

Community  
Presbyterian  
Church



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Thursday, April 30, 2026

Newsletter

## WORSHIP UPDATE

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***Sunday morning May 3rd – Join us in person at church or online!***

***10:00 a.m.***

***Fifth Sunday in Easter***

*Psalm 31: 1-20*

*John 14: 1-14*

**Pastor Amy Kosari**

**“Let Not Your Hearts be Troubled”**

**[Community Presbyterian Church - Home \(cpcplainview.com\)](http://cpcplainview.com)**

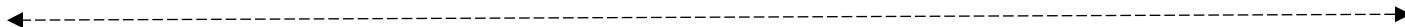
**[Community Presbyterian Church - YouTube](#)**

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**Coffee Fellowship served after church.**

**Server: Jason Laske & Mark Rich**

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## **Congregational Vote Results**

Both CPC Plainview and CPC Rochester churches voted on Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup> to accept Pastor Paul Banchasawan as our called pastor for our churches. This is a time to celebrate! Amen and praise the Lord!

## **Mission of the Month for May: Childhood Cancer Community**

The Childhood Cancer Community is dedicated to providing meaningful connections and support for families affected by childhood cancer, promoting positivity and purpose throughout their journeys.

**Mission and Purpose:** The Childhood Cancer Community aims to create a supportive environment for families dealing with the challenges of childhood cancer. They focus on fostering connections among families, survivors, and mentors to combat the feelings of loneliness that often accompany such experiences. Their mission includes raising awareness about childhood cancer and contributing to research efforts aimed at finding a cure.

The organization hosts various events, including monthly Community Nights, where families can gather for dinner, activities, and conversation. These events are free of charge and provide a space for families to connect and share their experiences.

The organization maintains a private online community where families can stay updated on each other's journeys and provide support between events.

The Childhood Cancer Community actively participates in awareness campaigns and fundraising efforts to support childhood cancer research and improve the lives of affected families.

The organization believes in the power of compassion and connection to help families navigate the difficult journey of childhood cancer. They strive to create lasting relationships that provide emotional support and practical assistance, ensuring that no family feels alone in their fight against this disease.

## **The Gideons Membership Drive**

The Gideons of Rochester are looking for more members to join their ranks. They are looking for professional businessmen in the area who are interested in becoming members of the Gideons. There is a free informative Banquet and meeting on May 18 at 6:30 p.m. at Salem Road Covenant Church, 3401 Salem Road SW in Rochester.

RSVP to 507-272-7272 by May 10<sup>th</sup> to reserve your place at the meeting.

## **Projector Update**

Sharp-NEC has sent our installation company the new 2026 model of the projector we purchased for our sanctuary. The 2025 model we originally purchased was destroyed in the warehouse. We had to wait for the new model to be made, fortunately, there was no cost for the new projector model. The installation company has said the week of May 11<sup>th</sup> may work for us. We are almost there!

## **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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 April 29th off, and rehearse again on May 6th. Our rehearsals run for about an hour. All are welcome to attend! We would love to have you with us!*

## Per Capita 2026

Per Capita this year will be \$43.75 per person. **What does “Per Capita” Mean in the Presbyterian Church (USA)?**

“Per Capita” is an annual *per-member apportionment* that every Presbyterian congregation pays to support the work of the denomination at all three governing levels:

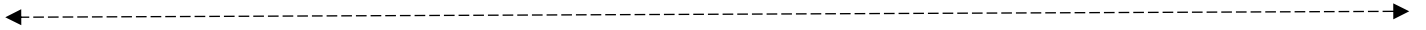
1. **Presbytery** – \$26.99-- regional support for congregations, teaching elders, programs, and mission.
2. **Synod** – \$5.50--a larger regional body offering education programs (such as Synod School) and support services, including low-cost loans for churches.
3. **General Assembly** \$11.26– the national body providing leadership, disaster relief, peacemaking initiatives, youth programs (like Triennium), and work that serves the whole church.



## PRAYER LIST

- Prayers for the family of Sharon Firzloff, especially Bruce and Belinda.
- Prayers for Tim Pries and family, with the loss of his brother Scott.

