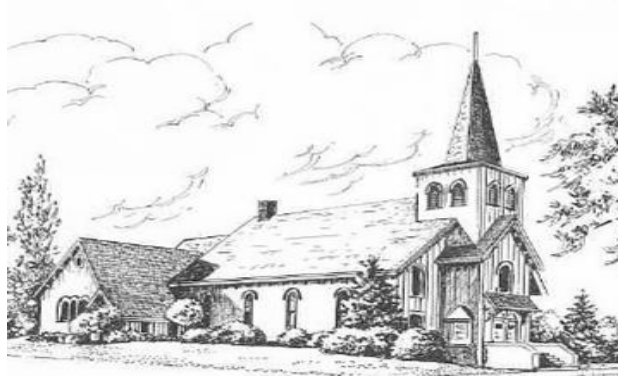


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Thursday, November 27, 2025

Newsletter

WORSHIP UPDATE

Sunday morning November 30th – Join us in person at church or online!

10:00 a.m.

First Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 2: 1-5

Romans 13: 1-14

Pastor Amy Kosari

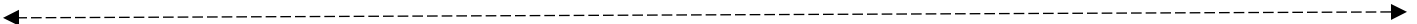
“Let Every Soul”

Community Presbyterian Church - Home (cpcplainview.com)

Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube

Coffee Fellowship served after church.

Server: Rosemary & Howard Gray



Christmas Decoration 2025

We will decorate the church for the Christmas season on Sunday, November 30 following morning church worship. This is a fun time for all, in celebration of the Christmas spirit with all the decorations for Christmas! We hope you will come to church this Sunday and stay to help decorate. It is a memorable time, something to think back about in future years. Let's create some good memories together!

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 organization is committed to supporting disaster survivors through emergency preparedness, immediate emergency response, and long-term disaster recovery. The Salvation Army assisted the town of Joplin MI after a disastrous tornado tore through their community. Just a few other groups they provide vital resources to are veterans, victims of domestic abuse, and children in need. They are responsible for serving 131 countries globally, and assist approximately 30 million Americans annually. Their budget is especially stretched since the U.S. abandoned international aid to other countries.

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.

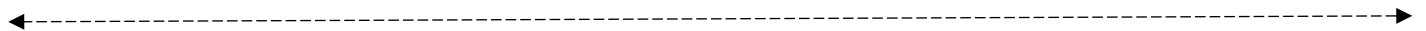


CHOIR SCHEDULE: *Choir has resumed! We will take November 26th off from rehearsal due to Thanksgiving Day. We will continue rehearsal on December 3. We rehearse at 6:00 p.m. and our rehearsals run for about an hour.*



PRAYER LIST

- Prayers for the family of Carol Eidenschink, who passed away October 12.
- 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.



November Birthdays and Anniversaries

Alan Dewey	Nov. 7
Angie Jack	Nov. 9
Bruce & Sue Ihrke	Nov. 10
Zac Zabel	Nov. 12
Diane Ellringer	Nov. 15
Ralph & Betty Van Houten	Nov. 16
Jeremy Jensen	Nov. 27
John Zabel	Nov. 27

Nancy Hollister

Nov. 28

Harmonie Hollister

Nov. 28

Ellery Flanagan

Nov. 30

Jill Johnson

Nov. 30



Volunteers needed to serve in December & January!

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@hbcu.com.



Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, November 30th, 2025
First Sunday in Advent

Gathering

PRELUDE

Mark Rich, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Donna Christison

Wake up; wake up! The day of God is near.

We do not know the hour, so we will live like the time is here and now. God is here, now!

Let us go and bask in Holy Wisdom's warmth

So that we can learn her ways and choose her paths.

To enter the house of God, we must wake up to the nightmare of hate and violence; all oppression must cease.

We will beat our weapons into tools for Love. We will take the walls we raise against the stranger and build a house where all can live in peace.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Nancy & Harmonie Hollister

Let us prepare for Christ's coming by singing our Advent song:

Candle, Candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night;

Candle, Candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light.

Please join me:

The world says, "All is lost."

God says, "All is loved."

The darkness says, "The light is dying."

The light says, "The fire is catching."

Fear says, "Cover your eyes and your ears."

Hope says, "Wait, watch, and listen."

As we light our first Advent candle,

We pray for holy hope of God.

Come now, O Child of Mary.

Come now, O Prince of Hope.

(the first candle- the Candle of Hope – is lit)

Let us sing together:

Verse One: **Light the Advent candle, one: Now the waiting has begun;**

We have started on our way, time to think of Christmas day.

Refrain: **Candle, Candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night;**

Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light.

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Donna Christison

Let us pray together:

To You, O God of the heavens, we lift our eyes. Have mercy on us! God has been our dwelling place from generation to generation. Hear us when we call! From everlasting to everlasting, God is with us. We will magnify your holy name!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Donna Christison

Christ rules over us all, seated at the right hand of God.

This is the same Christ who came to be with us, to laugh with us, cry with us, break bread with us, and be one of us.

Therefore, we approach the throne with boldness, knowing that Christ will hear our confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Donna Christison

Let us pray together:

If we had known it was you, Lord, we would have done something different. If we had known it was you, Lord, we would have given you food. If we had known it was you, Lord, we would have taken you in. If we had known it was you, Lord, we would not have passed you by. But we did. Too often we make excuses for not taking care of each other. We have ignored your commandments to love and care. We do not deserve forgiveness, but we ask for it anyway, and ask you to help us change our ways. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Amy

God seeks the lost, brings back those who have strayed,

Binds up the injured, and strengthens the weak.

We are forgiven and restored!

Thanks be to God!

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:

God of justice, God of peace, even now you are breaking into our weary world. Make your presence known to those who wait and watch for you. Send your Spirit of justice rolling over the earth; sweep away all war and suffering so that all of your creation can glorify you in peace--- the kin-dom that Jesus promised us come down to earth at last. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 2: 1-5

Donna Christison

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 13: 1-14

SERMON "Let Every Soul"

Pastor Amy Kosari

Responding

HYMN #93 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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 #97 "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night" (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: #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian hymnal.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending

DEPARTING HYMN #82 "Come, Thou Long -Expected Jesus"

BENEDICTION Pastor Amy

BENEDICTION SONG #105 "People, Look East" (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE Mark Rich, Organ

GREETERS: