

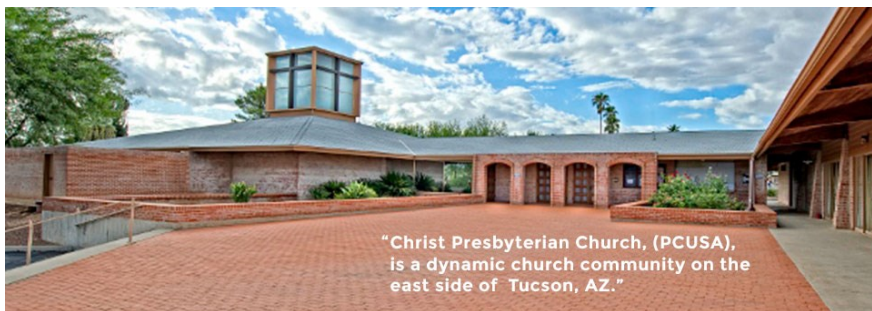


CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TUCSON, ARIZONA

February 2017

Kiva CPC Newsletter



"Christ Presbyterian Church, (PCUSA),
is a dynamic church community on the
east side of Tucson, AZ."



Pastor Melde's Page

When asked which was the greatest commandment, Jesus didn't quote one of the ten. He actually quoted the foundation of all the commandments when he said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength." (Deuteronomy 6) But then he took it even deeper when he continued, "And you shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22)

Reflecting on this deep call to Love, and to love in a way we hadn't fully realized God was challenging us, the Apostle Paul reminded us to love completely when he wrote chapter 13 of 1st Corinthians.

Being a Christian requires every part of our being, and it's no easy life. To love in the way that God loved us (John 3:16-17), to love in the way Christ loved us (Romans 5:8), to love in the way we are called to love (1 Corinthians 13), means being loving beings at all times, in all places and situations, with all people. Yes, Always and All Ways!

While we celebrate Love in February (Valentine's Day), may our Christian celebrations be more than chocolates and sweets and pretty red roses. May our faith lead us deeper into this discipleship and apostleship with Christ, not only following him but also doing as he did, living as he lived, loving as he taught us to love.

Sometimes I think February is a better month for Christians to make resolutions than January. Love is life changing, not only for those who are loved, but especially for those who love.

So, "beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ... Those who say, 'I love God,' and hate their brothers or sisters are liars.... The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also." (1 John 4:7-21)

Happy February, O you people of faith!

Peace in our journeys,

Pastor Steve Melde

worship at CPC

Gather with other Christian Disciples to Worship God **Sunday Mornings**

8:30 a.m. Worship in Fellowship Hall
Contemporary Music with the CPC Band

9:30 a.m. Sunday Funday for all Ages

10:45 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
Traditional Music with the Organist and Choirs

First Saturday Night Communion Worship Service

February 4th, 5:30 p.m. (In the Library)

Join us for an intimate communion experience almost as if we are those original disciples, trying to understand Jesus' words.

First Sunday Communion Worship Services

February 5th, 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Each first Sunday of the month we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

We use bread that is gluten/dairy/soy/nut free.


We use grape juice rather than wine.

Facebook Live:

Most Sundays we are trying to Live Stream one of our Worship services on the Church Facebook page. If you are unable to be here on a Sunday morning, check and see if we are live, and/or watch it later.

[www.Facebook/ChristPresbyterianTucson](https://www.facebook.com/ChristPresbyterianTucson)

We need people to staff the Church Ipad during worship so we can go live on Facebook. If you would be able to help, please call Pastor Melde at the church office (886-5535) or email him (PastorSteveMelde@gmail.com)



1st Saturday Night Worship at CPC

Join Us In The Upper Room

Imagine what it must have been like for those first disciples of Jesus as they gathered around him to listen to him teach, when he went up the mountain and said, “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs are the kingdom of heaven, ...” Imagine how they must have felt when he called them the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Imagine watching him perform his amazing miracles; healing the blind and leper, casting out an evil spirit, bringing a little girl back to life and always being told not to tell anyone else about it. Imagine seeing Jesus feed over 5,000 people with only a few fish and a few loaves of bread. Imagine being with Jesus when he calmed the storm or walked on the Sea of Galilee. Imagine being in the Upper Room with Jesus to celebrate the Passover Meal and listening to Jesus say that he would be betrayed by one of his closest friends, deserted and denied by the rest of his friends, and then arrested and crucified.

