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October 2019





A Word From Our Pastor...

Psalm 27

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"



I hold closely to these words and to the faith behind them. There's a lot to be scared of in our lives, but I will not let fear rule mine. My life is in the hands of God, the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of all life. And whatever comes my way, I am the Lord's. (Romans 14)

This isn't blind faith; it's trust. And I invite you to resonate in these words in your own journey. This understanding is what lifts my joys higher, and softens my sorrows. It puts my successes into perspective and helps me get through my failures.

I pray it is so for you, too.

Peace in our journeys, Pastor Steve Melde

Sunday Worship

Sunday morning worship is that time we re-center our lives in the ways of the Lord. Join us in one of our two worship experiences (here at CPCTucsonAZ or with us on-line).

Remember, children are always welcome in worship. There are blue activity bags hanging on the wall in the worship space. We do have professional child care staff in our nursery for parents who choose this option for their toddlers and squirmers. But, please know, we love having kids in worship.

Remember we broadcast live (and archive for later watching) both of our worship services:

www.facebook.com/ChristPresbyterianTucson www.cpctucsonaz.org

8:30 a.m. Worship in the Fellowship Hall

Seated around tables, worshipers are led by the music of our contemporary band. Folks tend to have their coffee, juice, and bring snacks for their kids. This more casual atmosphere allows all participants to be engaged in their faith.

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. is our Sunday Funday School Time for all ages. Christian faith classes are offered all over campus for children, youth, and adults.

10:45 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Though in the round, our more traditional service finds participants in pews and led by the music of our organist/pianist, as well as our vocal and handbell choirs. This service allows us to honor the traditions of the church while engaging contemporary ways of worshiping as well.

October Worship Themes:

October 6: Communion Celebration at both services And a Stewardship look back to the 1600's.

October 13: A Stewardship look back to the 1700's.

October 20: A Stewardship look back to the 1800's.

October 27: A Stewardship look back to the 1900's.

Stewardship and Finance

October always finds us making budget plans for next year, even while celebrating what we are doing together this year.

Our 2019 Annual Stewardship theme has been: Always Giving; Giving in all Ways. We've been supporting the ongoing ministries and missions of our congregation, while expanding into new ones. We've revamped our website and increased ways of giving. You can now support the work of CPCTucsonAZ not only by giving through checks and cash and your bill-pay through your bank, but through texting and on-line credit card.

Our texting number is: 520-729-4665. Simply text that number and you will be able to set up an account, link to your credit card, and give at any time. You are also able to designate beyond the General Fund into special offerings that we are focusing on throughout the year.

Our 2020 Annual Stewardship them will be: Vision 2020

In the month of October, you will not only receive two mailings (the pledge cards will arrive at the end of October), we will also celebrate the history of the church each Sunday in worship (see page 3).

We'll reach back into the lives of our ancestors who developed a deeper relationship with God in Christ through their support of the ministries and missions of their own churches, starting in the 1600's and working our way, weekly, to now... and how each of us can become a part of the history of the church.

Please join us in worship (in person or on-line) throughout the month of October and begin to make plans for your Estimate of Giving pledge to the 2020 Annual Stewardship Campaign.

We will dedicate our Estimate of Giving pledges in worship on Sunday, November 3rd.

If you don't receive a pledge card in the mail, please give us a call in the church office, 520-886-5535 or email us at: <u>office@cpctucsonaz.org</u>



9:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

Children (Pre-K through 5th Grade) begin in Room 6/7 at the west end of the grass quad.

Middle School (6th-8th Grades) begin in Room D of the North Wing

High School (9th-12th Grades) begin in Room C of the North Wing

2-4 Youth Fellowship

Our youth are amazing.

On Sundays they lead worship by volunteering in the video/sound booth to help with sound, lighting, projection, and recording worship.

On Sundays they gather for Sunday Funday School, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., in Rooms C and D of the North Education Wing. Right now they are studying various Biblical characters and learning from their experiences with God to grow in the youth's experience of God. On Sunday, October 6, they will travel up to Sabino Canyon for a worship/Communion Experience.

On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, they gather for 2-4 Youth Fellowship, 6-7:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 6: Planning for the Haunted House

Saturday, October 26: Haunted House for the Trunk-or-Treat



Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet in E/F on Tuesday, October 1, at 1 **p.m**. Come check it out. They always have a nice time knitting, crocheting, and visiting. You don't have to attend the monthly meetings to participate. They make shawls that are 18-22 inches wide and about 60 inches long. You may use any pattern or color (blue is the most requested color). Prayer shawls are a blessing to many in our congregation, and other

beneficiaries of the missions of the church.

