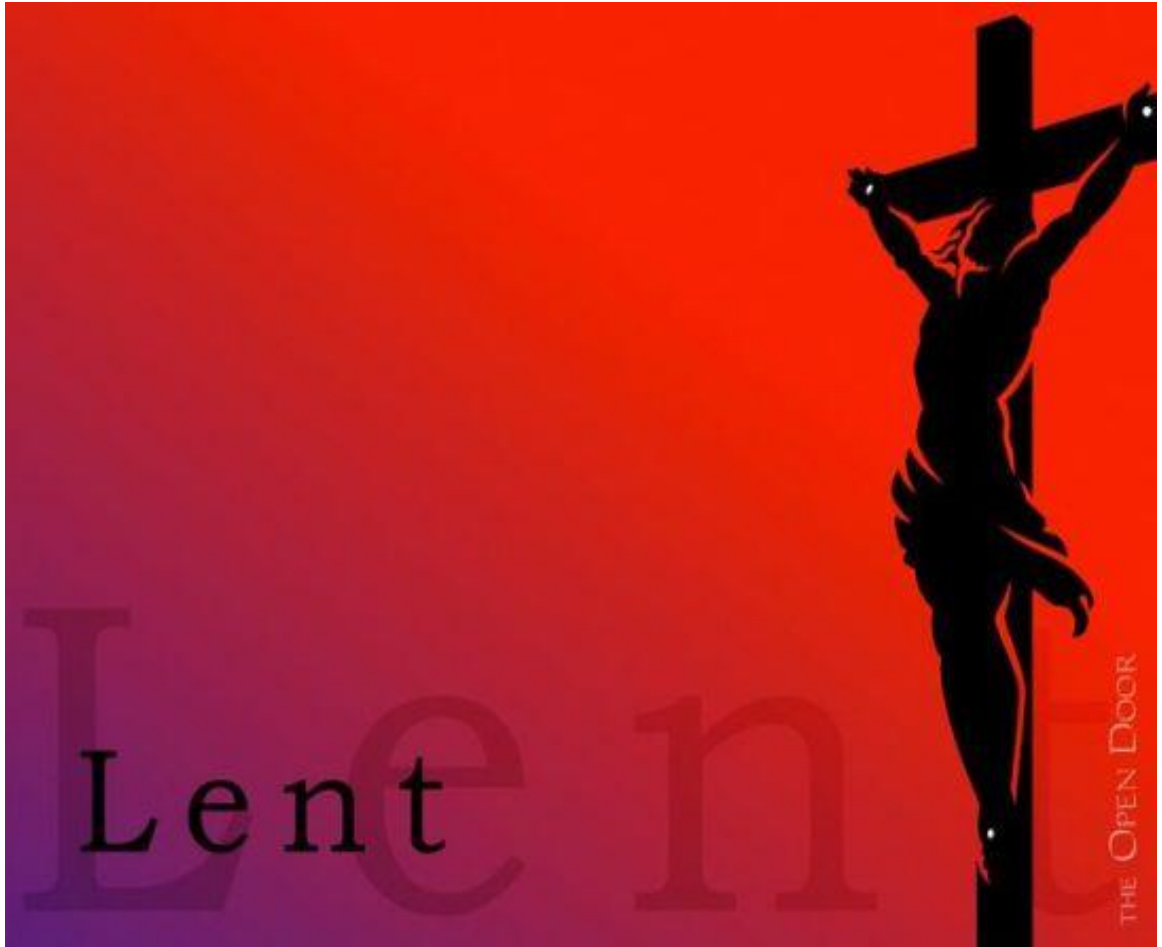


COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

505 West Broadway  
Plainview, MN 55964

*Sunday, March 30, 2025*

*Fourth Sunday in Lent*





# Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

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## **Gathering**

PRELUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Tim Pries

Happy are those who are honest with God.

**Happy are those whose sin is forgiven.**

Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to the Lord in times of distress.

**For God is our refuge and protects us in times of trouble.**

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice!

**Let us shout for joy! Let us worship God!**

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Tim Pries

Let us pray together:

**Loving God, like the prodigal son, we have recognized the error of our ways. In this season of Lent, we have reflected on our deep need for you, and we are seeking to return to you. We give thanks that you run out to meet us as a loving parent would. Help us to trust your love enough to continue returning. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN "I Will Celebrate" see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

Tim Pries

Scripture tells us that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

**We do not suffer alone in our brokenness;**

We are each other's companions in our brokenness.

**Scripture also tells us that though we are sinners, Christ died for us.**

Trusting this truth,

**Let us confess our sins before God and one another.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Tim Pries

Let us pray together:

**God of Grace, we have stumbled from the path that you have set before us. We have embraced a mind-set of scarcity instead of trusting your abundance. We have hoarded treasures to ensure our own comfort instead of sharing your gifts with our neighbors. We have hurt our neighbors by the things we have done and through the things we have left**

**undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, soul, and mind or our neighbors as ourselves. Correct us, O God. In this season of Lent, remind us of Jesus' own encounter with temptation in the wilderness, and help us follow the example he sets. Return us to the path you call us to and give us the courage to follow your lead even when it is difficult. Amen.**

## INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Janice Jurgenson

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 #581 "Gloria Patri" "Glory Be to the Father" found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian hymnal.

