

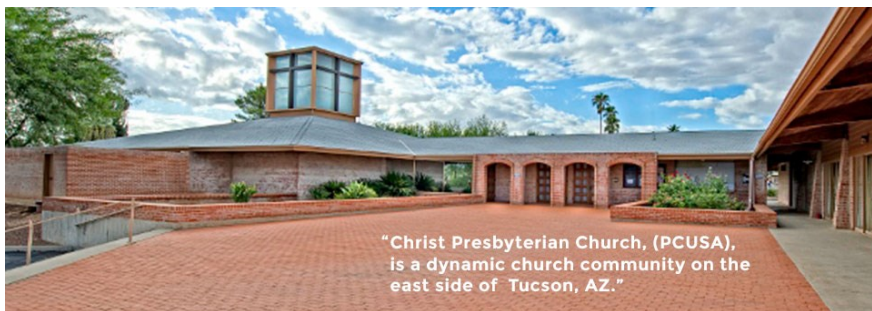


CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TUCSON, ARIZONA

September 2017

Kiva Newsletter



"Christ Presbyterian Church, (PCUSA),
is a dynamic church community on the
east side of Tucson, AZ."

Pastor Melde's Page



Wasn't it amazing to see the pictures and videos of people helping each other in Houston! I was humbled by the people who grabbed their boats and moved through neighborhoods looking for people stranded in their homes from the rising waters.

I was surprised by the number of people who went back with their boats to grab pets who had to be left behind and get those pets to shelters.

I was awestruck by the people across social media who posted prayers and well wishes, who were organizing in their own hometowns to gather needed items to send. I am grateful for all those who have given their own monies to organizations which will help those who are challenged by the flooding.

Wasn't it amazing!?

The help is still needed. Let's keep it amazing. Let's show the world how it can be done.

Let's show God that we understand the gift given to us in the sacrifice of Jesus, and the gift we are given in the victorious Resurrection of Jesus. Let's show God, by loving each other!!!

Forever and ever, AMEN

Peace in our journeys,
Pastor Steve Melde

Sunday Worship

September Worship on Sundays at CPC

Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

8:30 a.m. gathers in the Fellowship Hall. Led by the music of the CPC band, participants often move and clap to the rhythm of the music. Tables surrounded by chairs allow worshipers to have coffee or snack as desired and needed. Children are fully welcome in worship. (We do have a nursery for those who desire for their infants – toddlers)

10:45 a.m. gathers in the Round Sanctuary with the communion table at its center. Led by the music of our organist/pianist and our vocal/handbell choirs, worshipers are inspired by a blended sound of traditional and newer music. In this room we ask that food and snacks NOT be brought in to the sanctuary. Children are fully welcome in worship. (We do have a nursery for those who desire for their infants – toddlers)

First Sunday Communion: September 3

Worship Theme: Don't let anything distract you

September 10: More Bibles given to children!

Worship Theme: God's Vengeance

September 17: A Smart Sunday

Worship Theme: What are knowledge, Understanding,
and Wisdom?

September 24: The Human Challenge

Worship Theme: Flesh vs Spirit

Middle and High School Youth Ministry News

Our Middle and High School Youth Ministry is AMAZING.

Sunday Funday School meets each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. for both groups.

Faith Questions is our current theme. Youth are wrestling through some of the deeper questions we have as people of faith!

Youth Fellowship

2-4 Youth Fellowship meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month for a fun time of Christian youth fellowship, 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

September 10: Roller Skating

(meet at Skate Country,
7980 E 22nd St, Tucson, AZ 85710)

September 24: Mission Night

(Supporting the Casa Maria Soup Kitchen)

Stewardship

Oh that office door.... We had to replace it and its hardware (which turned out to be a much more laborious job than we anticipated. But we are grateful it is done. The old door was not closing securely and was a safety hazard for our staff and our office. Sometimes it doesn't feel like a grand and glorious use of the monies we share with CPC, but it really is. That door gets used a lot, and sometimes our Office Manager is here alone. We need to provide a safe environment not only for our members, but for our staff. So thank you. Your giving to CPC provided a new door to the office this last month, and you brought safety and security to our staff work space.