LuAnn Cobb at 721-7338, would love to answer any questions you have about this ministry. Also, shawl request forms for someone you love, are available in the office or you may contact LuAnn.

A Note from your Personnel Team

CPC's Personnel Team with Session approval is implementing the Presbytery de Cristo's Sexual Misconduct Policy. We are asking all Leadership, Employees, and Volunteers to read and sign acknowledgement of the policy.

Copies and signature sheets are located in the Sexual Misconduct Policy box in the Office.

Many thanks for your cooperation,

CPC's Personnel Team

Congregational Care Corner



We have 33 VIPP on our roles who are receiving visits, calls, cards, and communion from the 19 volunteers who make up our Compassion Connections Ministry Team. In the month of October we made 28 phone calls, 15 visits, sent 30 note cards, sent 31 birthday cards to the congregation and shared communion with 8 very special people. To help us continue our ministry, Maureen Harding has joined our Compassion Connections Team. Welcome Maureen, we are

thrilled to have you on the team. Maureen will be joining me for OJT as we visit and share communion together.

Get and Judy Riebe are our featured VIPP this month. Get and Judy became members of CPC on December 3, 1967! WOW! They have a lot of history at CPC. Due to some ongoing health issues, Get and Judy recently found it necessary to sell their home and move into The Forum.



Compassion Connections visitors have been visiting for the past 18 months. And they are delightful! Kenda Parkey visits the Riebe's and just happened to make her September visit on the day of Get and Judy's 64th wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary Get and Judy! Please know your CPC family loves and cares about you.

To contact me email **anderson9575@msn.com** or leave a message at the church office, 520-886-5535. My visitation and programming hours are Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Email and phone conversations may be scheduled at other times during the week. In an emergency or crisis, please contact Pastor Melde at the church office or on his cell phone. Blessings,

Debby Anderson



Coffee Talk



Our Coffee Talk programming is back! We meet monthly on the first Wednesday and third Friday. We will be meeting in the Patio Room at 1 pm. On October 2nd, and 18th, topics: Resources for Managing Your Independence, will highlight Identity/Fraud Protection, Making your Home Safe/Fall Prevention, In Home Independence, and What to Look for if it's Time for Assisted Living. If you have any questions or any firsthand experience that you would like to share, please join us!

Dear CPC,

What an incredible church family you are! Thanks for your prayers and for your cards, emails, calls, texts— I appreciated all these contacts. Prayers do make a difference!

May God's abundant blessings be with each of you,

Janet Rowe

Casa de la Luz Bereavement Support

•Drop-in Bereavement Support Group: First Thursday of each month, Patio Room, 10:00 – 11:30 am; no registration required.

•Individual Counseling: By appointment only; call 520.544.9890

Although it is common to want to find our own way through grief and avoid seeking help, grief



support can make a difference. Experiencing the death of a loved one can often overwhelm our ability to cope; some things are simply bigger than we are and require more resources in times of need. Most of us feel strengthened, encouraged, and supported when we learn about grief, understand how grief affects us, identify coping strategies and learn new methods to help ourselves through the grief experience. Casa de la Luz bereavement groups and counseling provide support to the Tucson community, regardless of whether your loved one was cared for by our hospice or not. All groups and counseling are open to the public and are free of charge.

Sessions will be led by Casa de la Luz Bereavement Counselor Christy Noriega, MSW. Christy has a wealth of experience providing resource and therapeutic support for individuals and loved ones during life transitions, including 10 years as a hospice social worker and bereavement counselor.

*Next meeting will be October 3 at 10:00 a.m. in the Patio Room.

Contact 520.544.9890 for more information.

About Casa de la Luz

Casa de la Luz is the leading provider of end of life care in Southern Arizona. Offering hospice, community palliative care and extensive bereavement services, the breadth of programs at Casa de la Luz extends through every stage at end of life.

Ministry with Asylum-Seeking Immigrants

To be of help to our Border Patrol and I.C.E., we are committing ourselves to a ministry with immigrants who have legally come to the United States and have been accepted into the asylum-seeking process by our government.

We'll be hosting, Sunday afternoon, October 6 – Wednesday afternoon, October 9.

