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October 2021



A Word From Our Pastor...



Halloween is coming. Yay. Little packets of peanut M&M's will be everywhere!

And so will the news of our 2022 Annual Stewardship campaign to support the General Budget of our church's ministry and mission.

Our church uses October to spend time looking ahead, dreaming, listening for God's guidance, and hunkering in on plans for what we will be doing together in the coming year.

It's also the time we are all encouraged to take time to make our plans for how we can support those plans. It takes all of us sharing our time, talents, and financial resources to accomplish what our leadership teams are planning for the coming year.

Each year we encourage our church family to make an Estimate of Giving pledge to the coming year's budget. Stay tuned to worship on Sundays to hear more about what's being planned. Take some time now to pray, think, and plan for how you can be a part of all that's happening at and through #CPCTucsonAZ, our church family.

We will be dedicating our 2022 Estimate of Giving pledges on Sunday, November 7th, during worship. Pledge cards will be available at the end of October. If you didn't receive our first mailing about the campaign, it means we don't have you on our mailing list. Please call the church office and give Stella, our Office Manager, all of your information.

It's humbly amazing what we've done together in God's name. "Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow" is our 2022 theme and will lead us to honor the past, support what's happening now, and plan for the future. Join us in being a part of this faithful experience.

Peace in our journeys, Pastor Steve Melde

Sunday Worship

We worship together every Sunday....

8:30 a.m. in/from Fellowship Hall with our Band 10:45 a.m. in/from the Sanctuary with our choirs and accompanist.

You can attend in person (masks are still recommended, but not required), or online:

www.cpctucsonaz.org (scroll to the bottom of the home page)
www.Facebook.com/ChristPresbyterianTucson
www.YouTube.com/cpctucsonaz

Children are always welcome in worship!

October 7: World Communion Sunday
The Holy Catholic church (Matthew 28:16-20)

October 14: The Rev. Sara Ver Burg and her family will be leading

October 17: Greatness (Mark 10:35-45)

October 24: Fearfully and Wonderfully Made (Psalm 139)

October 31: The Church: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow (Mark 10:46-52)



Memorial Service for our Loved Ones Sunday, November 7, 2021 4:00 p.m. Tucson Time

A Time to honor our loved ones who passed away during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Join us in the Sanctuary to honor loved ones who passed away during the COVID-19 Pandemic and gathering restrictions. We will have the opportunity to partake in the sacrament of communion and celebrate their lives in word, song, and prayer. Set your calendar now, more information is coming as the planning team creates the service.



Sunday Funday is off to a booming start! We are diving into the story of Daniel and his faith.

We are still looking for a few people to help do rotations with the elementary school children. We are looking for someone to run Bible study, games, crafts and drama. It would be one Sunday every 5 weeks. Our hope is to have volunteers who can commit to helping just once every five weeks so that the children can get to know you. There are five rotations, so you would help from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. five times from now until May. Please let Miss Robin know if you can help at robbert77@juno.com. All supplies, lessons and training are provided.

2-4 Youth Fellowship

2-4 Youth Fellowship has some changes in October

Saturday, October 9: 7 a.m. – I p.m. Help with the Parking Lot Sale Youth and parents are needed to help with the one day sale

Sunday, October 24: Halloween Festival (4-6 p.m.)
Youth and Parents (and the congregation) will host this annual event.

Everyone's help is needed!!

The Christian Living Class

9:30 a.m., Room E/F. and on Zoom

The Christian Living Class is currently viewing and discussing videos by Rob Bell, a bestselling author of 11 books, including **Drops Like Stars**, **Love Wins**, and **Everything is Spiritual**. His podcast is called **The Robcast**. In 2011 Time Magazine named him one of the 100 Most Influential People in the World.

I you want to join us on Zoom, please email (office@cpctucsonaz.org) or call the church office (520-886-5535) and let us know so we can send you a Zoom invite

Casa Maria Sandwich Making

Tuesday, October 26, 8:00 a.m.

