

Fill out the form below, cut it out, fold it in half, tape it, stamp it, and post it or drop it at the church office to register your child for VBS!
(For more information on Polar Blast, see page 4)



POLAR BLAST

Community Presbyterian Church
Vacation Bible School

June 24 through 26

Dinner 5:40 p.m.; Activities 6 p.m.-7:40 p.m.

For 3 year-olds through 5th grade grads
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## Registration Form

Name(s) and age(s)/*completed* grade(s) : \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

All are welcome to dine with us. Please note below how many of you shall join us for dinner?

Sun \_\_\_\_\_ Mon \_\_\_\_\_ Tues \_\_\_\_\_

Will someone besides parents pick up VBS participants? If so, who? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact phone #

\_\_\_\_\_

Are there any special concerns?

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I would like to know more about this church.



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**Attn: Melanie Hansen  
OR Gayle Thostenson  
Community Presbyterian Church  
702 Sheyenne St.  
West Fargo, ND 58078**

# COMMUNITY CALL

**Pastor:** Rev. Catherine Bishop; **Office Specialist:** Roberta Cruz; **Ministers:** The People of God  
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## NEW TIMES

With the ending of Sunday School and arrival of Summer comes a change of timing for Community Presbyterian Church. Beginning on May 27th, worship services will be held on Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

## SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM



We have a new mission opportunity this summer! Community Presbyterian Church is partnering with Great Plains Food Bank to serve lunch to children from June 4 through August 17. Our part of the partnership is to set up the lunch stop on the playground south of South Elementary School on 7th Avenue, to serve the children who come to eat between noon and 12:30 p.m., and then clean-up, returning table and supplies to CPC. All of this should take no more than an hour and a half, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

We have posted sign-up sheets on the bulletin board next to the Youth Bulletin Board. We will need 3 people each day. To start with, we would like people to sign-up for the first two weeks of June. Certainly, you are allowed to sign up on any of the days between June 4 and August 17!

Training for servers will be held on Friday, June 1, at 9:00 a.m. here at Community Presbyterian Church. Please contact Pastor Cathie if you have questions.



## PONDERINGS FROM PASTOR CATHIE

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace. (2 Corinthians 1:2 NLT)

During June, we change seasons again. The good thing is that the weather has been warmer, finally! The snow is finally gone from the parking lot of Community Presbyterian Church! After our long winter and cool spring, we are all ready to enjoy the green grass, leaves, and the color that is around us. Even with the cold and the complaining, I love living in the upper Midwest where we have distinctive seasons.

There is a rhythm that comes with the seasons of the earth, as there is with the seasons of the church year. We have just finished the season of Easter. Lent and Easter are complex sea-  
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sons. We rejoice in the life of Jesus and his teachings. Yet, we have gone through the angst of Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension. The promised advocate arrived at Pentecost.

At first glance for this season of Ordinary Time, it literally feels like the time of being mundane and perhaps a bit drab. Since Advent began last December, we have been focused on the anticipation of Jesus' birth, then the life of Jesus, followed by the end of his time on earth.

It doesn't have to be drab or mundane! Perhaps this is one of those times that we need so we can ponder what we have learned from Jesus. Perhaps this time of the year is a little scary because it is not as structured. We are like children who are ready to move out on our own, finding our way, putting to use all that we have been taught. Perhaps, it takes a bit more consciousness on our part. It is part of maturing in our faith. Jesus is always with us, he hasn't left our side.

Our sermon scriptures during June will be from 2 Corinthians, letters Paul wrote to the new Christians in Corinth. When Paul begins his letter, he greeted the people with a blessing for grace and peace.

Grace and peace. What a gift from Jesus for those who follow him. You and I are part of Jesus followers which means that the grace and peace apply to all of us! Breathe deeply and say that again to yourself. Grace and peace are for you! Shout it out! Let your gratitude show!

We are not to keep it all to ourselves; we are to share the grace and peace of Jesus Christ with others. How do we do that? There are lots of ways.

