



The Call Newsletter
Christ Presbyterian Church
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Our Vision

To know Christ and to make Christ known, by developing disciples in meaningful community and doing the work of Christ in our neighborhood and world.

Our Mission

We will be a church:

Of, By and For God's people.

Our Focus

- +Worship
- +Education
- +Nurture
- +Outreach

Our Slogan

Growing in Christ as He teaches us to serve.

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Simmons

Rev. Brett R. Everett

Rev. Michael W. Shirey

AUGUST HAPPENINGS

- 04 Pastor Shelton Hail & Farewell
- 19 Trunk or Treat Meeting
Children's Ed Meeting/Potluck
- 26 Pastor Simmons Gala Luncheon

WHAT'S NEXT?

A question I am receiving much these days is, "What are your plans for the future?" Right now, my plans are simple until I get my "retirement bearings." Jeanette has one more school year before she will retire, so we won't have lots of time to travel or do things that would take us away from Fountain Hills for any long distance.

I am looking into a couple of hobbies that I would like to learn (still considering my choices!), I want to play some golf, I will do some preaching for pastors when they need to be away, I plan to teach some Bible classes, travel to some places in the good ole USA that we have on our bucket list, and stay open and flexible to whatever the Lord may send our way. I will plan to take a few months before I make any kind of commitments.

My home study is now in place and functioning, so I will take a couple of days to read and study on topics of my own choosing and for my own enrichment. I love to read, and I have collected some books that I am anxious to finally be able to read at my own pace and for my own pleasure. I kept about 1,500 of my books and gave the rest away to family and a local pastor. Jeanette and I have created a lovely, warm home "office" in which I will spend some time each week.

My son, Christian, and I love to fish, so we are making plans to spend his day off a couple of times a month and going to Saguaro Lake to catch the big one! Saguaro Lake is only about 12 miles from my house.

I have a couple of writing projects I want to spend some time developing. I created some drafts of manuscripts that I would like to pull out, tweak, rewrite, and send out to a publisher. My intentions are to spend my first year of retirement working on these manuscripts.

So, these are a few of my thoughts and plans for my retirement years. Thank you for this past nearly 17 years. I have enjoyed being your pastor and will miss you. Thanks for the wonderful memories.

Pastor Bob



Assistant Pastor...

HOW LONG DO I PRAY FOR A PRAYER REQUEST?

Recently, a new member to the Prayer Chain asked, “How long do I pray for a Prayer Request?” She indicated that sometimes a Praise comes along or a Prayer Update, that guides her in her prayer time for those situations. But her question, and a very good one, indicated that so often we get prayer requests that we never hear the end result. Please, please keep the Prayer Chain updated with your follow up to prayer, whether it is continuing prayer, or whether it has changed to a praise or a change that requires a different prayer. When you submit a Prayer Request, please make a note to yourself to send an Update, periodically, if need be. Our Prayer Chain Team of 140 Prayer Warriors will appreciate knowing ANY change, and if what they are praying is indeed still valid. Remember “No change” is an Update.

(NOTE: When we used to have the Weekly Prayer Summary, a Prayer Request would be removed if there was no Update after 3 weeks from the date it was requested.)

A FEW THANKSGIVINGS TO CPC

By the time you receive this, I will have passed the baton to Rev. Mike Shirey, and it is my prayer that you will support him as the Assistant Pastor for Spiritual Care in the same way you have supported me. Come join the Deacons on Saturday, the 4th when we celebrate this time we have spent together and use this event as a time to meet Mike.

None of you can even imagine the joy & thanksgiving that I have experienced with this Body of Christ over the past nearly five years (58 months, to be exact). Any kind of thank you would not be enough. As I review my time during these five years, it is clear that we are not only a church with needs, but we are a church that is filled with servants & Care Givers. There is such a bond present; I felt it every time I visited someone, whether I knew them well or not very well, and I feel that it showed the Shepherding that our Pastor Simmons has given over his years of ministry here. I am so grateful that he has been my mentor, my co-worker, my shepherd. My prayer for his retirement is that in his own reflections, he too may be filled with joy and thanksgiving.

Recently, I had a friend ask me how many people that I visit in a month, and I responded, “Probably, around 30”. So, I decided to check that number, and over the 58 months of Ministry, I have visited and made contact with 1,848 people, which may occasionally include some family member(s) present. That averages 31.86 per month. My mileage was a bit staggering for myself, as I have traveled 19,696 miles or an average of 340 miles per month.

