

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

505 West Broadway
Plainview, MN 55964

Sunday, November 16th, 2025

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost





Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

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Gathering

PRELUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark Rich

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating.

**O sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things.
God has remembered his steadfast Love and faithfulness.**

I will rejoice and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard.

**O sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things.
God has remembered his steadfast Love and faithfulness.**

Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.

**O sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things.
God has remembered his steadfast Love and faithfulness.**

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Mark Rich

Let us pray together:

God of restoration, help us to recognize your healing work in our lives and strengthen our faith for the seasons when that work is still in progress. May we cultivate the kind of hope that teaches us of your Love. As a prism spills colors through light, may we share your restoring Love everywhere we go. Amen.

OPENING HYMN #276 "Sing a New Song unto the Lord"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Mark Rich

We turn to you for mercy, O God of our salvation. Restore us again, for we, your people, have turned away.

When you have sent prophets to teach us your way, to turn us from sin, and to point us toward Love, we reject them, ignore them, and misinterpret them.

Sometimes we do this out of ignorance, other times because we do not want to hear. Some of us feel called to speak, to give a word of correction and wisdom;

But instead of listening to you, we are led by our own desires, our own ambitions, and our own biases. We cry out to you, forgive our sins, and make us whole once more.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mark Rich

Let us pray together:

All-knowing God, when we consider the vastness of your works, it can be easy to feel insignificant. When we think about the

abundance of your Love, it can feel as though we do not have enough to offer. Release us from our own shame and the comparisons and judgements that weigh us down. Free us from our insistence on scarcity, that we might discover your infinite grace among us and within us. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Amy Kosari

Enter God's presence, you who yearn for the day when death is no more.

From age to age, God is with us.

Enter God's presence, you who are filled with hope and you who find it hard to hope.

From age to age, God is with us. Let us praise God for His steadfast Love and faithfulness! 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

Mark Rich

Let us pray together:

Loving God, give us each wisdom to recognize our part in bringing your kingdom to life here on earth. May those in positions of power use their influence for the benefit of all. May those with the knowledge to heal give freely of their gifts. May those with imagination work to enact justice. May we all join in telling the world of your work among us. Amen.

THE PSALM

Psalm 98

Mark Rich

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Thessalonians 3

SERMON "That the Word of the Lord May Have Free Course" Pastor Amy

Responding

HYMN #757 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"
(Verses 1 & 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 #658 "God Is So Good" (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

November Mission of the Month: The Salvation Army

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending

DEPARTING HYMN #749 "Come! Live in the Light!"
(Verses 1 & 3)

BENEDICTION

Pastor Amy

BENEDICTION SONG #352 "My Lord! What a Morning" (Refrain, V1, Refrain)

POSTLUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

GREETERS: Bonnie Bosma & Janice Jurgenson

Financial Information

Mission of the Month for November: The Salvation Army

	<u>General</u>	<u>Mission</u>
11-02-2025	1,417.00	67.00
11-09-2025	1,712.00	67.00
TOTAL	3,129.00	134.00

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

PRAYER LIST

- Prayers for the family of Carol Eidenschink, who passed away October 12.
- Prayers for Cheryl Alden, recovering from a knee injury.
- Prayers for Bonnie Bosma as she had knee replacement Oct. 6.
- Prayers for Donna Christison with the passing of her sister Darlyne.
- 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 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 peace in our own country.



This week in the life of Community Presbyterian Church:

Sunday, November 16

Worship at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship

11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

Monday, November 17

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

4:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting at church

Tuesday, November 18

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

Wednesday, November 19

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal in the church sanctuary.

Thursday, November 20

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

Friday, November 21

Office Closed

Saturday, November 22

Office Closed

Sunday, November 23

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

<i>Alan Dewey</i>	<i>Nov. 7</i>
<i>Angie Jack</i>	<i>Nov. 9</i>
<i>Bruce & Sue Ihrke</i>	<i>Nov. 10</i>
<i>Zac Zabel</i>	<i>Nov. 12</i>
<i>Diane Ellringer</i>	<i>Nov. 15</i>
<i>Ralph & Betty Van Houten</i>	<i>Nov. 16</i>
<i>Jeremy Jensen</i>	<i>Nov. 27</i>
<i>John Zabel</i>	<i>Nov. 27</i>
<i>Nancy Hollister</i>	<i>Nov. 28</i>
<i>Harmonie Hollister</i>	<i>Nov. 28</i>
<i>Ellery Flanagan</i>	<i>Nov. 30</i>
<i>Jill Johnson</i>	<i>Nov. 30</i>

Mission of the Month for November: The Salvation Army

Our Mission Statement:

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination. Founded in 1865, the Salvation Army is dedicated to doing the most good possible.

They assist displaced people with homeless shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing, and re-entry resources. They are working to fight food insecurities by funding food pantries, community gardens, and meal programs.

The Salvation Army's holiday assistance programs provide food, gifts, and other essential items to those in need during the holiday season. Through initiatives like toy drives, meal distribution, and the Angel Tree program, the Salvation Army aims to ensure everyone gets to experience the joy of the holidays.

The iconic Salvation Army red kettle campaign began in 1891 by Captain Joseph McFee, a Salvation Army officer who was looking for a way to cover the cost of the community Christmas meal. Recalling his days as a sailor in Liverpool, England, he recreated the "Simpson's Pot", an iron pot where charitable donations were placed by passerby. Captain McFee placed a similar pot at the Oakland Ferry landing, at the foot of Market Street where it could be seen by all those going to and from the ferry boats. By 1895, the 'kettle' was used by 30 locations along the west coast and by 1897 the campaign was making its mark in east. That year, the kettle effort in Boston and other locations nationwide resulted in 150,000 Christmas dinners for the needy. The tradition continues still today.

Sharing your donation at Christmastime helps the Salvation Army care for homeless and needy families, but also helps serve over 27 million people through a myriad of other services all year long. These include Disaster Response Services, Social Service programs, Casework and Counseling, Youth Services, Senior Centers, Christmas Programs, Human and Sexual Trafficking Advocacy, Veterans Services, Prison Services, and Religious Services.

Lights for Life

Luminary Fundraiser for Cancer

Honor your loved ones affected by cancer by donating and decorating a luminary bag.

\$10 each or \$25 for 3 bags.

Luminary bags can be purchased at the following locations: Foresight Bank, People's State Bank, Edward Jones, Ag Partners, Bella Salon, and Erin's Touch of Style.

Each donated bag will be displayed at local businesses along West Broadway and 3rd St. SW through the month of December.

You are encouraged to take the luminary bag home to be creative and personalize it. Return to purchase location by **Tuesday, November 25, 2025.**

Donations support Lions Club International Foundation Childhood Cancer & American Cancer Society. The LCIF Childhood Cancer provides support for the needs of children and families affected by childhood cancer through impactful service activities. The American Cancer Society is a national advocacy, research, and patient support organization, that seeks to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer.



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