

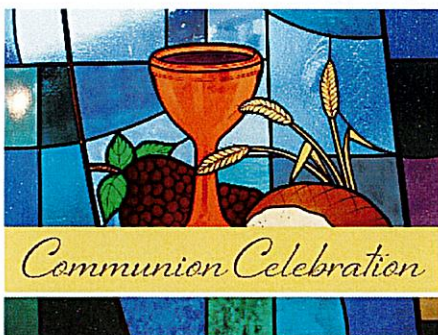
CHERRY HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Dearborn, Michigan
THE MESSENGER
Summer 2026 Edition



Sunday, July 12 – 12:00 Noon - Small Shelter Ford Field, Dearborn

The Church Growth and Fellowship Committee is making plans for our annual church picnic! We will gather at 12:00 Noon at the **small shelter at Ford Field on Sunday, July 12**. Please bring a dish to pass and your own beverages. If you bring your dish to church and it needs to be put in the refrigerator or oven, take it to Memorial Parlor. Hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, chips, and bottled water will be provided. In addition to all the wonderful food, there will be games and a raffle for prizes. There may be another water balloon toss!

Those planning on attending are asked to use the signup sheet on the table in Weir Foyer (approximately 3 weeks before the picnic) or call the church office. If you would like to help with the picnic, please contact Sue Dalton, chair of the Church Growth and Fellowship Committee. All are welcome!



**Communion in July will be celebrated
on the 2nd Sunday, July 12.**

Note from the pastor



As May unfolds into June, I have started to feel the subtle shift of the season. The days have really stretched out a little longer, the air feels a little warmer, sometimes even hot, more days now. Many of us are looking forward to summer plans—vacations, time with family, or (hopefully) simply finding moments to rest.

There's something holy about this season. In Mark 6:31, Jesus turns to his disciples and says, *"Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while."* It is a gentle but powerful reminder that even in the midst of activity, responsibilities, and ministry, Jesus calls us to pause.

We often associate spiritual growth with doing, e.g., serving, giving, attending, leading. But as Jesus tells us, rest is spiritual, too. In the quiet spaces of our lives, God often speaks the loudest. Summer gives us a chance to reconnect—not just with nature or loved ones, but with the God who created both.

So, whether you're traveling this season or staying local, I encourage you to carve out sacred space for rest. Read a good book. Watch an enthralling movie. Take a long walk. Sit in silence. Laugh with friends. Listen for God's voice in the crickets, the summer breeze, in the laughter of children playing at a summer picnic or in the cheering as your loved ones graduate!

Oh and, if you're in town, come by the church! We'll be here worshiping, connecting, and welcoming the Spirit of renewal. I pray for a summer of peace, grace and inspiration for all.

Blessings,
Pastor Teresa





SUMMER CONCERTS

VANGUARD VOICES & BRASS IN CONCERT
SUNDAY, JUNE 7, at 4 p.m.

Start your summer off with a festive, fantastic, and multi-faceted concert by Dearborn's premiere choral ensemble, Vanguard Voices, on Sunday, June 7, at 4 p.m. in our church sanctuary. G. Kevin Dewey will direct the 65-some voices and brass players in works from Handel's *Messiah*, Part III and other choral classics. A free-will offering will be collected at the door, with a suggested donation of \$15 per person. Additional information can be found at www.vanguardvoices.org.

AEOLIAN CHORALE
Friday, August 21, at 7:00pm

The 24-voice choir, in their 12th season, will perform their annual summer concert, conducted by Eric Taylor. **SAVE-the-DATE!**



THANK YOU, CHOIR, FOR A WONDERFUL SEASON!



Sunday, June 7, will be the Choir's last Sunday for leading worship this season. They will return the Sunday following Labor Day. We are beyond grateful, and blessed, for the music they share with us each Sunday, for their time of rehearsal, and for the dedication to the cause of providing sacred music for our morning and special services. While their summer off is truly a well-deserved break, they will be missed! Millions of thanks to each and every choir member for sharing your musical gifts with us all!!

Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church 2025-2026 Chancel Choir

Charles Miller, Director of Music & Organist

Soprano: Elaine Filiak, Ruth Haury, Darlyne Rozenbaum, Tracey Turbett, and Susan Webster

Alto: Sara Errante, Carolyn Haury, Angie Stead, and Martha Whitfield

Tenor: John Haury, Barb Krupka, Bob Stead, and John Whitfield

Bass: Kevin Dewey

Guest Singers: Pam Aue, Beth Bowman, Jordan Dekker, Anna Dewey, and Holly Zugcic



If you're away this summer, don't forget our secure and easy online giving option to stay current with your pledges and church contributions. Simply visit our website, www.cherryhillchurch.org and click on the "Donate" tab and follow the leads. The church accepts most major credit cards, PayPal, Apple Pay, Google Pay, and Venmo. If you prefer checks, mail them to the church, attention Kim McDonald. Thank you!

The Pastor Nominating Committee has been meeting regularly since last May. We certainly understand the urgency that an open Pastor position in our church creates. We remain faithful to the charge as presented to us in the Self-Study Report. That report provides a detailed account of the pastoral attributes required for the position while making us accountable as a committee to make sure the needs of our congregation are met, no matter what.



The PNC's work has been methodical, and process driven. We regularly review the profiles of candidates, interview candidates that match our Church's needs and prayerfully move to additional steps with candidates where warranted.

While the pool of qualified candidates is small, we remain confident that our church, our congregation and our community will prove very attractive to the right Pastoral candidate. It is critical that we extend a Call to someone who can provide the leadership that will guide the Church to manage the current challenges and exploit existing opportunities. And, just as importantly, has a vision to imagine how this congregation can thrive in this community for the future decades. We remain committed to finding that candidate.



MANY THANKS!

Presbyterian Women of Cherry Hill would like to thank the congregation for filling the bright-colored sand pails on the tables in Memorial Parlor during the coffee hours in the month of May. A check for the total amount collected will be sent to The Second Mile Center for their Summer Dreams program. Your generosity is helping children and youth in Detroit's most dangerous zip code attend day camp this summer in a safe, spiritually based atmosphere. Ruth Azar, the Center's director, is always appreciative of Cherry Hill's generosity. Thank you for your continued support of this worthwhile mission!

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS - May 19

- ❖ To grant Rev. Teresa Peterson leave from August 3 through August 9, 2026, to attend to a family matter.
- ❖ All requests to share Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church's proprietary documents must be approved by the Session.
- ❖ Session approved the plan to purchase an appropriate number of Glory to God Hymnals to fill the pews in the Sanctuary.
- ❖ The Growth and Fellowship Committee is to purchase the Instant Church Directory software. This software will provide digital and hard-copy versions for our members and friends.
- ❖ To allow the Aeolian Chorale to use CHPC on the following dates this summer: June 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27; and August 3, 10, 17, and 21.
- ❖ Pastor Teresa reported that she will conduct Boundary Training for the Elders at the beginning of each Session Meeting going forward.
- ❖ Caring & Compassion Homecare SBCS, LLC, requested to use the CHPC parking lot for a BBQ fundraiser for the Association of Alzheimer's on June 6, 2026. Request denied and decided to maintain the moratorium on renting the parking lot at this time.



Safety & Security Team

Session and Property Committee have been in the process of reviewing how those who come to the church to worship, study, or other events are kept safe. In general, people feel secure while being here in the building.

Our current greeters and security personnel are key to alerting the pastor or other leaders in charge of an event of an emergency – medical, fire, severe weather or crisis emergency. We know that updated training is needed and are preparing to provide such training.

In preparation for this, you are asked to consider if you would be willing to add your name to the list of greeters or security team. Generally, these are easy, but important, roles. By fall, we will provide a group “training” to go over current guidelines and hear your updated suggestions.

Please check the list on the table in Weir Foyer to add to or update the current Greeter and Security personnel list. Thank you for being a part of this welcoming aspect of CHPC.