In 2013, my position was an experiment to relieve Pastor of the voluminous visiting needs that often interfered with other aspects of his ministry. That Session in 2013 was taking a gamble in investing in someone for this newly created role. It appears that it worked for them, and that is confirmed by the current Session finding a qualified replacement.

Well, I must thank each you who has been a receiver of my efforts to meet your caring needs. I only request that God get ALL the glory, for it has indeed been Him, through His Holy Spirit, using me for His glory. Please know that we will continue to be a part of this Church, because we love each of you so much, and we **have experienced God's Hand at work in this place. As I closed my sermon on July 15, I close now with Jesus' words - "Go and do likewise!"**

PEACE!

Bob Shelton, Asst. Pastor for Spiritual Care, Retired

INTRODUCING PASTOR MIKE SHIREY

My name is Michael (Mike) Shirey and it is my honor and privilege to follow in the footsteps of Pastor Bob Shelton as your new Pastoral Care Pastor. My wife Marjorie (Marje) and I were married August 13, 1988, and immediately moved to Louisville, Kentucky, where I received my Master of Divinity Degree. I was ordained on June 16, 1991, in Petersburg, Indiana, where I served five years as the Solo Pastor of the Main Street Presbyterian Church. Our daughter, Ilene, and our son, Paul, were both born during our time there. We next moved to central Ohio, just south of Columbus, in 1996 where I served as the Solo Pastor of the Amanda Presbyterian Church.

After four years in Ohio, we moved to Peoria, Illinois, (Marje's hometown) in September 2000 where I accepted the call to become the Associate Pastor for Community Building and Small Group Development at Northminster Presbyterian Church. My areas of responsibility varied over the 17 years I served there, and along with preaching and assisting in leading worship, included teaching, leading the Marriage Ministry, supporting the Deacons, and coordinating Pastoral Care. The latter two areas provided me with some of the most fulfilling moments of my time in ministry.

Marje and I relocated to Buckeye, Arizona, last year when it became apparent that my time in Peoria was ending. After much prayer and discernment, we discovered that our path was leading us out of Illinois and that Marje would step into the role of primary bread winner for our family. I did not know at the time what God had in store for me, but I knew it was time to step away from full-time ministry for a while. God is amazing! He opened doors for us and led us to CPC where we have been spiritually fed and energized. I had no idea that God was leading us to the place where he next wanted me to serve him, but I am glad that it turned out to be so.

I am excited about stepping into this position because the "people" aspect of ministry is what most energizes me. One area that has been a rich blessing to me is my regular visits to nursing homes and retirement communities. While in Peoria, I led weekly Bible Studies and Worship Services at two of the local retirement communities. One of my greatest spiritual joys is walking with people in support and fellowship, praying with and for them and their loved ones as they navigate the stormy waters of life. I enjoy visiting with and getting to know people, and look forward to getting to know as many of you as possible in the time God allows me to serve you. My prayer is that God will shower us with grace as we enter this new stage of life at CPC!

Rev. Mike Shirey, Assistant Pastor for Spiritual Care



Stephen Ministry is looking for a few men and women to consider joining our ministry. We are tentatively planning a new class series in the fall (hopefully October). This is a very rewarding and exciting experience.

We are also in need of a couple of Stephen Minister **Leaders**, please consider this also!

By meeting many of the needs for care, Stephen Ministers give pastors more time to focus on other areas of ministry. Gifted caregivers grow in faith as they use their gifts in ministry and see God working through them to touch the lives of others.

CARING THAT CHANGES LIVES



Stephen Ministry is Christ Caring for People through People.

*Arlene Aamot
Stephen Minister— Awareness Coordinator*

Music Ministry...

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

As we enter the dog days of summer and I begin planning for the coming year during this time of transition, I am filled with thoughts of praise and thanksgiving for those who willingly said yes when asked to fill a temporary vacancy or yes to support a new idea.

First, I want to thank Heidi for doing such an amazing job with the Summer Choir while I was in Europe on a concert tour. Her enthusiasm, talent and dedication assured me I would not be missed.

Second, to Yuriy Vereshchagin for stepping up at the last minute to fill in for Vitaly who had to return to Russia to renew his visa. CPC is certainly blessed with talent and Heidi and Yuriy are shining examples.

Lastly, to Bob and Jeanette Simmons I offer my eternal thanks for their steadfast and enthusiastic support of the CPC music program. What a joy to see Jeanette, Heidi and the Praise Team lead and grow the Contemporary Service. And from the first moment I met Bob, I knew I had found a pastor who not only loved music but believed in its power to inspire and edify.

Certainly nothing can be accomplished without God's help, but without Bob's blessing I would have been powerless to develop the kind of program I believe in and that CPC deserves.