We have a new opportunity to share our lives, our grace and peace, with children who are hungry. We have been talking about the new partnership we have with



Great Plains Food Bank. The season of the Summer Lunch Program is here! Please pray and consider where God is calling you regarding participation in the Lunch Program. Check out the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Ask me if you have questions!

During this month of June, look for ways to share Jesus' good news, grace and peace. Pray for guidance. Ask Jesus for clues as to how you can reach out to others. Jesus will equip you to do what he calls you to do. Really. Truly. Give him a chance to show you. Challenge yourself to be open and ready! Grace and peace.

Pastor Cathie

### LET'S PLAY BALL!



Fargo-Moorhead Church Softball League has begun. Want to play on the CPC team? Give Reed Montgomery a call at 701-367-8039.

Beginning May 2nd, all games are on Wednesday evenings with the first game at 6:30 p.m. and the second to follow. Spectators are always welcome.

All games will be played Wednesday evening on a field at North Softball Complex (NC) at 6063 45th St N, Fargo, ND 58102.

Games will be postponed if one field is unplayable. Make-up games will occur on Fridays.

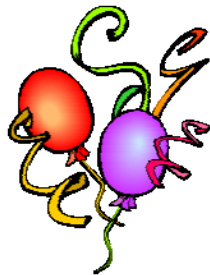
| Date | Time | Place(Home/Away) | Opponent      |
|------|------|------------------|---------------|
| 5/30 | 7:30 | NC D2 (A)        | Knights(FMAC) |
|      | 8:30 | NC D1 (H)        | St Andrew     |
| 6/6  | 6:30 | NC D5 (H)        | Atonement II  |
|      | 7:30 | NC D5 (H)        | Lighthouse    |
| 6/13 | 6:30 | NC D1(A)         | Bethlehem     |
|      | 8:30 | NC D4 (A)        | Pontoppidan   |
| 6/20 | 6:30 | NC D5 (A)        | Atonement III |
|      | 8:30 | NC D4 (H)        | Olivet I      |
| 6/27 | 6:30 | NC D3 (H)        | Heartland     |
|      | 8:30 | NC D1 (A)        | Calvary       |
| 7/11 | 6:30 | NC D1 (A)        | Ignite        |
|      | 7:30 | NC D5 (H)        | St. Joseph's  |

\*\*Tournaments will be July 13 and 14\*\*

## JUNE DATES TO REMEMBER

### BIRTHDAYS

- 6-4 Mike Gross
- 6-6 Melanie Hansen  
LeAnn Tenderholt
- 6-8 April Shone
- 6-12 Vicki Riedinger
- 6-14 Rylee Montgomery
- 6-19 Brandon Hanna
- 6-26 Carol Duggan
- 6-30 Ezra Dobrinz  
Dixon Moorhead



### ANNIVERSARIES

- 6-4-88 – Tom and Cathy Birrenkott
- 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
- 6-18-72 - Bruce and Karen Steele
- 6-19-93- Chad and Tammy Nelson
- 6-27-81 – Thomas and Nancy Kassman

## IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Do you like to organize and enjoy the fellowship of our church? Do you have a desire to further our children's relationship with God? Do you enjoy children, but aren't comfortable teaching? Well, the job of Sunday School Coordinator is right for you or for you and a Co-coordinator.

As the coordinator, you would have input on all decisions regarding CPC education, work closely with the Christian Education Committee, and receive active support from the committee in managing Sunday School activities.

Ask yourself and ask God if He is calling you for this rewarding challenge.

Please call any committee member if you are interested or have questions.

They are:

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Melanie Hansen,<br>Session Liaison | 701-526-6213 |
| Lia Dobrinz                        | 701-866-1681 |
| Tammy Nelson                       | 701-541-0941 |
| Gayle Thostenson                   | 701-492-0630 |

## JUNE MISSION FOCUS AND A GATHERING



The June mission focus is the Bdecan Church, a Dakota Presbytery church located at Tokio, ND on the Spirit Lake Reservation. "Bdecan" (pronounced Bah-DAY Chan) means "Wood Lake" in the Dakota language. Bdecan Presbyterian Church is the only Indian Presbyterian Church in the State of North Dakota. It was founded as a mission church in 1879 and formally organized in 1881.

