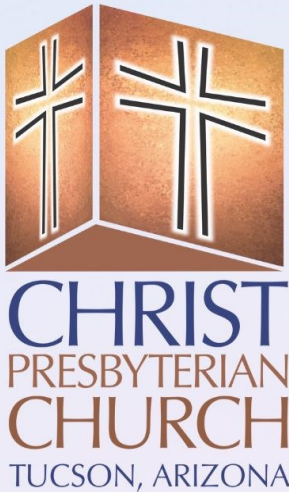


KIVA NEWSLETTER

July 2024



Summer
2024

Together

one church family
one worship service

July

9:30 a.m.

featuring:

July 7: Food Fest

July 14 & 21: Special Anthems created by Luke Diamond

July 28: Organ Dedication

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Sunday Worship

July Worship Schedule
One Service at 9:30 a.m.

“Unbelievable stories of the Bible:
And what we can learn from them”

Join us for this important series as Pastor Melde explores some of those stories from the Bible that just seem unbelievable, but are full of really great faith and life lessons.

Join us in-Person, or on-line:

www.cpctucsonaz.org (scroll to the bottom of the homepage)

www.Facebook.com/ChristPresbyterianTucson

www.YouTube.com/cpctucsonaz

Children are always welcome in worship; Blue activity bags are available. We do have professional childcare if parents choose.

July 7: Communion; 9:30 a.m. service only

Scripture: Luke 1:26-35

Sermon: God is a human?

Liturgist: Juanita Garcia

July 14: 9:30 a.m. service only

Scripture: Genesis 2:4a-9, 15-23

Sermon: From only two people?

Liturgist: Lhasa Compton

July 21: 9:30 a.m. service only

Scripture: Genesis 6:5-8, 11-14; 7:1-5

Sermon: The Flood

Liturgist: Kenda Parkey

July 28: 9:30 a.m. service only

Scripture: Jonah 1:1-17

Sermon: Living inside a BIG fish

Liturgist: Anne Larrabee, Nathan and Andrew Robinson 2



Local Pastor
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Bible stories



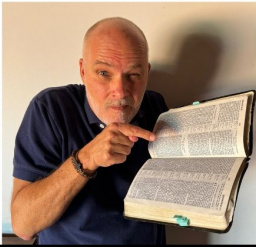
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The CPC Enquirer

Unbelievable stories of the Bible:

And what we can learn from them

July / August Sermon Series
Sundays at CPC



“...maybe the truth
is in the meaning...
...not the details
that could have been
stretched...”

Questions...

Did God really
become Human?

Can a man live
inside a fish?

Did a Sea really part?

Two people
populate the planet?

Can trumpets
drop a city wall?

And MORE...



Sanctuary News

Wow! Thank you Tom Elitharp for coordinating the switch out of Sanctuary organs. Tom and several volunteers have done a great work for us. At the close of last year we discovered that a church in Nogales was selling their digital organ (Allen Organ) for \$3,000! We took the risk and bought it, had a little bit of work done on it by the rep from Allen organ, and made the decision to swap out our 1980 Rogers Organ. The Rogers Organ was combo of pipe and electronics and most of the electronics were not working, and could not be fixed nor replaced. So, we took out the pipes and equipment (gave it to a company who could use the pipes in another organ) and set the new digital Allen organ into place. It has eight speakers hung high on the east side of the sanctuary and a full console set near the wall.





Our next goal is to build out the stage where the former console was so that we can seat special instrumentalists and help our choir lead us in great music.

Over many years, a few people have been giving above and beyond their ongoing pledge into the Organ Fund, which has made all of this possible. Organists are hard to come by these days, but we still felt the need for traditional organ music in worship. This updated organ will do just that, even better than the one we had all these years. We look forward to its use, now and many years into the future.

Thank you, Tom and volunteers for all you did to make this possible.

Leadership News

Our Nominating Team will soon begin its work to recruit new Elders and Deacons from the membership of the congregation to serve in important leadership roles. Perhaps you are sensing a nudge from God to step into this role and help guide CPC into the future. You can submit your own name, or the name of another member of the church to be an Elder or Deacon.

Deacons help us stay connected to each other, focusing on creating that loving family/community that is so important to us at CPC. Leading in our E-mail Prayer Chain, Compassion Connections Ministry, Memorial Receptions, and Sunday Fellowship, Deacons serve in pairs of two to make sure these areas of our congregational life are active.

Elders are the rudder and sails of our church, setting directions and following God's Spirit as God leads us in ministry and mission. Through various teams, elders meet monthly to share, plan, and strategize how we can be a really faithful group of believers.

