

KIVA

NEWSLETTER

September 2026



Sunday Worship

The Return to Two Sunday Morning Worship Services.

8:30 a.m. in The Fellowship Hall Around Tables; music by the Band

10:45 a.m. in The Sanctuary Pews in the Round; music by the Choirs

Join us Sundays for worship. Children are always welcome in worship. Blue Activity bags are available in both worship spaces. Also, for those who choose, we have professional childcare in our nursery throughout the morning.

We hope you'll be in person, but we also broadcast online:

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September 6: Communion; Pastor Melde Leading

Scripture: Acts 2:1-13

Sermon: The Table is the Intersection

Liturgist: Tom Bradley

September 13: The Rev. Diane Christopher Leading

Scripture: Isaiah 43:18 -19

Sermon: What If?

Liturgist: Tammy Gonzales

September 20: The Rev. Dr. Brad Munroe Leading

Scripture:

Sermon:

Liturgist: Liam Street

September 27: Pastor Steve Melde Leading

Scripture: Mark 6:6b-13

Sermon: The Work of Disciples and Apostles

Liturgist: Doug Thompson



Join us Sundays in September

New Sunday Morning Schedule
Begins September 6th

8:30 a.m. **Worship**

In Fellowship Hall; music by the Band

9:30 a.m. **Sunday Funday School**

All ages; All around the Campus

10:45 a.m. **Worship**

In the Sanctuary; Music by Choirs, Pianist

All Are Welcome At The Table

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Greetings, Adult Learners!

Every Sunday you have the opportunity to grow in your faith as you attend worship services.

But you can also grow in your faith **BETWEEN** services. Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m., the **Adult Bible Study** gang meets in classroom A/B to delve into Scripture. They're currently investigating 1 Corinthians – Paul's letter to the citizens of Corinth – the city deemed "least likely to convert to Christianity." Ken Friskey leads this chapter-by-chapter, verse-by-verse exploration of this first letter, which presents a foundation for Christian ethics. You are welcome to join them anytime – in person only.

Across the hall, also at 9:30 a.m., **Journeys in Faith**, led by Lesley Abrams and Lhasa Compton, explores how to navigate a secular world as a Christian. Sometimes we discuss items from the newspaper. Sometimes we discuss religious topics. But our conversations are always lively and respectful. Here's the line-up for September:



September 6: Back to School: Are We Allowed to Worship at Home?

September 13: Conversations With God

September 20: Did the Apostle Paul Really Dislike Women?

Sept 27: TBA

And if you can't make it to church, you can always join Journeys in Faith via Zoom. That ID is 881 8821 9880.



Our 2-4 Youth Fellowship Program continues on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, 5-6:30 p.m. Youth in Grades 6-12 are welcome to attend.

September 13: Tucson Bowl. Meet at the Bowling Center, 7020 E. 22nd St Tucson (85710)

September 27: Mental Health Night at CPC
We'll be talking about surviving the struggles of teenagers.

Pastor Melde is away on Study Leave September 7-22. He will be planning worship themes for the fall season.