During the first week of the month (which will be the first Sunday of the month and the days following), we will assist Casa Alitas of the Catholic Community Services, as needed, by hosting immigrants who are going to the homes of their U.S. sponsors. Once a person has been accepted by our government into this process, the immigrant has to find a way to contact their sponsor and receive the necessary travel arrangements to get to them. CPC will help to house, feed, clothe, and give transportation to the bus station or the airport for those in need. As an overflow satellite for Casa Alitas, we can host up to 24 people per night. They are usually only here with us for one or two nights. Because of calendar and room usage obligations, CPC will be hosting Sunday afternoon through Wednesday afternoon most weeks.

We need to do this together. And we need CPC family to help by:

- Interpreting in Spanish throughout the day
- Preparing, serving, and cleaning up meals
- Laundering bedding
- Picking up immigrants from Casa Alitas (at the juvenile detention center on Ajo Way)
- Driving immigrants to the bus station or airport and helping them get onboard
- Being here to help in any need
- Staffing our clothing and supply closet
- Providing travel food and bags

Please contact the church office to let us know that you could help, and one of team leaders will be back in contact with you.

CPS Craft Patio Sales Resume

Our Standing Invitation to Crafters

Craft Patio Sales will resume every month through the end of November. A new item will be showcased each month! Look for us every 4th Sunday on the brick patio, or in the Fellowship Hall (when it is too hot or too cold to be outside). Exception: In December we will hold our annual Craft/Cookie Sale in conjunction with the Women's Christmas Brunch on December 7 and 8th.

October 27 is the fourth Sunday this month. After each service there will be a table or two filled with various craft items for you to purchase. Profits from these craft sales are donated to several organizations that make up the CPC Presbyterian Women's Missions at the end of the year.

Want to join us?

Some of the ladies like to color, sew, knit,

crochet, scrapbook, make ornaments, design jewelry, arrange florals, or any variation of the afore-mentioned items. We all like hanging out with a group of women who share the love of laughter, like to celebrate monthly birthdays, and in general just like spending 3 (or however many can be spared) hours together each Wednesday morning. If this sounds intriguing, please consider checking us out. You will find us in classroom A/B from 9 a.m. through 2 p.m. There is always hot water for tea or coffee, some sort of snack, and often a favorite CD playing in the background. No special talent or skill is required to be a part of this group. Not saying it isn't a plus, but certainly not a requirement. We have just enough of those gifted ladies to design a project that we can all participate in the execution of, at any skill level. Stop by and see if we "fill your need," whatever it may be.

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









Flea Market Donation Changes

Thank you for your generous flea market donations and for encouraging your friends, relatives, and neighbors to donate as well. Our pods continue to fill to capacity year after year, contributing to our ever-increasing fundraising results, and allowing for more growth in CPC's mission and outreach abilities.

In general, we say we take anything that doesn't require feeding or watering (except for plants during the final set up days before the event). Due to a variety of reasons however, we've had to place some restrictions on a few items.

In the future please DO NOT donate:

- CRT (big box) TV's, unless accompanied by the required \$30 recycling (disposal) fee
- Full-sized pianos and organs (keyboard types excluded), as they are nearly impossible to sell or pass on to other charities
- Paints and other flammable products as they are dangerous to store over the course of a year

Please Remember to Do:

• If available, please tape or fasten Remotes and/or Keys to donated items.

Donations are accepted throughout Second-Hand weekend hours. Hours are from 9:00 a.m.-2:00p.m. on Saturday October 12, and 9:30 a.m.-2:00p.m. on Sunday October 13.

Volunteers are always needed for sorting/cleaning/pricing/storing on this weekend. Lunch is provided.

Hope to see you there! General ?'s: Pam Cullop 520-271-6678 Donation ?'s: Vera Bare 520-981-1710



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 2019

The 2019 - 2020 Bible Study will be Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments by Eugenia Gamble. All women are invited to participate!

Next meeting: Chapter 2: "Words of Love: Don't Trivialize My Name."

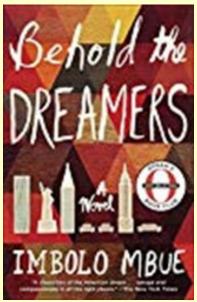
Bible Study meets the first Friday of the month. Next meeting will be October 4, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. in A/B.

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

Hermosillo Mexican Children's Hospital: Clean plastic caps of any size are accepted.

Menaul School, Albuquerque, NM: Educational labels with the with the current expiration date on the bottom are accepted. Ronald McDonald House: is continuing to collect the metal tabs and disinfectant wipes and chemo caps.

