

# COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our mission is to be an open-hearted, open-minded Christian community sharing a ministry of faith, hope, and love.

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time February 19, 2012 9:30A.M.

## WELCOME

Welcome to worship on this Lord's Day. We are blessed by your presence and hope that you will experience the love of God reflected in the life of this community of faith. Nursery care is provided from 9:15-11:45 a.m. for ages three and under, though we love to have children of all ages remain with us in worship. Please complete the friendship pad in your row during the announcements and pass it back so that you are able to greet your neighbors by name.

## WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

Greeting & Announcements (L = Leader / P = People / A = All)

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

Prelude

(As the waters of the Spirit pour forth, we prepare our hearts for Christ.)

Call to Worship

Reader: Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord, All the Earth!

People: We worship the Lord with glad hearts,

Reader: Today we come into God's presence with songs of joy.

People: The waters of distress have not overcome us!

Reader: God has placed our feet on high ground, and tenderly watches over all those in need.

All: We are God's people, held, guided, and beloved by our faithful shepherd.

\* Opening Hymn # 2120 (Insert) "Like Miriam Who Danced to Praise"

\* Prayer of Confession and Forgiveness

L: Has something become a wedge between you and God, or you and another? It might be tremendous brokenness or perhaps seem an insignificant slight. Either way,

whatever has created a distance, can be faced in prayer. We cannot truly worship until we have faced ourselves before God and admitted our need for help. Let us pray.

P: We confess before you, Loving God, our misplaced anger, which stems from viewing people and events as extensions of our self-interest and purpose. We laugh at the idea that the Israelites moaned and groaned as they wandered the wilderness during their Exodus. But are we not as self-centered in our lives? We are content with our privileges and plans, and we like to have our own way. We fail in "our" way, and we admit it's hard to make room for you to enter our life! Help! You are our lifeline! We ask you to change and soften our hearts, and embolden our efforts to create freedom, dignity, and equality. Hear us, O Lord, and guide us into your way of loving and living to our fullest. . .

(A time for silent confession)

\* Words of Assurance

L: Through Jesus, we are reconciled to God, who does not count our sins against us. Christ died for all, that those who live in him may no longer live only for themselves. Hallelujah! In Christ we are free to be a New creation!

P: Thanks be to God!

\* We Give Glory to God) "Halle, Halle, Halleluja" (Sing together)

Halle, Halle, Halleluja

Hal-le, Hal-le, Hal - le - lu - ja! Hal-le, Hal-le, Hal -  
le - lu - ja! Hal-le, Hal-le, Hal - le -  
lu - ja! Hal-le - lu - ja! Hal - le - lu - ja!

WORDS: Trad. Caribbean  
MUSIC: Trad. Caribbean

HALLE, HALLE  
Irregular

## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading from the Psalms Psalm 100

(p. 552)  
Abby Hall

Choral Anthem "Here I Am" Words & music by Tom Long and Allen Pote

Children's Sermon (Denise Swinbank)

Scripture Readings: Exodus 2: 1-10, 15:20-21 (p. 49 & 62)  
L: The Word of the Lord  
P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "A Grown Up View of our Childhood Bible Heroes: Miriam" Pastor Teresa

\* Hymn # 2107 (Insert) "Wade in the Water"

### WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

**We Share Our Joys and Concerns**

L: God in your mercy

P: Hear our prayer

**Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer** (Spoken together)

**A: 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.**

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

\* Doxology "Give Thanks" (Sing together)

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,**

**Give thanks to the Holy One,**

**Give thanks, because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.**

**And now let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich**

**Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks.**

\* Prayer of Dedication (Spoken Together)

**We praise you God, with all our strength, voice, mind and deeds throughout this day; and since life itself is your gift, may all we have and are be yours. We ask your blessings on these gifts we bring and upon our lives, through Christ our Lord. Amen**

