

COMMUNITY CALL

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PEACHES, PEARS NECTARINES

Red River Youth For Christ offers fruit as a fundraiser to help support its ministry to youth in Cass & Clay Counties. Because you buy fruit, the lives of young people in our community are impacted and changed forever. This fruit is tree-ripened, hand-picked, and goes directly from the tree to the box to the cooler in one operation. They receive fruit literally hours from the time it is taken from the tree resulting in the freshest fruit available.

For more information about prices, pickup dates, peach stand hours, and pre-ordering, pick up a brochure on the small table in the narthex.



VACATION OFFICE HELP NEEDED

We are looking for individuals that would be willing to volunteer in the office August 1 through August 25. Church secretary/bookkeeper Barb and her husband, John, will be going on a work/vacation trip to Sitka, Alaska, and we are looking for individuals that would be willing to help out in the office. It would be lite office tasks, such as: answering the phone, being here for Pastor Cathie, making copies, etc. Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Let Barb or Pastor Cathie know if you have an interest. Some instruction and training will be given.



PONDERINGS FROM PASTOR CATHIE

Both adults and children had a great time in Vacation Bible School with "Veggie Town Values." It was awesome to see the baptismal promise we make in action. There was lots of teaching and nurturing our children, along with compassion, joy, and laughter! It was delightful to watch all interact with one another!

It is time to switch our focus from VBS to our upcoming confirmation class. In the process of reviewing material and resources, I found a recently published book by Rebecca Kirkpatrick titled, "100 Things Every Child Should Know before Confirmation." It was intended to be a guide for both parents and youth leaders to help them prepare children for confirmation.

As I pondered these 100 things, I wondered how many of our adults

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would know all the things they identified. I also wondered how many of us could easily find the stories in our Bibles.

Even as adults, there is always something more for us to learn about scripture and about what it means to be a Christian no matter what our age or how long we have been a Christian.

Here are some of the stories on the list from the Old Testament. Do you remember the story? Whether you remember or not, go to your Bible and find the following:

Stories of Genesis, Exodus, and Deuteronomy:

- Creation stories
- Noah's Ark
- Abraham and Sarah
- Isaac and Rebecca
- Jacob and his sons
- The birth of Moses
- The call of Moses
- The plagues
- The Exodus and the Wilderness experience
- The Ten Commandments

Stories of the New Testament:

Some of these stories are found in more than one of the gospels. Find the stories in the different gospels, and then read them. When they are in more than one gospel, they are written with the unique perspective of the different authors. What do you notice? What is the same, what is different about each of the stories, and how does it impact your understanding of the story to read multiple versions?

- The Call of the disciples
- The Sermon on the Mount
- The woman at the well
- Zacchaeus the tax collector
- Jesus' Palm Sunday entrance to Jerusalem
- Jesus cleanses the Temple
- The Last Supper (Maundy Thursday)
- Passion/crucifixion (Easter)
- Ascension

The next group is the sayings and parables of Jesus. You will also find these in the gospels.

The Beatitudes

"Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

"Do to others as you would have them do to you."

"Love the Lord your God...love your neighbor as yourself."

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

The Good Samaritan

The Lost Sheep and Coin

The Prodigal Son

The Sower

The Mustard Seed

I have given you only 29 of the 100 items on the list for those who are going into confirmation. It is a good refresher for all of us. Enjoy your summer exploration of the stories in scripture. Be a disciple and share the stories of the Bible with others!

Finally, consider upcoming opportunities to become a mentor for one of our confirmation youth. Benefits would be another chance to dig deeper into God's Word and to nurture one of Christ's disciples. Watch for more information.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Cathie

DEACONS

If anyone in the congregation is hospitalized or needs a visit, contact the Deacons.



If anyone in the congregation would like home communion service, please contact Lise Alves.