I know I speak for all members of the music department and the congregation when I say that under **Pastor Bob's brilliant leadership we were encouraged to not only grow, but to blossom, and flourish.**

Can I hear an *Amen* to that?

*David Wilson,
Director of Music*



Children's Ministry...

HOW DID VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL GO THIS YEAR?

I know there was an update in last month's newsletter. But, WOW! Has it already been a month since our Vacation Bible School occurred? We had children and adults who shared great excitement and lots of smiles. There were smiling and hard working adults, and lots of good ole fashion fun at VBS this year. VBS did what it is supposed to do - - strengthen the Christian spirit in the lives of the children and the adults every day! The children learned Bible stories from the Apostle Peter, and how to fish from one of our avid fishermen. Faith songs were enjoyed by all, every day! Our adults led individual classes, including crafts, that nurtured and taught as many as 130 children each day! There was a concern on whether or not we would have enough adult helpers, and youth helpers because of the morning time VBS this year, versus, evening time. But thanks to the 42 of you who stepped up, our children were nurtured and spiritually fed! (They also had great snacks each day!). A special thank you to Rev. Phillip and Beverly Smith for coordinating this wonderful week! The Smiths are relatively new to the church, but stepped up and led VBS successfully. When complimented, their reply was "It wasn't us, God did this!"

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION -

MID-SUMMER UPDATE AND REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

In the VBS article I mentioned Beverly and Phillip Smith because of their willingness to take on a daunting task at a church they had recently joined. Do you **have this willingness?** Our **Children's Sunday School** during the Summer months is going well, thanks to people willing to teach a week or two each month, while our lead teachers take time off, like all of us, for vacations, family illnesses, etc. As we look ahead to the Fall season, however, we see specific positions that need to be addressed.

When Pastor Bob retires in August, we will also be losing one of our greatest teachers, Jeanette. She has **nurtured, loved, and taught our children since the beginning of the Simmons' ministry at CPC.** Most recently, Jeanette has led our Toddler class at the 9 am service. We need someone who is willing to step up and take over this responsibility, as well as additional adults to assist with this class (typically there is Jeanette and a helper) There are folks who have been willing to help from week to week, but we need someone to take the lead and be there weekly. We also need leaders and helpers for the Toddler age group at 10:30 am.

One of the suggestions regarding those who are willing to volunteer for teaching, is to find someone to team up with. One of you would teach for two weeks or a month, and then trade off with your teammate. That **would be great!** It allows you a chance to recharge, as well as flexibility in you and your team mate's personal schedules.

A parting thought is on the subject of reluctance. Most of us are reluctant to take on something we haven't done before - - **something we don't believe we can do well.** If this thought is crossing your mind regarding teaching Sunday School, think back to Moses, who told God "No" five times before God convinced him that he was the right choice. God was always there helping Moses. He is always there for us as well. We are how He gets things done.

Please contact me or Pastor Brett if you have questions, or more importantly, if you are willing to step up to the challenge. We need YOU!

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION TEAM - POTLUCK AND MEETING

Our Fall Kickoff for Children's Sunday School is September 9th, which is right around the corner. So, if you have been a lead teacher, co-taught, substituted, been a teacher's helper, OR have been thinking about it, join us in the Atrium at noon on Sunday, August 19th, to find out what is new for the coming Sunday School year. We have new curriculum, new classes, new scheduling tools, and will be talking about the new approach of using teaching teams to allow teachers to not only teach but find time to actively be in worship. These topics will be discussed by Heidi Gray, Heather Smith, and Libbie Randels. We will begin with a potluck and follow with the meeting. As noted in the other education article this month, we need lots of help. So, come, listen, and consider committing your time to our Children's Education ministry.

Raub Randels
Elder - *Children's Ministry*

Nurture and Equipping Ministry...

WHAT DO PRESBYTERIANS BELIEVE?



The next New Member Class will be Sunday, October 14, 2018. A light lunch is provided and, if needed, childcare. New members will be welcomed on Sunday, October 28th at the service of their choice. Please indicate your interest in participating in the class by completing the **yellow card in the chairback on Sunday and circle "M"**. Also, feel free to attend the class if you just want more information about CPC. There is no pressure to become a member on the day you attend class.

Deacon Ministry...

James Carter — Care Community #11

I am originally from Canada where my home was a suburb of the large west coast city of Vancouver, British Columbia. After finishing high school, I headed to Simon Fraser University where I earned a bachelor degree in Computer Science. After spending many years working on contract for the government, my search for a new job led me to put my resume on a United States based employment website. I was subsequently contacted by a recruiter in the Seattle area. After getting hired, I then began a new life in Washington State in May, 2008.