### WE FOLLOW THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\* Hymn # 354 "Guide My Feet" (vs. 1-4)

\* Benediction

\* Congregational Response # 354 "Guide My Feet" (vs.5-6)

Postlude

Worship Notes:

- All those who are able, please stand where you see an asterisk\*
- **Bolded words are spoken or sung together by the people.**

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Teresa Roberts

Liturgist: Guy Vig, Abby Hall

Pianist: Judy Kereakos

Choir Director: Denise Swinbank



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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 19, 2012

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### TODAY AT CPC:

9:30: *Worship Service/Noisy Can Collection*

Worship Assistants	Greeter	Nursery Attendant(s)	Library Attendant
Linda Overton Bruce Felger Jean Ables	Colleen Webbles	Elizabeth Deeds/Tabitha Harland	Judi Berg

10:30: Refreshment and fellowship time provided by: Bill & Colleen Webbles.

10:45: *Sunday School*. All children ages 2-11 will meet in their assigned rooms when they hear the Sunday School bell. Sunday School dismisses at 11:45 am. All are welcome to attend.

Class	Room
Ages 2 - Grade 5	Mission trip to Ronald McDonald House
Youth Grades 6-12	Mission trip to Ronald McDonald House
Adult Education	Library

(Questions about Sunday School? Contact Denise Swinbank (753-2420))

### This Week at CPC:

Monday .....7:00 p.m. ....Finance & Stewardship  
 .....7:30 p.m. ....Aikido  
 Tuesday .....5:00 p.m. ....Christian Education  
 .....6:30 p.m. ....Gibbs Cub Scout troop.  
 Wednesday .....6:30 a.m. ....Prayer Group at Madonna Towers  
 .....5:30 p.m. ....Back Packs  
 .....7:00 p.m. ....Ash Wednesday Worship Service with Dick Massaro  
 .....8:00 p.m. ....Choir rehearsal following Worship Service  
 Thursday .....7:30 p.m. ....Aikido  
 Saturday .....9:30 a.m. ....PTCA Workshop: The Church as a Healing Community  
 .....for Returning Veterans  
 Sunday .....9:30 a.m. ....Sunday Worship

### Coming Up at CPC

March 4 - April 2      Lenten Small Groups meet  
 March 11              Chili Cook-Off  
 April 1                 One Great Hour of Sharing  
 April 15 & 22         Spring New Member Classes  
 May 5                  Minneapolis Service Trip

**Today's Adult Education:** Plan to meet in the Library with Pastor Teresa after coffee hour as we discuss further our Adult Perspectives on our childhood Bible Heroes! We will have a lively discussion of Noah and Miriam to conclude this sermon series.

**Pop tabs:** Congregation members have been collecting their pop tabs and today the CPC children will visit the Ronald McDonald House during the Sunday School hour and donate the collected tabs.

**Movie Night tonight:** Tonight's movie will be "Emmanuel's Gift" at 6:30 p.m. Teresa briefly introduced this movie to us during the advent season. "Emmanuel's Gift" is a documentary film that chronicles the life of Emmanuel Ofose Yeboah, a young Ghanaian man born with a severely deformed right leg, who today, against incalculable odds, is opening minds, hearts and doors-and affecting social and political change throughout his country. The movie is rated "G". Come join us to watch this inspiring true story followed by a brief discussion. Snacks will be served.

**Handbell Choirs Rehearsal Schedule:** During the weeks of March, two of our handbell choirs, the Ring Tones and Jubellation, will be rehearsing in preparation for the Lenten season. The Ring Tones will gather each Sunday at 10:45 a.m. in March and will play for the worship service on Sunday, March 25. This choir consists of the youth of the church plus some adults as well. The Jubellation Choir will rehearse on Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. and will play for the Palm Sunday worship service. New ringers are always welcome. Some music reading ability is helpful but not entirely necessary. Please contact Judy Kereakos as soon as possible if you are interested in learning how to ring handbells and in playing in one of the choirs.