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Boots Misheski	701-388-7160
Lisa Steffen	701-282-5308
Caroline Talley	701-282-3273
Becky DeJong	701-281-8122
Boots Montgomery	701-281-0028
Lise Alves	701-412-8689
Session Liaison	

JULY DATES TO REMEMBER

- BIRTHDAYS
- 7-3 Tiffany Pflugrath
7-4 Carly Hager
7-8 Taylor Birrenkott
Curtis Hemm
Dolores Meyer
7-9 Michelle Jenner
Kristen Richard
7-13 Grace Hager
7-16 Cami Birrenkott
7-17 Hudson Babb
Marj Meester
7-19 Boots Misheski
7-20 Don Rehling
7-22 Tammy Bahls
7-24 Judy Pederson
7-30 Yvonne Hummel

ANNIVERSARIES

- 7-17-04 - Joe and Melissa Eiter
7-20-68 - Dave and Gloria Ruhnke
7-27-52 - Don and Greta Rehling
7-29-06 - Brian and Heidi Babb
7-30-11 - Zachary and Elizabeth Strand

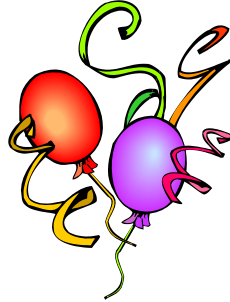
ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

*FROM Presbytery
of the Northern Plains E-news*

Often times we don't recognize the skills that God has given us to use for the benefit of God's church. You are invited to reflect upon the gifts and skills you have and the gifts and skills you see in others that would build up our mission and ministry together. You are then invited to share your name and the names of others with the Presbytery of the Northern Plains Nominating Committee.

The following are committees and representative positions opening in 2017:

- Moderator and Vice-Moderator
Council Chair
Committee On Ministry (COM)
Committee for Preparation of Ministry (CPM)
Committee on Representation (COR)
Self-Development of People (SDOP)
Session Records Committee
Clearwater Forest Representative
Synod Commissioner and Delegate
YAAD (start in May 2017)



AUGUST DATES TO REMEMBER

- BIRTHDAYS
- 8-1 Gayle Thostenson
8-4 LeRoy Bowman
8-6 Christian Steffen
8-7 Brandon Witt
8-8 McKenna Ohm
Brandon Smith
8-9 Rose Gellner
Donna Jenner
8-11 David Hemm
Judy McLeod
8-15 Carol Sterup
Chuck Thompson
8-18 Dixie Smith
8-25 Brett Colliton
Greta Rehling
8-27 Phyllis Hofsommer
Colton Misheski
8-28 Stephani Krueger
8-30 Erica Bahls
8-31 Nancy Kassman
Lisa Steffen

ANNIVERSARIES

- 8-2-68 - Gordy and Judy Pederson
8-9-14 - Brandon and Kayla Hauge
8-18-73 - Bob and Susan Gross
8-18-90 - Steve and Sue Hanna
8-20-66 - Rae and Edsel Kercher

SAVE THE DATE: CHURCHES UNITED COMMUNITY PICNIC



What: Churches United Community Picnic
When: Thursday, August 11th
Where: Gooseberry Park

Shelter Update:

From Jan 1st-April 26th, 36 households have moved into their own homes (this includes 27 children!)

PAPER DIRECTORY COMING SOON

The latest copy of CPC'S Directory of Members and Friends should be available in mid-summer in the church narthex. Please keep the church office up-to-date with your latest address, phone, cell phone, and e-mail addresses, so the print version is accurate and useful to all.

JUNE CLERK'S CORNER



The regular meeting of Session was held on June 22, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. Elders present were Lise Alves, Linda Bishop, Lee Dobrinz, Sue Hanna, Dawn Larson, Terry Meester, Bruce Steele, and Andrew Thostenson. Moderator, Cathie Bishop, and Clerk, Becky DeJong, were present. Absent were Cathy Birrenkott and Treasurer, Carolyn Meester.

Consent Agenda:

- a. next session meeting – Wednesday, July 20, 2016
- b. approval of the minutes of May 18, 2016
- c. John and Sue Larson, through a reaffirmation of faith, would like to become members of CPC on June 26.
- d. Carol Sterup would like to set up the Christmas Store in the narthex the last week of October through November.

Moderator's report:

- wrote/submitted "Ponderings from Pastor Cathie" for June 2016 newsletter
- attended New Life Center Auxiliary meeting and tour with Gloria Ruhnke, May 20
- attended installation of Rev. Sue Koesterman as Executive Director of Churches United, June 2
- helped with CPCWF Marathon Aide station, May 21
- served home communion with Lise Alves, May 26
- met with families regarding baptisms
- prepared service for Installation on June 5.
- visited members in the hospital
- lunch with Rev. Sara McManus, pastor at Flame of Faith UMC, June 20
- co-taught VBS with Lise Alves (Retirement Center) – week of June 13
- several member visits and phone calls for support/discussion.