Joe Obermeyer was hired in the spring of 2013 as the Youth and Outreach Coordinator at Bdecan Presbyterian Church. Joe provides programming for the children and youth year round. He also coordinates volunteers from outside the church during the summer months. Joe states, "This position is going to be an amazing experience. I do not consider this to be a job; instead I consider this position to be a vocation. I am convinced that God has brought me into this place at this moment."

This summer, on July 14, the church will celebrate the fifth anniversary of Joe's hiring. There will be a 5k fun run/walk in the morning. After lunch a ribbon cutting is planned for the new clothing pantry. There will be music entertainment. In addition, per local donations, Joe Obermeyer will have his beard shaved.

To contribute to the purchase of the new clothing pantry, to volunteer to help Kevin Galt with special music, or to just join in the fun, see sign up sheets in the church narthex or speak to members of the Mission Committee.

For more information about the Bdecan Church, you can go to its website at <https://www.bdecanpresbyterianchurch.org/> Additional information can be found on Presbytery of the North Plains website at <https://www.northernplainspresbytery.com/>

**SYNOD SCHOOL  
2018:  
DANCE  
JOYFULLY  
WHERE'ER  
YOU MAY BE**

July 22-27, 2018  
Buena Vista  
University  
Storm Lake, Iowa



Synod School, an annual midsummer ministry of the Synod of Lakes and Prairies of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.),

to grow in faith through action, relationships, and centering of the spirit.

for continuing education, a special family week together or for individual inspiration and growth.

to participate in a unique experience of Christian community as we worship, study, play, and live together.

to laugh, create, worship, question, grow, think, and learn.

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For more information, links to the catalog of classes, and course descriptions, along with registration details, visit [www.lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool](http://www.lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool) or call 800-328-1880, ext. 207.



**MEMBERS NEEDED**

Do you have a special heart for children or youth? Would you like a voice or hand in helping the young grow in their faith in Christ? If either is true, there is a place to serve at CPC.

The Christian Education Committee would like to add new members to its team. Please contact Melanie Hansen with questions or interest (701-526-6213).

**SAVE  
THE DATE**

Presbyterian Women's Fall Bazaar and Luncheon is coming on Saturday, October 13.



**POLAR BLAST  
VBS WISH LIST**

On June 24, 25, and 26, CPC's temperatures are likely to get mighty chilly as Polar Blast Vacation Bible School begins. We would love your help to make sure we all can warm up to Jesus, the coolest friend of all. If you're able to donate anything listed below, we will need to know as soon as possible, so we can take inventory on what/who is still needed. We appreciate everyone's help along the way.



- Crew Leaders for small groups
- Actors for Bible Adventures
- Drama King for Opening and Closing Ceremonies
- Song Leader(s) for the Awesome Polar Blast music
- Bible Adventures teacher(s)
- Frozen Fun & Games leader(s) and helper(s)
- Projects-with-a-purpose leader(s)
- Polar photographer
- Cooks and servers for dinner
- Decorator(s)
- Folks that just want to chill out and have fun.

Volunteers should contact Melanie Hansen ([mlh060673@yahoo.com](mailto:mlh060673@yahoo.com)) or Gayle Thostenson ([atgtet@far.midco.net](mailto:atgtet@far.midco.net)).

**JUNE SCRIPTURES  
FOR WORSHIP**

- June 3 - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost  
Deuteronomy 5:12-15  
Psalm 81:1-10; Mark 2:23-3:6  
2 Corinthians 4:1-12 (sermon text)
- June 10 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost  
Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130  
Mark 3:20-35  
2 Cor. 4:13-5:1 (sermon text)
- June 17- 4th Sunday after Pentecost  
Ezekiel 17:22-24; Mark 4:26-34  
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15  
2 Corinthians 5:6-17 (sermon text)
- June 24 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost  
Job 38:1-11; Mark 4:35-41  
Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32  
2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (sermon text)





**YEAR-TO-DATE  
GIVING UPDATE**

For 5/16/2018

General Operating budget  
2018: \$146,185.80 / 52  
weeks = \$2,811.26 per week.