On February 4, 2017, rather than worshipping in the Round Sanctuary for the First Saturday of the Month, we will gather in the candle-lit Upper Room (better known at Christ Presbyterian Church as the Library). As we always do, we will sing hymns of praise, pray together, and read scripture followed by a period of quiet reflection listening for the Spirit of God to speak to our hearts. We will also celebrate the Lord’s Supper and close with our traditional closing hymn Make Me A Channel of Your Peace. And, in the Upper Room, we will also share what it might have been like to be one of the first disciples to follow Jesus.

Join us at 5:30 pm for our First Saturday Evening Worship Service.

Stewardship 2017: See What the Water Is Doing



Last month we began a new semester of youth ministry and kicked it off with a parent/youth challenge night of fun. Just before Christmas, I found a new board game that used trivia questions to challenge youth and their parents to better understand each other. We had a great night of laughter as we figured out that we did know each other pretty well, but that there were areas we could better share our lives and learn about each other.

The game was about \$10. And you thought giving \$10 to the church wouldn't make much difference. Well, let me tell you... \$10 gave us a night of great fun and fellowship, bringing teens and parents just a little bit closer.

So thank you. Your ongoing giving to the annual budget of 2017 is an amazing gift, and every gift is generous! It's like watering the seeds of faith in our young people, who are becoming more faithful disciples of God in Jesus Christ. The spiritual growth in our youth is one fruit of your Stewardship giving. Thank you!

Pastor Steve Melde, also Director of Youth Ministries!
(I love that title!)



Aging Mastery Program®

National Council on Aging



The Aging Mastery Program® (AMP) classes

Tuesdays, Feb. 14, 21, 28 • March 7, 21, 28 • April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2017

Note: There will be no class on Tue., Mar. 14

1:30 pm – 3:15 pm

The Aging Mastery Program® (AMP) classes will explore:

- Navigating Longer Lives
- Exercise and You
- Sleep
- Healthy Eating and Hydration
- Financial Fitness
- Advance Planning
- Healthy Relationships
- Medication Management
- Fall Prevention
- Community Engagement

By participating in this program, you will make small helpful changes in your activities, get incentives and rewards for taking these steps to improve your well-being, meet new friends and become more involved in your community.

Limited spots available: Sign up now!

Fee: \$99 is for all 10 weeks of the program

Registration and Fee (payable in advance) by Mon., Jan. 16
(No refunds after Fri., Jan. 20)

Location: Christ Presbyterian Church

6565 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85710

Join the adventure!



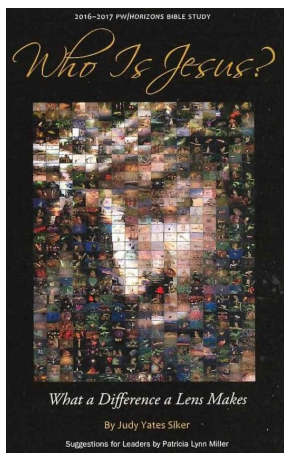
**For more information and to REGISTER,
call Pima Council on Aging
520-305-3409**

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Please contact Karen Ring at Pima Council
on Aging to reserve your spot at this
excellent program. Call 305-3409 today
because space is limited.

Did you know??

All women of the CPC congregation are members of Presbyterian Women and are invited to participate in Bible study and learn about local, national and international mission service projects.



Bible Study for 2017
(the first Friday of each month)

**"Who is Jesus?
What a Difference a Lens Makes"**

Lesson #5 February 3, 2017
According to Paul
Room A/B, 1:00—2:00 PM

(Julia is looking for someone to lead discussion following the study)

Thank you for your continued support of prayer and donations
for these mission projects supported by the Presbyterian Women!

CROSS STREET MINISTRY: This is a Men's shower ministry, accepting men's clothing, personal hygiene items especially Large bars of soap.

MENAU SCHOOL: Albuquerque, NM: Educational labels (box tops) and the POINT Labels with the Bar Code attached.

RONALD MC DONALD HOUSE: Please continue to save the metal tabs, also Chemo Caps and disinfectant wipes are appreciated.

HERMOSILLO, MEXICO CHILDREN'S CANCER HOSPITAL: Plastic caps of any size are being collected. PLEASE NO METAL CAPS!

Interested in more information about Presbyterian Women at CPC?
Please call either Marilyn McConnell (579-8438) or Julia Potter (298-4415)

Upcoming

The Presbyterian Women have Spring Gathering on April 8, 2017
at the Korean Church. The speaker will be Martha Ashton .
Julia Potter can provide more information



Dear CPC family,
Because of your continued support of our Haven Totes kids in money, food and time, we have the ability to increase the number of children we serve from 24 to 30! This would not be possible without all of you.

