



CHRIST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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September 2021

KIVA **NEWSLETTER**



A Word From Our Pastor...



I thank God for the first churches... who tried. Not knowing how to really respond and gather in the new faith, they ended up gathering in homes (and I'm sure wherever they could). It wasn't the same. Worship changed. They had new songs to sing, new words to share, new ways of being a faith-family and of worshipping together. Then, they built their own worship spaces.

We're trying to figure out how to do church together in a new way.

We're trying to figure out ways to expand our hybrid ministry (in-person and on-line). We've had some great success in offering worship experiences that are meaningful for both those who come to the campus and those who participate over the internet. We're looking at how to make it more personal for both, especially those on-line.

We're trying to figure out how to do Christian faith studies in a hybrid way, offering all an opportunity to share in the study of our faith. We're trying to figure out how to do that for adults, youth, and children.

We're trying to think of ways we can create more of a sense of community for those gathering on-line. It's easier to do when you are physically present with one another, but how that really happens when you are on-line, now that is a challenge.

We're trying to find ways that we continue reaching out in mission, giving people a chance to be physically present, and involved on-line.

We're trying.

Thank you for helping us redevelop and develop as a church family. It feels kind of like the first churches.....

Peace in our Journey,
Pastor Steve Melde

Sunday Worship

Children are always welcome in worship. We do have a professionally staffed nursery for toddlers, if parents choose.

8:30 a.m. in/from the Fellowship Hall
Features the music of our CPC Band

10:45 a.m. in/from the Sanctuary
Features the music of our Accompanist, Director, and choirs.

Worshippers are welcome to attend in-person (masks are not required, but encouraged) or on-line:

www.cpctucsonaz.org Scroll to the bottom of the home page
www.facebook.com/ChristPresbyterianTucson
[www.YouTube.com/cpctucsonaz](https://www.youtube.com/cpctucsonaz)

September 5: Communion Service
Theme: Balancing the Moments
Liturgist: Doug Thompson

September 12: Relating to God
Theme: God the Father
Liturgist: John Arbuckle

September 19: Relating to God
Theme: God the Son
Liturgist: Kenda Parkey

September 25: Relating to God
Theme: God the Holy Spirit
Liturgist: Janet Rowe

Sunday Funday



Sunday Funday kicks off September 12 with combination in-person and Zoom classes.

For more information, please contact Miss Robin at robbert77@juno.com

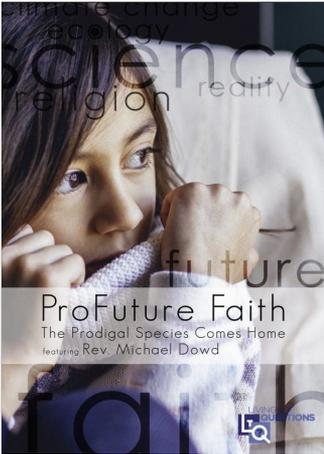


2-4 Youth Fellowship

Our Youth, Grades 6-12, gather on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, 6-7:30 p.m., to share in some fun Christian fellowship. Thank you all for your support of the budget that makes these gatherings possible.

September 12: Sunset Party at CPC (featuring a Taco Fiesta)
Parent Helpers: Sara and Karl Ver Burg

September 26: Movie Night at CPC (Featuring a Quesadilla Fiesta)
Parent Helpers: Kathy McCaugh-Norris



The Christian Living Class

will meet beginning Sept 12 at 9:30 a.m.,
Room E/F.

We will be studying a video series from
Living the Questions entitled:

**ProFuture Faith: The Prodigal Species
Comes Home —
8 sessions**

Having “squandered our inheritance on
profligate living,” we are a prodigal species.
Industrial civilization and our insatiable

appetites have us hurtling toward irreversible consequences – not in
some distant future, but right now. The good news is it’s not too late.
At the intersection of science, spirituality, and sustainability is a deep
love of life and a passion for our posterity – a ProFuture Faith. Join
eco-theologian, author, and TEDx speaker, Rev. Michael Dowd in a
dynamic DVD and internet-based discussion course that bridges the
gap between head and heart, science and faith. Participants will be
guided on a journey that accepts what is inevitable, avoids what is
futile, and be inspired to attend to what is urgent. Come home to
reality. Embrace a ProFuture Faith!