After living in Washington for about three years, I decided to start dating and purchased a membership on eHarmony. After only three weeks I was matched with a nurse named Cynthia Fast whom I quickly found went to the same Presbyterian church that I did. God works in mysterious ways. We bonded so well that we were engaged after four months and married after ten months on May 12, 2012. We bought a condo and began married life together but soon discovered that we were both disenchanted with the seemingly endless rain and cold.

After much pondering about where would be a better place to live, we settled on the Phoenix area. Not knowing what the real estate market was like, we decided to put our condo on the market thinking we would be able to enjoy one last northwest summer. But God had other plans. The condo sold in two days and we suddenly had a month to pack up and move. We rented an apartment in Goodyear and began looking for houses. We found one we liked in Buckeye and purchased it in June 2013. We soon found Christ Presbyterian Church from an Internet search and liked it from our very first Sunday here.

After a few years we decided to start having kids but encountered a great deal of difficulty. We eventually got on a waiting list for donated embryos at a local fertility clinic. When we got to the top of the list we were given four embryos and decided to have two of them transferred to Cynthia. Both took, and after a lot of prayer and a somewhat difficult pregnancy, she gave birth on March 7, 2017, to twin girls whom we named Elizabeth and Eleanor.

In our time at CPC, Cynthia and I have both been deacons. She finished her term and began focusing on being a mother. I am now embarking on a second three-year term.

The coffee hour schedule for August is as follows:

August 5 th	Michael Santel	Group 1	powerofprayer7364@icloud.com
August 12 th	Stacy Spetter	Group 2	sspetter@aol.com
August 19 th	Holli Bishop	Group 3	hollibishop07@gmail.com
August 26 th	No coffee hour		

Judy Harding
Deacon Moderator

Mission & Outreach Ministry...

TRUNK OR TREAT

Summer is speeding by, and it is already time to begin thinking about our fall mission projects. A big fall outreach to our community is our annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 27th. This requires many volunteer helpers. We have scheduled an initial planning meeting on Sunday, August 19, following the 2nd service. Please consider attending this meeting to learn how you can help make this event better than ever this year!

PICK YOUR PASSION

There is always a need for non-perishable food items for the Agua Fria Food Bank. The Food Bank no longer **accepts egg cartons, so please don't bring those** – just food items for that bin. Agua Fria also accepts clothing donations and there is a bin for that.

Thanks to all who brought cases of water in June and July. We will continue collecting them through August so keep the water coming! We delivered 98 pounds of water bottles to the Phoenix Rescue Mission in July.

Remember that we are always looking for donations for various items each month. Please consider donating one or more of the following items this month:

- * Heavenly Hygiene Kits: items needed are soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo and conditioner
- * Days for Girls: items needed are gallon-size Ziploc® freezer bags, girls panties sizes 10-14, travel soaps, safety pins, terry cloth washcloths, and 100% cotton cloth remnants in solids or prints
- * Agua Fria Food Bank: items collected all yearlong are canned goods and non-perishables
- * Clothing bin: please place items for the Knitting for the Needy in this bin



HEAT RELIEF PACKS

August is a very hot month and we still have lots of Heat Relief Packs. They can be handed out your car windows to homeless individuals you see at street corners when you are waiting at stoplights. They are stacked just outside the library. Pick up a couple to have in your car ready to give away. It is a good idea to give a bottle of water along with each Heat Relief Pack.

CHRISTMAS JUG



The Christmas Jug is placed in the foyer area on Sunday mornings. Please help us fill this jug with your extra change, or even greenbacks. Our Credo Youth will select families that are in need and distribute the collected funds in December.

*Sydney Roosa
Elder – Mission & Outreach*

Specialized Ministries...

The following is a copy of the banner that you sometimes see in front of the Church. It summarizes the four ministries that I'll discuss in this article.



The banner features a central silhouette of a family (two adults and a child) walking together. The background is a soft, light-colored gradient. The logos are arranged around the silhouette: 'SiNGLE & PARENTiNG' in the top left, 'DIVORCE Care' in the top right, 'GRIEF SHARE' in the middle left, and 'DC4K DivorceCare for Kids' in the middle right. Below the logos, the text 'FOR INFORMATION:' is centered, followed by the phone number '623-882-0721' and the website 'www.cpcgoodyear.org'.

