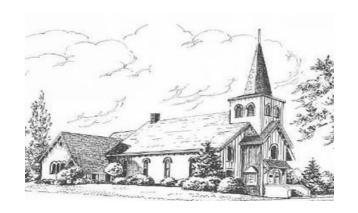
Community

Presbyterian

Church



Connected Praying

Caring

Thursday, September 4, 2025

Newsletter

WORSHIP UPDATE

Sunday morning September 7th – Join us in person at church or online!

10:00 a.m.

Thirteenth Sunday in Pentecost

Psalm 1
Philemon vss 1-25
Pastor Amy Kosari

"Paul, a Prisoner of Jesus Christ"

Community Presbyterian Church - Home (cpcplainview.com)

Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube

Coffee Fellowship served after church.

Servers: Stephanie & Steve Kreofsky

Choir Music Donations

We have a wonderfully full choral library from which to choose music for the choir to sing each year. However, all the music we have is written for a four-part choir. This means that we have four parts singing in the choir, and we need at least two people on a part to carry the part and make it sound musical. With the smaller number of choir members we currently have, we can only do two-part music. This means we must purchase new music each year that we sing. This can be expensive. If anyone in the congregation would like to donate something toward the purchase of new music, that would be fantastic! Just write a note with your donation and place it in the offering plate. Each anthem we sing costs about \$3.00 per copy, and we order 10 copies (the minimum allowed to order), so each anthem costs us about \$30. Thank you for your support of the choir!

YOUTH GROUP

We are now finished with our spring youth group. We had a Lock-In event this past June 21, and it was fun for all. We will return with exciting events in the fall. Enjoy your summer!

AL-ANON IS:

A fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who believe their lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. Al-Anon is: a mutual support recovery program based on the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. Al-Anon is: 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 2nd Avenue).

PRAY FOR COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are trying to make this church a PRAYING church, where we rely on the power of prayer in complex decisions. 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.



CHOIR SCHEDULE: We will restart choir this fall starting September 17. We are waiting for music to arrive, and this is the first date all our members can be in rehearsal.



PRAYER LIST

- Prayers for Ralph's family with the passing of his sister.
- Prayers for Ron Byler with his recent diagnosis.
- Prayers for Alyssa Kreofsky, who is in a lot of pain and has kidney disease.
- Prayers for Israel and Iran conflict resolution.
- Prayers for Ralph's nephew's wife, who is having minor strokes.
- Prayers for Janet Rouillard as she enters the nursing home in Lake City.
- Prayers for Joe & Julie Flanagan, for Joe's health.
- Prayers for Bonnie's niece Debra, with breast and bone cancer.
- Prayers for Tim's brother, Scott, with health problems.
- Prayers for Ali, Pastor Amy and Farhad's friend who has cancer.
- Prayers for Voni Distad, Janice's friend who is going through cancer treatment.
- Prayers for John and Zac Zabel, for better health.
- Prayers for peace in our own country.

September Birthdays and Anniversaries

Josh Hollister	Sept. 9
Hazel Bartley	Sept. 11
Julie Flanagan	Sept. 12
Bonnie Bosma	Sept. 17
Haven Paulson	Sept. 24
Lindsay Hammer-Bartley	Sept. 27





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@hbci.com.





Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, September 7th, 2025

Gathering

PRELUDE Mark Rich, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Tim Pries

There is good and there is wicked in the world.

Lord, help us find the good.

The wicked are perishing. Like chaff, they will not stand before the Lord.

Lord, drive wickedness away with the wind.

The good is like a tree, planted by streams of sweet water.

Lord, let goodness yield its fruit in every season.

Our delight is in the law of the Lord.

Let us meditate upon God's promises from morning into night.

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Tim Pries

Let us pray together:

God our Judge, we meditate upon your promises from morning into night. Our delight is in your law. Let goodness yield its fruit in every season, that, like a tree planted by streams of sweet water, we might find the good and live how you intended: free, flourishing, and in peace. Amen.

OPENING HYMN #41 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!" (Verses 1, 4, & 5)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Tim Pries

The Lord is just and righteous;

The Lord is gracious and merciful.

Trusting in the Lord, who will reign forever,

Let us boldly raise our laments to the God who hears and confess our sins to the God who forgives.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Tim Pries

Let us pray together:

Gracious God, maker of heaven and earth, we lament the abuse done to the earth you have made, and we confess our part in that abuse. We lament the worries and well-founded fears which keep so many from living abundantly, and we confess the ways in which we have given others cause for fear. We lament the ways in which our society fails its children and elders, and we confess the ways in which we deny loving respect to people in the early and late phases of life. Execute justice, justify our hope, help us all for your name's sake. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Amy

Our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, loves us and invites us into lives of faithful discipleship.

So let us respond, proclaiming the Good News, holding fast to the traditions which bind our community together while making more room at Christ's table.

In choosing this faithful way of living, may we experience the eternal comfort and good hope given to us through grace,

And may our hearts be strengthened in every good work and word. Alleluia and 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

A CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR CPC

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tim Pries

Let us pray together:

Dear Friends, we have the honor of answering a true calling to follow our Lord, Jesus Christ, who came to seek and save the lost. So let us rejoice in the Lord always. Let us deal with one another gently. Let us focus on what is true, honorable, just, pure, commendable, and pleasing to God. And may the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard our hearts and minds as we follow Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

THE PSALM Tim Pries

Psalm 1

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
Philemon vss 1-25

SERMON "Paul, a Prisoner of Jesus Christ" Pastor Amy

<u>Responding</u>

HYMN # 819 "Be Still, My Soul" (Verses 1 & 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 #630 "Fairest Lord Jesus" (Verse 1)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

September Mission of the Month: TBA

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

<u>Sending</u>

DEPARTING HYMN #624 "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" (Verses 1, 4, & 5)

BENEDICTION Pastor Amy

BENEDICTION SONG #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE Mark Rich, Organ

GREETERS: Donna Christison, Howard Gray