

COMMUNITY CALL

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REJOICING ABOUT NEW BEGINNINGS

Please join us in celebrating our new relationship of congregation and pastor as Rev. Catherine Bishop is officially installed as the pastor of Community Presbyterian Church of West Fargo.

The installation will take place in the sanctuary on Sunday, June 5, at 4:00 p.m. with a picnic reception to follow at Bob & Becky's. adjoined to North Elmwood Park.

Members and friends of CPC please check for further details and sign up in the narthex. Plan to bring lawn chairs.

Out of towners please join us as our guests. There will be plenty to share, and maps will be available at the installation service.

ANNOUNCING VEGGIE TALES VALUES

Kids, come and see Larry, Bob, Junior, and the gang and learn about Family Values. They'll be here at the church for Vacation Bible School in June! Here are the details:

Vacation Bible School-June 13-16

5:30-6:00 - dinner

6:00-8:30 - VeggieTown

Kids and Volunteers sign up in the narthex.

Questions? - Contact Becky or Bob - 281-8122.



NEW TIMES

Beginning May 29th, worship services will be held on Sundays at 9:30 a.m.



PONDERINGS FROM PASTOR CATHIE

When Paul wrote to the early church in the places he had been and expected to be, he always wrote a salutation followed by a thanksgiving. Since I am now writing you letters each month, it seems appropriate to adopt Paul's style for my letters to you. This month's greeting follows the particular style of Romans, my favorite of Paul's letters.

To all of God's beloved in Community Presbyterian Church, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank God through Jesus Christ for all of you. You are willing to live your faith, and to seek opportunities to grow in your faith. You have been incredibly welcoming to both Paul Campbell, and to me. I have appreci-

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ated those of you who have stopped by to visit with me, sometimes on a particular issue, and sometimes just to chat and get to know one another.

We have already worked through some "change and transition" issues (and there will be more), which was to be expected after your own experiences and now as you learn to walk with me, and as I am learning to walk with you. Through the various situations, I am filled with gratitude that we are able to pray about our lives together, seeking solutions that honor God and one another.

We had the privilege of baptizing Ava Michelle on May 15th. It truly takes a community to raise a child, and that is what you promised to be for Ava, and all those who are baptized in Christ, now and in the future.

I would like you to think about what you promised. Here are the words we ask of the congregation each time we baptize another child of God.

"Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture this child, by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of their church?" You answered: "We do."

As a community of Christ, you answer "we do" because the responsibility lies on each of us, not just a few people. Being a community of Christ means we work together, pray together, and come together to demonstrate our love and commitment to God through not only what we say and pray, but more importantly, what we do – it is our actions that speak louder than any of our words.

This month I ask you to ponder on your own words and actions. We promised that we would "guide and nurture" each

child of God. What does that mean to you? What would you expect others to do to meet the promise of "guiding and nurturing" members of the church, young and not so young folks? And the next question is...are you using your talents, gifts, and resources to "guide and nurture" the children of God here at Community Presbyterian Church?

My questions are not meant to be a judgement, just an opportunity for each of us to take the time to reflect and ponder on what it is that we promised. It is an opportunity to look at what we are doing, and what we could be doing to assure our promise is kept to each and every one of God's children within our community, and outside within the broader community.

Other things we promised that you can ask the same questions for: "with love and prayer;" "encouraging them to know and follow Christ;" and "to be a faithful member of their church."

We have programs that will need workers and children of God to attend. Vacation Bible School is right around the corner, June 13-16. Are your children signed up? How about your nieces, nephews, grandchildren, or kids from the neighborhood? Encourage them to attend. If you can, come be a volunteer or provide a ride. If you are unable to be part of VBS, please take time to pray for the children, the teachers, and the others working to make VBS be a place the children see God in all who are there so they may follow Christ, and be a faithful member of their church now and in the future.

We have youth activities this summer which need your guidance and nurturing; your encouraging, love, and prayer. Our "Young at Heart" folks who are playing ball would love to have you at the games, encouraging them as they build a fellowship out in the community.

