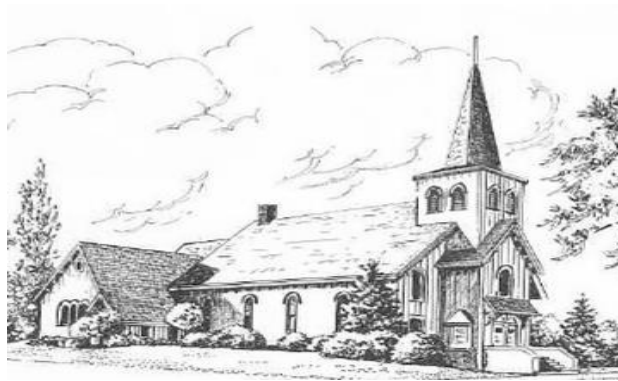


Community
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Thursday, October 2, 2025

Newsletter

WORSHIP UPDATE

Sunday morning October 5th – Join us in person at church or online!

10:00 a.m.

Seventeenth Sunday in Pentecost

Psalm 137

2 Timothy 1

Pastor Amy Kosari

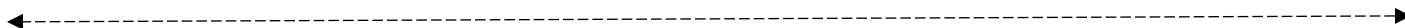
“According to the Promise of Life”

Community Presbyterian Church - Home (cpcplainview.com)

Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube

Coffee Fellowship served after church.

Server: Lindsay Hammer Bartley



Mission of the Month for October

Food Insecurity- the Backpack Food Program

In Minnesota, **1 in 8 children struggle with hunger and experience food insecurity**. According to the USDA, food insecurity is defined as not having consistent access to nutritious food to live an active and healthy lifestyle (2018). The effects of hunger can be both short and long term, and it can present itself in various ways, including missing meals, skipping meals, having less to eat at meals, etc.

Hunger can affect anyone, but the devastating reality of food insecurity can be felt all throughout a student's life. When kids in our community go to school, they are able to receive a nutritious breakfast and lunch, but what happens when school is out?

THE SOLUTION

We believe that hunger should never be a barrier to success. Community funded and community led, the BackPack food program provides elementary school students with nutritious, well-balanced meals when school is out. Free food is distributed weekly in food packs (i.e. large freezer bags). With help from volunteers and staff, the food packs are discreetly delivered at the end of each week to the student's teacher. The packs are then placed into the student's backpack when they are out at recess or away from their lockers for them to take home for the weekend.

Student enrollment is open year-round. Elementary students are eligible for free meals from the BackPack Food Program. We honor most allergies, dietary restrictions and culturally specific diets within our food packs.

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.

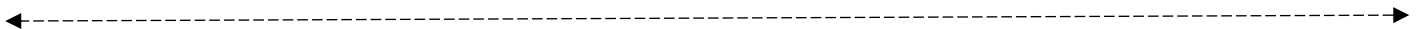


CHOIR SCHEDULE: Choir has resumed!
We will rehearse Wednesday October 1
and October 8. We rehearse at 6:00 p.m.
and our rehearsals run about an hour.



PRAYER LIST

- Prayers for Cheryl Alden, recovering from pneumonia and is on crutches.
- Prayers for Bonnie Bosma as she has knee replacement Oct. 6.
- Prayers for Darlyne, Donna's sister who is now in hospice.
- Prayers for Zac and John Zabel as they adjust to living in the nursing home
- 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 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.



October Birthdays and Anniversaries

Jerry Dewey	Oct. 4
Ryan Flanagan	Oct. 5
Jennifer Torres	Oct. 6
Joan Lee	Oct. 7
Diana Pries	Oct. 13
Steve Kreofsky	Oct. 23
Tim Pries	Oct. 27
Betty Van Houten	Oct. 30
Gary & Joan Lee	Oct. 31

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY



Volunteers needed to serve in November & December!

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.



Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, October 5th, 2025
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

PRELUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Diane Ellringer

Through desolation and weeping, through bitterness and fear, through anguish and suffering, through destruction and violence, this we will remember:

The steadfast Love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is God's faithfulness.

So we will not despair, we will keep hope alive.

The Lord is my portion, says my soul, therefore I will hope in God.

Trust in the Lord, and do good; take delight in the Lord,

Commit your way to the Lord; trust God, who will act.

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Diane Ellringer

Let us pray together:

God of grace, mercy and peace, through the trials and tribulations of life, many burdens fill our souls with strife. Instill in us sincere faith and grant us a spirit of power, love, and self-discipline, that we may worship with humility and steadfast trust and respond to your holy calling, according to your will. Amen.

OPENING HYMN #441 "Hear the Good News of Salvation"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Diane Ellringer

God lived among us---eating, sleeping, and praying---embodied in Jesus Christ.

As we seek to embody God's love, we acknowledge the times we don't get it right.

Trusting in God's promise to be with us yet,

Let us join in a prayer of confession:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Diane Ellringer

Let us pray together:

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. You call us to live in this world with open hearts. Forgive us for the ways to 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

Trust in the Lord,

Who made heaven and earth;

Trust in the Lord,

Who loves every part of it.

Trust in the Lord,

Who cares for those in need;

Trust in the Lord,

Who leads us to do the same, who shows us the way.

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

Diane Ellringer

Let us pray together:

Holy God, your wisdom cries out in the streets and your grace whispers in the wind. You speak to us in many ways. Help us to hear you in the carbonated laughter of a child and in the weary sighs too deep for words. As you speak to us, let us speak of you, sharing what we believe with our words and our whole lives. Amen.

THE PSALM

Psalm 137

Diane Ellringer

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Timothy 1

MESSAGE "According to the Promise of Life" Pastor Amy

Responding

HYMN #20 "All Things Bright and Beautiful"
(Verses 1, 3, & 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 #418 "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" (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

October Mission of the Month: PEM Backpack Food Program

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

Sending

DEPARTING HYMN #438 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

BENEDICTION

Pastor Amy

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

POSTLUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

GREETERS: Ron Manzow