



Central Presbyterian Church

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Invitation to Inreach (Fellowship/Care)!

Let's Get Connected!

SAVE THE EVENING OF JULY 22ND

Ruling and teaching elders from around the "southern portion" of Grace Presbytery (our district mission center for resource and administration) are making plans for the first post-Covid get together. We are planning to meet in Temple at Grace. We will probably have both in-person caravans and a hybrid Zoom connection for the first in a series of worship-fellowship-service connecting events.



**Second Tuesday Supper
ONLINE
Tonight!
Tuesday, July 13, 6-7 pm
[Join us here](#)**



Click the note above to watch online!

Wednesdays Live at 5

The Sanctuary is Open for this Music Service!

Masks and safe distancing are encouraged.

Hymn and prayer requests are welcome!

**AND BEST OF ALL,
YOU CAN FIND MOST OF OUR LIVE @ 5
SESSIONS**

**ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE
ONE COULD LISTEN FOR HOURS!**

Fellowship Events and Ideas

Are you a natural caregiver? Gifted in hospitality?

Lonely and in need of some time with friends?

Called to help deepen our commitment and connection with one another?

Help us schedule and plan church dinners, events, and programs to care for and keep our CPC community connected!

Volunteer your ideas and your time with the Inreach Committee.

Inreach Elders will be meeting after church on August 1



Summer Meet-up Schedule

invite staff, members, friends and neighbors!

Prior to (and during) Covid, Pastor Judith met with young-at-heart educators for coffee at Common Grounds Woodway or the church on

Tuesday afternoons, and with some "more experienced" hearts at the church on Wednesday mornings. We had some great brainstorming, some wonderful conversation and fellowship, and a great opportunity to pray with and for one another.

If you are interested in hosting a one-time or repeating book discussion or coffee/fellowship hour at the church, at a coffee shop or bookstore, or in your home, let Judith know! (She still loves coffee--and books! Anyone recognize where she was when this picture was taken last week?)

Invitation to Outreach!

Outreach Partnerships and Benevolences

Interested in Outreach?

Know of any needs or opportunities for service?

Called to follow Christ and reach out to neighbors in need or to partner with other missionaries in the field?

If you have any ideas or suggestions, please pass them on to an elder or pastor!



Invitation to Upreach!

Encountering God in our Worship and Music

Do you love music?

Flowers? Scriptures? Sacraments (Baptisms and Communion)?

How about worship?

So much of what we do centers on coming to worship and encounter God through Jesus Christ in worship! If praising, glorifying, and encountering God during worship is meaningful to you, perhaps you would like to share your ideas and help plan for the sacraments, the music, and the special offerings and regular and special (Services of Community Prayer, Healing, Blessing of the Animals, etc) services of worship at CPCWaco.

Perhaps you have skills or a desire to learn something about soundboards, cameras or broadcasting; perhaps you enjoy changing out the paraments, flowers or other seasonal and special decorations in the sanctuary; maybe you are willing and able to help keep the pew racks straightened or serve as liturgist. Again, if you sense God calling you to help in this area, please let one of our elders or pastors know!

CPCWaco Hybrid Worship
Series: Summer in Ephesus
Meet , Greet, and Worship via [Zoom](#),
or attend live, or anytime convenient for you on [Facebook](#).

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY, JULY 18

WELCOME

"Behold how good and pleasant it is
when God's people live together in unity!"
(Psalm 133: 1)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

The Lord has restored our fortunes.

Come, let us be thankful and rejoice!

The Lord has brought us near, when we once were far off.

We come again seeking rest and peace.

The Lord has reconciled us into one family through his body on the cross.

In the Spirit of Christ, we gather for praise and thanksgiving!

OPENING PRAYER

**Lord, we have come this morning seeking your powerful, loving and healing presence.
Come and help us to hear a message of hope and a challenge of compassion. Give us
courage to come to you for nurture, the strength to learn to trust you in all things, and
the wisdom to discern and follow your Call. AMEN**

HYMN 320 (GTG 1+5) *The Church of Christ in Every Age* WARTHAM

***The church of Christ in every age, beset by change but Spirit-led,
Must claim and test its heritage And keep on rising from the dead.***

***We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord
To care for all, without reserve, and spread Christ's liberating word.***

PSALM 23

LITANY OF CONFESSION

We desire a life of ease and privilege.

Help us, dear Lord, to resist the push for success.

We covet the power of fame and wealth.

Help us, dear Lord, to resist the push for success.

Yet we also esteem the Call to duty and charity.

Help us, dear Lord, to heed the pull of service.

We lament the rule of hate and jealousy.

Help us, dear Lord, to heed the pull of service.

Above all, we long to do your will on earth as in heaven.

Help us heed your Call in the Spirit of Christ's Love.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri

Glory Be To The Father

GTG Hymnal #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

JEREMIAH 23:1-6

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

MARK 6:30-34 AND 53-56

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION-HYMN # 455

EPHESIANS 2:11-22

SERMON

Flocks Unite!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

GTG HYMNAL # 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. AMEN.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN 361

O Christ, the Great Foundation

AURELIA

O Christ, the great foundation on which your people stand to preach your true salvation in every age and land; pour out your Holy Spirit to make us strong and pure, to keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds endure.

Baptized in one confession, one church in all the earth, we bear our Lord's impression, the sign of second birth; one holy people gathered in love beyond our own, by grace we were invited; by grace we make you known.

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

THANKS FOR COMING!
REMEMBER TO PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST LEAVE!

Prayer Concerns

- for Linda, Martha, Les and Joyce, Char, Sara, and any others needing healing and comfort;
- for all who sorrow, and for those who rejoice;
- for those in need of healing, and for those called to heal;
- for any called to carry the Good News in word or deed;
- for guidance, strength, open-mindedness and kindness;
- for God's teams of cooks and visiting angels among us;
- for our congregation to stay close to the vine, bearing fruit through and for Christ in our community; and
- for everyone born, a place at the table!

Invitation to Church Support and Administration

The church is not the Steeple (or building), the church is the People! While this statement speaks to the heart of Christ's body reaching out to others, loving one another, and glorifying God, the way we manage, use, and improve our resources is also a part of our ministry. Are you good with numbers and budgeting? Do you like to garden or paint? God has richly blessed us with financial resources (budget and endowment), physical resources, and human resources (all of you). We have traditionally utilized Finance, Buildings and Grounds, and Personnel/Administrative Committees to recruit and care for these "footings" that support the cross of ministry in Christ. If you are skilled in finance, administration, or facility maintenance, and feel called to use your gifts to deepen our roots and expand our reach, please let an elder or pastor know.

If you haven't noticed, we are looking for a few gifted servants to help us to truly be the Church---the hands and feet and love of Christ for our neighbors! Meetings happen via email, Zoom, and in-person, as agreed upon by the members of each team or committee. "Work" is sometimes completed via phone or email, and sometimes with a little sweat-equity. Ministry is always fulfilled through Christ who strengthens us!

One last thing: here is a 60 second video Pastor Judith has used with Session prior to Covid ever being on our radar. Click [here](#) to watch (It is an old Superbowl commercial). Ministry is nothing if it isn't transformational, right? Join one of our imaginative and purpose-filled teams and see what we can build together!



Celebrating Birthdays

Karen Groman - July 15
Jay Bryngelson - July 17
Diane Griffin - July 18
Chris Wolfe - July 25
Elaine Smith - July 25



**(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!)**

The Weekly News is normally published on Tuesday and sent to members via email.
It is also mailed to members who do not have email or desire a printed copy.

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