Sunday Funday School

2026-2027

Learning. Growing. Loving. Sharing Jesus! ❤️

SEPTEMBER 2026

Sept. 6 Sunday Funday School Kick-off

Sept. 13 Regular Sunday Funday School

Sept. 20 Regular Sunday Funday School

Sept. 27 ROT 1: The Lord's Prayer

OCTOBER 2026

Oct. 4 ROT 1: The Lord's Prayer

Oct. 11 ROT 1: The Lord's Prayer

Oct. 18 ROT 2: On the Road to Damascus

Oct. 25 ROT 2: On the Road to Damascus

NOVEMBER 2026

Nov. 1 ROT 2: On the Road to Damascus

Nov. 8 ROT 2: On the Road to Damascus

Nov. 15 ROT 2: On the Road to Damascus

Nov. 22 ROT 3: Birth of Jesus

Nov. 29 ROT 3: Birth of Jesus

DECEMBER 2026

Dec. 6 ROT 3: Birth of Jesus

Dec. 13 ROT 3: Birth of Jesus

Dec. 20 Journey to Bethlehem

Dec. 27 No Sunday Funday School

JANUARY 2027

Jan. 3 No Sunday Funday School

Jan. 10 ROT 4: Parable of the Sower

Jan. 17 ROT 4: Parable of the Sower

Jan. 24 ROT 4: Parable of the Sower

Jan. 31 ROT 4: Parable of the Sower

FEBRUARY 2027

Feb. 7 ROT 4: Parable of the Sower

Feb. 14 ROT 4: Parable of the Sower

Feb. 21 ROT 4: Parable of the Sower

Feb. 28 ROT 4: Parable of the Sower

MARCH 2027

Mar. 7 ROT 5: The Walk to Emmaus

Mar. 14 ROT 5: The Walk to Emmaus

Mar. 21 ROT 5: The Walk to Emmaus

Mar. 28 ROT 5: The Walk to Emmaus

APRIL 2027

Apr. 4 ROT 5: The Walk to Emmaus

Apr. 11 ROT 5: The Walk to Emmaus

Apr. 18 ROT 6: Adam, Eve & Creation

Apr. 25 ROT 6: Adam, Eve & Creation

MAY 2027

May 2 ROT 6: Adam, Eve & Creation

May 9 ROT 6: Adam, Eve & Creation

May 16 ROT 6: Adam, Eve & Creation

May 23 Final Sunday Funday School

OUR PROGRAM THEMES		
ROT 1	The Lord's Prayer	Sept. 27 – Oct. 11, 2026
ROT 2	On the Road to Damascus	Oct. 18 – Nov. 15, 2026
ROT 3	Birth of Jesus	Nov. 22 – Dec. 13, 2026
	Journey to Bethlehem	Dec. 20, 2026
	No Sunday Funday School	Dec. 27, 2026 & Jan. 3, 2027
ROT 4	Parable of the Sower	Jan. 10 – Feb. 28, 2027
ROT 5	The Walk to Emmaus	Mar. 7 – Apr. 11, 2027
ROT 6	Adam, Eve & Creation	Apr. 18 – May 16, 2027
	Final Sunday Funday School	May 23, 2027

❤️ ✝️ "Let the little children come to me." Mark 10:14 ✝️ ❤️

Sunday, September 6

Our return to full Sunday mornings will be a campus-wide open house with fun and snacks! Invite your friends!

Join us for a morning of Worship, Christian Education, and Fellowship.

**8:30 a.m. Worship in Fellowship Hall
Our CPC Band will be ready to lead us in worship.**

9:30 a.m. Christian Education for all ages. Visit the classrooms and meet the teachers.

**10:45 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
The choirs will be back and ready to lead us in worship**



CPC Missions
CORNER

Donate Homemade Eyeglass Cases



InterVol is an organization that ships unused medical supplies and equipment worldwide. In July, Christ Presbyterian members gathered to sew eyeglass cases for InterVol.

InterVol will take protective, cloth eyeglass cases on an ongoing basis. If anyone wants to make and donate more, they can be given to Claudia Howell.

Premade eyeglass cases are not wanted, as they are too bulky.
Claudia Howell: 520-850-0637

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.

Pastor Melde will be on sabbatical on September 8 & 15.

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, email him a 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)

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VIRTUAL
BOOK
CLUB**Tuesday, September 15, 1 p.m.**

Zoom ID 813 6830 2106

The CPC Virtual Book Club is reading *The Names* by Florence Knapp. The novel asks the question:

Can a name change the course of one's life?

Through a prism of what-ifs, Florence Knapp invites us to consider the "one . . . precious life" we are given. Full of hope, this is the story of three names, three versions of a life, and the infinite possibilities that a single decision can

spark. It is the story of one family and love's endless capacity to endure, no matter what fate has in store.



MEXICAN TRAIN

DOMINOES 1 p.m.

Wednesdays, September 2, 16, 30 in A/B

Join us on the first, third, and sometimes fifth Wednesday of the month. Have fun playing this challenging game of dominoes. If you don't know how to play, we will teach you!

FELLOWSHIP



MEN OF FAITH BREAKFAST

Wednesday, September 16, 7:30 a.m.

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

CASA MARIA MINISTRY

Tuesday, September 22, 8 a.m.

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.

Drop off your sandwich donations before the next meeting, Tuesday, September 22, 8 a.m. in Fellowship Hall Kitchen.



RAINBOW FAITH FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, September 9, 6:30 p.m. in Patio Room

Do you consider yourself an Ally? Do you want to know what an Ally is and how to be one? Are you a part of our beloved 2SLGBTQIA+ community and would love to have a brave space to gather in fun and fellowship? We meet on the second Tuesday of the month to do just that. Together in the Peace of Christ, we will use Biblical and community resources to support and grow together while navigating the world and our lives, knowing that we are never alone. If you are ready for conversation and connection, you know where to find us! Lhasa Compton leads.