Each one of these is a separate component of a group of “caring ministries”. Each one has a separate message of God’s love and His constant support to those people that are hurting and need healing. Each ministry has its own approach to healing, but the common thread that runs through each one is “loss”. Loss of a loved one, loss of a home, loss of a family as it once was. But God walks with us through these losses and provides healing as we go through this journey of finding a new life and beginning a new walk with Jesus as our friend and healer.

It is with compassion and heartbreak that I describe to you the crisis we are in for volunteers for these ministries. *Without your assistance, we may not be able to continue this valuable service to those that are in need of healing. Volunteers use excellent courseware and receive training and assistance.* If God is speaking to your heart, please contact me at 623-340-9205 or cphillips02@cox.net for more info or to volunteer.



*Carol Phillips
Elder, Specialized Ministries*

MEN OF I.A.M.



Pastor Bob Shelton Retirement – Don't miss this special day where we can recognize and thank Bob Shelton for his wonderful ministry all these years. This will be Saturday, Aug 4th, at noon in the Atrium. The Men of I.A.M. are cooking the hotdogs and hamburgers, so you know they will be great!

Contact John Reichard to volunteer to help.



Feed the Youth – The Men of I.A.M. feed the youth on the second Sunday evening of each month at 6:00 p.m. in Room 209. This a great chance to meet and chat with members of our youth group. In August, this will be on the 12th. Contact John Reichard for further info.



D'backs Game – On Friday, August 24th, the Diamondbacks are having their annual Faith & Family Night. In addition to the game against Seattle, there are fireworks and a Christian singer in concert following the game. We have reserved a block of 30 seats and can get more. This is a great evening for family and fellowship. Tickets are on sale in the Narthex. Contact John Reichard for more info or to reserve your tickets.



Pastor Bob Retirement – The Gala Luncheon will be on Sunday, August 26th, at Noon. The Men of I.A.M. will be helping with set-up and clean-up. (We would like to have **prepared the meal but didn't feel it was possible in our kitchen.**) Yes, contact John Reichard to volunteer to help with this.



August Bible Study – Join us on Saturday, August 11th at 8:00 a.m. in the Atrium for a great breakfast, a great Bible Study, great fellowship, and a short business meeting! The study is Patience and Prayer, based on *James 5:7 – 20*, led by John Brinker. (Disclaimer: The menu *will* vary from the photo to the left.)

For further information, please contact:



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Rex Lambert., Secretary
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L.A.F.

L.A.F will meet Tuesday, August 21st. L.A.F. (Laughter and Fun) will continue to meet through the summer months on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Golden Corral located on the corner of Dysart and Van Buren. There will be no business meeting during the summer. Come and have lunch at 1:00 p.m. with old and new friends. Everyone is welcome.

Love and God Bless, Lovey

Finance Team...

Contribution Income thru June is \$12,073.38 under budget. Expenses thru June are \$34,066.63 under budget. Historically, Contribution Income in July, August, and September are also under budget. However, October, November, and December historically come in over budget.

On the expense side thru June, expenses are \$34,066.63 under budget. However, we usually experience a larger percentage of expenses in the second half of the year. Even though we currently have a surplus, it will not hold up as Session has had to approve significant additional expenses which were not budgeted. These include security protection for Sunday morning, cost of calling a new Senior Pastor, filling the Lay Pastor position for the last half of the year, and celebrations honoring Pastor Bob Simmons and Lay Pastor Bob Shelton. Funding these additions is estimated to cost an additional \$60,000.

We currently have \$424,642.89 in the bank. However, \$97,956.30 of this total is in Designated Funds which leaves \$326,686.59 to cover any 2018 deficit and any unanticipated emergencies.

We pray that everyone will keep your giving up-to-date and we thank you for being so faithful in your giving.

Prayerfully yours,
Jerry J. DeKruif
Elder, Finance

2018 Contribution Report

YTD Actual Income	\$	439,166
YTD Actual Expenses	\$	435,650
Surplus/Deficit	\$	3,516

Session...

Being that this meeting would be the last official Session meeting Moderated by Pastor Bob, it was a dinner meeting held at the home of Elder Jerry Treece. Thanks to Nancy for her efforts as hostess.

Session approved the following baptisms:

July 15 – Oliver Joe Fuller son of Fernando Feller and Renae Pailzote

August 26 – Kyle Fredrick Craig son of John and Lisa Craig

Finance

The application to refinance the mortgage loan has been submitted.

Elders Gene Howard and Jim Rains have done a thorough analysis of probable maintenance and replacement costs CPC can expect to incur over the next 25 years. They range from \$850 to replace a stove to \$180,000 to replace the parking lot. The total cost for the 30 projects is \$791,550.00. Our challenge is to make sure that we have the funds available to cover these costs when they occur.