Clerk's report: 105 served communion on Sunday, June 5. The Installation service for Reverend Catherine Bishop was

held on June 5, 2016. Terrance and Mia Strand, children of Zach and Elizabeth Strand, were baptized on June 12, 2016. Marlys Martin died on June 20, 2016.

The financial report was discussed.

Stacy Mesa has requested to be baptized on Sunday, July 17, 2016.

Discussion was held regarding overtime rules and regulations for church employees.

The final draft of our Child Protection policy was presented. The policy was approved with many thanks given to Linda Bishop, Pastor Cathie Bishop, Cathy Birrenkott, and Bruce Steele.

Discussion was held regarding The Holiness Revival Movement (HOREMOW). They have been given permission to use the church Saturday afternoons from 4:00-6:00 and Sunday afternoons from 2:00-6:00. They will accommodate CPC functions as necessary. The Mission committee will form a task force whose purpose will be to form a bond between CPC and HOREMOW.

Christian Education: Veggie Tales VBS was June 13-16. More than twenty kids attended each evening and dinner was served each night to 35-45 people. Thank you to all who helped to make this a success for our children!

Deacons continue to make visits to members and friends.

Mission: The mission project for July and August will be the Food Pantry. Charles Gaye, a missionary from Liberia, met with the Mission Committee. He is looking for support for his missionary work. It was decided that they would help him ship a barrel of clothes to a mission site in Liberia. Mission money will be sent to Teen Moms and the Bdecan Church. Plans are being made to set up a food booth at West Fest and possibly Cruise Night.

Personnel: CPC job descriptions are almost completed and will soon be signed.

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Service and Fellowship: The head usher list is finalized. The Fall Bazaar will be October 22-23. There has been interest in forming social media pages: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, or others. Several people are needed to create these pages and monitor them. If interested, talk to Sue Hanna.

Stewardship: A mid-year financial report will be compiled using graphs to explain our major expenses and resources.

Trustees: The parking lot will be resurfaced soon. A comprehensive list of who has keys/fobs is being compiled. Replacing the carpet in the Fellowship Hall is being discussed.

Worship: Pulpit supply will be filled by Vicki Riedinger on September 4 and Andrew Thostenson on September 11. Music notes will be added to the bulletin when new responsive music is introduced. Discussion was held regarding upcoming services.

No reports: Nominating Committee

Meeting closed with prayer by Linda Bishop at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky DeJong, Clerk of Session

PRAYER TIME

*O LORD, God of my salvation,
when, at night, I cry out in your
presence,
let my prayer come before you;
incline your ear to my cry.*

Psalm 88:1

Join us for a half hour of prayer in the church sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesdays, July 13 and August 10, as we worship, praise, and lay our petitions before God.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The pastor's office hours are: 9
Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m. – noon
afternoons by appointment

**VEGGIE TOWN VOLUNTEERS 2016**

Thank you to everyone for volunteering. God has an amazing way of putting a group of people together to have fun, gather in fellowship and share His word.

**Dinner:**

Lisa Steffen
Ann Chale
Nancy Kassman
Gloria Ruhnke

Opening/Closing:

Bonnie Thompson
Dawn Larson

Teachers:**Preschool –**

LeAnn Tenderholt
& Gayle Thostenson
Cami Birrenkott
Cora Carlson
Alex Misheski
Brittany Tenderholt

Beach –

John Engebretson
& Melissa VanCleve

Home –

Claire DeJong & Bob Kozojed

Restaurant –

Steve & Sue Hanna
& Dixon Moorhead

Retirement Center –

Lise Alves
& Pastor Cathie Bishop

Actors:

Carrie Leopold
Vicki Peihl
Pat Richard

Snacks/video time:

LeRoy Bowman
Kathy Fidler

Games:

Cary Talley
Molly Nelson

Artist:

Lucas Misheski and associates

Photographer:

Isaac Leopold

Director:

Becky DeJong



**YEAR-TO-DATE
GIVING UPDATE**

for 6/15/2016

General Operating budget
2016:

\$154,778.00 / 52 weeks =
\$2,976.50 per week

Actual Giving	\$53,780.00
Budgeted Expenses	\$71,436.00
Budget Shortfall	\$17,656.00
Actual Giving	\$53,780.00
Actual Expenses	\$53,192.00
Net Income to Date	\$ 588.00

This does not include the mortgage payment of \$3,146.54. We currently have funds in the building fund account to cover the payment through July.

