



A Message from Pastor Paul Hudson

Our church has experienced and is continuing to experience transformation. That transformation was initiated long before I came by leaders of the church who saw that a change in direction was needed, and the initiative was confirmed and supported by the majority of the congregation. For the church seeking transformation, it is imperative that the pastor and leadership know what we are trying to transform into and how we're going to make that transformation happen.

While I feel that a more detailed visioning process is still in waiting, I have put together, through prayer and listening to you, and thoughtful gleaning from the CPC Guiding Principles document, a big picture vision that I feel is from God for the future of this church. I would love to share that with you in this and subsequent articles.

The question is, under my pastoral leadership, what is CPC transforming into? To answer that, I'd like to try to give a simple, big picture idea by answering the questions, "Who do we aim to be?" and from there, "How do we fulfill God's call?"

First for this article is, "Who do we aim to be?"

1. We aim to be devoted disciples of Jesus who make devoted disciples of Jesus. The Sunday morning worship is all about becoming a devoted disciple of Jesus who is spiritually, intellectually, and emotionally equipped to make devoted disciples of Jesus.
2. We aim to be ethnically diverse. We cheer the vision in Revelation 7:9 of a great multitude no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people, and language, worshiping Jesus with a loud voice together. All ethnicities carry the image of God, and all are welcomed to worship together and lead CPC in various and unique ways.
3. We aim to be generationally diverse. We aim to be a community of worshipers that respects and gives a place for all ages. We believe the church is at its best when both the young and the old are worshiping side-by-side and are leading the church together in various and unique ways.
4. We aim to be a mission-oriented church. We want to be a "Great Commission" church who will, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matt. 28:19-20).

In a nutshell, we aim to be devoted disciples of Jesus who make devoted disciples of Jesus, to be ethnically and generationally diverse, and mission-oriented. Amen.

Next up, I'll talk about how we can fulfill God's call from there!

Pastor Paul



Family Ministry for Youth & Children

Chyna Bradford LaGrande, Director

Dear Families,

February is a special month in Family Ministry, and we are so excited to invite you and your children to be part of what God is doing!

This month, our focus is **God's love for all people**—no matter the color of our skin or our background. Scripture reminds us that every person is created in God's image and deeply loved by Him. As followers of Jesus, we are called to love others the way He loves us.

In honor of **Black History Month**, we will be celebrating Black heroes of the faith—men and women who loved Jesus, lived their faith out loud, and used the gifts God gave them to stand up for justice, serve others, and help make the world a better place. These faithful believers show us what it looks like to follow Christ with courage and compassion.

🌟 What's happening this February?

Every Sunday, one of our children will participate in the service, sharing a brief Black History presentation.

In **Kids Church**, children will enjoy fun, hands-on crafts that connect with our lessons on Black history, God's love, and loving everyone the way Jesus taught us.

Engaging Bible lessons that help children understand kindness, respect, and how God calls us to love all people.

We would love for you to **bring your kiddos to church every Sunday this month** as we learn, celebrate, and grow together as one family in Christ.

Thank you for partnering with us as we teach our children to love boldly, live faithfully, and follow Jesus wholeheartedly.

With love,
Family Ministry Team

♥️ *"Love one another as I have loved you."* – John 13:34



Presbyterian Enrichment Preschool (PEP)

Renee Inman, Director



Presbyterian Enrichment Preschool
www.communitypresbyterian.com

We have programs for 3 & 4 year olds:
Tu/Th 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.: \$275/mo.
M/W/F 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.: \$345/mo.

Preschool Registration for 2026-2027 school year and 2026 summer school for Community Presbyterian Church members is February 26 & 27 during regular PEP office hours (8:00 – Noon, M-F). You may also register for summer classes at this time.

Priority registration for the MWF a.m. class is Tuesday, March 3 for returning students and their siblings. Open Registration for all others is Wednesday, March 4.

Please contact the preschool office, 448-1626, to obtain specific registration information prior to February 27.



Sewing Circle

Arlys Rogers & Laura Benham

“If you can tie a knot, you can make quilts with us.”

  Sewing Circle 2026

Our cupboards are empty! The Sewing Circle is starting a New Year of quilting. Our Sewing Circle is a fun group of ladies who gather together to create beautiful quilts, giving comfort and wrapping others in God’s love.

For many years, we have donated quilts to nursing homes, congregational members who are hospitalized, and families with new babies. Join us every Tuesday at 9:30 AM for fellowship. We welcome new members regardless of skill level. And, if you have any extra material lying around, we take donations of cotton fabric and cotton flannel.

If you are interested in purchasing a homemade lap quilt, visit us on Tuesdays in the social hall. Quilts are \$30.00 each. If you know of someone who needs a quilt, please email Rosie at office@425cpc.com. Thank you.

☐ Happy Valentine’s Day!

Blessings,
Laura Benham
Arlys Rogers
 Sewing Circle

Our group of Sewing Circle ladies, accompanied by one of our charming dog mascots.