Safety and Security

The First CPR and AED training class has been completed. There were 13 participants in the class. A second class is planned for October of this year and will be open to the congregation.

The proposed Emergency Action Plan for CPC was tabled to the next meeting.

Personnel

Session approved the calling of Rev. Michael Shirey as an interim (6 months) Assistant Pastor for Spiritual Care to begin August 1st.

Transition Planning

Elder Weese stated that the PNC would stay in place until Pastor Tony is on board.

Pastor Bob's Farewell Celebration

The committee chaired by Bill Armstrong is working to develop the planned program, meal and special gift for the August 26th farewell celebration for Jeanette and Rev. Bob Simmons.

*Jim Rains,
Clerk of Session*

Time & Talent...

SUNDAY	Worship Total	CCS Adult	Credo Youth	Arctic Children	Midweek Adult	Bible Study Credo	MOPS Adult	Children
July 01	303	00	37	64	00	00	DNM	DNM
July 08	277	00	47	69	00	00	DNM	DNM
July 15	258	12	03	28	00	00	DNM	DNM
July 22	267	14	07	33	00	00	DNM	DNM
July 29	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

DNM = DID NOT MEET

NA= NOT AVAILABLE

Worship Ministry...

Did you know sermons are available on our website located at www.cpcgoodyear.org?
A special thanks to Ron Hook, Webmaster, for helping make this possible.

If you prefer, please call the office or email holti@cpcgoodyear.org and a CD of the sermon can be made for you. The cost is \$3.00 per CD. If you are interested in an entire sermon series, we can put the sermon series on a USB drive. The cost is \$6.00.

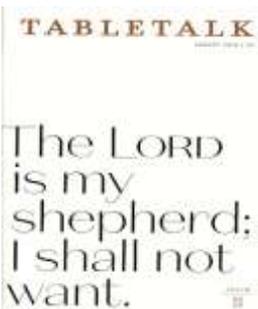
SERMON SERIES

August

5 Pastor Brett Preaching	TBD
12 A Time For Renewal	Joshua 23:1-16
19 The Lord Himself Goes Before You	Deuteronomy 31:1-8
26 I Have You In My Heart	Philippians 1:3-11

COMMUNICATIONS

Table Talk



Please pick-up your new issue of TableTalk in the Atrium on August 5th.

*Thank you,
Pat and Ron Hook*

CPC FAMILY DIRECTORY

The July 2018 Church Family Directory is available in the atrium and office. Please take a moment to review your personal information. Any corrections should be indicated on the yellow card in the pew back and placed in the offering tray or by emailing holli@cpcgoodyear.org. The next issue will be published in October.

SAFETY & SECURITY

I am sure by now that you have read the comments by Pastor Bob in his weekly email about church security. Most of you are aware of the police officer being onsite Sunday mornings from 8 a.m. to noon, along with his police vehicle being parked on Sarival.

These things are being done for our safety. The Safety & Security Team recently held a CPR and AED training session for several people in the church, again for the safety of the congregation.

In addition to the police officer, we are now locking all exterior doors to the sanctuary during church services. **You can still exit these doors at all times, you just can't get in them after service starts unless an usher is standing by the door to let you in, which is our plan!**

In addition to the above, we have 12 security cameras around the church that are being watched during both church services.

We are not the only church in the area doing these things. Many churches are doing similar things.

A church in the east valley has a seven-member security team at each service including an undercover person for the pastor, not because they have had problems, but to prevent them.

Christ Church of the Valley (CCV) has an equally large security team at each service. We have consulted with many of these churches before implementing our security measures.

Our insurance company has been consulted and the local police department has been consulted; the consensus is that some form of security similar to ours should be in place.

I can't emphasize enough that our goal is to prevent problems. We want to be proactive and not reactive.

P.S. There was an incident at CCV-Avondale last Sunday(Aggressive man with weapons disrupts church <https://www.abc15.com/news/crime/pd-aggressive-man-with-weapons-escorted-from-avondale-church-by-police>) , a man with several weapons was subdued by two off-duty police officers and nobody knows why yet.

*For your safety,
CPC Security Team*

PROGRAMS

Sunday Flower Donations Reminder – If you would like to order flowers for the sanctuary, the sign-up sheet is in the office. Deadline is noon on the Wednesday preceding the Sunday you want them displayed and in the announcements. Arrangements *in honor of* or *in memory of* are \$40. Rosebuds for birth announcements are \$15 (twins \$18). You can place the money in your offering envelope and indicate under “other” or pay in the office. There are many dates available in 2018! If you would like to take the flowers home after second service, please enjoy them. Returning the vase to the admin office is appreciate - CPC gets credit for the vase.