Please continue to pray for and support this local ministry. ~Your Mission Team

Tote Helpers for February 2017

Feb 6 Cheryll D. (note early date)

Feb 13-17 Ann, Marion, and Mary
Ellen

Feb 20-22 Lana & Rada
(note early date)

Tucson Society of the Blind
meets at CPC on Tuesday Mornings in classrooms 6/7. This is a wonderful group, doing loving, caring work in our community. They need help from someone, maybe from our church family, to serve and provide assistance. 9:30-am—Noon on Tuesdays. Please contact Barbara at 298-2427 if you're interested in helping out.

*What does over a ton
of Love look like??*



*Christ Presbyterian Church donated
3,311 lbs of food to the eastside
ICS Foodbank. This significant gift,
thanks to your 1st annual Reverse
Advent Calendar bags in December, will
get them through a challenging season of
meeting needs in Tucson.*

Middle and High School Youth Ministry News

Sunday Funday School meets Sundays at 9:30 a.m. There is a class for Middle Schoolers and one for High schoolers in the North Education wing, Rooms C and D. They continue to study our Biblical ancestors to learn how to be more faithful disciples of God in Jesus Christ.

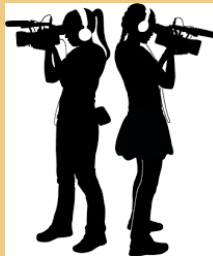
February 5: Clean up Palo Verde Park
February 12: Congregational Meeting
February 19: Jonah
February 26: Help with the Flea Market

2-4 Youth Fellowship

meets on the 2nd and 4th Sunday
of each month, 6-7:30 p.m.
We begin with a pizza dinner!

***February 12: Filming CPC Commercials ***

***February 26: Filming CPC Commercials ***



D.O.O.R. Trip Hollywood
for High School Youth is June 4-11.
Deposit is due February 26th.

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2017 Flea Market News!

Kick-Off Dinner



On **Thursday, February 9, from 6 to 8 pm**, join us in the Fellowship Hall for an evening meal. The night promises to be filled with excitement, energy and enthusiasm as we want to make the 2017 Flea Market fundraiser (March 16, 17, 18) the best one yet!

“Regulars” – please mark your calendars...your enthusiasm is contagious! “Newbies” or “Hmm.... let me find out more about it” folks – you are cordially invited. Everyone at CPC can participate in any number of ways. Come see how.

RSVP's would be appreciated. We don't want to run short of food! Contact **Pam Cullop by phone: 520-271-6678 or email: pjcullop@gmail.com**, with your meal confirmation. Bring a neighbor, a friend, a spouse or anyone who might be interested. We do have fun!

* Special Coupon Incentive—All volunteers (2nd Hand Weekends volunteers; final month of unloading pods, staging, set up, and donation collections volunteers; flea market sale days' volunteers), are entitled to one 20% coupon, good for one purchase! This is not just one item...but one purchase (could be any number of items, but can be used only once, and at one time). If you do not already have yours, get it at the kick-off dinner, at one of the recruitment weekends, or anytime you volunteer. Commit to any position(s) before March 12 to receive yours!





...more Flea Market News!

The teams most in need of volunteers, and actively recruiting for volunteers, include:

Campus Coverage (floaters, greeters/door coverage, lifters/ carryout, event staff (security)). Campus Coverage *Team Leads: Tracie Couzens, Vera Bare & Shirley McClain*

Cashiers & baggers *Team Lead: Pam Raines*

Donation unloads, Set Up & Clean Up – *Team Leads: Donna Kuehn & Pam Cullop*

Food for volunteers – *Team Leads: Cheryll Dunafon and John Arbuckle*

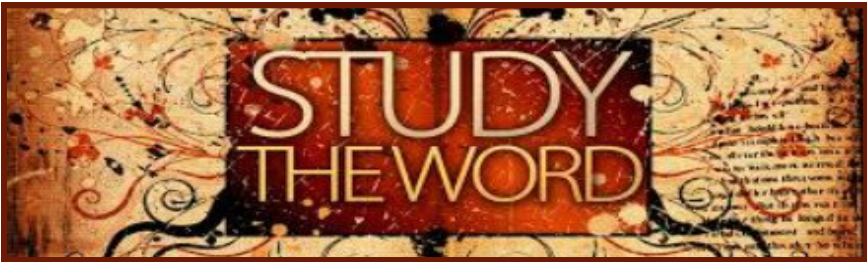
Clothing Set Up – *Section Lead: Pam Elitharp*

IMPORTANT DATES—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**February 10- Table Set Up in MPR 8 am-12 noon
(need 10 Volunteers)**

**February 11- Non-Furniture Pod Unloading 8 am til we're done
(need 30-40 Volunteers)**

**February 13—March 15 Big Staging Program-Wide Effort
Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays 8am—Noon
Saturdays and Sundays 9 am—2 pm (unless specified)**



STUDY THE WORD

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study is offered at the 9:30 am Sunday School hour in room A/B. Join us anytime, everyone is welcome.

