



Join us as we welcome Executive Presbyter Rev. Jeff Japinga to worship at CPC this Sunday, February 3.

Rev. Japinga will preach and celebrate Holy Communion with us. After worship, he will meet with the session to facilitate a discussion on how our vision and hopes for CPC's future will shape our pastor search process. We are thankful that the presbytery is a partner with us in the process of calling a new pastor.

After laying the groundwork with Rev. Japinga's help, a Pastor Nominating Committee will be formed. They will facilitate completion of the Ministry Information Form. This form is used to introduce our congregation to potential pastor candidates, as they discern whether they might be called to interview at CPC.

Congregational input is important when completing the form. The core values and core commitments identified through our September congregational conversations will be included, as well as our priorities for ministry and mission.

The MIF includes 5 narrative questions, including:

1. What is the congregation's vision for ministry? How is this vision lived out in the congregation?
2. How do you (as a congregation) feel called to reach out to address the emerging needs of your community?
3. How will this (pastoral) position help you to reach your vision and mission goals?
4. Provide a description of the characteristics needed by the person who is open to being called to this congregation.
5. What specific tasks, assignments, and program areas will this person be responsible for?

The PNC will invite the congregation to weigh in on the gifts and skills our new pastor needs to bring. There will also be a conversation to develop priorities for the pastor's role, in light of the mission and vision that has emerged.

As we begin a new year, we look forward to where this process will lead, and to the new insights we will gain along the way. Stay tuned for updates as we journey together. Christ is with us and will guide us as we seek his leading.

Grace and peace, Pastor Susan

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COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 2018 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

WORSHIP AND MUSIC



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

- a liturgist
- worship assistants (2-3)
- a greeter
- nursery volunteers
- a refreshment host

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



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

Fifteen years ago, in 2003, a most amazing donation was given to the Community Presbyterian Church congregation. The donation of funds was carefully calculated to provide three octaves of handbells, two octaves of handchimes, eight tables and foam pads, stands, a set of mallets and gloves. Now, fifteen years later on Sunday, April 7, we will be celebrating the beautiful music our ringers have played for the congregation, the friendships we have made and the joy of making music together.

Handbell alumni, numbering 23 people at our current count, will be invited to join ringing with the current ringers in a massed handbell choir.

Please put a “Save the Date” on your calendar and let’s celebrate!!

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAY WISHES

*Birthdays and Anniversaries
can be found in the print
edition of the newsletter.
Pick one up at the church!*



On Sunday, January 27, we welcomed Sue Chipman into membership at Community Presbyterian. We celebrate this new beginning and look forward to growing with you in faith and service!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



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

February 3 • Power of the Word • Luke 4:21-30

February 10 • Being Surprised • Luke 5:1-11

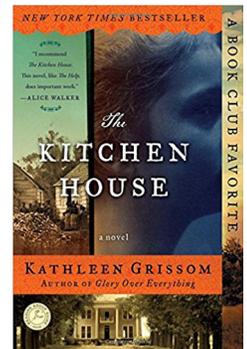
February 17 • Being Blessed • Luke 6:17-26

February 24 • Be Holy • Luke 6:27-38

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



Our next book will be The Kitchen House. “An intimate and surprising story connects us with an unexpected corner of our history. Kathleen Grissom gives us a new and an unforgettable perspective on slavery and families and human ties in the Old South, exploring the deepest mysteries of the past that help define who we are to this day.” [quoted by RPL]



If you cannot find a copy of the book locally, ask the Reference Librarian to look for a copy through Inter-Library Loan. **We will meet to discuss this interesting book on Sunday, February 24 at 10:45 am in the library! All are welcome and invited!**



Thank you for bringing in the box tops which totaled 181 and the milk moola totaling 23! These help support the schools in purchasing items that are needed. A collection box is above the lower coat rack next to the lost and found.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

**PW will meet on Wednesday, February 6
at 12:30 pm in the CPC Library**

Our hostess for the month is Mary Alice Richardson. We will put together birthday bags for children at Channel One. Bring cake and frosting mixes, small toys, books and games, candles and napkins, balloons and large gift bags.



SCRIBBLES FROM SESSION

What a dedicated Session and Pastor CPC has. On January 29, we braved the elements, record-setting wind chill and temps that we have not endured for decades. Thanks to Pastor Susan who provided pizza to warm us up. We started an hour earlier than usual and kept the meeting brief so that all could get home earlier and safely.

We concentrated on preparing for Executive Presbyter Jeff Japinga's coming to CPC on February 3. We encourage everyone to come to worship on February 3 to hear him and to welcome him to CPC. He will meet with Session after church to discuss what paths CPC might follow in 2019 when we begin our search for a full-time pastor. This will be the first step on our journey. Session will be meeting with others to gather information on making the right decision for CPC, as well as for the pastor who will lead us. We know that we will take all the right steps toward finding a new pastor. Pastor Susan continues to lead us and to prepare us for the new pastor. We are blessed.

Pastor Susan began the meeting with the telling of David and Goliath, using a children's version that shed new light on a familiar Bible story. As she said, CPC is small but mighty. CPC has accomplished much in its 25+ years and will accomplish even more as we move forward. God is leading all of us. We will all participate in many ways, using the vast talents that each of us has. We are like David. Keep on praying. Trust God. Our future is bright.

