

COMMUNITY PRESS

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ROCHESTER, MN



Sunday, April 14, Palm Sunday

9:30 am Worship

Thursday, April 18, Maundy

Thursday at CPC

6:00 pm Meal

7:00 pm Worship

Friday, April 19, Good Friday

Invitation to attend the
Community Worship Service

12:00 noon

at First Presbyterian Church
(512 3rd Street SW, Rochester)

Sunday, April 21, Easter Sunday

9:30 am Festival Worship Service

10:30 am Easter Egg Hunt
and Fellowship

Join in the Celebration!



You are invited to bring **spring flowers** to help decorate the church for Easter! Because of allergies, we are asking people to refrain from bringing Easter lilies.

The flowers can be in honor, memory, or celebration of loved ones or a special event.

Please let the church office know if you are planning to bring flowers so we can make mention of it in the bulletin!

Thank you,
Worship and
Music Committee

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APRIL 2019

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Session

The Session is the governing board of the church. It consists of six ruling elders, elected for three years. Much of the business of the church is conducted through committees. Each ruling elder chairs one of the committees. The Pastor, who is a teaching elder and moderator of Session, is an ex-officio member of every committee.

<u>Class of 2019</u>	Gene Kopecky Amanda Ross	Building and Grounds Christian Education
<u>Class of 2020</u>	<i>unfilled</i> Kim Nickander	Worship and Music Finance and Stewardship
<u>Class of 2021</u>	Ronda Marshall Dave Copeland	Mission Personnel
<u>Officers:</u>	Mary Alice Richardson Mark Pillers Joanne Powell	Clerk (Non-voting) Financial Secretary (Non-voting) Treasurer (Non-voting)

2019 Nominating Committee

Ann Hesley, Mary Meyer, Jeanette Hallbeck, and Peggy McCarty

Membership (a sub committee of Christian Education) Chairperson: Stacy Kopecky

Deacons

The Board of Deacons is responsible for ministering to all those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to all those who may be in distress. Deacons provide meals and transportation, among other requested needs. They maintain the Prayer Chain. Deacons are elected in classes of two and serve a three year term.

<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>	<u>Class of 2021</u>
Louis Bouchard Mary Meyer	Marcia Britain Ann Hesley	Jeanette Hallbeck Jennifer Hall

Staff

Head of Staff/ Transitional Pastor	Pastor Susan Li
Choir Director	Meg Cain
Pianist	Glenna Muir
Bell Choir Director	Judy Kereakos
Custodian	Nancy Sanford
Office Manager	Stephanie Pasch

Ministers to the world

Congregation Members

“Fear becomes faith. Hope becomes joy”

Each day of the Lenten journey brings us closer to the cross, and also to the joy of Easter. I hope you will be here on Easter Sunday, April 21 as we celebrate the good news, the best news of all, that Christ is risen and new life has begun!



Easter is the most joyful day of the Christian year, and so we will sing, praise and imagine together what it means that the tomb is empty, and in all creation there is no match for God's power to overcome evil with good, and to overcome death with life.