Special Event Greeters and Security

A list is being put together of those who are willing to be a greeter or security for a special event – funerals and concerts, in particular. If you are willing to be that “on occasion” person, please add your name to the list in Weir Foyer or let Kim know. Thank you! It is a great welcoming opportunity to let your light shine!

Email Requests or “Phishing”

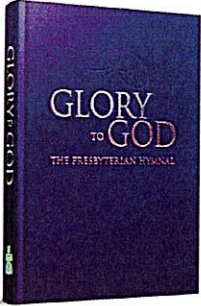
Over the past year or so, there has been a steady increase in the number of emails to the congregation that are considered “Phishing”. This is a fraudulent message designed to steal your sensitive information. There have been emails reported from several different staff members to the congregation asking for gift cards, invites to some event, or some other request. Our staff are not going to be soliciting anything like that and certainly not going to ask you to “click on a link” to take you somewhere else. If you receive a message like this, please do not open any links. Mark the message as “SPAM”, delete it, and alert the person that this has happened. Rest assured, we are doing what we can on our end but there is only so much we can do. Unfortunately, this is a normal occurrence in our society today.

Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!

The Presbyterian Women of Cherry Hill extend a heartfelt thank you to Maged Radamis and Pam Hollingsworth for their presentations at the PW Spring Tea. We are all now better informed on the history, cultivation and proper way to enjoy tea. We also thank all who were involved in hosting a table, preparing the food, and helping in so many ways. Thank you!



GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL INITIATIVE



Over this past year, CHPC has been transitioning from the blue Presbyterian Hymnal to the Glory to God hymnal (GTG) and we have enjoyed singing both new and favorite hymns. We are grateful for the donation of existing GTG hymnals from Littlefield Presbyterian Church. However, as you have likely experienced or witnessed, we do not have enough hymnals to adequately supply all the pews in the Sanctuary. This is very evident when we have a larger than normal group worshipping with us or attending an event where the GTG hymnals are utilized and people are sometimes looking to find one.

Worship & Music Committee recently received approval from Session to pursue the purchase of additional Glory to God Hymnals to ensure we have a sufficient number to fill the Sanctuary pews. This initiative will take place in two phases. The first phase will be an invitation for members of the Congregation to individually purchase one or more GTG hymnals for the church. In exchange for their contribution, the members may dedicate those hymnals to loved ones with a bookplate in the front. The cost is \$25 per hymnal. Members may then decide to place the hymnal(s) they purchased in pews where they generally sit on Sundays.

Once we know how many hymnals have been directly purchased by members, Worship & Music will arrange for the purchase of the remaining hymnals with funds coming from an anonymous donation that was made to the church in December 2025.

If you are interested in purchasing one or more hymnals, please indicate on your check or other form of payment that it is for hymnals and indicate how many you wish to purchase. Information regarding dedication bookplates will be forthcoming.

You may place this form & payment in the offering plate; hand deliver or mail it to the church.
Please make check payable to Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church.

The cost is \$25 for each hymnal. Please PRINT clearly.

GLORY TO GOD ORDER FORM

Given by: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

CEREAL DRIVE & HELPING HAND

Our thanks to all who donated cereal in the month of May in support of Children's Hospital of Michigan's 17th Annual Cereal Drive. Our donations will be delivered to Gleaners Community Food Bank. **Thank you again to all who donated!** Helping Hand will continue to collect cereal throughout the summer for the Presbytery of Detroit. Currently, our pantry needs are peanut butter, canned fruit, soup, tuna, canned pasta sauce, and saltine crackers.



The Growth & Fellowship Committee will be working on a new church directory this summer. We will be using the Instant Church Directory online system, which enables us to create a professional pictorial directory members can access using their phone, personal computer or tablet. It also gives us the option of printing a hard copy version to make available to the congregation. This system will allow us to maintain an accurate directory and easily make updates.