Casa Maria Soup Kitchen is an organization that has been providing hundreds of meals daily since 1981 to Tucson's hungry women, children, and men.

CPC Casa Maria Sandwich Making Ministry meets every fourth Tuesday of the month to put together two hundred lunches. Each lunch includes two sandwiches, fruit and cookies.

If you would like to provide sandwiches (meat and cheese), please bring them to Fellowship Hall before (they can be kept in the refrigerator) the fourth Tuesday of the month or by 8:30 the morning of. If you would like to help put the lunches together, contact Cindy at ridingsc@comcast.net.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has started meeting on the first Tuesday of the month, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in rooms E/F. Our next meeting will be October 5. We hope to have a great time catching up on what everyone has been doing during the long pandemic. We look forward to seeing all of our members and would love to see some new faces appear, so if you knit or crochet, please consider coming to our meeting and see what we do. We will be following church recommendations of wearing masks and practicing social distancing.

If you have any questions, please call LuAnn Cobb, 520-721-7338.

CPC Mission Corner



Fundraising Event

Saturday, October 2, 2021, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Family Life Center at Fountain of Life Church 710 S. Kolb Road

Enjoy an evening of delicious food prepared by local chef, Brian Sorrel, and support our programs for the 2021-2022 school year. We will showcase our new container gardening education program with door prizes, a silent auction and opportunities to sponsor the families we serve with our Fund-A-Garden program.

We will be following CDC guidelines and to further reduce risk, most of the event will be held outdoors. Additionally, you do not need to be present to win, so you may bid on your favorite auction items and take your food "to-go."

Purchase tickets at CPC on the patio between worship services or online at: www.haventotes.org/farmtotable

\$15 Individual | \$25 Couple

For ticketing and other information, email or call haventotes@outlook.com or 520-661-0370

Christmas Cards For Our Troops

Last year CPC made and sent blank, home-made Christmas cards to our troops overseas. You responded very positively and our Mission Team has decided to participate again this year, hoping to bring smiles during the holidays. Many of our deployed troops have difficulty finding Christmas cards to write and send home to their friends and family.

Please bring your finished cards and envelopes to Church with you on Sunday or drop them by the office before October 15 so we can send them away in plenty of time.

Thank you, Ann Larrabee

Whether you are a paper crafter, an artist, or just want to help, here is what is needed:

- A2 size cards (4 1/2 inches by 5 1/2 inches, half of a standard sheet of paper.) Card Stock is the best.
- Size A envelopes

The size is specific in order to facilitate shipping! Please follow the size guidelines! Do not include store-bought cards of various sizes.

- No glitter or bling! Twine, small ribbons, foil paper is fine.
- Other than greetings you put on the card, (Merry Christmas, etc., do not personalize or sign. Remember, these are for troops to write and send to their family and friends.
- Make some aimed at young children. Yes! Let your children participate in making these cards. They will be loved and cherished.
- Cards can be religious, winter themed, whimsical children's etc.









TRUNK OR TREAT!



HOT DOGS!



GAMES FOR THE KIDS!

We need volunteers to:

- Give out candy from their decorated trunks
- Run the children's games
- Donate Candy (leave candy in orange bins)
- Other scary stuff as needed
- Please contact Pastor Steve "Spooky" Melde to volunteer.

Book Club



The Book Club will meet on **Tuesday, Octoberber 19**,1:00 p.m. for a hybrid in-person (Patio Room) and Zoom Meeting to discuss **The Dutch House** by Ann Patchett

If you would like to join in-person or on Zoom, please contact Ann, annlarrabee4@gmail.com

At the end of the Second World War, Cyril Conroy combines luck and a single canny investment to begin an enormous real estate empire, propelling his family from poverty to enormous wealth. His first order of business is to buy the Dutch House, a lavish estate in the suburbs outside of Philadelphia. Meant as a surprise for his wife, the house sets in motion the undoing of everyone he loves.