Presbyterian Women in the Synod of the Southwest 2019 Triennial Gathering October 4-6, 2019 at the Redemptive Center 7101 W. Picture Rocks Rd., Tucson AZ The theme is "Gifts of the Spirit: Love and Service-Building Bridges of Understanding." Contact Julia Potter if interested in attending.



Book Club

Hi, we enjoyed lunch and a good discussion of 2 books at our last meeting. We will meet again **Tuesday,**

October 8, I:00 p.m. in the Patio Room to discuss Behold the Dreamers by Imbolo Mbue.

Jende Jonga, a Cameroonian immigrant living in Harlem, has come to the United States to provide a better life for himself, his wife, Neni, and their six-year-old son. In the fall of 2007, Jende can hardly believe his luck when he lands a job as a chauffeur to Clark Edwards, a senior executive at Lehman Brothers. Clark demands punctuality, discretion, and loyalty — and Jende is eager to please. Clark's wife, Cindy, even offers Neni temporary work at the Edwards' summer home in the Hamptons. With these opportunities, Jende and Neni can at last gain a foothold in America and imagine a brighter future.

However, the world of great power and privilege conceals troubling secrets, and soon Jendi and Neni notice cracks in their employer's facades.

When the financial world is rocked by the collapse of Lehman Brothers, the Jongas are desperate to keep Jende's job— even as their marriage threatens to fall apart. As all four lives are dramatically upended, Jende and Neni are forced to make an impossible choice.



with Haunted House

Saturday, October 26th 5:00-7:00 pm

Join us in celebrating the season of Halloween by greeting our neighborhood guests to our annual Trunk or Treat and Haunted House experience. Last year we saw about 1,000 people from the neighborhood participate. Please help greet and guide our neighborhood guests around campus, and invite them to join us in our ministries and missions (especially our Journey to Bethlehem event in December).

If you would like to donate candy, bring it to CPC on Sunday and leave it in one of the orange containers located around campus.

Halloween needs you and your vehicle at CPC's Saturday, October 26th

<u>How To Participate —</u>

- 1. Sign up for your parking space by calling the church office
- 2. Dig out your Halloween Décor
- 3. Get creative in decorating your trunk!
- 4. Bring Candy to hand out to trick-or-treaters

Have car in place and decorated by 4:30 pm!



Internet has lots of ideas from simple to 'whoa!'



Fellowship and Fun

Men's Breakfast

Wednesday, October 16th at 7:30am. Join us for breakfast at Biscuits (7026 E. Broadway). We're studying men in the Bible to learn how to be better men of faith. Men of all ages are invited to join us each <u>Third</u> Wednesday of the month.





Casa Maria Soup Kitchen

CPC has increased our lunch donations to Casa Maria to 200 lunches. Each lunch includes two sandwiches, fruit and cookies. We will make sandwiches on Sunday, October 20th at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall Kitchen.

Saturday Morning Men's Fellowship

Saturdays,7:30 am—8:30 am. Enjoy fellowship and sharing experiences and beliefs! We are reading *Twelve Ordinary Men (How the Master Shaped His Disciples for Greatness and What He Wants to Do With You)* by John MacArthur

Our October Birthdays!

1 Jim Hoke 3 Norma Mentzer **4 Mary Feild 5 Ron McCrindle** 7 Pam Cullop 7 Warren Jafvert 9 Marilyn Collins **10 Shirley Peat** II Marge Biehl II Midge Bothwell II John Lamse I I Lillian Murphy 12 Hannah Draper **13 Scarlett Street 13 Pauline Tibbits** 13 Barbara Wright 14 Ellen Bittman 14 Bob Graler 14 Dot Young **15 Lon Bothwell** 16 Debbie Melde **17 Greg Fehringer 17 Brain Hilty 18 Paula Johnson**

- 19 Kim McDonald
- 22 Skeeter Muscato
- 22 Christie Street
- 23 Scott Melde
- 25 Tommy Cullop
- 26 Scott Draper
- 31 Norma Hall
- 31 Lou Helen Walker

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Monday—Friday

9 a.m.—3 p.m.

(Closed for lunch 12 — I p.m.)

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Deadlines

KIVA November 2019 Issue articles due by 12pm on Monday, October 20, 2019.

Weekly Bulletins and Friday News

Please submit your articles and requests by Wednesday at noon.