Both Elders and Deacons are usually asked to serve a two-year term that will begin January 1st and last throughout the calendar year. If you are interested, let Pastor Melde know. He'll get word to the Nominating team. If you have a suggestion of someone else, talk to that person, and let us know!

Flea Market News



During Tucson's summertime, Secondhand Weekend volunteers thin out a bit. Many of our winter visitors have returned to the cooler climates of their home states, while Tucsonans are traveling to escape the heat until the temps drop a bit... whatever the case, we continue to collect, sort, clean, price, and box up donations for the March 2025 Flea Market.

If you are one of those "Zonies" who stayed at home to enjoy the monsoon, how about joining us at the church on Saturday, July 13 and/or Sunday, July 14 to lend a helping hand with our Secondhand Weekend activities? Lunch will be provided for all the volunteers and we always have a great time together while processing the donations. Hoping to see you there!

If you're in the spirit of donating, you may bring your goodies anytime on that Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or on that Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. (special Sunday hours for month of July only). Note: someone will be here at 8 a.m. on Sunday in July if you want to donate or help before worship.

**For questions about donations, call or text: Claudia Howell
520-850-0637.**

**For general Flea Market questions, call or text: Pam Cullop
520-271-6678.**

Some folks have asked about the **Pink Pick-Up's Furniture Taxi (520-268-5670)**. They are an independently owned service you can hire by the hour. The Flea Market Team employs them to help with storing boxed donations after Secondhand Weekends and for all the heavy lifting jobs during the Flea Market in March. The Flea Market Team no longer has volunteers to pick up donations, so if you have heavy or large donations, consider hiring Pink Pick-Up. Estimates are free.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

The Flea Market Lead Team

Pam Raines, Claudia Howell, Jan Marshall, and Pam Cullop

Stewardship at CPC

Our 2024 Stewardship theme, “CPC IS A CPC,” has really proven to be true this year, again.

Christ Presbyterian Church is a Caring, Passionately Community.

Catchy, eh?

And it's true. We've surrounded each other in moments of grief as members have passed away. We have opened up our budget to support people from the community in emergency need. We have reached out through our Mission Giving in the denomination to be involved in parts of the world we didn't even know needed our help. We have supported Kellond and Hudlow Elementary schools by encouraging staff and providing for special needs of kids and families. We overwhelmed the Veteran's Center with bottles of Water at Easter in Memory and Honor of our loved ones.

We have spent more time trying to proclaim the Word on Social Media, improving our on-line worship experience, all the while working at providing meaningful worship, education, fellowship for those who can make it to the campus. And speaking of the campus, we continue to ensure that it is a safe place to be. Our Buildings and Grounds Team works really hard to stay on top of problems that arise, and anticipate needed upgrades so they don't become problems.

Our Christian Education teams are gearing up for a new season of education and fellowship that will begin in August. They're spending time sprucing up the rooms, updating and upgrading, so that the classrooms are not only safe, but inviting and inspiring.

And Worship... well, in collaboration with our Buildings and Grounds Team, they have entered us into a new era of music in the sanctuary with our “new” used Allen digital electronic organ. The process of finding it (and it was only \$3,000), removing the Rogers Organ and Pipes and getting them to a new home, installing the speakers, placing the console... well, it's been a summer! While it is harder to find people who actually play an organ, we know that CPC still loves hearing from a good church organ in worship, so this change will keep us going in that tradition.

Thank you for all you do to support CPC. Your financial giving makes it possible, as does your time, talents, and prayer. CPC IS A CPC.... A Caring, Passionate Community.

Your Stewardship and Finance Team.

Talk About it Tuesday

Tuesdays at Noon Zoom ID 839 0008 2868

Every Tuesday at Noon (Tucson Time) Pastor Steve hosts a Zoom conversation about the previous Sunday's worship and sermon theme. Join with others as we take our faith deeper.

Wednesday Message

Most Wednesdays Pastor Steve sends out a special email just for a little faith thought and inspiration in the middle of the week. This is a special group mailing, so if you would like to be a part of it, send him an email and request to be put on the Wednesday Message list:

PastorSteveMelde@gmail.com

Faith Filled Fridays

Each Friday at Noon (Tucson time), Pastor Steve broadcasts a few moments of faith and inspiration. Join him on any of our three broadcast sites (Just like Sunday mornings)

www.cpctucsonaz.org (scroll to the bottom of the homepage)

www.YouTube.com/cpctucsonaz

www.Facebook.com/ChristPresbyterianTucson

Usher Training

We need YOU. We've been blessed with folks who have been willing to be ushers, and now, we'd like to add YOU to that list, and help our ushers know more of what we need from them on Sundays.