Kids Need clothes? Yes, Kellond Elementary school discovered a family in dire need of back to school help. Our Mission Planning Team jumped into action and was able to purchase a bunch of back to school clothes and supplies for this family. Our ongoing giving to the general fund of CPC, along with some extra giving to the designated mission fund made this possible. The need was met within a few days. So, thank you, CPC, you are clothing those in need.

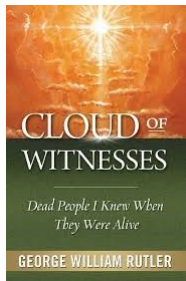
Food is pouring in! Many CPC'ers have been donating food for our Haven Totes program where we give a weekend bag of extra food to 31 kids at Kellond Elementary School. It costs us about \$150 per child to make this program work during a school year, and some have been adding \$150 to their giving to make sure children can be a part of this great mission project! Thank you, CPC, your giving is taking care of children.

400 sandwiches? That's twice what we used to do! Right. Each month, we are providing 400 sandwiches (in 200 lunches) to the Casa Maria Soup Kitchen to help people in need in Tucson. One of our CPC family members is donating the wonderful bread rolls for the lunches. Together, we are buying the meats, cheeses, zip bags, fruit, cookies, and lunch sacks. Thank you CPC. Your generosity is feeding people in need.

Amazing what we do together to honor and glorify God.
Praise be to the Lord!

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 2017

First Friday of each month

September 1st, for a new study,

Room A/B, 1-2 pm

Cloud of Witnesses, The Community of Christ in Hebrews.

CROSS STREET MINISTRY: This is a Men's shower ministry that also feeds them and is in need of men's clothing, personal hygiene items and Large bars of soap.

MENAU SCHOOL: Albuquerque, NM: Please keep saving Educational labels (box tops) and the POINT Labels with the Bar Code attached.

RONALD MC DONALD HOUSE: They need disinfectant wipes, the metal tabs and Chemo caps.

HERMOSILLO, MEXICO CHILDREN'S CANCER HOSPITAL:

Plastic caps of any size please. They melt these, make items to sell, and then use that money to help pay for families staying with their children with cancer who are undergoing treatment.

Donated items can be placed in the Missions Cabinet in the Library. This cabinet is usually on the patio on Sundays.

Bins are labeled. Thank you!

Several years ago the United Nations and Presbyterian Women declared the twenty-fifth of every month to wear orange to signify that we are against violence and prostitution of women throughout the world.

Questions? Call Marilyn McConnell (579-8438)
or Julia Potter (298-4415).

STUDY THE WORD

Adult Bible Study is offered at the 9:30 am Sunday School hour in Classrooms (A/B). This group studies the Bible chapter by chapter. Everyone is welcome. They say, if you all figure out how much fun they're having, they will have to find a bigger room!



**Our other Adult Bible Study
meets in classroom E/F at 9:40 am
beginning Sept 10th
New Book!**

First Light: Jesus and the Kingdom

Featuring John Dominic Crossan and Marcus Borg

Why did Jesus happen when He happened? Why the confluence of the Baptism movement of John and the Kingdom movement of Jesus? Why the tiny villages around the Lake? Why the confrontations in Jerusalem? Why then? Why there? Why were the titles of Caesar Augustus — Divine, Son of God, God from God, Lord, Redeemer, Liberator, and Savior of the World — taken from a Roman emperor on the Palastine hill and given to a Jewish peasant on the Palestine plain? Was it low lampoon or high treason? Either way, the Romans were not laughing. What were the priorities of Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom? How was the status quo of Roman imperial theology subverted by this obscure Galilean whose message continues to indict empire today?

First Light is a 12-session study of the historical Jesus and the Kingdom of God with two of the world's leading Jesus scholars on location throughout the Galilee and Jerusalem. Join the Christian Living Sunday School Class in this new study beginning

Sunday, September 10
at 9:30 am in Room **E/F**

All are welcome! We will watch a DVD followed by informal discussion,



Casa Maria Soup Kitchen

CPC has increased our lunch donations to Casa Maria to 400 lunches. Each lunch includes two sandwiches, fruit and cookies.

We are still accepting sandwiches made at home!

This month Pastor Melde, will have the Middle School and High School groups make the sandwiches on September 24th.