AROUND THE PRESBYTERY

You're invited to the PTCA

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PRESBYTERY MISSION TRIP

in collaboration with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

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March 30 - April 7, 2019

New Bern, NC

Flood Recovery - Rebuilding Homes

\$250 total cost

INTERESTED? GET IN TOUCH WITH
A MEMBER OF THE PLANNING TEAM:
KEN WOOLEY 715-222-1063
BRENDA ALEXANDER 651-900-3119

*Stephanie also has a letter with more information
that can be emailed to you upon request!*



Center for
Action and
Contemplation

Hudson First Presbyterian plans 'centering prayer' workshop in March

First Presbyterian Church of Hudson will be host to an introductory workshop on centering prayers on Saturday, March 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The workshop presents an opportunity to open minds and hearts to God beyond thoughts and words, and to listen to God in silence through contemplation. The workshop will be presented by Dr. Tom Eberle, director of The Living School at the Center for Action and Contemplation in Albuquerque, New Mexico. A suggested donation of \$35 includes lunch. Registration is requested by Feb. 22 by visiting the church website (<http://www.fpchudson.net/>) or calling 715.386.2851.

join us this summer!

PEACE WORKS

empowering the next generation of peacemakers

CLEARWATER FOREST SUMMER CAMP 2019

2019 Summer Programs at Clearwater Forest

Discovery Camps... 3rd -6th Grades

- First Timers Camp July 7 - 10
Choose Your Own
Adventure June 23 - 29
Eco Camp July 7 - 13
Water Week July 14 - 20
Classic Camp July 21 - 27
Endless Summer July 28 - Aug 3

Junior High Camps... 7th -9th Grades

- Choose Your Own
Adventure June 23 - 29
Eco Camp July 7 - 13
Sailing Camp July 7 - 13
Water Week July 14 - 20
Classic Camp July 21 - 27
Endless Summer July 28 - Aug 3
Home in the Woods:: A Camping Experience at Clearwater Aug 4 - 10

Family Programs... All ages

- Grands Camp 1 June 23 - 26
Family Camp June 23 - 26
Grands Camp 2 July 7 - 10
Grands Camp 3 July 14 - 17
Grands Camp 4 July 21 - 24

Senior High Camps... 10th -12th Grades

- Eco Camp July 7 - 13
Sailing Camp July 7 - 13
Beach Camp July 14 - 20
Classic Camp July 21 - 27
Endless Summer July 28 - Aug 3
Senior High 2 Week July 21 - Aug 3

Registration Begins January 7! Register online soon as camps will fill

www.clearwaterforest.org



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Community Presbyterian's Calendar

February 2019

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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<p>3</p> <p>9:30am Worship with Communion & Installation</p> <p>10:30am Fellowship</p> <p>10:45am Christian Education</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class</p> <p>7:00pm Christian Education Committee meeting</p>	<p>5</p> <p>5:15pm 4Kicks Taekwondo</p>	<p>6</p> <p>12:00pm Bulletin info due</p> <p>12:30pm PW Monthly Get-Together</p> <p>7:00pm Choir</p>	<p>7</p> <p>5:15pm 4Kicks Taekwondo</p>		<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00am 4Kicks Taekwondo</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Mission Sunday</p> <p>9:30am Worship</p> <p>10:30am Fellowship</p> <p>10:45am Christian Education</p> <p>10:45am Deacons</p> <p>6:30pm Girl Scout Meeting</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class</p>	<p>12</p> <p>5:15pm 4Kicks Taekwondo</p> <p>6:00pm Worship and Music Meeting</p> <p>6:30pm Building and Grounds Meeting</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:30am Prayer Group</p> <p>12:00pm Bulletin info due</p> <p>7:00pm Choir</p>	<p>14</p> <p>5:15pm 4Kicks Taekwondo</p>		<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p> <p>Noisy Can Sunday</p> <p>9:30am Worship</p> <p>10:30am Fellowship</p> <p>10:45am Christian Education</p> <p>10:45am Ringtones Begin</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class</p>	<p>19</p> <p>5:15pm 4Kicks Taekwondo</p> <p>5:30pm Finance & Stewardship Meeting</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:30am Prayer Group</p> <p>12:00pm Newsletter articles due</p> <p>12:00pm Bulletin info due</p> <p>7:00pm Choir</p>	<p>21</p> <p>5:15pm 4Kicks Taekwondo</p>		<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p> <p>9:30am Worship</p> <p>10:30am Fellowship</p> <p>10:45am Christian Education</p> <p>10:45am Book Discussion Group</p> <p>6:30pm Girl Scout Meeting</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:00pm Med City Tai Chi Class</p>	<p>26</p> <p>5:15pm 4Kicks Taekwondo</p> <p>7:00pm Session Meeting</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:30am Prayer Group</p> <p>12:00pm Bulletin info due</p> <p>7:00pm Choir</p>	<p>28</p> <p>5:15pm 4Kicks Taekwondo</p>			

Community Presbyterian Church
3705 Fairway Place NW
Rochester, MN 55901

Put these dates on your calendar!

February 3 - Rev. Jeff Japinga visits!

February 6 - PW Monthly Get Together

February 10 - Mission Sunday

February 18 - Office Closed

February 24 - Book Discussion Group

Looking ahead...

March 6 - Ash Wednesday (meal and worship)

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!

Note: the office will be closed February 18, (President's Day)
Office hours are changing to 8:30-1:30 Mondays-Thursdays,
except the first Monday of the month (8:30-12:30).