**Lenten Small Group Study: Jesus Beatitudes and the Spiritual Path of Forgiveness** Would you like to do some spiritual digging and planting this Lenten Season? Consider committing to spending five weeks reflecting with others on the Beatitudes, with a wonderful book written by theologian Dr. Flora Wuellner. Pick up a copy of her book (\$13) "Forgiveness: The Passionate Journey." Sign up today for a small group during the Sunday Adult Education Hour or on Monday evenings throughout Lent, March 4- April 2, at the table in the Narthex.

**The Wounds of War: The Church as a Healing Community for Veterans and Their Families:** Will be held this Saturday, February 25 at 9:30a.m.-12:00p.m. in the Great Room. The keynote speaker will be Amy Blumenshine, a nationally known speaker on veterans' issues and co-author of "Welcome Them Home, Help Them Heal. This event is sponsored by the Presbytery Task Force on Disability Concerns of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area. To register, send an email to [disabilityconcerns@ptcaweb.org](mailto:disabilityconcerns@ptcaweb.org).

**Lent:** The Season of Lent begins Ash Wednesday, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please join us for a reflective worship service that Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Like Jesus' time in the wilderness, Lent 's 40 days (and 6 Sundays) prior to Easter is intended to be a time of intentional spiritual growth for every Christian, as we consider the things that draw us away or distract us from God, with dedicated time spent in spiritual practices that open us even deeper to the wisdom and presence of God's Spirit. Our Lenten Sermons and Small Group Series will focus on Jesus' teachings in the Beatitudes, and how they intersect in practical ways to help us grow in the practice of forgiveness. You and your friends are invited to join in our Lenten Worship Schedule and this journey of growth and deeper faith:

Ash Wednesday	Feb. 22, 7:00 p.m.	Dick Massaro Preaching
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent	Feb. 26, 9:30 a.m.	Tammy Rider, Preaching
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent	Mar. 4, 9:30 a.m.	Teresa Roberts, Preaching
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent	Mar. 11, 9:30 a.m.	Teresa Roberts, Preaching
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	Mar. 18, 9:30 a.m.	Teresa Roberts, Preaching
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	Mar. 25, 9:30 a.m.	Teresa Roberts, Preaching
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	April 1, 9:30 a.m.	Teresa Roberts, Preaching, Palm Sunday and One Great Hour of Sharing
Maundy Thursday	April 5, 9:30 a.m.	Seder Communion Service
Easter Sunday	April 8, 6:30 a.m.	Sunrise Service Outdoors with Teresa Roberts, Preaching
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### CLIPBOARD CORNER

Sign up in the Narthex to participate in CPC activities.

#### Volunteer and Church Event Opportunities:

- \* Compassion International- Monthly Sponsorship for Christhian Gaspar
- \* Book: Purchase the book "Forgiveness, The Passionate Journey" for Lenten study groups
- \* Lenten Study Groups: Sign up for either a Sunday or Monday class each week during March
- \* Fellowship-time refreshment providers – provide treats after Sunday worship
- \* Sanctuary Flowers – provide flowers for Sunday morning worship
- \* Deacons Assistants – assist with special events (i.e. refreshments at funerals)
- \* Need a name tag? – request a new name tag or replace an old name tag.

#### GIVING REPORT

Jan. 2012 Weekly average	\$2,424.00	Special Offerings	
Year to Date Avg. 2012	\$2,424.00	Christmas Joy Offering	\$ 1,254.00.
Budgeted Weekly for '12	\$ 3,136.19	Thank Offering	\$ 635.00
Per Capita Received 2012	\$ 639.61	Peace Offering	\$ 837.00
Total Per Capita to be Paid '12	\$ 4,586.35	USA Disaster Relief	\$ 774.25

#### In the Narthex — Today's Highlights

Check out the following items in the Narthex before you go home today.

#### Library Display

See what's new in the library, or pick up an old favorite!



Join us on Ash Wednesday for a Special Service with Dick Massaro preaching. February 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