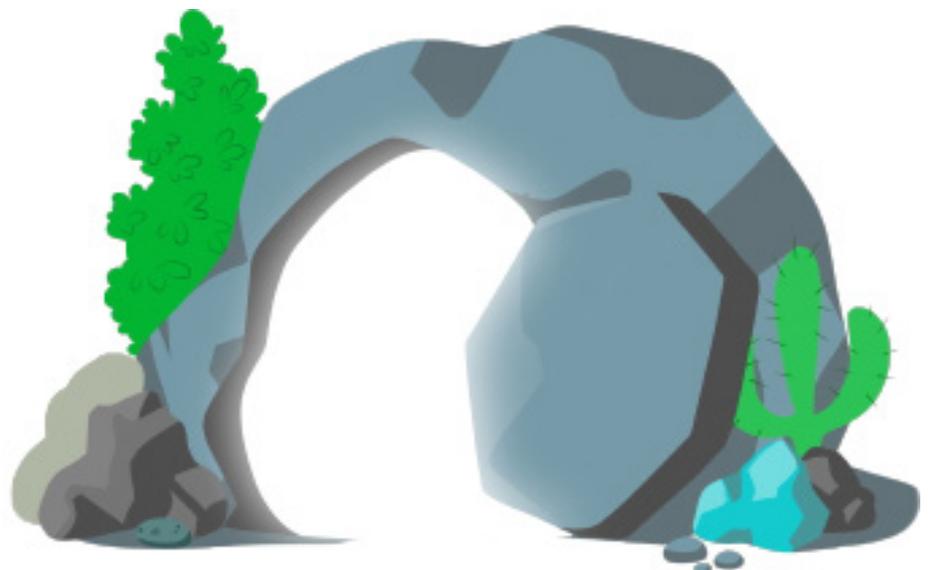
When the women went to the tomb on that first Easter morning, they were grieving. In an instant, they hear the words of the angel announcing the great reversal, “Do not be afraid; I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised...Go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’”

The resurrected Christ is always on the move, in our lives, in our church, and in our world. He is going ahead of us to make a way, and bids us to “go and tell”, forward into the future in the fullness of God's grace.

The session has been prayerfully exploring the way forward to CPC. Christ is out ahead of us to guide the way. This new beginning is also a continuation, for there is continuity in the core commitments you share, and continuity in your dedication to love God and neighbor in this community. As we continue on, in the direction Christ leads us, staying the course, we will see him in our midst. Fear becomes faith. Hope becomes joy.

We look forward together.

Thanks be to God!
Pastor Susan



WORSHIP AND MUSIC



15TH ANNIVERSARY OF CPC HANDBELL CHOIRS SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE, APRIL 7

You are invited to join the CPC Jubellation Handbell choir as they lead the celebration of the 15th Anniversary of the handbell and handchime choirs at the Sunday service on April 7.

Several alumni will be joining in the ringing in various ways. Some will be ringing with the Jubellation Choir and others will participate in other exciting and unexpected ways you won't want to miss.

The Jubellation Choir will be ringing two pieces which were part of the repertoire in the choirs' earlier years. They are two of our favorites, "Sheep May Safely Graze" and "Let There Be Peace on Earth". In addition a lively and rhythmical piece, "Grand Celebration", will include any alumni who wish to participate. Currently Nancy Massaro, Joanne Powell, Amy Ward and Liz Koehler are hoping to attend.

Each of the stands which holds the music notebooks for the ringers will be decorated with a beautiful design reminiscent of the Anniversary Banner which Carole Kinion Copeland has designed and assembled.

Thank you is due to several people including Mary Alice Richardson, Bonnie Kinion, Stacy Kopecky and Carole Kinion Copeland for their various contributions and especially to the faithful and committed ringers of all ages in our handbell and handchime choirs.



This picture is from December 2018, when Jubellation Handbell Choir played "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light."



Don't forget to sign up to volunteer in worship! Each week we need :

- a liturgist
- worship assistants (2-3)
- a greeter

Once a month, we need 4 (or-dained) communion assistants. Please look at your schedule and sign up to help! Sign up in the narthex or by e-mailing/calling the office!

Christian Education for Children and Youth
Sundays, 10:45 am

April 7 • “The Fragrance of Life” • John 12:1-8

April 14 • Palm Sunday • Luke 19:28-40

April 21 • Easter Sunday • Easter Egg Hunt

April 28 • “Love’s Disruptive Witness” • Acts 5:27-32



**On April 28, at 10:45 am in the library,
the book discussion group will talk about
the book “Where Have All the Leaders
Gone” by Lee Iacocca.**