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 September 7. 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

VA Support

Recently the VA Oncology Department lost their sponsor of snacks for patients. We stepped up and provided the snacks. During patients treatment they are offered prepackaged healthy snacks.

NEEDED- How many of us have those spare hotel sized personal hygiene products cluttering up our houses? Well, now we can put them to good use by donating them to homeless veterans. Please drop off any clean, unused products at the CPC Mission closet in the Patio Room. Thank you in advance!

Haven Totes

This summer we provided school supplies (crayons and erasers) and socks. All the elementary children of families who came to the Food Pantry in July picked up backpacks, shoes, socks, school supplies and the monthly grocery cart full of food.

HELP NEEDED- Haven totes Food Pantry needs help to “rescue,” and restock shelves.

Food Rescuer- Monday morning, 7:30-9:00 A.M.: go to assigned grocery store and pick up and bring food items to the pantry. This could be heavy lifting.

Stocker – Monday morning, 9:00-11:00 A.M. Tasks include weighing & recording food items, stocking according to food item by brand and expiration date, sort bread & produce. There are also openings for the 2nd & 4th Fridays for both positions. If you are interested please contact, Janis Parks through the church office or get her info on ShelbyNext.

Care Portal

Even with the heat and Covid restrictions, CPC is able to share Gods love in our community! We have been able to deliver 3

toddler beds, 1 crib, 5 twin beds, (all complete with new bedding), cubbies for storage, 1 high chair, 3 cases of diapers, a dresser and various other needed items. We also coordinate with other churches in the Care Portal system and agencies that provide services to families in the Foster Care system.

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.

Commemorate 9/11



To commemorate the 20th anniversary of the terrorist bombing on 9/11, please join us online for a prayerful worship experience. The broadcast will air at 5:45 a.m. Tucson time. If you are not up that early in Tucson, the broadcast will archive and you can participate at your convenience. Let us pray for peace.

Dorothy Buchanan Barrow

A Celebration of Life service will be held for Pastor Dorothy Buchanan Barrow on Saturday, September 18th, 9:30 a.m. Tucson time, at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, Tucson. (3809 E 3rd St, Tucson, AZ 85716)

Pastor Dorothy served as our Pastoral Assistant for several years and was much beloved for leading us in our faith. All are welcome to attend. Masks may be required, and are definitely encouraged.

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.

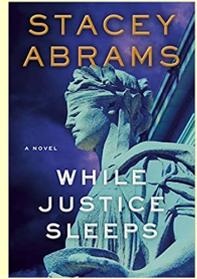
Set your calendar now, more information is coming as the planning team creates the service.

Book Club

The Book Club will meet via Skype on Tuesday, September 7, 1:00 p.m. to discuss our selection for September:

***While Justice Sleeps* by Tracey Abrams**

Avery Keene, a brilliant young law clerk for the legendary Justice Howard Wynn, is doing her best to hold her life together—excelling in an arduous job with the court while also dealing with a troubled family. When the shocking news breaks that Justice Wynn—the cantankerous swing vote on many current high-profile cases—has slipped into a coma, Avery’s life turns upside down. She is immediately notified that Justice Wynn has left instructions for her to serve as his legal guardian and power of attorney. Plunged into a role she never anticipated, Avery finds that Justice Wynn had been secretly researching one of the most controversial cases before the court—a proposed merger between an American biotech company and an Indian genetics firm, which promises to unleash breathtaking results in the medical field. She also discovers that Wynn suspected a dangerously related conspiracy that infiltrates the highest power corridors of Washington.