Ink Cartridges – CPC accepts all types of ink cartridges for our recycle program. We receive credit at two local office supply stores. Thank you for supporting this program.

Fry's Community Rewards Program – Did you know you can support our nonprofit organizations just by shopping at Fry's? It's easy when you enroll in Fry's Community Rewards! To get started, sign up with your Fry's V.I.P Card online or in the store, and select CPC using code 85142 in the search. Select our church to support and enroll. Once you're enrolled, you'll earn rewards for CPC every time you shop and use your V.I.P Card. Remember...all participants must re-enroll each year to continue earning rewards for their chosen organization.

OPPORTUNITIES

NEW WEBMASTER NEEDED

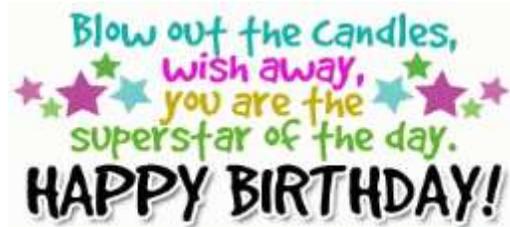
After nearly ten years of being the webmaster for the church's website, I have decided that it is a good time to pass this position onto another person. I have thoroughly enjoyed the hundreds of hours over the past 10 years developing our website. I want to especially thank Pastor Brett and John Merrill for the support and encouragement as we worked through problems and solutions to keep the site going. I would also like to thank the office staff for their continual support and help.

Instead of writing a long article in The Call, I have put together a detailed description of the involvement and skills needed to run the website. A comfortable level of working with Windows operating system and the willingness to learn to use several pieces of software including the website software itself would be a minimum skill level needed. If you are interested, please contact me at rhook2@cox.net and I will send you the sheet of information that will help you decide if you are interested in getting involved in this important means of communication between our church and the community. You can also talk to me at church to get further information.

*God Bless,
Ron Hook*

Happy Birthday

1	Doug Christensen	14	Marie Bokossah
	Nancy McNames	16	Barb Faler
2	Thomas Douglas		Stacy Spetter
	Neil Guese	18	Sharon Hagstrom
	Edith Wanamaker		Joyce Peterson
3	Roy Poole	20	Tony Madrid
	Rob Prentiss		Leonardo Martinez
4	Kathy Balle		Douglas Vesledahl
	Steve Moore	21	Jack Holman
	Randy Morrow	22	Lee Williams-Dale
5	Deborah Eastman	23	Barb Fox
	Alice Lewis	24	Sharon Krudener
	Fayth Smith	25	Brandon Post
6	John Reichard		Jim Swanson
7	Walter Hohlstein		Marcus Taylor
	Jean Mulligan	26	Steve Bryant
	Madison Outram	27	Kyn Jensen
	Ron Sauer		Marie Perduk
	Pat Woodruff	28	Pat Hook
8	Sona Bokossah	30	Linda Adams
	Judy Davis		Linda Adkins
	Ken Schmitz	31	Cathy Holm
	Canyon Smith		
11	Tish Berkey		
12	John Babbitt		
	Pat Bowling		
	Hannah Everett		



Happy Anniversary

5	Ray & Alice Lewis	15	Cory & Jan Shaffer
6	Walter & Helen Hohlstein	17	Will & Carly Bennett
7	Jay & Billie Gramlich	18	Jim & Ann Scoular
10	Vitaly Serebriakov & Svetlana Obregon Saens	21	Tim & Jane O'Hearn
11	David & Rose Green	23	Brian & Leda Gillham
	Randy & Debby Morrow	25	Tumi & Janete Obed
	Ronald & Carolyn Skwier	26	Ron & Pat Hook
12	Parnell & Barbara Murphy	28	Jim & Markeeta Bundschuh
13	Douglas & Terrie Kirkpatrick		John & Marie Perduk
	Rev. Mike & Marje Shirey	30	Bob & Bonnie Bruce
14	Bob & Sue Honson		Joe & Claudia Honsberger