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Next Fall we will start Sunday School again – for all of God’s children. There will be opportunities to be encouraging and supportive. We need teachers and people to attend, people who are willing to demonstrate through their Christian leadership and actions just what it means to follow Christ and be a faithful member of the church.

Don’t forget worship...it takes a community to have worship. We need liturgists, ushers, musicians, cheerful voices to praise God, ears to listen, and prayers asking the Holy Spirit to guide each of us to hear God’s Word so that we can go out and “make disciples of all nations, baptizing and teaching.”

There are many other ways we can demonstrate our promises to the children of God...what else can you think of?

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.

Deb Matzke	701-282-9463
Boots Misheski	701-282-5429
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

**PRAYER
TIME**

*The LORD answer you in the day of trouble!
The name of the God of Jacob protect you!*

Psalm 20:1

Join us for a half hour of prayer at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 8, as we worship, praise, and lay our petitions before God.

**JUNE
DATES
TO REMEMBER****BIRTHDAYS**

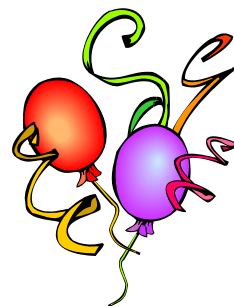
- 6-4 Mike Gross
- 6-6 LeAnn
Tenderholt
Melanie
Hansen
- 6-8 April Shone
- 6-11 Kathy Colliton
- 6-12 Vicki Riedinger
- 6-19 Brandon Hanna
- 6-26 Carol Duggan
- 6-30 Dixon Moorhead
Ezra Dobrinz

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6-4-88 – Tom and Cathy Birrenkott
- 6-6-48 – Henry and Hazel Yokom
- 6-7-97 – Scott and Melanie Hansen
- 6-8-96 – Terry and Carolyn Meester
- 6-11-83 – Marty and Debbie Matzke
- 6-11-94 – Lee and Lia Dobrinz
- 6-11-99 – Ray and Bev Christopherson
- 6-18-72 – Bruce and Karen Steele
- 6-19-93 – Chad and Tammy Nelson
- 6-20-87 – Don and Shelly Van Cleve
- 6-20-92 – Richard and Lisa Osborne
- 6-27-81 – Thomas and Nancy Kassman
- 6-28-75 – John and Lorna Wilkinson

**VACATION
OFFICE HELP
NEEDED**

We are looking for individuals that would be willing to volunteer in the office August 1 through August 25. 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 am to noon. Let Barb or Pastor Cathie know if you have an interest. Some instruction and training will be given.



MAY CLERK'S CORNER

The regular meeting of Session was held on May 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. Elders present were Lise Alves, Cathy Birrenkott, Linda Bishop, Lee Dobrinz, Sue Hanna, Dawn Larson, Terry Meester, Bruce Steele, and Andrew Thostenson. Pastor Cathie Bishop, Clerk Becky DeJong, and Treasurer Carolyn Meester were present.



The meeting was opened with prayer by Moderator Cathie Bishop.

The Certificate of Transfer was received from Faith United Presbyterian Church for Paul Campbell. He will be received into membership on May 22, 2016 at Community Presbyterian Church.

Chuck Richard would like to use some old tables for a graduation party on May 28, 2016.

Samantha Herman would like to take the youth group camping and biking at Itasca State Park on July 29-31.

An 80th birthday party for Dorothy Jenkins will be held on Saturday, October 15, 2016, from 2:00-4:00 in the narthex.

Melissa VanCleve and John Engebretson would like to use the church for their wedding on Saturday, October 7, 2017.

Moderator's report: toured Sheyenne Crossing; met with group working on the Children/Youth Protection Policy; have met with committees: Worship, Mission, Trustees, Deacons, and Christian Education; trained Deacons on home communion; met with Session members/family and baptism of Ava Michelle on 5/15; conducted home and hospital visits; will attend quarterly meetings with Faith Communities Advisory Group/Sanford Health; will provide a worship service for residents at Parkview Terrance and Golden Living in Moorhead on July 11; met with prospective new members.