The story is told by Cyril's son Danny, as he and his older sister, the brilliantly acerbic and self-assured Maeve, are exiled from the house where they grew up by their stepmother. The two wealthy siblings are thrown back into the poverty their parents had escaped from and find that all they have to count on is one another. It is this unshakeable bond between them that both saves their lives and thwarts their futures.

Set over the course of five decades, *The Dutch House* is a dark fairy tale about two smart people who cannot overcome their past. Despite every outward sign of success, Danny and Maeve are only truly comfortable when they're together. Throughout their lives they return to the well-worn story of what they've lost with humor and rage. But when at last they're forced to confront the people who left them behind, the relationship between an indulged brother and his ever-protective sister is finally tested.



Congregational Care Corner

Compassion Connections Ministry

Greetings, Friends!

It's great to be back. It was lovely, peaceful and fun visiting my brother and family in Washington State and it's always good to get home. While I was away, my landlord contacted me to tell me she is selling the house I have lived in for the past 8 years. What a shocker! That brought my vacation time to an early close so I could begin to search for a new place to live. Searched, and searched and searched.....This is not a good time to buy or rent but the rents have gone up so high, it didn't make sense not to purchase and have a lower monthly payment. So the search began again. During all this time of searching, I really thought I was "in touch" with God through all of my frantic prayer....Humm...it occurred to me a couple of weeks ago that frantic prayer was not working! Then I read a devotional that began, "Trust Me and refuse to worry, for I am your Strength and Song." Then it went on to say, "stay in the present, if you use your magnificent mind to worry about tomorrow, you cloak yourself in dark unbelief. However, when the hope of heaven fills your thoughts, the Light of My Presence envelopes you." So I turned my worries over to the Lord and did real well for about a week. Then my worry began to creep right back in again, (wondering if I am going to be homeless, what if this, and what if that, and oh my dear God, please help me!)...and I didn't even realize it! When I read the devotional again, I was disappointed in my human self that I allowed that to happen. So once again the prayer for forgiveness and commitment to trust in the Lord with all my heart, was present. May it continue to be so! And a side note, I have found a place. It's not final yet and I do have to be out of my current home by the end of September, although closing on the new one is not until mid-October, but I'm trusting that things will work out. There are always options, we just need to keep an open mind and trust in the Lord!

Our Compassion Connections Team continues our joyful work in the ministry of our VIPP, we are meeting via Zoom and in-person each month and we continue our calls and notes. We have held back on our in-person visits to see how the flu season and Covid affect our community and hope we can move forward with caution. In the meantime, please feel free to give us a call for a phone visit. You are all in our prayers and in a special place in our hearts!

Keep us posted on how you are doing and any prayer requests you may have. Call the church office and leave a message, 886-5535, and I will return your call. Call my cell phone (please leave a message, if I don't answer), or send me an email, cpc.congcare@gmail.com.

If you have an emergency or crisis situation, please contact Pastor Melde at the church office 520-886-5535, or on his cell.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart! Blessings,
Debby Anderson

Men of Faith Breakfast

Biscuits Country Café, 7026 E. Broadway Blvd.

The Men's Breakfast meets every third Wednesday of the month. This month we are meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 20. We're Men studying the Bible to become better men of faith. The next meeting is Wednesday, All ages are invited. Bring a friend! Separate checks!

"From the bottom of my heart I want to thank you, friends for all the cards sent to me as I recover very slowly from Bacterial Meningitis. I hope you know how MUCH these cards and your kind words are helping me. Thank you again."

Kathryn Snodgrass



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

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.

Bible Study for 2021 on Zoom

All women are invited to participate. The Bible Study meets on the first Friday of the month. starting October 1, 11:00 a.m. Tucson time via Zoom. Please call the church office, 520-886-5535, to be put on the list for the Zoom invite which will include information on how to join in.

Thank you to all who support the Women's projects!

Ronald McDonald House: Please hold all pop tabs, disinfectant wipes, and chemo caps until after COVID-19 subsides.

