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Invitation to Innovate!



**Don't forget our
Wednesday Live @ Five on
Facebook**

**Request your favorites by
[clicking here!](#)**



BYOB

COFFEE @ CPC

(or your beverage of choice--BYOB)

Tuesdays at 4:30pm

&

Wednesdays at 8am

Under the Portico in front of the AC
Coffee, conversation, connection,
and prayer!

Get Connected!



Bring/Purchase/Cook your own dinner;
NO MASKS REQUIRED
since we'll be meeting on Zoom

One Week from Today,

SECOND TUESDAY SUPPER CLUB!

on Zoom:

September 8 at 6 pm

[Click here to join us!](#)

Sign-up
and
Complete
Paperwork
Below

[Wed. 9/9: 10 -2:40](#)

[Sat. 9/12: 10 -2:40](#)

Give Blood Give Life

September 9th and 12th

(or you can go directly to the center)

CPC versus FPC

friendly competition

**invite your friends and neighbors
& share our facebook event, too!**

(seriously--this is a David and Goliath competition)

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(Please note that our First Wednesday Cookout *has been moved to the Second Wednesday*--good food to strengthen you after donating blood!!)

Creating Sacred Community Online

(Buttons for Zoom and Facebook can take you to our Sunday services
from the church webpage at www.cpcwaco.org)

Sunday Morning - Click [HERE](#) (a link to our Zoom services on Sunday)

Please remember **Caritas** Food Ministries this first Sunday of the month.

There is a black bin under the portico of the AC for non-perishable food donations.

9:10 AM Gathering/Fellowship

9:35 ish Adult Sunday School

Genesis Class is studying from the Letter to the Romans with Rev. Rodgers on Zoom.

The Men's Class studies from the lectionary with Elder Bryngelson, meeting this Sunday in the Memorial Garden. (Masks, distancing, and remaining outdoors will be observed).

10:30 AM Gathering and Prayer

10:40 AM Worship in the same zoom space ([link](#)), though we will also go [live on Facebook](#)

(that's a link to our Sunday Worship at 10:45. A recording will remain posted for viewing "on demand" later). Please leave a greeting in the comments section and invite others to join us on Zoom and/or Facebook (you can also call in by phone starting as early as 9:10 for Sunday school).

Order of Worship for this Sunday, September 6, is at the bottom of this email.

Time Management

Greetings,

I attended church with you all on Facebook last week and had to laugh when David gave the illustration about a co-worker who had tried a new, fancy planner to better manage her time. He couldn't have known that I had eagerly been waiting for my vacation time to start my new journal/time and intention management practice.

This is not an entirely new practice for me. I have been starting my days with prayer and quiet time, followed by thinking through my day and setting my intention--all of this as a Spirit-guided activity. Because of the changing pressures of time during the pandemic, I decided to tighten up my spiritual practice a little more. Even thinking about the subject of time can sometimes feel discomfoting, yet it is not a bad idea.

All the time we have is a gift from God. We've not earned it nor purchased it. Like the love we have through Christ, time comes to us as a gift; like the breath it is both a fleeting and a necessary component of life. Both our air and our minutes are not ours alone, but shared with others. Though we could pollute our air and waste our time, we would only be hurting ourselves and those around us. It is good for us to consider and plan how best we can invest all that God gives us--breath, time, love, and intention!

This is, I think, the true meaning of Stewardship--the intentional use and investment of the gifts God gives us for the betterment of our time, our air, our fellowship, and our world. I find that when I seek to recognize God's gifts in my life and to discern how best to use them, my day feels more positive and helpful; and sometimes, in my end-of-day gratitude journaling, I find what I have truly done (through Christ who strengthens me) is given my time and my breath back to God.

Grace and Peace,
Judith

Some Scriptures that I have written inside my daily journal cover:

Matthew 11:28-30, Psalm 46:10, Ephesians 5:15-16, Galatians 6:10, Colossians 4:5, and Jeremiah 29:11.