In the next few weeks, we will have our current member list on the table in Weir Foyer and ask you to review your contact information and make changes if necessary. The next step will be gathering photos of members, so stay tuned for additional news about how and when we will proceed with that part. Our goal is to have the directory ready sometime this coming fall. We appreciate your help and encourage your feedback. Please reach out to Sue Dalton with any questions.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Ryan Hollingsworth 06/01
Sharon Otten 06/03
Paula Swahn 06/03
Brenna Thorpe 06/03
June Golem 06/09

Rachel Williams 06/10
Jacob Ruselink 06/13
Jennifer Ruselink 06/13
Rex Waddell 06/21

Max Elling 06/21
Linda Guinn 06/27
Robert Stead 06/27
Jan Holmes 06/29

JULY BIRTHDAYS

John Matthews, Jr. 07/02
Carolyn Haury 07/03
Diane Oberdier 07/12
Jan Porath 07/13

Rachel Golem 07/17
Michelle Wahl 07/17
William Hildebrandt 07/20
Scott Golem 07/26

Elijah Dewey 07/28
Sandra Silfven 07/31
Darlyne Rozenbaum 07/31

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Judy Ewasuk 08/03
Sharon Morton 08/03
Joy Park 08/04
Susan Lapham 08/06
Ashley Tune 08/06

Jane Scoboria 08/07
Susan Webster 08/08
Frank Turchan II 08/09
Robert Wahl 08/14
Susan Bosshard 08/15

Becky Jones 08/20
Patty Bennett 08/22
John Nichols 08/29
John Porath 08/31



IN OUR PRAYERS

Members to Remember (Those Unable to Attend Worship)

Lewis Sequin Judie Fraser Pam Thorpe
Judy Ewasuk Ekanem Ekpenyong Winnie Murphy

Health Concerns & Support

Marv Oberdier John Nichols Bob Stead Pamela Moore Judy Tisdale
All those who serve as caregivers to the ill and infirmed
Cherry Hill Church Pastor Nominating Committee
Pastor, Staff, Elders and Deacons of Cherry Hill Church - The Presbytery of Detroit

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Church Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday - 8:30 am - 2:30 pm - Closed on Friday for the summer.

Church Staff, Email & Direct Dial Phone Numbers

Rev. Teresa Peterson, Interim Pastor - pastor@cherryhillchurch.org - 313-768-5904
Charles Miller, Director of Music & Organist - charles@cherryhillchurch.org - 313-768-5905
Kim McDonald, Business & Church Administrator - kim@cherryhillchurch.org - 313-768-5907
John Renaud, Facilities Manager - facilities@cherryhillchurch.org - 313-768-5913
Michael Sellers, Social Media Manager - michael@cherryhillchurch.org
John Peterson, Custodian
Staci Frank, Interim Childcare Provider and Ruth Haury (For the summer)
Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor Emeritus



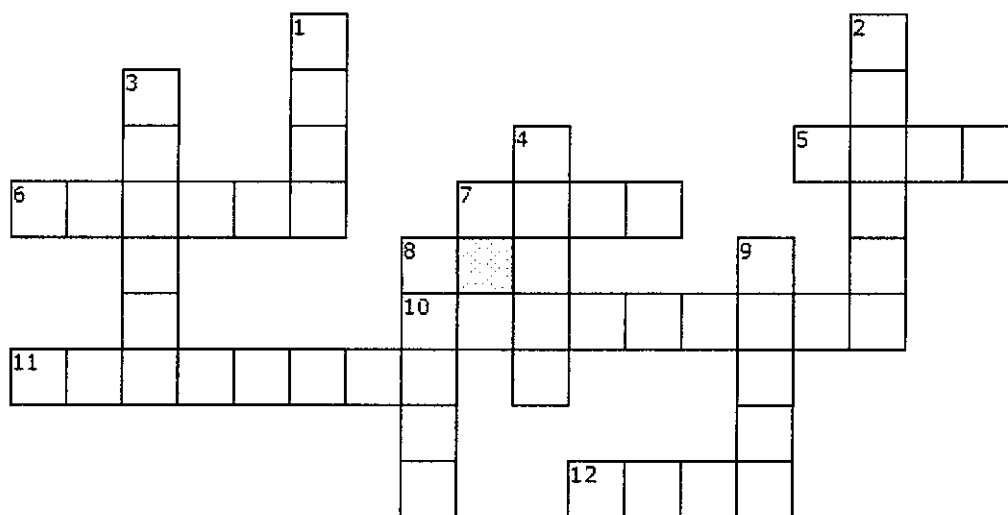
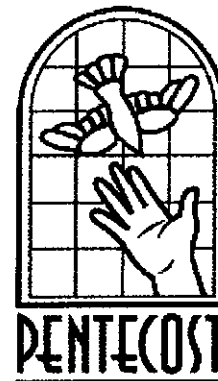
Being a father is so much more than just biology. It's about love, guidance, teaching, protection, support, and, not to mention, just being there. So, to all the amazing men who step into the role of dad, even when you're not required to do so, kudos to you. – Victoria Prasad

