

**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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September 20, 2018

This Sunday:

9:30 am - Sunday School - Mark 9:30-37

10:45 am - Worship

Rev. David Rodgers preaching

Mark 8:27-38

Greetings from Judith!



Next Wednesday (26th) I will be on the road to Waco with my two cats. The following Wednesday (3rd), I'll be in Dallas preparing to go see my dad receive an award in NYC. And by Wednesday the 10th, I'll be practicing feeling settled in my new church and home! Thankfully, this Wednesday is almost over; it's been a full one.

A kind couple met me at the office early and cheerfully dug in to helping me pack half my library, sorting the other half into donations, trash and recycling. Transitions are best handled like that. A friend or two, a little light-hearted fun, a dash of willingness to do some hard work, and the prayerful ability to let go of stuff that has served its purpose, share stuff that would be helpful to another, and move forward with whatever will help us to do God's will.

Two emergencies allowed me to share smiles and encouragement once more with a couple of really tender and generous men. One is my stealth-deacon, who has quietly helped tend sheep and now suddenly needs the care of our Good Shepherd himself (hip replacement after a run-in with a Holstein). The other suffered a rare complication after surgery, yet is still smiling and grateful for the second "wake-up call". Yes, today was Pack-the-Cubes-Day, but ministry happens! I am grateful for the three friends who each intuitively asked if they could come by to help mid-afternoon. Despite the rain, two cubes are stuf. A second load of stuff was shared. And two of my friends made plans to go see a movie together (a first date)! God is awesome in allowing me to work, to say goodbyes, and to focus on the little seedlings, the new beginnings I got to see today. I trust God will bring another along at the right time to help tend and nurture them.

Tonight, I will sleep well (apparently with my 9 year old cat, Padme) upon my cot. My things will begin their journey without me tomorrow. And, I will trust that I am doing the things I need to do so that God can continue to work with and through me, even in this transitional time. I'm sure there are many emotional challenges and growth opportunities in Central's transitional time, as well. God's Word is a Light for your path. Trust in God's love and the Spirit's power for us all! Grace and Peace, Judith

Thank you

Dear Saints of Central,

Thank you for the warm and heartfelt send off which you gave to Cindy and me this past Sunday. The words of gratitude and appreciation, the cards, the gifts, the hugs and wells wishes all meant a great deal to us. My time with you has been a true blessing for me.

May Our Lord bless and keep you always, Stephen



Don't Forget!

Presbyterian Women's Fall Kick-Off Salad Luncheon

September 25, noon

Home of Reggie & Bennett Richardson, 2031 Rockbridge Road, McGregor

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

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



September 25 - Presbyterian Women Kick-Off Salad Luncheon, noon

September 26 - Adult Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 pm

Children's Music, 6 pm

Adult Handbell Rehearsal, 6:30 pm

Bible Buddies, 6:45 pm

September 30 - Change for Change offering

October 3 - First Wednesday Cookout, 5-7:15 pm

October 7 - World Communion Sunday & Caritas offering

October 9 - Second Tuesday Supper Club, 6 pm

October 12 - Mission Crafters, 10:30 am

October 14 - Rev. Judith Hardie's first Sunday, with Welcome Reception following worship

October 20 - Celebration of Life for Yvonne Pugh, 2 - 5 pm, Carleen Bright Arboretum - RSVP to jacque.pugh@gmail.com

Message from our Service Committee

The Service Committee has been meeting to review, revise, and refresh our service to the community. As we prayerfully seek to discern where and how we are called to serve, we're asking the congregation for input. Are there needs in the community that we've overlooked? Have you noticed something lacking and thought "someone should . . ." ? Maybe CPC can.

Please reach out to a member of the Service Committee (Laura Clifton, Tricia Tolbert, Michelle Deivanayagam, Judy Riley & Karen Groman) and share your ideas. Maybe we can fill a gap where needs are not being met. Angela Ceccato, Committee Chair (angelaceccatopierce@gmail.com)

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

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

Prayers of thanksgiving for **Stephen Rehrig's** ministry with us, and for safe travels for Stephen & Cindy.

Prayers for Angelika Hoehner's cousin, **Manfred Riedel**, who has cancer.

Celebrating Birthdays

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 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