AUGUST 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>Pastor Simmons & Pastor Shelton</p> <p><i>It's time to say Farewell!</i></p> <p><i>Good Luck and Best Wishes for your future ventures!</i></p> <p><i>We will miss you...</i></p>			<p>9a Sewing Guild 10a Stephen Ministry</p>  <p>4p Ladies Yahweh Yoga 6:30p GLEDO</p>	 <p>6:30p Journey of Peace 6:30p Warriors' Angels 7p Al-Anon</p>	<p>10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga</p>  <p>7p Antioch Youth Bible Study</p>	<p>9a Communion Prep 9a Antioch Grace 10a Praise Team 12p Pastor Shelton <i>Hail & Farewell</i></p>
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<p>Communion Observed</p> <p>9:00a Trad. WORSHIP Children's Church 10:30a Contemp. WORSHIP Elem. Church School 12p Ministerio Hispano 4p Confirmation 6p Youth Group Antioch Grace Church Heritage Baptist Church</p>	<p>10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga</p>  <p>6:30p Stephen Ministry</p>		<p>9a Sewing Guild 4p Ladies Yahweh Yoga 6:30p GreatLeaps Meet the Teacher 6:30p CREDO</p>	 <p>6:30p Stephen Ministry Supervisor Meeting 6:30p Journey of Peace 6:30p Warriors' Angels 7p Al-Anon</p>	<p>10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga 7p Antioch Youth Bible Study</p>	<p>9a Men of I.A.M. 9a Antioch Grace 10a Praise Team</p>
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<p>9:00a Trad. WORSHIP Children's Church 10:30a Contemp. WORSHIP Elem. Church School 12p Ministerio Hispano 4p Confirmation 6p Youth Group Antioch Grace Church Heritage Baptist Church</p>	<p>10a GreatLeaps Open House 10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga 7p Deacon's Meeting</p>	<p>8:30a GreatLeaps</p> 	<p>8:30a GreatLeaps 9a Sewing Guild 10a Stephen Ministry Supervisor Meeting</p>  <p>4p Ladies Yahweh Yoga 6:30p CREDO</p>	 <p>6:30p Journey of Peace 6:30p Warriors' Angels 7p Al-Anon</p>	<p>10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga 7p Antioch Youth Bible Study</p> 	<p>9a Antioch Grace 10a Praise Team</p> 
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<p>9:00a Trad. WORSHIP Children's Church 10:30a Contemp. WORSHIP Elem. Church School 11:30a Trunk or Treat Meeting 12p Ministerio Hispano 12p Childrens Education Meeting/Potluck 4:30p Presbutesos 6p Youth Group Antioch Grace Church Heritage Baptist Church</p>	<p>Newsletter Articles Due</p>  <p>10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga</p>   <p>6:30p DC & SP Summer</p>	<p>8:30a GreatLeaps 1p LAF @ Golden Corral</p> 	<p>8:30a GreatLeaps 9a Sewing Guild</p>  <p>4p Ladies Yahweh Yoga 6:30p CREDO</p> 	<p>8:30a GreatLeaps 6:30p Stephen Ministry Supervisor Meeting 6:30p Journey of Peace 6:30p Warriors' Angels 7p Al-Anon</p>  	<p>10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga 7p Antioch Youth Bible Study</p> 	<p>9a Antioch Grace 9a MOPS Training 10a Praise Team 11:30a Choir Luncheon</p> 
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<p>9:00a Trad. WORSHIP Children's Church 10:30a Contemp. WORSHIP Elem. Church School 11:30a Pastor Simmons Gala 12p Ministerio Hispano 4p Confirmation 6p Youth Group Antioch Grace Church Heritage Baptist Church</p>	<p>10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga 5:30p Worship Team 7p Session Meeting</p>	<p>8:30a GreatLeaps</p>	<p>8:30a GreatLeaps 9a Sewing Guild 4p Ladies Yahweh Yoga 6:30p CREDO</p> 	<p>8a MOPS DGL Training 8:30a GreatLeaps</p>  <p>6:30p Journey of Peace 6:30p Warriors' Angels 7p Al-Anon</p>	<p>10:30a Ladies Yahweh Yoga 7p Antioch Youth Bible Study</p> 	<p><i>Your work produced</i> By Faith <i>Your labor prospered</i> By Love <i>And your enemies repented</i> By Hope <i>In the Lord</i> Jesus Christ Thimothy 2:13</p> 

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN

There are many opportunities to know Christ
and to make Christ known at CPC.

MEN OF I.A.M. — Saturday, August 11 at 8:00 a.m.

Center for Christian Studies (CCS) starts September 9th!

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Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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Sunday Worship Hours

Traditional 9:00 a.m.
Contemporary 10:30a.m.

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*Let your conversation be always full of
grace, seasoned with salt, so that you
may know how to answer everyone.*

Colossians 4:6



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