“Happy Father’s Day to all the dads, the not yet dads, the stepdads, the moms who are dad, the adoptive dads, the granddads, and the dads who are no longer with us.” -Unknown

Filled with the Holy Spirit

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Acts 2:4 (NIV)

Based on Acts 2:1-21 (NIV)



ACROSS


- 5. Make something to be full
- 6. To be totally surprised
- 7. Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word
- 10. The day the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles
- 11. Means of communication used by the people of a particular country
- 12. A destructive burning

DOWN



- 1. Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree
- 2. A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost
- 3. The place where God lives
- 4. Something that can be heard
- 8. To say words, to use the voice
- 9. A building which people live in

HEAVEN	SPIRIT	FIRE	HOLY
WIND	PENTECOST	LANGUAGE	SPEAK
SOUND	FILL	HOUSE	AMAZED

June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting	2 12:00pm Peace Circle Luncheon at Antonio's Ford Rd.	3 9:30am-noon Helping Hand	4	5 Office and Building Closed	6
7 Communion 9:00am Choir Rehearsal 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Worship/GP 11:30am June Birthdays 11:45am Bible Study 4:00pm Vanguard Voices: Rejoice in the Lamb	8 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting 7:00pm Aeolian Chorale Rehearsal	9 3:00pm Mission	10	11 9:30am Quilters	12 Office and Building Closed	13
14 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Worship 11:30am Coffee Hour 11:45am Bible Study	15 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting 7:00pm Aeolian Chorale Rehearsal	16	17 9:30am-noon Helping Hand	18 9:00am Men's Breakfast at Rex's	19 Office and Building Closed	20 1:00pm James Wells Memorial
21 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Worship 11:30am Coffee Hour 11:45am Bible Study	22 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting 7:00pm Aeolian Chorale Rehearsal	23	24	25	26 Office and Building Closed 11:00am Ladies' Luncheon at Buddy's	27
28 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Worship 11:30am Coffee Hour 11:45am Bible Study	20 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting 7:00pm Aeolian Chorale Rehearsal	30				

July 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>5 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Worship 11:30am Coffee Hour 11:45am Bible Study</p>	 <p>6 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting 7:00pm Aeolian Chorale Rehearsal</p>	7	8 9:30am-noon Helping Hand	9	10 Office and Building Closed	11
<p>12 Communion 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Worship 11:30am Church Picnic</p>	<p>13 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting 7:00pm Aeolian Chorale Rehearsal</p>	14	15 9:30am-noon Helping Hand	16 9:00am Men's Breakfast at Rex's	17 Office and Building Closed	18
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August 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Communion 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Worship 11:30am Coffee Hour 11:45am Bible Study	3 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting 7:00pm Aeolian Chorale Rehearsal	4	5 9:30am-noon Helping Hand	6 7:00pm Christian Ed	7 Office and Building Closed	8
9 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Worship 11:30am Coffee Hour 11:45am Bible Study	10 10:00am Sew What 1:00pm PNC Meeting 7:00pm Property 7:00pm Aeolian Chorale Rehearsal	11 6:30pm CG&F	12	13 6:30pm Deacons	14 Office and Building Closed	15
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