Lions Club Glasses: Lenses, frames and any glasses ARE being accepted.

Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women Presbytery de Cristo Immanuel Presbyterian Church 9252 E. 22nd Street October 16, 2021 8:30 a.m. - 2021

"What My Grandmothers Taught Me"

Registration: Send check for \$11.00 for lunch made out to PW de Cristo to Kay Davison, 2426 Pueblo Pass, Green Valley, AZ 85614.

Contact Julia Potter at (520) 298-4415 if interested.

Flea Market News

We have made the decision to postpone our fall flea market that was scheduled for October. We heard from many folks that the COVID precautions were keeping them from feeling comfortable about signing up to help. We are proceeding with plans to host our next Flea Market in March 2022.

Thank you to those who have already done so much work to help us prepare. Thank you to those who have already signed up. New sign-ups will be available in January.

Our plan is to host some smaller "parking lot sales" as we did in the spring this year, to help sell off items that are in our storage pods. Our first parking lot sale of this new season will be Saturday, October 9 (8 a.m. - Noon). We'll need help early that morning to bring items out, to help sell, and to close up at the end of the sale. We'll have a sign up available for that in a couple of weeks. For now, set aside that date so you can help. Because all of our storage pods are soooooo full, we cannot accept any donations until after the March Flea Market. If you can hold on to donatable items until late March, that's great. But we understand you may need to get them out of your home before then.

Habi-Store is a wonderful place to donate furniture and household items. Profits benefit Habitat for Humanity.

Eagles Wings of Grace and Sister Jose Shelter is a great place for women's items including good, gently used clothing. They especially need women's "business" clothes that are in almost new shape to help women who are headed out for job interviews. Though the Flea Market is a great deal of work, it really does give us all a faithful choice to "recycle" our no longer wanted items from home, and get them into someone's hands who does want them, rather than simply throwing them into the dump. It also provides a big donation to our General Fund as well as several of our Mission outreach partners. We hope you will be able to help with the March 2022 Flea Market.

Presbyterian Women of CPC Crafts Group Happenings

October

If you would like to join in the crafting fun, we would be thrilled to have you join us! We meet on Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. You are welcome to craft with us or contribute some of your own creations for our Presbyterian Women Mission fundraising sales. If you would rather craft, sew, crochet, or knit from home, that is perfectly okay too. The profits from the sale of our items go to many worthwhile organizations.

We will begin preparing for the PW Craft Sale (December 4 & 5), when we resume our weekly Wednesday meetings.

In the month of November, our days will extend from ending at 12 noon until 2 p.m. as there is often much to do just prior to the sale. More on this as time gets closer.

Masks are no longer required for the fully vaccinated, but optional, as you desire.

Contact Pam Cullop – <u>picullop@gmail.com</u> or call/text: 520-271-6678 to help with projects or to get into the hallway to look at what we have for sale.







Our October Birthdays!

I Jim Hoke

3 Norma Mentzer

4 Mary Field

5 Amy Tiggleman

7 Pam Cullop

7 Warren Jafvert

9 Marilyn Collins

10 Shirley Peat

II Marge Biehl

II Midge Bothwell

II John Lamse

II Lillian Murphy

12 Hannah Draper

12 Terry Harroun

12 Brooklyn Ann Crowder

13 Scarlett Street

13 Barbara Wright

16 Debbie Melde

17 Brian Hilty

18 Misty Gwinn

18 Paula Johnson

19 Kim McDonald

22 Skeeter Muscato

22 Christie Street

22 Beverly Howell

23 Scott Melde

25 Tommy Cullop

26 Scott Draper27 Julia Baker

31 Norma Hall

31 Lou Helen Walker

If we've missed your birthday, please let us know.





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Monday—Friday

9 a.m.—3 p.m.

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Deadlines

KIVA November 2021 Issue articles due by 12 p.m. on Friday October 15, 2021

Weekly Bulletins and Friday News, requests for flyers or inserts

Please submit your articles and requests by **Wednesday at**

noon!



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