Prayer Requests

- for the family of Earle Guthrie (our beloved church organist for many years)
 - Mailing address for Jane Guthrie: **5400 Laurel Lake Dr, Apt. 109N; Waco, TX 76710**
- for Denyse's father Frank, as he continues treatment for lymphoma (you can get updates on his care and condition here: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/frankseaman>)
- for Allison's mother Michelle, also being treated for cancer;

- for Les (who recently got good news--a smaller tumor) and also for Joyce (being treated for a-fib)
- for Bill Carson, for Carl and Billie Kathryn, Pat and Don , and for all who are isolated at home;
- for Courtney, a young mother (with a two year old) recently diagnosed with Stage 3 Ovarian Cancer
- for Anne who is continuing to heal and struggle with kidney issue
- school systems of all levels and sizes, especially educators, students, and all the staff and community;
- for cities and nations who suffer from natural or social disasters;
- for everyone born, a place at the table!

Celebrating Birthdays

Victor Ceccato-Pierce - September 2
 David Hegar - September 8
 Timothy Bierwirth - September 9
 Sara Alexander - September 17
 Randy Castillo - September 26
 Judith March Hardie - September 28
 Morgan Williams - September 29
 Nancy Jackson - September 30



(We are missing many birthdays in our database; please let us know yours!
 We need the year to enter the date in the database, but will never print it!)

Sunday Worship

Order of Worship September 6

***Please make sure to have something ready to celebrate Holy Communion together from our homes.
 Where two or three are worshiping online together, there Christ is as well!**

Call to Worship

A love that never ceases,
A creativity that designed the universe,
 A hope that cannot be quenched,
A pursuit of reconciliation no matter the cost:
 These are the things that are of God,
Then let us worship God.

Hymn # 386 O for a World

*O for a world where everyone Respects each other's ways,
 Where love is lived and all is done With justice and with praise.*

*O for a world where goods are shared And misery relieved,
 Where truth is spoken, children spared, Equality achieved.*

*We welcome one world family And struggle with each choice
 That opens us to unity And gives our vision voice.*

*The poor are rich, the weak are strong, The foolish ones are wise.
 Tell all who mourn; Outcasts belong, Who perishes will rise.*

*O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,
 Where time and tears will be no more, And all but love will cease.*

Opening Prayer.

Lord, Through the waters of oppression and death, you led a people into the burning presence of your love. As you fed them in the desert, now feed us with the finest of wheat, that we may know the liberating power of the paschal feast. Amen.

Psalm 149

Hymn # 507 I Come with Joy

*I come with joy to meet my Lord, Forgiven, loved, and free,
 In awe and wonder to recall His life laid down for me,
 His life laid down for me.*

*I come with Christians far and near To find, as all are fed,
 The new community of love In Christ's communion bread,
 In Christ's communion bread.*

*As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, Each proud division ends.
 The love that made us, makes us one, And strangers now are friends,*

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*And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near,
Is in such friendship better known: We see and praise Him here,
We see and praise Him here.*

*Together met, together bound, We'll go our different ways.
And as His people in the world, We'll live and speak His praise,
We'll live and speak His praise.*

Prayer of Confession

God of love and mystery, make us whole. Heal the wounds we carry in us, and heal the wounds we have created in others. Make us strong in the broken places, that we will know of what we speak when we offer mercy and hope. Forgive us, and enable us to forgive in that same way. God of love and mystery, make us whole, through your Son Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Children's Message

Matthew 18:15-20

Sermon

Offering/Offertory

Service of Holy Communion

Hymn # 367 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love, Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.
Kneels at the feet of His friends, Silently washes their feet,
Master who acts as a slave to them.*

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love, Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.
Neighbors are rich and poor, Varied in color and race,
Neighbors are near and far away.*

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love, Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.
These are the ones we should serve, These are the ones we should love.
All are neighbors to us and You.*

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love, Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.
Loving puts us on our knees, Serving as though we are slaves,
This is the way we should live with you.*

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love, Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.
Kneel at the feet of our friends, Silently washing their feet,
This is the way we should live with You.*

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