Budgeted Exp. to date: \$ 53,413.94  
Actual giving \$ 47,765.09  
Actual expenses \$ 45,765.47  
Net income to date \$ 1,999.62

This does not include the mortgage pay-  
ment of \$3,146.54. There are funds in  
the building fund account to cover the  
mortgage payment through October.

Per capita amount for 2018 is \$44.00 for  
each confirmed member. The unpaid  
balance at the end of the year is paid  
out of the church general fund. Please  
mark on your check or envelope funds  
you are contributing to Per Capita.

*...each of us grows in faith by assessing  
the many blessings of our lives and con-  
sidering our need to give as an expres-  
sion of our gratitude to God.*

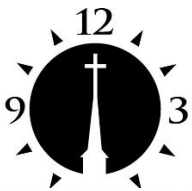
**CPC DIRECTORIES  
ARE AVAILABLE**



They're here!

Newly printed directories of CPC Mem-  
bers and Friends are available in the  
church narthex.

Need a digital directory? Ask Gayle  
Thostenson, and she will deliver one to  
your email.



**CHURCH OFFICE  
HOURS**

The pastor's office hours  
are:

Monday-Thursday  
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Other times by appointment

**July/August Community Call  
deadline will be  
Thursday, June 21**

**223RD GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY  
AND PRAYER**

June 16-23, 2018 the  
223rd General Assembly  
(GA) of the Presbyterian  
Church, (U.S.A.) will be meeting in St.  
Louis, Missouri. Each presbytery has  
elected commissioners. From the Pres-  
bytery of the Northern Plains, we have  
three commissioners: Mary Holtey-TER,  
Sedalia Mahlum-YAAD, and Marilyn  
Dean-RER. Please keep our commission-  
ers, and all of those attending GA in  
your prayers. We have provided you a  
prayer you may use, or you may use  
your own.

*Gracious and loving God,*

*Thank you for the opportunity for the  
church to gather in your name, to do  
the work Jesus commissioned, within  
the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). There  
is much business done at GA. May all of  
the commissioners keep focused on you  
in their discussions and voting. We ask  
that all involved use their ears to listen,  
their words to glorify you, and always  
remember it is you that called them.*

*May your presence show through all  
they do at GA and in their lives. Please  
give them peace and safety as they  
travel to and from St. Louis.*

*In your Son's name we pray, Amen.*

**DEACONS**



If anyone in the congregation  
is hospitalized or needs a vis-  
it, contact the Deacons.

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

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|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Linda Bishop                | [H] 701-282-8515 |
|                             | [C] 701-200-1818 |
| Steve Hanna                 | 701-793-5109     |
| Sue Larson                  | 701-893-6484     |
| Lisa Steffen                | 701-282-5308     |
| Carolyn Talley              | 701-282-3273     |
| Boots Montgomery            | 701-281-0028     |
| Lise Alves, Session Liaison | 701-412-8689     |

# Congratulations Class of 2018!

**Zarissa  
Hansen**



After high school, I will continue to work as a manager at Culvers. I plan to go to college at NDSU where I will major in psychology. I have not decided whether I will go down the path to med school and become a psychiatrist or continue studies at NDSU to become a clinical psychologist. I am glad to know I have a few years till I have to figure it all out. I plan to stay active in my faith by still regularly attending church and hopefully being able to join the choir.



**Molly  
Nelson**



After leaving high school, I will most miss all the friends I have made over the past several years. I plan to go to college at Minnesota State University Moorhead where I expect to major in Education. I plan to stay active in my faith by continuing to attend church and volunteering in our community.



**Chris  
Shone**



After high school, I plan to work full time to save money while continuing my video career. I want to do this for at least a year and then see where I am going from there.