Clerk's report: 95 were served communion on Sunday, May 1, 2016. Ava Michelle was baptized on May 15, 2016.

The financial report was discussed.

Various presbytery Committee positions are available. These positions are three year commitments beginning in January. All CPC elders are encouraged to prayerfully consider this opportunity. If you are interested, please let Pastor Cathie know by June 1.

An invitation is being sent to the presbytery to invite them to hold their Spring meeting on April 21-22, 2017 at our church.

The Building Use form will be used by all groups wanting to use the church building. This form will be available in the office and then turned in to Session for approval.

Christian Education: Vacation Bible School is on schedule for June 13-16. Confirmation is being discussed. Rally Sunday will be the first day of Sunday School, September 11, 2016, and Youth Sunday will be on November 13, 2016

Deacons: Home and hospital visits are being made.

Mission: The project for May will be the Bdecan church. They have a great need for our support of clothing and school supplies. The committee has been discussing new missions, the Kenyan Instructor Fund and fund-raising ideas.

Personnel: A youth leader job description is being compiled.

Service and Fellowship: The head usher list is being revised.

Trustees: The church's thermostat is preset; only adjust the temperature up and down if necessary. Oil from the candles is leaving soot on the wall, so different oil or candles are being researched. The parking lot will be resurfaced in June by Hoy Construction. Key fobs and keys need to be returned if they are not checked out to you. Air conditioners will be installed next week. The boys' toilet will be replaced downstairs.

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Worship: Bonnie Thompson, Samantha Herman, and Pastor Cathie will be planning Youth Sunday for November 13, 2016.

No reports: Nominating, Stewardship.

Meeting closed with prayer by Andrew Thostenson at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky DeJong, Clerk of Session

**JACK ATTACK
ON SMA:
ROUND 12**



Join us for Jack Attack on SMA: Round 12! This event is in honor of our "Fighting Champs" Jack Gellner, Cole Pulkrabek, Ashley Wohl, Chloe & Everley Bartholome, Trish Kuemper, and in memory of SJ Thomas.

Registration for the 5K walk, run, or roll will occur Saturday, June 11, 9:15 a.m. at Lindenwood Park in Fargo. A medal presentation will occur at 9:50 a.m. with the Walk-n-Roll beginning at 10:00 a.m. Picnic lunch is to follow the walk.

Questions: contact Kristi Gellner at rkgell@midco.net.



**CHURCHES UNITED
FOR THE HOMELESS
NEWS**

Shelter Update:

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

Save the Date:

Churches United Community Picnic is planned for Thursday, August 11th, at Gooseberry Park

**WE RELAY
OUR THANKS**

Thanks to all volunteers who watered and powered up all the runners, sweetened, and fed the crew. You folks are amazing!



Take it easy, and stay tuned to gear up for May, 2017!

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.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location(Home/Away)—Opponent</u>
6/1	McKinley E (H)—Atonement II McKinley E (A)—Bethlehem
6/8	Longfellow E (H)—Atonement III Longfellow E (A)—Calvary
6/15	Longfellow E (A)—Olivet III Longfellow W (A)—Olivet II
6/22	Lindenwood #5 (H)—Olivet I Lindenwood #6 (A)—Ignite Church
6/29	Lindenwood #6 (A)—St. Joseph's Lindenwood #5 (H)—FMAC
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****



SOUL TRAIN SCHEDULE

Sat, June 18 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Youth Picnic

July 29-30/31 Camping trip to Itasca
State Park

Sat, Aug 20 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Swimming at Veteran's Memorial Pool

ATTENTION ALL SINGERS!

**ONE NIGHT
CHOIR REHEARSAL**



When: Thursday, June 2, 7 p.m.

What: Practice for Pastor Cathie's

Installation Service

Sing: Sunday, June 5, at 4:00 p.m.