- Prayers for Gary Lee, Joan’s husband, who is recovering from shoulder replacement surgery.
- Prayers for Joe Flanagan, for good health. Prayers for Julie, for strength.
- Prayers for John Zabel for better health.
- 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 Bonnie’s niece Debra, with breast and bone cancer.
- Prayers for peace in our own country.



## May Birthdays & Anniversaries

<i>James Domke</i>	<i>May 2</i>
<i>Tom Schneider</i>	<i>May 9</i>
<i>Cathy DeMartini</i>	<i>May 15</i>
<i>Molli Funk</i>	<i>May 18</i>
<i>Betsy &amp; Jerry Dewey</i>	<i>May 19</i>
<i>Ralph Van Houten</i>	<i>May 19</i>
<i>Alyssa Kreofsky</i>	<i>May 23</i>
<i>Alex &amp; Lindsay Bartley</i>	<i>May 24</i>

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**



### Volunteers needed to serve in May and June!

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](mailto:cpcoffice@hbc.com).

# Noisy Offering

There are coin offering buckets at each door of the sanctuary. Remember to bring your spare change to church for the noisy offering. We are using this offering to go toward our Per Capita costs.



Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, May 3rd, 2026  
Fifth Sunday in Easter

## Gathering

PRELUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 148)

Jennifer Torres

Thou makest springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills.

**They give drink to every beast of the field. The wild donkeys quench their thirst.**

By them the birds of the air have their habitation; they sing among the branches.

**From thy lofty abode you water the mountains, the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy work.**

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Jennifer Torres

Let us pray together:

**God of all journeys, the road we travel is stony, and often we struggle to hold fast to hope. But in you, we find new courage, new purpose, and new life. By your grace, teach us to live as your Easter people, with mercy, compassion, and justice. Guide us with your light, that in your all-sufficient presence, we might raise our voices in endless praise. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN #326 "For All the Saints"  
(Verses 1, 4, & 5)

CALL TO CONFESSION Jennifer Torres

Almighty God, by faith you raised Jesus from death to life,  
**And crowned him Lord of all, for our sake.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Jennifer Torres

**We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged him King of Kings and Lord of Lords. We have gone along with the ways of the world and turned from him. We reject the only justice there is, your justice. We make our own way but in truth there is but one way, the way of Jesus. In our sin and because of our many burdens and sorrows, we cannot see his shining face anymore. Heavenly Father help us. In your compassion raise us from sin that we may be your faithful people obeying the commands, following after our pastor, and our friend the Lord Jesus. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Pastor Amy

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives your iniquity, and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, and satisfies you with good as long as you live, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle.**

Friends, behold the Lamb of God, in him our release is secured and our sins are forgiven through the shedding of his blood. This is the richness of God's grace lavished upon us. Hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

GLORY TO GOD #577 "Glory Be to the Father" "Gloria Patri" found in the *old blue* Presbyterian Hymnal.

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

Pastor Amy

A CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR CPC

### **The Word**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jennifer Torres

Let us pray together:

**We give thanks for Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, whom you sent at the right time to be with us, to repair our relationship with you once and for all. Jesus was born to human parents and lived a human life. He intimately understands our deepest joy and sorrows. Throughout his ministry, Jesus showed us what your steadfast love looks like. As the scriptures are read and proclaimed this morning, praise be to Jesus Christ whose steadfast love for us he endured on the cross; paying our sins once and for all. Amen.**

THE PSALM

Jennifer Torres

Psalm 31: 1-20

THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 14: 1-14

SERMON "Let Not Your Hearts be Troubled" Pastor Amy Kosari

### **Responding**

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

(Verses 1, 3, & 4)

found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian hymnal

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 #410 "God Is Calling through the Whisper" (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.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERINGS OF LOVE AND THANKSGIVING

May Mission of the Month: Childhood Cancer Community

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Amy

**Sending**

DEPARTING HYMN #418 "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"  
found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian hymnal

BENEDICTION

Pastor Amy

BENEDICTION SONG #542 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

GREETERS: Mark Rich & Jason Laske