As political wrangling ensues in Washington to potentially replace the ailing judge whose life and survival Avery controls, she begins to unravel a carefully constructed, chess-like sequence of clues left behind by Wynn. She comes to see that Wynn had a much more personal stake in the controversial case and realizes his complex puzzle will lead her directly into harm’s way in order to find the truth. *While Justice Sleeps* is a cunningly crafted, sophisticated novel, layered with myriad twists and a vibrant cast of characters. Drawing on her astute inside knowledge of the court and political landscape, Stacey Abrams shows herself to be not only a force for good in politics and voter fairness but also a major new talent in suspense fiction.

"A first-class legal thriller, favorably compared to many of the best, starting with *The Pelican Brief*, which it brings to mind. It's fast-paced and full of surprises—a terrific read."—Scott Turow, author of *Presumed Innocent*

If you would like to join the Book Club, please contact Ann Larrabee annlarrabee4@gmail.com



Congregational Care Corner

Compassion Connections Ministry

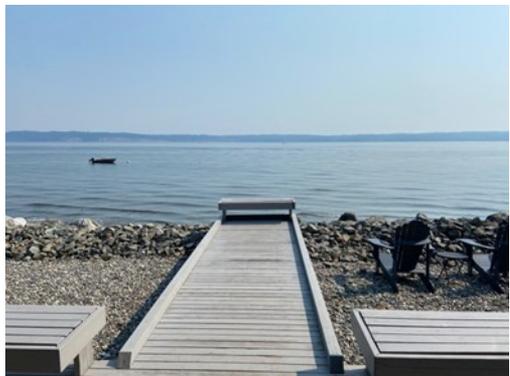
Greetings, Friends!

As this article is being written, I am sitting on the deck at my brother's home on Whidbey Island in Langley, Washington. It is so very peaceful and inspiring. The vacation time away has been refreshing, sometimes a bit overwhelming, but over all a good experience. Traveling with a dog this many miles has added a bit of stress to the trip but Bandit is settling in and enjoying the change of atmosphere, too.

The serenity that comes from sitting and meditating, watching the waves come in against the beach,...and actually "hearing" the peaceful surroundings, nourishes my soul. I encourage each of you to take the time to nourish your souls as well. It helps us to live our faith in ways that shares with others. It's important to show and tell our faith. That helps others know us better and invites them to live their faith deeper as well. Sometimes talking about our faith can be difficult. Particularly if faith was not openly discussed as we were growing up. It's important for our children and friends to hear our faith stories and

experience one another showing and telling their faith. So practice showing and telling your faith in your everyday life and you will see and make a difference!

May God continue to bless each of you and hold you in his care. May you feel his **Presence**, know his **Love**, and live in his **Peace and Grace**, always. Amen. Be seeing you all very soon!



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.

Show and Tell your Faith...

Blessings,

Debby Anderson



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.

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.

P.S. There will be a "Second Hand" weekend on September 11 and 12 to deal with recently donated items that still need to be sorted, priced, and stored.

Watch for a new Ministry!

Baking and the Bible

We will meet monthly to bake cookies to be used for CPC Fellowship and for a short Bible study.

More info to follow.

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, September 15. 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!



Casa Maria Sandwich Making

Tuesday September 28, 8:30 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.



Presbyterian Women of CPC Crafts Group Happenings

September & October

Note: This article includes two months' worth of scheduling.

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 – pjcullop@gmail.com 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 September Birthdays!

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| 2 Debbie Teece | 9 Genny Standifer |
| 4 Pam Elitharp | 10 Diane Denien |
| 4 Lois Letson | 10 Joyce Judah |
| 6 David Ridings | 14 Phoebe Hoffman |
| 7 Nancy Ward | 19 Mike Judah |
| 8 Tom Black | 20 Bill Braucher |
| 8 Eileen Lamse | 21 Michael Courville |
| 8 Ron Morgan | 22 Barbara Patengale |
| 8 Marc Negus | 23 Dennis Noonan |
| 8 Van Van Den Assem | 24 Ron Sharp |
| 9 John Griffin | 27 Jeanne Ringgenberg |
| 9 Jean Rosene | 28 Kristen Samoy |
| 9 Ellie Standifer | 29 Larry Biehl |
| | 29 Kate Lagle |



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



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