Our Worship Planning Team is hosting an usher training time (for an hour) after the 9:30 a.m. service on Sunday, July 28th.

We'll talk about what we need ushers to do, when to be here, how to sign up, and answer questions you might have.

Let Pastor Steve know that you can be there (or are interested but can't be there that day)

PastorSteveMelde@gmail.com



CPC Missions **CORNER**

We are having a Peanut Butter Party Food Drive in July. *Spread the Love!* Interfaith Community Services is hoping to collect 10,000 jars (14-16 oz). Let's see how many jars CPC can collect July 1-28. If you don't want to bring in jars of PB, checks or cash are always welcome. Please indicate in the memo it's for Peanut Butter Food Drive!

Casa Maria: Some of our regular sandwich makers are gone in the summer, so if you have ever thought about making sandwiches for Casa Maria, now is a good time to do it. We need them by Tuesday, July 23, 8:00 a.m.

Habitat for Humanity: Habitat for Humanity held their 500th home block party, the last of which CPC help build. If you missed the party on June 28th, treat yourself to a celebration – you deserve it. If you would like to do more volunteering, sign up online at www.habitat.org/volunteer .

Courtney's Courage: Don't forget they will be hosting their annual golf tournament in August to support pediatric cancer patients and cancer research in Tucson. Do you have items to donate to the silent auction? They would be most appreciated. Golfers who would like to participate should get in touch with Claudia Howell at brjcts@msn.com. This is a great cause and a lovely tournament. It would be wonderful to fill the course and raise funds for the local community.

100+ Women Who Care: This new organization meets once a quarter to vote where funds, collected by membership fees, will be awarded. It is a fun organization and invites all women to join. It is \$100 per meeting. An open session will be held at La Paloma on July 18th. The social meeting starts at 5:30. CPC will be organizing a group of women who would like to attend. If you are interested, email Claudia Howell at brjcts@msn.com .

Care Portal: This organization helped 39 families which calculates to a \$6,525 impact on the Tucson Community! CPC congregation supports this organization! Way to go CPC.

Market on the Move: Mark your calendars for next year: Market On the Move at CPC is moving to the first Saturday of the month starting in January 2025 and continuing until the first weekend in June.

Haven Totes: CPC contributed 50 jugs of laundry detergent to the families participating with the Haven Tote program. We also contributed school supplies (rulers, crayons, colored pencils, and glue sticks) for their upcoming school supply give away.



Get Nutty for ICS!

The seventh annual Peanut Butter Party food drive is underway! Fight hunger in our community by helping collect more than 10,000 jars before the drive ends on August 1. Peanut butter is a staple food at ICS food banks; everyone who comes to pick up food receives a jar. It is a versatile protein source that requires no refrigeration and no cooking facilities, making it a great choice for families with children and people who are unhoused or in temporary housing. Demand for peanut butter is highest in the summer when kids who qualify for free or reduced-cost school meals do not receive breakfast and lunch. Bring your peanut butter donations to worship service during the month of July. For more information visit [icstucson.org/peanut butter](http://icstucson.org/peanut%20butter)

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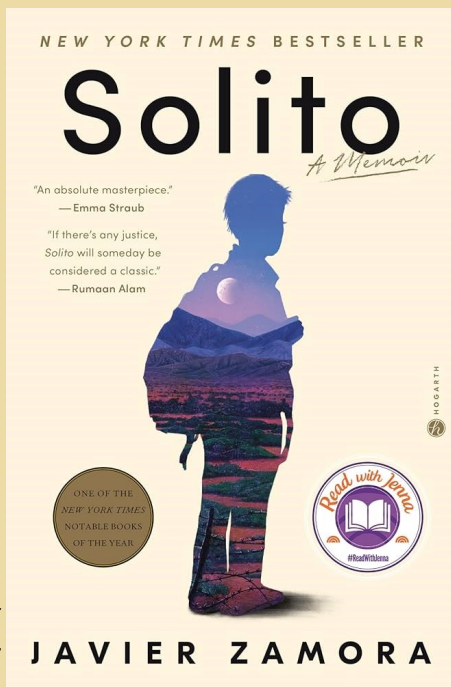


The Book Club will not have a meeting in July. They will meet on August 13 at 1 p.m. in the Patio Room. Would you like to join them? All are welcome!