**BOOK DISCUSSION
GROUP**

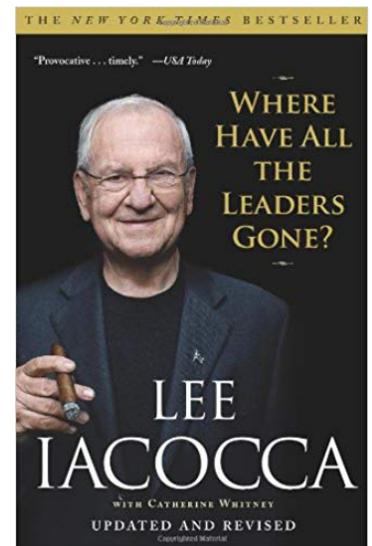


From the Amazon website:

“A self-made man ... Iacocca saved the Chrysler Corporation from financial ruin, masterminded the creation of the minivan, and oversaw the renovation of Ellis Island. Since then he has created the Iacocca Institute for leadership at Lehigh University and the Iacocca Foundation, which funds research for a cure for diabetes. Lee Iacocca believes that leaders are made in times of crisis ...He has known more leaders ...and is uniquely suited to share his wisdom, knowledge, and wit about the leadership of America. ...

Knowing that the times are urgent, the iconic leader shares his lessons learned and issues a call to action to summon Americans back to their roots of hard work, common sense, integrity, generosity, and optimism.”

Join in on this great and timely discussion!



MEMBERSHIP



Youth of CPC!

Friday April 19

Starts at 7 pm

Arrive by 6:45 pm

The Escape Challenge
6301 Bandel Road NW

\$10 per student

Sign up by April 14

Our Mission - The Creature Room

"Your car broke down while on a detour in the middle of nowhere. You went to the closest house to use the phone. When you knocked on the door, it slowly opened in front of you. You stepped in to get out of the rain and call out for help. The door slammed shut behind you. Up on the wall it says "Supper" with a timer counting back 60 minutes. You don't know what you are locked in here with, but you know you don't want to be here at supper time."



Friday, April 26 beginning at 6:30 in the Kidz Klub!

**Enjoy a wonderful movie with your CPC Family!
Popcorn and Pop will be provided!**

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Birthdays and Anniversaries can be found in our print edition. Please pick one up at church!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Have you noticed a new face in the choir lately?

CPC's newest member, Sue Chipman, has joined the church and joined the choir. She only arrived in Rochester a few months ago, but has been an impact in CPC church life already.



Sue was born in Cleveland Heights Ohio and spent much of her growing up years there. She has a younger brother who still lives in Ohio, and an older brother who has passed. After graduating from Kent State, she finished her Master's at Central Michigan University. She moved to California to teach school, and met her husband, Ken, on a ski trip. It was a whirlwind romance that began in February – they married in June, nearly 54 years ago.

Sue and Ken moved to Shawnee Mission, Kansas. She taught in the junior high school system for 4 years in California, and 19 years in Kansas. She then moved to teaching in the high school. As well as teaching, she coached boys and girls tennis and girls basketball. She officially retired in 2013 after 50 years of teaching but continued to “sub” for the next 6 years.

She and Ken have a daughter, Katie and son-in-law, Brian. Katie and Brian have three daughters. Sue also has two stepchildren, Donna (who has three children) and Kenny. Susan also has three great grandchildren.

When asked what brought Sue and Ken to Rochester after so many years in Kansas she said that her son-in-law became an RN and then a Nurse Practitioner. He accepted a job at Mayo Clinic. So, to be near the family, Ken and Sue moved. Sue lives next door to the Massaros and they became acquainted. After an invitation to come to church, Sue found that she liked the congregation, the choir and decided to join.

CPC is thrilled to have her energy, excitement and sense of humor added to our group. There are many other interesting parts of her story. Sit down at coffee time and get to know her.....

Other Membership News!

Our own Carole Kinion Copeland has a piece in the Poet-Artist Collaboration Exhibition at Crossings in Zumbrota - don't miss it!