We enjoy an in-depth book-by-book Bible study. We are beginning a study of Titus. It's very short book, so maybe this is a good time to give our class a try.

Christian Living Class

We are continuing our series... If You Want to Walk on Water You've Got to Get Out of the Boat. This six-week video series is based on the book written by John Ortberg.

Facing your fears and choosing not to let fear have the last word. Discovering and embracing the unique calling of God on our lives. Experiencing the power of God to accomplish what we would not be capable of doing on our own.

This series will help us answer Christ's call to greater faith, power-filled deeds, and a new way of knowing Him.

We meet in Rm E/F at 9:30 Sundays and enjoy lively, respectful, thought provoking discussions. Please join us!

Use the Power of your Purse to
Fight Poverty & Injustice and Join Us...

Date / Time

Saturday, February 18th
11 am to 2 pm

Location

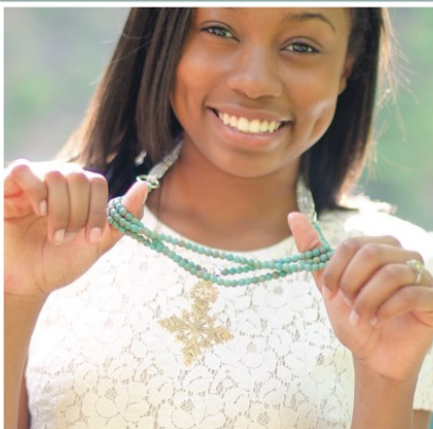
St. John on the Desert Presbyterian Church
2695 N. Houghton Road
Tucson, AZ 85749

Contact

To RSVP, please contact Pastor Lesley Abrams at
pastorlesley@gmail.com or 520.749.3615



Fashion & Compassion is a non-profit organization that
connects caring consumers with vulnerable women to bring
dignity through economic opportunity.



Tucson Society of the Blind (TSB) Presents TWO RODEO CONCERTS



Thursday, February 16 &
Friday, February 17, 2017

Featuring Tom Chambers and
Rusty Dutton & Band
singing Western Music Favorites

Fellowship Square
8111 E. Broadway in Villa 2 Great Room
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Tickets: \$10 each

Contact Barb 298-2427 or Tom 721-1029

www.tucsonsoftheblind.org

Raffle Ticket Drawing, Silent Auction

6 tickets for \$5, 12 tickets for \$10, Wonderful prizes



Crafty Ladies

The CPC Craft Group, which meets each Wednesday morning from 9 am until 12 noon.

Bring your own project, or just show up and join in what others have started. We laugh, listen to music, regale one another with a tale or two, all in the name of the PW of CPC, and the missions we serve. We stop for snacks, bring sack or potluck lunches on longer days, and no one is forced to punch a time clock. Everyone sets their own hours. Come when you can and stay as long as you like. No worries, no fuss, just plain old fun.

Questions? Call Pam Cullop – 520-271-6678, email: pjcullop@gmail.com.



Prayer Shawl Group

If you've ever received a Prayer Shawl, you know what a comfort it can be during a difficult time for someone.

The Prayer Shawl group meets once a month on the first Tuesday of each month from 1-3 pm in Room E/F. Meetings are not required to participate. You can drop off a shawl in the church office too.

We make shawls that are 18-22 inches wide and 60-62 inches long. You may use any pattern or color, although blue is the most requested color.

As mentioned in the past we are always needing more crafters to make our shawls and if you would like to participate, we would be forever grateful for your assistance.

Prayer shawl request forms are available in the church office or you may call LuAnn Cobb, 721-7338, with your request.

CPC Fellowship.....



Join other CPC family for lunch at Noon on Friday, February 10th, and enjoy the fabulous Rincon Country Gentlemen singing group. The cost is \$10/person which includes a catered lunch.

Please make your reservations through the church office by Wednesday, February 8th. This is a nice event to invite a friend or neighbor.

Market on the Move

Saturday February 25th
8:00 am—11:00 am

The Market will be located in the front parking lot.
\$10 buys up to 60 lbs of fresh produce.
You can even bring a friend and split it!

This produce would wind up in a landfill if not for Market on the Move.