Per Capita amount for 2016 is **\$43.50** for each confirmed member.

- ♦ Stewardship is the path. Generosity is the adventure.
- ♦ Generous givers make God and His purposes their highest priority.
- ♦ Enjoy God's generosity to you ... then share it with others.

**WHY DO
THEY KEEP
RETURNING
TO SYNOD SCHOOL?**



- *Christian fellowship
- *Inspiring worship and song
- *Growth in knowledge and faith
- *Personal and spiritual renewal
- *Fun for families and singles of all ages

July 24-29, 2016

Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, IA
Discover Synod School!

<http://lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool>
1-800-328-1880, ext. 207

PRESBYTERY NEWS



A copy of the monthly newsletter published by our Presbytery of the Northern Plains is posted on the left bulletin board in the old narthex. You can access your own copy of *Lights of the Northern Plains* under Publications on its website, :
<http://www.northernplainspresbytery.com/>

LET'S PLAY BALL!



Fargo-Moorhead Church Softball League has started up again. Want to play on the CPC team? Give Reed Montgomery a call at 701-367-8039. Spectators are always welcome.

All games are on Wednesday evenings with the first game at 6:30 p.m. and the second to follow.

Date	Location(Home/Away)—Opponent
7/13	Longfellow W (A)—Atonement II
	Longfellow W (H)—Bethlehem
7/20	McKinley W (A)—Heartland
	McKinley E (H)—St. Andrew's

Tournament will be July 22 and 23



**LOOKING AHEAD
FOR
SUNDAY SCHOOL
TEACHERS**

Please contact LeAnn Tenderholt or sign up in the narthex if you have any level of interest in helping with Sunday School in the upcoming year. We are specifically looking for preschool teacher (s), K-5 teachers, and two or three middle school teachers to rotate throughout the school year.

LeAnn can be reached at 701-388-1594 or Le_Ann_T@yahoo.com .

**SOUL TRAIN
SCHEDULE**



July 16 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Swimming at
Veteran's Memorial Pool

Tues, August 9– Thurs, August 11

Camping trip to Itasca St Park
Meet at church at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday & arrive back at church about 4:00 p.m. on Thursday. Packets, which have been sent in e-mail, are on the bulletin board, and in the church office.

**September Community Call
deadline will be
Thursday, August 18**

Community Presbyterian Church is pleased to offer you a way to make contributions to the church using pre-authorized debits. You can have your contributions paid automatically each month.

- No check writing with associated charges
- Control over funds is guaranteed (via Regulation E)
- Easy to sign up and easy to cancel – easy to change for whatever reason

The authorization below gives Community Presbyterian Church and your financial institution authority to make contributions from your account. To take advantage of pre-authorized debits, simply complete the form as follows:

- Check whether your payment will be deducted from your checking or savings account
- Fill in your name, financial institution name and location, and date
- Attach a voided check for verification of all the financial institution information. If you are unable to attach a voided check, please provide your account number.
- Sign the form

Pre-authorized debits are safe, convenient, and easy. To take advantage of this service, please complete the following and return it to the church office.

Pre-authorized debits customer authorization form

I authorize Community Presbyterian Church and the financial institution listed below to initiate electronic debit entries, (and if necessary, credit entries and adjustments for any debit entries in error) to my:

[] checking account [] savings account for \$_____

*(This authority will remain in effect until I have cancelled it in writing.)
(Changes can be easily made)*

*Please select from the following options to make contributions:

<u>MONTHLY</u> 1 st _____ OR 16 th _____	<u>TWICE A MONTH</u> 1 st AND 16 th _____
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Please print the following:

Name _____

Address _____

Financial Institution: _____ Branch: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Bank Routing Number (9 digits):

Account Number

Please return to:

Office
Community Presbyterian Church
P. O. Box 546
West Fargo, ND 58078

Forms accepted at any time

(A confirmation will be sent to you)