New Focus

Tony Boltz, Rick Smith, Judy Schneider, Directors

We added one new member in January, and we hope to add two more in the coming months.

We also have an addition to our Oasis team. Her name is Parrish, and she found us through her cousin Bill Benton, who has been helping in Oasis for two years. Parrish is a great addition to our team, and we are grateful to have her.

Our group sizes have been large since our return from the holiday break. There has been a lot of "lifen" going on, but we continue to be impressed with everyone's resourcefulness and determination to make more progress in 2026. We look forward to sharing their journey with them.

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

Romans 12:4-5



Session Report

Ethel Hoskins, Clerk of Session

January was a month of fresh beginnings for our Session. We joyfully ordained and installed Jim Beckett and Paula Sandusky as Elders, each beginning a three-year term that will run through December 2028. We give thanks for their willingness to serve and for the faithful leadership of the Elders whose terms have now concluded.

The average attendance for January was 72.

Pastor Paul is also launching an exciting new sermon series, Church Afire!, drawn from the book of Acts. This series will explore how the early church lived, worshiped, and served—and how that same Spirit continues to move among us today.

Session is currently working on establishing a time of Prayer after Worship, led by an Elder. This will provide an opportunity for anyone who wishes to receive prayer following the service. Details are still being finalized, and more information will be shared soon.

Behind the scenes, Pastor Paul, Treasurer Rick Smith, and the Elders have been giving careful attention to the church's finances and the proposed 2026 budget. Because giving in 2025 was lower than anticipated, Session has been focused on creating a realistic and responsible plan for the coming year. A pledge campaign was conducted to better estimate expected income, which led to thoughtful and lively discussions about priorities and stewardship.

One question that arose concerned restricted funds—gifts designated for specific ministries such as New Focus or the Deacons. Session wants to reassure the congregation that designated gifts will be honored. If overall giving is lower than projected, those funds will still be fully allocated to their intended purposes, even though the programs may operate with fewer total dollars.

As your new Clerk of Session, I'm grateful for the spirit of care, transparency, and faith that guides these conversations. Session remains committed to supporting the mission and ministries of our church, trusting God's provision as we move forward together.

Grace and peace,

Jim Beckett
Clerk of Session

Note: The January Financial Report will be available in the March newsletter.



Deacons Monthly Report

Kathy Reid, Lead Deacon

The new year has started off very well for our new deacon board. All the deacons received their Care Groups and have begun to contact the folks in their groups. If you haven't heard from your deacon yet, please feel free to let me know and I can check in with them. I am happy to help make the connection!

In addition to the Care Groups, all of the deacons have a primary job as Pastor Paul shared at the ordination and installation a few weeks back. We each also have a backup job to make sure that we can cover any needs that might come up for anyone in our congregation. These jobs include: communion preparation, meals and transportation, bereavement receptions, grief booklets, cards, potlucks, Sunday fellowship table, and welcoming newcomers. Of all these jobs we could really use your help with welcoming newcomers. While we have two deacons who have their attention on new folks to the church; it really takes all of us to be welcoming to those who have joined us on any given Sunday. If you have chatted with someone new and they have attended a few times, please let me know! That way we can be sure no one is missed.

The first month or two can be a little overwhelming for new deacons so I am in awe of how much every individual deacon gives of their time, talents, and energy. We are excited to find ways to create fellowship within our CPC community in 2026!

**“Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is
the purpose of the Lord that will stand.”**

Proverbs 19:21“

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



2/01 - Sean B.

2/04 - Pat M.

- Aliyah O.

2/05 - Calvin K.

2/11 - Amber S.

2/12 - Kelly F.

2/13 - Georganne G.

- Curt N.

2/16 - Lena M.

2/17 - Ron A.

- Kathy R.

2/22 - Rodney F.

2/27 - Ethel H.



2/01 - Ron & Beth A.

2/12 - Bill & Karen S.

2/14 - George & Jackie W.

2/27 - Ben & Rea S.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Sermon Series: Acts, Church Afire!
January 25th thru June 21st
Sundays @ 10:00 AM
Fellowship @ 9:30 AM in the lobby.

This sermon series is all about being lit up by the Holy Spirit with passion and power.

Pastor PJ's Weekly Podcasts

Visit our Podcasts web page at www.425cpc.com.

Women's Ministry Laughter & Latte
Saturday, February 7th @ 10:00 AM

Join us for latte and fellowship at Journey Coffee, 896 Alamo Dr., Vacaville.

Sewing Circle
Tuesdays @ 9:30 AM
In the social hall.

Meets regularly for fun & fellowship as they create quilts for charity, and community purposes. Registration not required.

Men's Coffee Hour
Thursdays @ 10:00 AM
In the social hall.

Come together for coffee, donuts, and fellowship. Registration is not required.

Men's Bible Study
Sundays @ 11:30 AM
In the conference room.

Following Pastor Paul's sermons.
Registration is not required.

Women's Bible Study
Wednesdays @ 10:00 AM
In the conference room.

Following Pastor Paul's sermons.
Registration is not required.
Facilitators: Sandy Crouse & Judy Schneider