***

*Isaiah 43: 1-7*

*Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22*

*Luke 4: 14-30*

**Pastor Denise Dunbar-Perkins**

**“Troublin’ the Waters”**

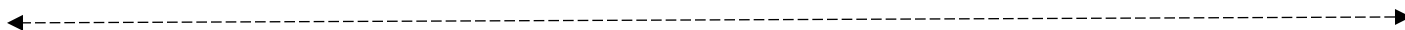
**[Community Presbyterian Church - Home \(cpcplainview.com\)](http://cpcplainview.com)**

**[Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube](#)**

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

**Host: Sharon Firzlaff**



## **PUMPKIN SPICE WITH JESUS CHRIST**

We have returned after a brief break. We are meeting with a 5:45 p.m. arrival time, 6:00-6:30 is a meal, and 6:30-7:30 is a group activity. We hope you can join us for this evening of family fun.

### **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.

### **PRAY FOR COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

A group of members have 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 battles.
- Prayers for the hostages in Gaza.
- Prayers for John and Zac Zabel, for better health.
- Prayers for Julie Flanagan's husband Joe, as recovers at home.
- Prayers for Jill Johnson.
- Prayers for Vonni Distad, Janice's friend who is going through cancer treatment.

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**CHOIR SCHEDULE** We will rehearse Wednesday January 15, 22, and 29. We hope you can join us!  
Our rehearsals start at 6:00 p.m.



## CPC Session Members

Betsy Dewey, Janet Rouillard, Alan Dewey, Shawn Jensen, Janice Jurgenson, Joan Lee, Tim Pries, and Bonnie Bosma.

## CPC Deacons

Cathy DeMartini, Donna Christison, Jason Laske, Diane Ellringer, Sharon Firzlaff, and Stephanie Kreofsky.

## CPC Mission Committee Leaders

Janet Rouillard, Bonnie Bosma, Lindsay Hammer-Bartley, Zac Zabel, Julie Flanagan and Janice Jurgenson.

## January Birthdays and Anniversaries

Donna Christison	Jan. 7
Bruce Ihrke	Jan. 9
Shawn Jensen	Jan. 14
Tom Ellringer	Jan. 23
Andrew Jensen	Jan. 26

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**



## Volunteers needed to serve in February & March!

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, January 12, 2025

Baptism of the Lord

### **Gathering**

PRELUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Wendy Rollie

When we pass through the cleansing waters of baptism and the troubled waters of our lives, God declares:

**I will be with you.**

When we go through the fires that refine us and the fires that threaten our livelihoods, God declares:

**I will be with you.**

Even when we travel to the far corners of the earth or down into the depths of our souls, God declares:

**I will be with you.**

So come, let us worship God whose Love never fails, whose presence never leaves, whose mercies never end.

**Praise be to God who, in the form of Jesus, waded into the waters of baptism to prove God's solidarity with us! Amen.**

*Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2024.*

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Wendy Rollie

Let us pray together:

**Eternal Father, at the baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful to their calling as your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Posted on the Church of Scotland's Starters for Sunday website.*

OPENING HYMN #318 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

(Verses 1, 2, & 4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Wendy Rollie

To a world of brokenness, God speaks of healing.

**To a time of confusion, God tells of that future grounded in Love.**

To a people longing for redemption,

**God comes to bring us home.**

Let us confess how we have not heard God speaking to us, as we pray saying:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Wendy Rollie

Let us pray together:

**Creator of the universe, we gather amazed at your power and glory. We are eager to worship you and offer our praise, but we are often reluctant to answer when we hear you calling our name. We sing our songs of tribute to the sanctuary, but shy away from the river, lest we be baptized with the fire of the Holy Spirit. Forgive us when we forget your promise to be with us always, O God. Renew us with the power of your ever-present Love, and strengthen us to proclaim your justice throughout the world. Amen.**

## INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Denise

We expect the fire of judgment,

**But are given the Spirit of grace;**

We expect God to yell at us,

**But we are called by a new name;**

We expect God to stay angry,

**But we are handed the dove of peace.**

This is good news for us!

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*Rev. Thom Shuman – Lectionary Liturgies*

GLORY TO GOD #577 Gloria Patri “Glory be to the Father” found in the old blue Presbyterian hymnal.

### SHARING GOD’S LOVE

Pastor Denise

### A CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR CPC

## The Word

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Wendy Rollie

Let us pray together:

**O God of wisdom, you delight in deep truth. Let these words of scripture teach our hearts, that we may hear your joy and gladness, for the sake of Christ, your wisdom for us. Amen.**

### THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Wendy Rollie

Isaiah 43: 1-7

### THE FIRST GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

### THE SECOND GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4: 14-30

**Responding**

HYMN #163 "Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice"

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 #288 "Spirit of the Living God"

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.**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Let us pray . . .

. . . we lift our voices in joy and hope:



**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

. . . we proclaim that mystery we call faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERINGS OF LOVE AND THANKSGIVING

January Mission of the Month: PEM School Health Offices

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Let us pray together:

**Loving God, who guides us with your everlasting presence, we offer these gifts with grateful hearts. As Jesus stood with us in the waters of baptism, may these offerings stand as a testament to your Love and grace. Use them to bring hope, healing, and transformation to our world. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

### **Sending**

DEPARTING HYMN #361 "O Christ, the Great Foundation"

(Verses 1, 2, & 4)

BENEDICTION

Pastor Denise

BENEDICTION SONG #475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

GREETERS: Cathy DeMartini & Stephanie Kreofsky