Haven Totes Helpers



***We're back better than ever,
ready to help kids.***

- ***Sept 5-8 Thorburns***
- ***Sept 11-15 Bradleys***
- ***Sept 18-22 Thorburns***
- ***Sept 25-29 M. Biehl & P Schneider***

***We need volunteers for these
dates: Oct 16-20, Nov 13-17,
Nov 27-Dec 1, Dec 11-14.
That's only 4 weekends
needed. Go Team!***

Thank you for your help!

***Janis Parks
azteach2001@yahoo.com or
cell 403-4526.***

Hurricane Harvey Relief



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

pda.pcusa.org



**American
Red Cross**

www.redcross.org



Grace Presbytery

Grace Presbytery in Texas has set up a special fund.

You may send a check to: Grace Presbytery

6100 Colwell Blvd, Irving TX, 75039



CPC can accept your donations for hurricane relief in the Sunday offering. Just make your Check to CPC. Write "Hurricane Relief" in the memo area. The treasurer will send a check to Presbyterians helping in Texas. We plan to mail the check on Thursday.



WORLD CARE

This Tucson based organization can accept your donations of diapers, hygiene items, gloves & buckets (for fighting mold), clothing, and other items.

CPC is accepting donations for World Care here at the church. You may also take donations to World Care at 1925 W Gardner Lane, Tucson AZ 85705 (north of Prince and I-10)

World Care hours are 8 am -3 pm
www.worldcare.org



CPC Art Activity

Robin Gilbert presents...

“The Painting Styles of Georgia O’Keefe”

Have you ever wanted to try a painting class? Now is your chance.

Join Robin Gilbert in Fellowship Hall, Saturday **Sept** 16th, 1-2:30 pm.

A \$5 supply kit will be offered that will contain everything you need to paint your own masterpiece.

Sign up with Sally Brandon on the patio, Sunday, September 3rd & 10th.

Let’s create together!

Sally Brandon email: brandosally@gmail.com or Cell: 520-349-2909

Craft Newsflash

Have you seen our new line of Handmade cards? Most of the designs are uniquely created by Tina, one of our newest Crafters. For only \$1, you will find a card suited to any occasion (if not, Tina will be happy to make it). We also continue to offer our standard hand stamped cards at the bargain price of 50 cents each. (These are the same cards used by the Cards of Caring Team which we all sign each Sunday morning for those who are either celebrating a special occasion, or need to know that CPC is praying for them). All cards may be purchased at any time. They can be found on display outside of classrooms A/B near and on, the glass display case. Beginning in Sept, as the weather cools, the Craft Group will also provide the opportunity for purchasing cards, and other handmade items, on the patio after each service.

Proceeds from all sales are used by the Presbyterian Women of CPC, in various Mission Projects which include, but are not limited to:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Frontera de Cristo | <input type="checkbox"/> Presbyterian Campus Ministries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Food Bank | <input type="checkbox"/> CPC Mission Team (Kellond School) |

The Craft Group meets every Wednesday morning in room A/B from 9 am until 12 noon.

Drop in when it fits into your schedule. No time-clock to punch. Bring your own craft, or join in one that the group is working on. Come prepared to be included in laughter, fellowship and snack time.

We don’t take anything seriously with this crowd!

Book Club



**September 12th in the CPC Library
from noon—2:00 pm.**

We will have a potluck at this first meeting of the Fall semester.

You still have time to read....

**A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles and
The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion: by Fannie Flagg.**

Please Call Ann Larrabee for more information. ph 745-6310



Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Sept 5th at 1 pm.
Come check it out. They always have a nice time knitting,
crocheting, and catching up with one another.

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 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.

Fellowship and Fun

Men's Breakfast, Wednesday, September 16th at 7:30am.

Join us for Bible Roulette. We'll open the Scripture, and wherever our eyes go is what we'll read and discuss. Men of **ALL AGES** are invited to join us each **Third Wednesday** of the month at Biscuits (7026 E. Broadway). We meet in the private dining area and each has a separate check. Bring a friend or two.

Mary's Yoga Class



Every Wednesday at 4:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring your own mat and drinking water. This is a gentle yoga class for all levels of experience and ability.

Women's Breakfast, Thursday, September 17th at 8:30 am.

Each Third Thursday of the month **ALL WOMEN** are invited to breakfast at 8:30 am at Biscuits (7026 E. Broadway). Join us for devotions, fellowship and friendship. No reservations needed. Bring a friend! Together we eat, and separately we pay.

