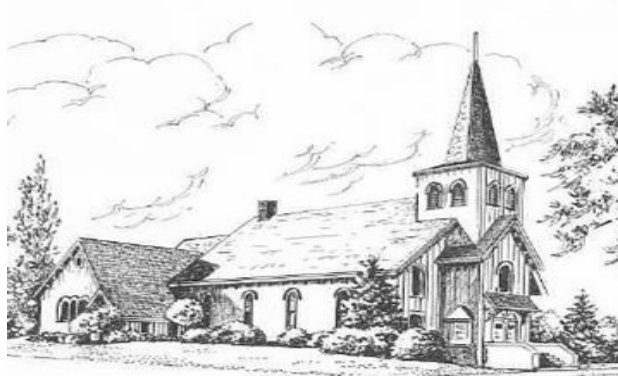


Community
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Praying
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Thursday, October 9, 2025

Newsletter

WORSHIP UPDATE

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

10:00 a.m.

Eighteenth Sunday in Pentecost

Psalm 66: 1-12

2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c

Luke 17: 11-19

Pastor Denise Dunbar-Perkins

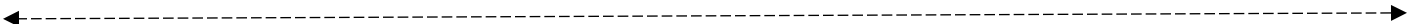
“Being Grateful”

Community Presbyterian Church - Home (cpcplainview.com)

Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube

Coffee Fellowship served after church.

Server: Diane Ellringer



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.

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.

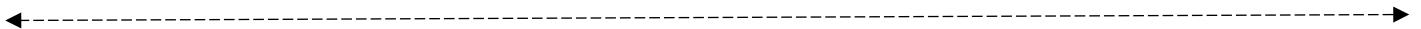


CHOIR SCHEDULE: *Choir has resumed! We will rehearse Wednesday October 8 and October 15. We rehearse at 6:00 p.m. and our rehearsals run about an hour.*



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 12th, 2025
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

PRELUDE

Mark Rich, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Diane Ellringer

Thanks-giving is a journey of faith. In thanks-seeing, we acknowledge the many blessings of the world we live in.

Our hearts are filled when we recognize all that God has given us.

In thanks-blessing, we acknowledge the help we need and receive from others.

We give thanks for the grace of God, always providing for us.

In thanks-sharing, we transform ourselves and others, to open our souls to love.

We are made whole, to love our whole world and those around us.

Let us now worship our God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Diane Ellringer

Let us pray together:

We give praise to you, O God, for you are awesome and amazing. We remember your deeds and faithfulness---deeds that have brought us to this day, faithfulness that has helped us weather life's storms. We have gone through fire and water, and stand before you today in gratitude and praise. How awesome are your deeds, O God! Amen.

OPENING HYMN #54 "Make a Joyful Noise to God!"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Diane Ellringer

Even when we are faithless, Christ remains faithful.

Trusting in grace, let us confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Diane Ellringer

Let us pray together:

O God, so often we take you for granted. We take for granted that you will answer our prayers, that you will heal us and makes us whole. We take for granted that you love us. Forgive us for not appreciating your grace and presence in our lives. Help us to be more thankful. Give us faith to see you in everything and everyone around us, so that we may be truly grateful. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

posted on Waiting for Water: Liturgy for the Easter Journey 2013

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Denise Dunbar-Perkins

Hear the Good News:

Your call has been answered.

Christ has healed you,

And forgives your sin.

With glad hearts, return praise to God.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Feasting on the Word, Worship Companion, Liturgies for Year C, Col. 2, Kimberly Bracken Long, ed. WJK Press, 2013, 206.

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 Denise

A CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR CPC

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Diane Ellringer

Let us pray together:

Eternal God, your Spirit inspired those who wrote the Bible and enlightens us to hear your Word fresh each day. Help us to rely always on your promises in Scripture. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE PSALMS

Psalm 66: 1-12

Diane Ellringer

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 17: 11-19

SERMON

"Being Grateful"

Pastor Denise

Responding

HYMN #652

"A Grateful Heart"

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 #616 "Our God Is an Awesome God" (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.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF 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.

...and so, we raise our voices in praise:

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 raise our voices to proclaim this timeless truth:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen!

Christ will come again!

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor Denise

OFFERINGS OF LOVE AND THANKSGIVING

October Mission of the Month: PEM Backpack Food Program

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious healer who meets us on the way, you give gifts we never earn and mercies we often forget to name. Receive these offerings as signs of our gratitude and expressions of our faith. Let them be more than ritual---let them become praise, rising from lives made whole in your grace. May we never settle for being merely clean when you call us to

wellness, to joy, to thanksgiving. Make us a generous people, healed and healing, blessing others as you have blessed us. In the name of Jesus, who makes us well. Amen.

Sending

DEPARTING HYMN #714 "God of the Fertile Fields"
(Verses 1, 2, & 4)

BENEDICTION

Pastor Denise

BENEDICTION SONG #80 "You Shall Go Out with Joy" (Sing once)

POSTLUDE

Mark Rich, Organ

GREETERS: Cathy DeMartini & Jason Laske