

**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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September 13, 2018

This Sunday:

9:30 am - Sunday School - Mark 8:27-38 & James 1:9-21

10:45 am - Worship

Rev. Stephen Rehrig preaching

Revelation 14:6-7

Potluck Lunch & Farewell Reception for Stephen Rehrig following worship

Greetings from Judith!

Another week has gone by, and the signs of transition are all around me. Not a day goes by, it seems, that I don't have a wonderful chance to say tearful goodbyes over coffee or a meal. Each day, as well, I get the opportunity to see and appreciate the little changes all around me...even in me, as I begin to look forward to the next part of my journey.

Yesterday morning I arrived early for coffee with local clergy at the Edwards Apple Orchard nearby. We talked about this tree just across from the patio, with all of its different colors. We talked about how in Christ, all of us are like this tree, with some new parts emerging and green and other parts fading and turning with the seasons of life. Ministry, with its seasons of preparation, planting, nurture, and harvest, is likewise less paint-by-numbers and more led-by-the-Spirit.

I am beyond grateful that both of "my" congregations (Central and Willow Creek) have an awareness of and experience in discerning the Spirit's leading, and a willingness to step out in faith to try new ways of engaging the wider community through the love of Christ. And, I have full confidence that as the baton passes from Moses to Joshua, or Miriam to Rahab, or Steve to Judith, that all strength and wisdom are of God!

I have to believe this. Yesterday afternoon I had to have surgery on my right arm to repair an injured tendon (too much awkward heavy lifting), and by last night the troops of friends in line to help me clean and pack and move were overwhelming! I have been blessed to know and see God's love at work through others in several settings. I cannot wait to begin to learn and discern the ways God is, has been, and will be at work in and through all of you! Grace and Peace, Judith



You're Invited!

The Presbyterian Women of Central cordially invite all women of the church to the **Presbyterian Women's Fall Kick-Off Salad Luncheon**

September 25, noon

Home of Reggie & Bennett Richardson, 2031 Rockbridge Road

Please RSVP to Kay Roberts at 254-744-9538 or kroberts15@hotmail.com

Also, please let us know if you would like to carpool from the church parking lot, meeting at 11:30 am, and if you could provide a ride to others.

CPC 150th Anniversary

The 150th Anniversary Committee asks for your help!

Please send contact information for former members, friends & staff to:

patricia_tolbert@baylor.edu

Please place photos of church events and other memorabilia in the mailbox in the office marked "150th Anniversary Committee". Please label the participants and include your name also. Digital photos can be sent to: mrhoden1225@gmail.com



Service Committee Update

Thanks to everyone who donated travel toiletries to our collection box recently. A large bag of these items was delivered to The Meyer Center for homeless clients and the personnel at the Center were very pleased to receive these donations as their supply was very low. Keep the toiletries coming!



September 14 - Mission Crafters, 10:30 am

September 16 - Potluck Lunch & Farewell Reception for Stephen Rehrig, following worship

September 18 - Session meeting, 6 pm

September 19 - Adult Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 pm

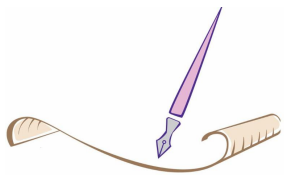
Children's Music, 6 pm

Adult Handbell Rehearsal, 6:30 pm

Bible Buddies, 6:45 pm

September 25 - Presbyterian Women Kick-Off Salad Luncheon, noon, Richardsons', 2031 Rockbridge Road

For everything there is a season



Pastoral Potpourri

At no period of the year are the sunsets so varied and beautiful as in the autumn. I marvel at the many-colored clouds as the heavens burst into their brightest hues and exhibit their loveliest transfigurations across the skies. Just as nature loves to reproduce in her smallest things the peculiarities of her greatness, so you have reproduced and strengthened in me the greatness of the Church across the skies of my journey.

It is written that a sparrow cannot fall without God taking notice. That being so, then nothing happens apart from the knowledge, will, and causing of God. The Great Irresistible Ruler brought us together in the cool blue days of October and he now chooses to separate us in the heathered greens of September. For me it is a gracious gift of love that Our Lord would give me this delightful fellowship of Saints to work among in the autumn of my ministry - a time when life is so varied and engaging. I could retire and be at peace, but I still have a little more work to do.

So I leave you with the words which the Lord gave Moses to say to Aaron and his sons:

"May Our Lord bless you and keep you.

May He make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

May He lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace."

I'll see you in church, Stephen

Kids Hope



It's not too late to become a mentor for a young student! Your once a week, hour-long sessions with your student will begin in October. Also, this year you have an opportunity to sponsor a child for \$15 a month for 12 months. If you are interested in participating in Kids Hope, contact Karen Groman at 254-717-2733 or 254-666-5030. Help foster a sense of worth and belonging in a child!

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Virginia DuPuy's brother, **Lowell**

Prayers of thanksgiving for our new pastor, **Judith Hardie**.



Celebrating Birthdays

Sara Alexander - September 17

Richard Parker - September 21

Randy Castillo - September 26

Morgan Williams - September 29

(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 published each Thursday and sent to members via email. It is also mailed to members who do not have email or desire a printed copy. Printed copies are also available in the church narthex.

Church activities and pertinent event information is available on the church website: cpcwaco.org