The Eighteenth Annual
**Poet-Artist
 Collaboration**
 March 25 - May 4, 2019

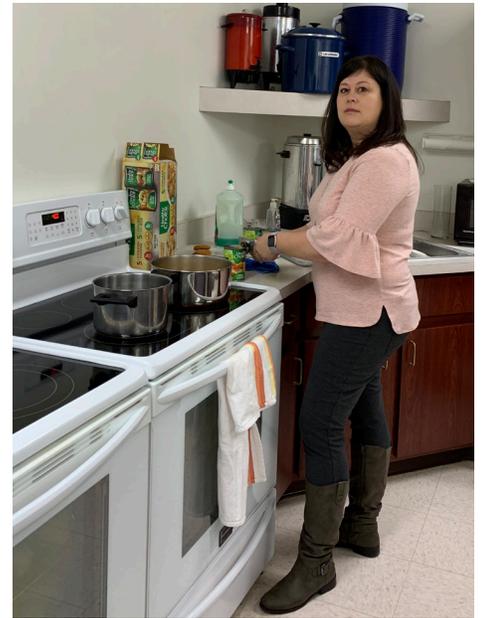
*Thin bristle of red dogwood fringes the fields
 as we drive toward Kansas, carrying our long silences.
 It's still Iowa, where on either side
 farm roads pick their way over the hills.
 Old granaries stare back from gaunt eye-sockets,
 and black crows pick the bones of the corn.*

crossings

MISSION

Fun was had by all as Community Presbyterian Church prepared a meal for the 80 guests at Hope Lodge on Sunday, March 3!

Thanks for being generous with both food and time!



Hope Lodge®



The American Cancer Society Hope Lodge program provides a free home away from home for cancer patients and their caregivers. More than just a roof over their heads, it's a nurturing community that helps patients access the care they need. Each Hope Lodge community offers a supportive, homelike environment where guests can share a meal, join in the evening's activities, or unwind in their own private room. Patients staying at a Hope Lodge must be in active cancer treatment, and permanently reside more than 40 miles or one hour away from their cancer treatment center. Each patient must be accompanied by a caregiver.



MISSION: ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Lent is traditionally a season of fasting and prayer. During this time, Christians pay close attention to spiritual disciplines that deepen our understanding of what God is doing in our lives and in the world. As a church, we spend time together hearing about and praying for the ministries of compassion and justice done through our support of One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS).

Jesus' ministry was among those who were most vulnerable. He preached good news to the poor and release to the captives. One Great Hour of Sharing helps us share this same good news to those same vulnerable people in our world today: those who are hungry, who are suffering from disaster, who are dealing with oppression and injustice in society.

Community Presbyterian Church will be collecting this special offering on Sunday, April 14.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

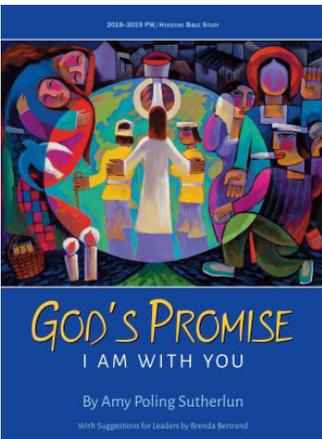
You shall be called repairers of the breach
— ISAIAH 58

SHARING GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR NEIGHBORS-IN-NEED AROUND THE WORLD BY PROVIDING RELIEF FROM NATURAL DISASTERS, FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY, AND SUPPORT FOR THE POOR AND OPPRESSED.

Text SHARING to 56512 to learn more about how your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference, or visit www.pcusa.org/oghs.

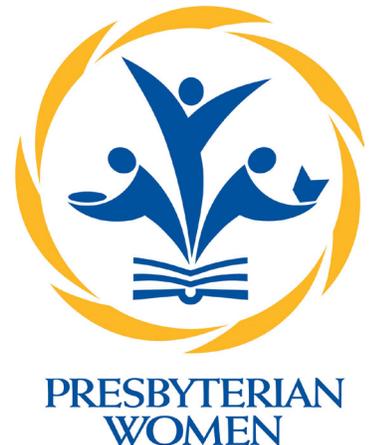
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Presbyterian Mission

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



The next PW Monthly get together will be Wednesday, April 3 at 12:30 in the library.

