

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

505 West Broadway
Plainview, MN 55964

Sunday, October 18th, 2026

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost





Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

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Gathering

PRELUDE

Joan Lee, Organ

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Kreofsky

Jesus entered a home where Martha welcomed him and Mary sat at his feet.

Lord, teach us to make room for your presence.

Many things compete for our attention, and many responsibilities fill our days.

Yet one thing is needed: to receive the presence and word of Christ.

Come with your work, your worries, your schedules, and your unfinished tasks.

We bring our whole lives and make room for God.

Today we declare together:

I AM MAKING ROOM. One thing is needed. Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Steve Kreofsky

Let us pray together:

Welcoming Christ, you entered the home of Martha and Mary and brought your presence into ordinary life. Enter our lives again today. Quiet our hurry, loosen our grip on endless tasks, and teach us to recognize what is truly necessary. As the busy seasons ahead approach, create holy space within us for worship, prayer, Scripture, relationships, rest, generosity, and attentive love. May we make room for you so that everything else finds its proper place. Amen.

OPENING HYMN #1 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

(Verses 1, 3, & 4)

Found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian Hymnal.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Steve Kreofsky

Christ welcomes us into his presence, yet our lives are often crowded and distracted.

We confess that many good things can keep us from the one thing we most need.

Jesus meets us with patience and calls us back to grace.

Trusting in his welcome, let us confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Steve Kreofsky

Patient God, we confess that our lives are crowded. We fill our schedules until prayer becomes an afterthought, worship competes with convenience, and people we love receive only what is left of our attention. We become worried and distracted by many things.

Sometimes even our service for you becomes so busy that we forget simply to be with you. Forgive us. Reorder our desires, calm our anxious striving, and help us choose what gives life. Make room within us for the presence of Christ. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Paul

Hear the Good News: Jesus does not shame the weary or turn away the distracted.

Christ welcomes us again and makes room for us in grace.

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

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

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

Pastor Paul

A CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR CPC

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Steve Kreofsky

Let us pray together:

Lord Jesus, as we hear your Word, help us sit at your feet with open hearts. Lay aside our distractions, quiet our inward lists, and give us attention for what you want to say. May your Word become the one thing that reorders all the other things in our lives. Amen.

THE GOSPEL TESTAMENT LESSON:

Luke 10: 38-42

SERMON "Making Room for God"

Pastor Paul Banchasawan

Responding

HYMN #401 "Here in This Place"

(Verses 1, 2, & 4)

Found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian Hymnal.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostle's Creed) Steve Kreofsky

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 #614 "Great Are You, Lord"

Found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian hymnal.

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

October Mission of the Month: Student Backpack Food Program

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending

DEPARTING HYMN #276 "Sing A New Song Unto the Lord"
found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian hymnal

BENEDICTION Pastor Paul

BENEDICTION SONG #727 "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"
(Verse1)

found in the purple *Glory to God* Presbyterian hymnal

POSTLUDE Joan Lee, Organ

GREETERS: Bruce Firzlaff & Ron Manzow

Mission of the Month for October: Children's Backpack Food Program

Every week, bags are stuffed with food items for students to share with their families over the weekend when students are not in school for their regular meals. Food is purchased at wholesale prices and distributed to students.

Financial Information

Mission of the Month for October: Children's Backpack Food Program

	<u>General</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Per Capita</u>	<u>Noisy Offering</u>
10-04-2026	1,617.00	117.00		
10-11-2026	1,230.00	15.00		9.86
TOTAL	2,847.00	132.00	847.00	379.99

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

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY



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.



PRAYER LIST

- Prayers for the family of Haven Paulson, with the passing of his brother.
- Prayers for Tim and Diana Pries, with the tragic loss of their nephew Josh.
- Prayers for Tim Pries and family, with the loss of his brother Scott.
- Prayers for Joe Flanagan, for good health. Prayers for Julie, for strength.
- Prayers for John Zabel for better health.
- Prayers for Alyssa Kreofsky, who is in a lot of pain and has kidney disease.

Confirmation/Youth Group Announcement

Confirmation/Youth Group will start on Wednesday, September 23 from 6:00 – 7:30. All middle and high school youth are invited. If any congregation member would like to provide the meal or dessert for the week, let Alan Dewey or the office know. Plan for about 10 people.

Next Sunday, October 25, “Ready for Every Good Work”

Our October journey reaches its final movement: READY. God has rooted us in Christ, taught us to listen, and invited us to make room for his presence---not so that we remain spiritually comfortable, but so that we may be equipped for faithful living. Paul tells Timothy that Scripture teaches, corrects, trains, and prepares God's people for every good work. This Sunday we will gather the entire month into one question: What is God preparing me---and our congregation---to do? As we look toward November and the coming Advent season, we will declare together: I am rooted. I am listening. I am making room. I am ready.

October Sermon Series: “A People Made Ready”

“Growing Deeper in Christ as We Prepare to Welcome Him Anew”
Throughout the past several months, we have explored what it means to be Christ’s Church, to become faithful stewards of God’s gifts, and to participate fully in the life and mission of the congregation. During October, we will take the next step together: spiritual preparation.

Before we enter the busy seasons of Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas, we will ask how God is preparing our hearts for what comes next. Through Scripture, worship, and prayer, we will discover what it means to become a people who are rooted in Christ, attentive to God’s voice, willing to make room for God, and ready for every good work.

October 4—“Rooted in Christ”—Colossians 2: 6-7—I AM ROOTED.

October 11—“Listening for God’s Voice”—1 Samuel 3: 1-10—I M LISTENING.

October 18—“Making Room for God”—Luke 10: 38-42—I AM MAKING ROOM.

October 25—“Ready for Every Good Work”—2 Timothy 3: 14-17—I AM READY.

Series Scripture: “to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.” – Luke 1:17

Join us throughout October as God forms us together into A People Made Ready.

This week in the life of Community Presbyterian Church:

Sunday, October 18

8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship

9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

Worship at 8:30 a.m.

Monday, October 19

6:00 p.m. Session Meeting at Church

Office Hours 9:00-4:00

Tuesday, October 20

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

Wednesday, October 21

6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

6:00 p.m. Confirmation/ Youth Group at Church

Office Hours 9:00-4:00

Thursday, October 22

Office Hours 10:00-2:00

Friday, October 23

Office Closed

Saturday, October 24

Office Closed

Sunday, October 25

8:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

Worship at 8:30 a.m.



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