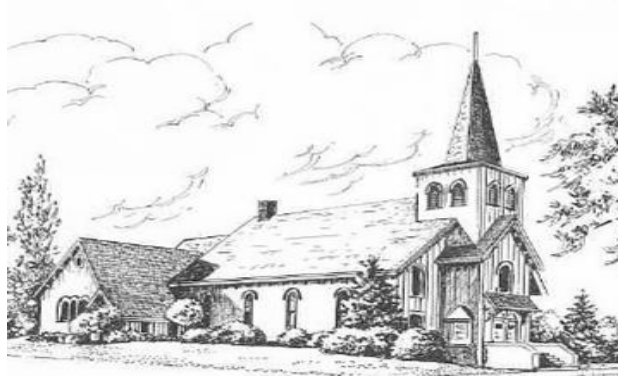


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Thursday, September 18, 2025

Newsletter

WORSHIP UPDATE

Sunday morning September 21st – Join us in person at church or online!

10:00 a.m.

Fifteenth Sunday in Pentecost

Psalm 79: 1-9

I Timothy 2

Pastor Amy Kosari

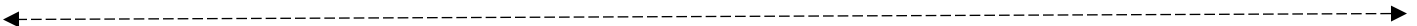
“Petitions, Prayers, Intercession, and Thanks”

Community Presbyterian Church - Home (cpcplainview.com)

Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube

Coffee Fellowship served after church.

Server: Sharon Firzlaff



Mission of the Month for September: PEM Playground

The current PEM playground is 30 years old, lacks inclusiveness, includes broken and racked equipment, layers of wood chips which don't provide a good base for wheelchair access, and lacks proper lighting, proper cameras for supervision, and proper drainage.

The new playground, estimated to cover about 7,500 square feet, would include ramps, a wheelchair-accessible 'Sway Fun' glider, a wheelchair-accessible 'We-go-Round,' musical elements that can be utilized, and canopies to provide shade.

According to the Plainview News, about 800 youngsters, plus those from the community, use the playground multiple times every school day.

The estimated cost of the 'PEM Playground of Paws-ibilities' is \$720,000. Additional work, to - fix drainage problems and add light poles and fencing for security, would push the cost to around \$1 million.

About 95 percent of the cost must be raised by fund-raising - and, Wright said, 100 percent of donations will go toward the new playground. He hopes work can begin after a year of fundraising, in June of 2026, and be complete by that fall.

The Lions Club has adjusted the location of its adaptive playground project, originally planned for Wedgewood Park, to the PreK-3 Elementary School site.

Haven Paulson turns 90!

Come and help Haven celebrate his 90th birthday! There will be a celebration at Blacktop Bar and Grill in Elgin on Sunday, September 28 from 1pm until 4pm. Haven is such a blessing to our church, so we hope you can come and help him celebrate!

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.

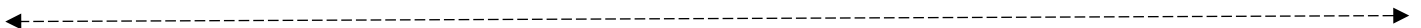


CHOIR SCHEDULE: We will restart choir this fall starting September 17. We rehearse at 6:00 p.m. and our rehearsals run about an hour.



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 Vonni 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

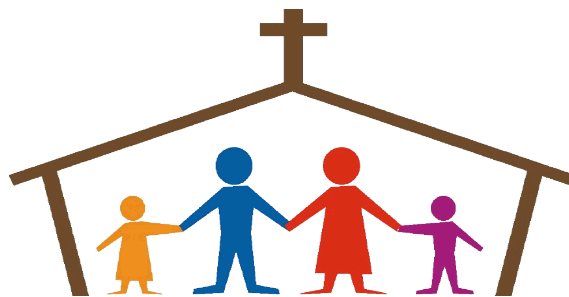
HAPPY
BIRTHDAY



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@hbcj.com.





Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, September 21st, 2025
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

PRELUDE

Mark Rich, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Donna Christison

Remember, O people, the needs of the poor and the suffering of the downtrodden,
and hold to account all who are in high positions,

For God our Savior desires everyone to know the truth that they are loved.

God will raise the poor from the dust and make them sit with princes.

So let us offer supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings for everyone,

For the Lord is high above all nations, yet nothing is below God's notice.

**There is one God; and in Christ Jesus one mediator between God and humankind, who
gave himself a ransom for all. Praise the Lord!**

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Donna Christison

Let us pray together:

**Great God, maker and reconciler of the earth and all that dwells here, champion of
the poor, who humbles the proud, draw all people into new unity with you. May we know to
whom we belong and act faithfully to care for what you have entrusted to us. Help us all, O
God of our salvation, for the glory of your name. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN #35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Donna Christison

Ever present God, you call us to be your hands in this world.

Forgive us for the times we have been afraid to reach out toward those left out or kept away.

Help us to recognize the harm we have done in our actions and inactions,

And lead us to work toward a different way.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Donna Christison

Let us pray together:

Gracious God, you call us to live in this world with open hearts. Forgive us for the ways we have closed ourselves off from you. Remind us of your expansive Love, that we might recognize your presence everywhere we go. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Amy Kosari

How lovely is your dwelling place, O God, most gracious host.

My soul longs, indeed it faints, for the household of God.

Even the sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest at your table of grace, O homemaking God.

Our hearts and our flesh sing for joy to you, the living God. We thank you for your Love and forgiveness. Alleluia and 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

Pastor Amy

A CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR CPC

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Donna Christison

Let us pray together:

Righteous God, you lead us by example through your generous Love and remind us that there is always more to learn about what it means to live a life of righteousness. Help us to keep our faith nimble, growing with each new neighbor we meet and each experience we live. May we be doers of a word that is deep and wide, letting our lives reflect the Love we have received. Amen.

THE PSALM

Psalm 79: 1-9

Donna Christison

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

I Timothy 2

SERMON "Petitions, Prayers, Intercession, and Thanks" Pastor Amy

Responding

HYMN # 67 "My Song Forever Shall Record"

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 #471 "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" (sing once)

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: PEM Playground

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

Sending

DEPARTING HYMN #774 "There Is Now a New Creation"
(Verses 1, 2, 4 & 5)

BENEDICTION

Pastor Amy

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

POSTLUDE

Mark Rich, Organ

GREETERS: Diane Ellringer & Ron Manzow