The PW Bible study will resume on Wednesday, April 10 at 11:30 in the library. The study is "God's Promise: I Am With You". The study group will meet on April 10, 24, May 8 and 15. The April 10 study is lesson 6: "God with Us Through Our Trials." Even if you did not attend the fall studies, you are welcome to join in now!



Brain Injury Support Group for Survivors and Family!



Hosted by the Rochester Area Brain Injury Community Committee (BICC)

**Join us on the first Tuesday of every month
April-December from 6:00pm to 7:30pm**

Dates for 2019:

April 2nd, May 7th, June 4th, July 2nd, August 6th,
September 3rd, October 1st, November 5th, and December 3rd

Address:

Community Presbyterian Church

3705 Fairway Place NW

Rochester, MN

Life is naturally filled with struggles and sometimes a few extra if you or a family member are living with a brain injury. Share your challenges with those who have been or still are on a similar path and discover what strength that can be found in mutual supports.

For more information visit www.rabicc.org
Or contact us at rochesterareabicc@gmail.com
Or like us on facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/rochesterareabicc>

Community Presbyterian's Calendar

April 2019

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

	1	2	3	4	5	6
	6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class	6:00pm Brain Injury Support Group	6:30am Prayer Group Resumes 12:00pm Bulletin info due 12:30pm PW Monthly Get-Together 6:15pm Jubellation Rehearsal 7:15pm Choir	7:00pm Christian Education Committee meeting		10:00am Jubellation Handbells Rehearsal
7 Handbell Anniversary Celebration 9:30am Worship with Communion 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Christian Education 11:00am Deacons Meet 6:30pm Girl Scout Meeting	8 6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class	9 6:00pm Worship and Music Meeting 6:30pm Building and Grounds Meeting	10 6:30am Prayer Group 11:30am PW Study 12:00pm Bulletin info due 7:00pm Choir	11	12	13
14 One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Palm Sunday 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Christian Education 10:45am Adult Education: Finishing the Sermon	15 6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class	16 5:30pm Finance & Stewardship Meeting	17 6:30am Prayer Group 12:00pm Bulletin info due 7:00pm Choir	18 Maundy Thursday 6:00pm Soup and Bread 7:00pm Worship	19 6:45pm Escape Room	20 12:00pm Newsletter articles due 1:00pm Building Usage
21 Easter Sunday 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Christian Education 6:30pm Girl Scout Meeting	22 Office Closed: Easter Monday 6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class	23 7:00pm Session Meeting	24 6:30am Prayer Group 11:30am PW Study 12:00pm Bulletin info due 7:00pm Choir	25	26 6:30pm Movie Night in the Kids Klub room	27
28 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Christian Education 10:45am Book Discussion Group	29 6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class	30 6:00pm Session Retreat				

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3705 Fairway Place NW
Rochester, MN 55901

Put these dates on your calendar!

April 3 PW Monthly Get Together

April 7 Handbell Anniversary Celebration

April 10 PW Study resumes

April 14 Palm Sunday/ One Great Hour of Sharing

April 18 Maundy Thursday

April 19 Escape Challenge

April 21 Easter Sunday

April 26 Movie Night

April 28 Book Discussion Group

A full calendar can always be found
on the CPC website! www.cpcrochester.org

Community Presbyterian is “an open-hearted, open-minded Christian community sharing a ministry of faith, hope and love.” CPC is a proud member of the Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA).

We're located at 3705 Fairway Place NW, just across 55th Street from Sam's Club.

**Join us for worship at 9:30
Sunday mornings!**

**You are invited to join us
on this journey of faith!**