...more CPC Fellowship

Men's Breakfast, Wednesday, February 15th at 7:30am.

Join us for Bible Roulette. We'll open the Scripture, and wherever our eyes go is what we'll read and discuss. Men of ALL AGES are invited to join us each Third Wednesday of the month at Biscuits (7026 E. Broadway). We meet in the private dining area and each has a separate check..

Women's Breakfast, Thursday, January 16th at 8:30 am.

Each Third Thursday of the month
ALL WOMEN are invited to breakfast at 8:30 am at Biscuits (7026 E. Broadway). Join us for good food, fabulous fellowship, and excellent conversation. No reservations needed. Bring a friend! Bring a smile! Bring your laughs! And even bring your tears! Together we eat, and separately we pay.

Mexican Train Dominoes

We Play Dominoes Every
Thursday @ 1pm
NO experience is necessary. We'll
teach you the game.



CPC Arts Activity Group EVENT CALENDAR



Save the Dates

March 11, 2017 : Desert Museum Ironwood Art Gallery
Outing (Lunch is optional)

April 8 or 9, 2017: The Living Lord's Supper event at
El Camino Baptist Church

May 13, 2017: UofA Museum of Art/Center for Creative
Photography

September 16, 2017 Painting Class by Kim McDonald,
Lisa, and Ann Larrabee

We have more plans in the works. Stay tuned!
See Sally Brandon for more details. Call 349-2909 or
email brandosally@gmail.com.

Book Club



The meeting this month happens to fall on Valentine's Day. We meet in the Library at 1:00 pm. Our book this month is The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother.

This is a nice group and everyone is welcome, second Tuesday of each month.

*Please contact Ann Larrabee
for more information ph 745-6310.*

Thank
You

Dear CPC Family,

There are no words to express the love and blessings that pour forth from this compassionate community, to those who are in need. I feel your caring like the prayer shawl we received, wrapped around my heart. My family felt the love too.

To all of those who sent cards and emails—Thank you! To those to contributed desserts to the service for Rachel—Thank you! To everyone who prayed for us throughout this entire month—God Bless You.

CPC is my church family, my home, and I am so happy to be with such good friends.

Love, Pam & Wayne Cullop

**Dear CPC family,
The family of Jordan Howell wants to express our warmest and sincere thanks from the bottom of our hearts. When we were not capable of doing it ourselves, so many amazing groups of caring, take-charge people lifted us up and provided a memorial service that will remain in our hearts forever. Kind words, cards, and support from the congregation comforted us. Pastor Steve Melde and family we are eternally grateful for every way you reached out and supported us. Blessings to each of you.**

Bob and Claudia Howell



Dear Christ Presbyterian,
Kellond Cougars thank
you for supporting our
school.

Sincerely,
Ms. Bailey
Principle of the
Day

Our February Birthdays

2/2	Nita Haddock	2/16	Jim Cech
2/3	Alan Bohrer	2/17	JoAnn Bryan
2/3	Gordon Custis	2/17	Darby Cech
2/4	G. Ann Smith	2/18	Dale Stevens
2/5	Tom Worker	2/18	Gayle McCann
2/5	Bob Powers	2/19	Dorothy Buchanan-Barrow
2/6	Don Schneider	2/19	Julia Potter
2/7	Pamela Maher	2/19	Ruth Richards
2/8	Bonny Soreck	2/19	Kean Nordbrock
2/8	Juanita Garcia	2/21	Lloyd Redding
2/9	Arlene Lenox	2/21	Mary Jean Koch
2/9	Rocky Rockhill	2/21	Staci Fehringer
2/9	Linda Giorgi	2/21	Linda Tillema
2/9	Kayla Samoy	2/21	Marilyn Redding
2/10	George Gaumont	2/21	Joann Forbes
2/11	Lewis Carliss	2/25	Kathleen Graler
2/11	Dawn Custis	2/26	Pete Cella
2/12	Neil Ricketts	2/28	Norma Patrick
2/12	Sally Lanyon	2/28	Nancy Schneider
2/13	Vera Schlichter	2/28	Steven Ede
2/14	Ken Byrum	2/29	Mary Richmond
2/14	Gail Craig-Jager	2/29	Cindy McNown Perry
2/14	Andrea Heck		
2/16	Beverly Worker		

*Sorry Mary and Cindy (no 29th),
but you know, that makes you
younger than everyone else!*

If we missed your birthday, we are sorry. Please let us know in
the church office so we can get you on our list!

Happy Birthday to All!



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Weekly Bulletins and Thursday

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Wednesday at noon