Mexican Train Dominoes

We Play Dominoes Every Thursday @ 1pm in Classroom A/B
NO experience is necessary!



A Few Flea Market Facts



Fact #1 : The need for volunteers to help with pricing, sorting, boxing, storing, picking up donations never ends. The minute one Flea Market ends, we begin collecting for the following year. Donations begin filling our closets and storage units right away. That is great news, of course, as it is the very reason this fundraiser continues to be hugely successful. On the flip side, few volunteers are available to help support this fundraising effort...especially from April through Jan.

Fact #2: All volunteers are rewarded with 20% coupons, and fed each Secondhand Weekend when we meet to clear out the accumulation of items collected from the previous month. All volunteers are entitled to one – 20% Coupon. This coupon is good for any ONE PURCHASE. That purchase may include any number of items (no limit). Purchases can be made throughout the year by those who volunteer. Those of us on the Flea Market Team take turns bringing in food for all who volunteer. Breakfast snacks and lunch foods are provided by us. Not everything is a full-fledged meal, but volunteers don't go hungry. Anyone wishing to help by providing some of the meals...we won't say no.

Fact #3: While sorting through cast-offs by others may not sound like a good time, it surprisingly is. For 'treasure hunters', the donation stack is like a mountain of gold, just waiting to be mined! And the comradery and bonds that are formed in the process, are even more precious. You'll get to know/share stories/laugh with people that you would otherwise not meet as they may go to a different service, or sit on the other side of the room during your service. Won't you **Please** try it, we are pretty sure you will like it!

Next Secondhand Weekend: Sept 9-10. 9am-2pm daily

If you can help with donation pick-ups,
contact Vera Bare: 520-981-1710.

Any other Flea Market questions,
please call Pam Cullop: 520-271-6678

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Session Leadership

Elders

Dean Friskey (Youth Elder)
Laura Cech (Children's Education)
Marian Rogerson (Nominating)
Sharon Beck (Youth Education)
Linda Tillema (Finance)
Cathy Wade (Buildings/Grounds)
Ann Larrabee (Adult Education)
Laura Manning (Vision)
Cheryll Dunafon (Mission)
Kenda Parkey (Worship Planning)
Doug Thompson (Personnel)
Tom Bradley (Treasurer)
Dorothy Courville (Membership Care)
Fred Hubbard (Outreach/Communications)
Julie McCrea (Clerk)



Deacons

Lois Koch and Kathy Kimball (Cards of Caring)
Sally Brandon and Judy Hamlet (Helping Hands)
Glee Alberding and Judith Peters (Memorial Receptions)
Jonathan Alberding and Diane Denien (Prayer Chain)
Kim McDonald and Pam Cullop (Sunday Fellowship)
Pat Courtier and Larry Biehl (Compassion Connections)

Our September Birthdays

9/1 Rada Rich
9/2 Shirl Negus
9/2 Gene Stough
9/4 Pam Elitharp
9/4 Lois Letson
9/4 Michael Rowe
9/6 David Ridings
9/7 Nancy Ward
9/8 Eileen Lamse
9/8 Ron Morgan
9/8 Marc Negus
9/8 Ren Parker
9/8 Van Van Den Assem
9/9 John Griffin
9/9 Jean Rosene
9/9 Ellie Standifer
9/9 Genny Standifer
9/10 Diane Denien
9/11 Jaiden Nagele
9/11 Chris Excell
9/14 Ginny MacPherson
9/15 Valerie Schlegel
9/15 Nick Wade
9/16 Kitty Bertoli
9/18 Hannah Fehringer
9/19 Isaiah Nagele
9/19 Jim Harvill
9/19 Lillian Meriwether

9/20 Bill Braucher
9/20 Russell Clink
9/21 Michael Courville
9/22 Kitty Davis
9/22 Paula Draper
9/22 Barbara Pattengale
9/23 Dennis Noonan
9/24 Dejada Sanchez
9/27 Jeanne Ringgenberg
9/28 Kristen Samoy
9/29 Larry Biehl
9/29 Kate Lagle
9/30 Jack Mulholland

If we missed your birthday,
we are sorry. Please call
the church office so we can
get you on our list!
Happy Birthday to All!





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Weekly Bulletins and Thursday

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