The next discussion will be about *Solito* by Javier Zamora. Javier Zamora's adventure is a three-thousand-mile journey from his small town in El Salvador, through Guatemala

and Mexico, and across the U.S. border. He will leave behind his beloved aunt and grandparents to reunite with a mother who left four years ago and a father he barely remembers. Traveling alone amid a group of strangers and a "coyote" hired to lead them to safety, Javier expects his trip to last two short weeks. At nine years old, all Javier can imagine is rushing into his parents' arms, snuggling in bed between them, and living under the same roof again. He cannot foresee the perilous boat trips, relentless desert treks, pointed guns, arrests and deceptions that await him; nor can he know that those two weeks will expand into two life-altering months alongside fellow migrants who will come to encircle him like an unexpected family.

"I read *Solito with my heart in my throat and did not burst into tears until the last sentence. What a person, what a writer, what a book.*"—Emma Straub



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FELLOWSHIP

Prayer Shawl Ministry



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will not meet in July. They will meet again on August 6, 1 p.m. in E/F

The Prayer Shawl Ministry knits and crochets prayer shawls for those who are experiencing a life-changing event such as illness, marriage, or the birth or adoption of a child.

If you knit or crochet and would like to join the Prayer Shawl Ministry, new crafters are always welcome. Meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month. Attendance is not mandatory, but encouraged.

Men of Faith Breakfast

Wednesday, July 17, 7:30 a.m.



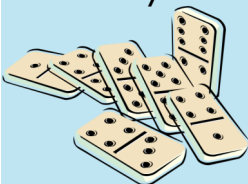
All the men of the church are invited to gather for breakfast. We meet monthly on the third Wednesday at Biscuits Café at 7026 E. Broadway Blvd. We pay our own way and have a lively faith discussion.

Mexican Train Dominoes

Join us on Wednesdays,

July 3, 17, & 31
in A/B

Have fun playing this challenging game of dominoes. We will teach you! First, third, and sometimes fifth Wednesday of the month.



Casa Maria Lunches

The Casa Maria Lunch Ministry meets the fourth Tuesday of each month to put together 200 lunches for the Casa Maria Soup Kitchen. If you would like to join them, contact Cindy at ridingsc@comcast.net. The next meeting is July 23, 8 a.m. in Fellowship Hall Kitchen. Drop off your sandwich donations in Fellowship Hall Kitchen.



Presbyterian Women of CPC

Craft News



The PW Crafts group meets each Wednesday (exceptions occasionally apply) from 9 a.m.-12 p.m., in classrooms A/B where, as a group, we enjoy a variety of projects such as arts, crafts, sewing, crocheting, knitting, and the like. The one constant is the cards we stamp and color, or make from recycled cards, to have on hand for the most reasonable price you will find anywhere.

Profits from all of our handmade items are given to benefit a variety of PW Ministries...mainly to those who focus their mission in support of women and children. By supporting this group, you are supporting these ministries as well.

Everyone is invited. New ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Breaktime is typically around 10:30 when we pause for a light snack and coffee or tea. Beware though...this is a relaxed crowd of ladies who enjoy laughter and exchanging funny and heartfelt stories. Come and see if this group and what we do is a good fit for you!

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Our July Birthdays!

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| 1 Susie Nagele | 14 Jo Ann Overs |
| 1 Steve Brownson | 15 Rylan Koch |
| 2 Nancy Kluge | 16 Doris Griffin |
| 3 Jim Parks | 16 Julie Sharp |
| 5 Georgia Harding | 16 Doris Griffin |
| 6 Julie McCrea | 19 Darrell Dunafon |
| 7 Robin Gilbert | 20 Nicole Crowder |
| 8 Kathryn Snodgrass | 20 Fred Hubbard |
| 8 Liam Street | 21 Bonnie Sloan |
| 9 Sally Brandon | 21 Kaitlyn Valentine |
| 9 Doug Thompson | 22 Eleanor Robinson |
| 9 Colleen Werbylo | 24 Julia Hahn |
| 10 Greg Robinson | 24 Ron Standing |
| 11 Cyndi Kiblin | 26 Pat Forcier |
| 12 Sebastian Sturla | 26 Noreen Linton |
| 13 Sharon Beck | 26 Barbara Bauer |
| 13 Scott McDonald | 27 Dawn Scully |
| 13 Emma Teece | 28 Liz Skelly |
| | 30 Jill O'Rourke |

If we've
missed your
birthday,
please let
us know.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Accepting donations of the following:

Ronald McDonald House: Pop tabs, disinfectant wipes, and chemo caps.

Empty prescription pill bottles, any size.

Lions Club Glasses: Lenses, frames and any glasses.



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Articles due by 12 p.m. on Friday,
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