### SHARING GOD'S LOVE

Janice Jurgenson

### A CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR CPC

## The Word

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tim Pries

Let us pray together:

**In Christ's own experience with the struggles of the world he has compassion upon us. Christ offers us his compassion through mercy and forgiveness. Friends, know that Christ has forgiven our sins and invites us into his loving care.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS

Proverbs 11: 24-25

Malachi 3: 10

Tim Pries

A MUSICAL OFFERING

"Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling"

CPC Choir

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSONS

Matthew 6: 1-4

Acts 20: 35

2 Corinthians 9: 7

Hebrews 13: 16

Tim Pries

MESSAGE "The Blessings of Giving"

Janice Jurgenson

**Responding**

HYMN #442 "Just as I Am, without One Plea"

(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 #775 "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" (Verse 1)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Tim Pries

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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: Wabasha County Family Services

DOXOLOGY: #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian Hymnal.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRESENTATION BY PLAINVIEW COMMUNITY THEATRE

### **Sending**

DEPARTING HYMN #743 "O God, You Are My God"

BENEDICTION

Janice Jurgenson

BENEDICTION SONG "As You Travel from This Place" see insert

POSTLUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

## Financial Information

Mission of the Month for April – PEM Migrant Education Program

	<u>General</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Per Capita</u>
03-02-2025	3,089.00	30.00	40.00
03-09-2025	2,257.00	92.00	80.00
03-16-2025	500.00	80.00	126.00
03-23-2025	<u>CHURCH SERVICE IN ROCHESTER</u>		
TOTAL	5,346.00	122.00	120.00

*Thank you for your continued support of our church and its ministry!*

## **PRAYER LIST**

- Prayers for Freeda, Ralph's sister who has two pelvis fractures.
- Prayers for Ali, Pastor Amy and Farhad's friend who has cancer.
- Prayers for Yvette Jurgenson, who has fluid behind her eye.
- Prayers for Voni Distad, Janice's friend who is going through cancer treatment.
- Prayers for John and Zac Zabel, for better health.
- Prayers for the people of Israel, hostages in Gaza, and people of Ukraine.
- Prayers for peace in our own country.



*This week in the life of Community Presbyterian Church:*

**Sunday, March 30**

Worship at 10:00 a.m.

*10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship*

*11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship*

**Monday, March 31**

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

**Tuesday, April 1**

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

*Release Time 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.*

**Wednesday, April 2**

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

*Release Time 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.*

*5:45 Arrival for Pumpkin Spice with Jesus Christ*

*6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary*

**Thursday, April 3**

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

**Friday, April 4**

Office Closed

**Saturday, April 5**

Office Closed

**Sunday, April 6**

*10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship*

*11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship*



# April Birthdays & Anniversaries

*Tom & Diane Ellringer*  
*Jordan Alden*  
*Julie Cranston-Fuentes*  
*Wendy Rollie*

*Apr. 4*  
*Apr. 18*  
*Apr. 22*  
*Apr. 29*



## PEM Migrant Education Program

The goal of the summer Migrant Education Program is to help bridge the education gap that our migrant students face when they move between here and Texas throughout the school year. The program provides additional learning opportunities for students K-12 to ensure they are not penalized for their unique learning situation. Services provided include a combination of classroom instruction (math, reading, writing, and other key academic skills) and hands-on activities, such as arts and crafts projects as well as trips to our local state parks. Students are always in need of school supplies and other essentials the program provides.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Does anyone have any plant stands to share with the church to place Easter lilies on during Easter? Contact Mark or one of the deacons. Thank you!**

**Per Capita is now being collected for the 2025 church year. It is \$42.00 per person. We currently owe the Presbytery \$12,689.00 in Per Capita payments. Per Capita directly supports the Presbytery. Your Per Capita dollars helped achieve the following (*This is only a partial list*):**

Congregations receive direct grants for ministry initiatives and opportunities.

Several congregations benefited from emergency pastoral and financial support.

The Pastoral Positions Team walked alongside congregations during pastoral leadership transitions.

The Committee on Ministry supported congregations and pastors through direct support and committee action.

The Board of Trustees supported congregations through their work on legal matters, church loans, and property transactions.

Presbytery staff and officers were present for worship and/or consultation in most of our congregations during 2024.

Anti-Racism Task Force and related ministries sponsored training events and speakers that benefited all of our congregations in the area of anti-racism, non-violent communication, and related topics.

Several local and national organizations received direct financial support grants through the Mission and Witness and the Self Development of People grants.

Several seminary students and those seeking additional education received scholarship gifts.

## Congregational Meeting

Today, we will have a congregational meeting for a presentation of the Community Theatre proposal for a new permanent stage platform 1.5 feet above the current floor. On Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup> the congregation can ask questions of the theatre and vote on whether to approve.

## AL-ANON IS:

A fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who believe their lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. A mutual support recovery program based on the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. A nonprofessional fellowship is where members share their experience, strength, and hope to solve their common problems. Al-Anon meets weekly at the Plainview Church of Christ on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. 205 First Street NE (enter door #3 on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue).

## Holy Week and Easter at Community Presbyterian

Maundy Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. The service starts at 6:30 with Holy Communion. This will be a small intimate setting for sharing bread and wine while seated around the tables in the basement.

Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. This is a service where we remember the crucifixion Jesus, and his death. The service ends in silence, as we look forward to Easter Sunday.

Easter Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, starting at 8:30 a.m. we will have an Easter Breakfast prepared by the men of the church. The breakfast starts at 8:30 a.m. and we will have our Easter Sunday church service starting at 10:00 a.m.



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