**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.

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

YEAR-TO-DATE GIVING UPDATE

for 5/18/2016

General Operating budget
2016:

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

Actual Giving	\$50,067.00
Budgeted Expenses	\$59,430.00
Budget Shortfall	\$ 9,463.00-

Actual Giving	\$ 50,067.00
Actual Expenses	\$ 44,930.00
Net Income to Date	\$ 5,137.00

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

For if you give, you will get! Your gift will return to you in full and overflowing measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, and running over. Whatever measure you use to give - large or small - will be used to measure what is given back to you.

Luke 6:38



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/>

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Need to contact Pastor Cathie or CPC's secretary/bookkeeper, Barb Jorgensen? You can find either at the church office Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to noon and afternoons by appointment. You can reach them by phone at 701-282-4135 or via e-mail (Pastor Cathie: pastorcathie@cpcwf.org; Barb: office@cpcwf.org).



SYNOD SCHOOL 2016 CONNECTING WITH JESUS IN AN

OVER-CONNECTED WORLD



Synod School, an annual mid-summer ministry of the Synod of Lakes and Prairies of Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), is for laity, clergy, families, and singles. It's fun and mind-stretching courses, worship and singing you'll long remember, and times for both fellowship and private reflection. Discover Synod School, and you'll know why so many people keep returning.

Choose among 60+ courses. Examples include Bible studies: *Jonah, Lamentations, Ecclesiastes, Jude*; body and mind renewal classes: *Yoga, Painting Watercolors, Folk Dancing*, and *Ctrl+Alt+Del: Rebooting the Sabbath*; classes for living faithfully in the world: *The Science of Social Justice, White Privilege, The Christian Life*; classes for leadership development: *Embracing Conflict, Adaptive Leadership*, and *Making the Most of Your Time to Teach*.

Convocation speaker John Bell, an internationally popular speaker throughout Europe and North America, is a minister of the Church of Scotland and a member of the Iona Community. Evening worship will be led by Burns Stanfield, pastor of Fourth Presbyterian Church in Boston, and a group of his friends. Morning worship will be led by Stephanie Anthony and Jody Branson of First Presbyterian Church in Hudson, WI.

WHEN: July 24-29, 2016

WHERE: Buena Vista University
Storm Lake, IA

More information can be gleaned at www.lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool or by calling 800-328-1800, ext. 207.

**July/August Community Call
deadline will be
Thursday, June 23**

Class of 2016

**Sophia
Dobrinz**



After high school I will attend the University of North Dakota where I plan on studying pre-med and majoring in Psychology. My hope is to then attend medical school in pursuit of becoming a pediatric oncologist. Though this is a very exciting time in my life, I will miss aspects of high school as well as seeing all of my friends and family everyday. I am thrilled to begin this new adventure and see what God has in store for my life.



This summer I will be busy! I am going to Costa Rica with Spanish class and competing at FBLA Nationals. I will also be working for All-Finish Concrete.



Next fall I will be staying in the dorms at NDSU majoring in Engineering. I will miss seeing my dog, Molly, everyday. I plan on seeing my church family most Sundays.

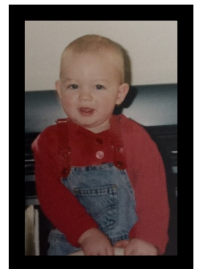


**Jarrett
Meester**

**Michael
Richard**



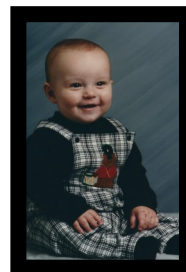
My future plans after high school are to attend MSUM and major in political science, I want to create a positive change in my community and I believe this degree will allow me to make an impact. After I leave high school I will miss the friends that will travel to colleges far away. I'm grateful for the relationships I have formed but I am also ready to form new relationships and make new friends. I plan to keep my faith strong by attending CPC with my family.



My future plan is to attend NDSU where I will major in Civil Engineering and participate on the track team. I am going to miss all of the sports I did in high school.



I am looking forward to this next step in my life and I hope that I will learn a lot. In my adult life I hope I live in West Fargo because I enjoy it here.



**Alex
Talley**

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:

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>MONTHLY</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">1st _____ OR 16th _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TWICE A MONTH</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">1st AND 16th _____</p>
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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)