Flea Market News

In Preparation for Flea Market 2027

Secondhand Weekend is on September 12 & 13

As you know, we collect, sort, and price donations every month (except December) from the end of one Flea Market sale until we begin setup for the following year's event. Many volunteers are needed for these tasks. If you can spend even a few hours on Saturday or Sunday (or both) on a Secondhand Weekend, it would be a huge help. Hours are flexible, and lunch is provided by our Meals Team members. We hope you will be able to join us whenever you can.

Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Sundays from 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. This is when we sort, clean, price, and box donations. Donation drop-off hours during Secondhand Weekends are on Saturday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

A little advance notice about October – In addition to our scheduled weekend of October 10 & 11, we might need to meet another weekend to catch up because many volunteers will be unable to meet this month. If we do, the dates will be October 24 & 25.

Notifications be in Sunday bulletins and by email.

P.S. We are looking for a team of two who will help set up the tables and pull donations from the storage area for Secondhand Weekends. If you are free on a Friday evening or early on Saturday morning on those weekends and would like to know more about this, please contact Claudia Howell 520-850-0637.

Pink Pick Ups Furniture Taxi

The Flea Market Team hires Pink Pick Ups to move boxes after Secondhand Weekends and to work at the Flea Market each March. Consider contacting owner Nathan Heuser for a free estimate. He charges hourly, with a one-hour minimum of \$125-\$150, depending on the volume and distance. He prefers texting at **520-268-5670**. Please plan ahead and allow 2-3 days for a callback.



Flea Market Donation reminders:

- We no longer pick up donations. See the pink box about Pink Pick Ups Furniture Taxi
- When donating electronic items, please include and attach all necessary cords, transformers, remotes, and accessories to the item being donated.
- We sell only items that are clean and in good working order. Please wash or dust the donated items before bringing them in.
- Clothes and linens that are stained, ripped, faded, or worn out are not included in the sale.
- We no longer accept non-flat screen TVs, mattresses, large appliances, pianos or organs, items with broken or missing pieces (including furniture), paint, flammable or poisonous items.

Presbyterian Women of CPC

SEPTEMBER CRAFT NEWS

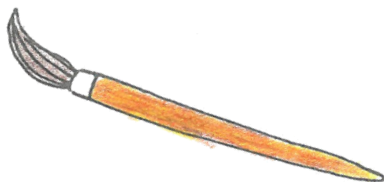


The “Crafty Ladies,” as we call ourselves, will return to our weekly meetings starting on Wednesday, September 9, from 9 a.m. to noon in classrooms A/B. We break around 10:30 for a light snack or to celebrate birthdays. Feel free to bring a craft or sewing project of your own, or help color the hand-stamped cards, or even create new ones from recycled cards. We have all the supplies needed for almost any project. Some people, especially those who sew, do so from home and also attend the Wednesday meeting to enjoy the camaraderie (and snacks). Drop in some day and see if you’d like to stay.

Our crafts may be purchased on Wednesdays during our meetings or at our seasonal monthly craft sales in fellowship hall before the first service and between the first and second services.

The PW Craft group is the fundraising branch of the Presbyterian Women of Christ Presbyterian Church’s mission projects. The money collected from our crafts (and cookie sales at Christmas) is used to support various, mostly local organizations that support women and children.

For questions, call or text Jan Marshall: 520-404-0313.



Our September Birthdays!

2 Debbie Teece
4 Pam Elitharp
4 Lois Letson
6 Dave Ridings
7 Nancy Ward
8 Tom Black
8 Ron Morgan
9 Genny Standifer
9 Ellie Standifer
9 Jean Rosene

9 John Griffin
10 Joyce Judah
10 Diane Denien
12 David Kiely
14 Phoebe Hoffman
17 Ingrida Cazers
19 Mike Judah
20 Sophia Miller
27 Dan Tremblay
29 Kate Lagle
29 Larry Biehl

HAPPY
Birthday



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Accepting donations of the following:

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

Lions Club Glasses: Lenses, frames and any glasses.

Pima Animal Care Center (PACC): Prescription medicine bottles with caps. The veterinarians need the bottles to send medicine home with animals when needed. Please remove the labels before donating.



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**October
KIVA**

October KIVA deadline:
Friday, September 16.

Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

(Closed for lunch 12 - 1 p.m.)

Phone: 520-886-5535

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Deadlines

KIVA October 2026 articles due by 12 p.m. on Friday, September 16, 2026

Weekly Bulletins and Friday News, requests for flyers or inserts

Please submit your articles and requests by **Wednesday at noon!**



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