



February 8, 2026

**Welcome to
Community.**

We are glad you are here. While here we hope you will feel welcome and find the service meaningful.

Childcare (infants through 4 year olds) is available. Worship boxes for younger children to borrow during worship are located at the entrance.

Large Print bulletins are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

Pillows are available in the narthex for those who need extra comfort and support while sitting in the pew.

Hearing Assistance is available through a T loop system that has been installed.

If you have a hearing aid device that is T-coil compatible, please turn your hearing piece to the t-position.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

– We Gather For Worship –

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

FOR SILENT REFLECTION AND PRAYER

"God does not give up on anyone, for God loved us from all eternity. God loves us now and God will always love us, all of us good and bad, forever and ever. His love will not let us go, for God's love for us, all of us, good and bad, is unchanging, is unchangeable. Someone has said there is nothing I can do to make God love me more, for God loves me perfectly already. And wonderfully, there is nothing I can do to make God love me less. God loves me as I am to help me become all that I have it in me to become, and when I realize the deep love God has for me, I will strive for love's sake to do what pleases my Lover."

— *No Future Without Forgiveness* – Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Prayer: O God, let your eternal love be the sure foundation of my life, a love that sustains me, guides me, and fills my life with purpose. May I live each day knowing I am loved with a love that endures forever, a love that never ceases. Amen.

– We Are Called Into God's Presence –

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: To know the warmth of love,

People: To have the assurance that someone cares,

Leader: To be confident of our worth,

People: To be bold to love in return,

Leader: To be washed over with grace,

People: To be accepted as we are.

Leader: This is to know a bit of God.

People: Let us worship our God whose love is extended to all.

*OPENING HYMN

We're Children of God
("O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!")

**We're children of God; we're welcomed and claimed.
We're given new birth, renewed and renamed.
The world may not know yet to whom we belong,
But we are God's children and love is our song.**

**We're children of God who takes away sin.
In Christ we abide; our life is in him.
We offer forgiveness, seek justice and peace,
And reach out to others, that love may increase.**

**We're children of God and so our delight
Is living the life that's good in God's sight.
One day we'll be like him, transformed from above
To sing for eternity God's song of love.**

– We Confess Our Sins –

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and loving Father, you chose us in Christ and adopted us as your children by grace. Yet we confess that we often forget who we are. We live as though we must earn your love. We strive to earn what you have already given. We seek approval from others instead of resting in your love for us.

Lord, forgive us when we have failed to live into our identity as your children. Thank you that our adoption does not rest on our faithfulness, but on you grace through Jesus Christ. Renew our trust in your grace, restore our joy in belonging to you, and lead us to live as your children. Teach us to live not to earn your love, but to respond to it with obedience and praise. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO THE PARDON

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
(Verse 3)

**O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.**

– We Hear God's Word –

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

*In the presence of a
forgiving God,
We become aware of the
ways we fall short
of God's best hopes
for us, and ways we
have hurt others.
As you pray the prayer
of confession; think
how the words express
specific sins in your
life and the life of the
church. We turn to God
asking forgiveness.*

*Claim the truth that
through God's grace
and Christ giving of
himself on the cross,
we are forgiven. Let this
truth set you free
from your sins so you
may be restored to
God and one another.*

*All children are invited
to come forward for the
Children's Moment.*

The Scripture bears witness to the word of God. Listen beyond the human word for the Word of God. Pray that the Spirit will speak to you through the text.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.
2 Timothy 3:16-17

The small communion wafers are free of gluten, wheat, dairy, yeast, egg, soy, nuts and corn.



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The giving of an offering not only supports the ministry of Christ but it is the symbolic dedication of our life and all that we have to give to God in response to his love. Remember that all things belong to God, and that we are entrusted to use all that we have to bring glory to God.

READING FROM THE WORD OF GOD – *Ephesians 1:3-6*

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God,
People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Rod Stone

Chosen To Be God's Children

RESPONSE TO THE SERMON

Broken Yet Chosen

Music and Lyrics: Lindy Thompson & Mark A. Miller

Chorus: Broken yet chosen, how can it be? What hidden value does God see in me?
Broken yet chosen, could this be real? Can God use my life to bless and to heal?

It's taken me some time to understand there's a place for me within your plan.
I didn't see the good gifts in me, but you have always known what I could be.

I ask for strength to bring into your light, all the trials and struggles in my life.
Trusting your grace to open my heart, making space to let the healing start.

Chorus

I love you, God! I offer all I am. I place my life completely in your hands.
Live now in me, let your love grow, beauty from my waking soul.

Chorus

– Celebrating Christ's Live and Love –

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

REMEMBERING CHRIST'S WORDS

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

– We Share Our Gifts –

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

FRIENDSHIP RECORD (PLEASE SIGN AND PASS)

OFFERTORY

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Great Is the Lord

(Verse 2)

Great are you, Lord, You are holy and just:
By your power we trust in your love.
Great are you, Lord, you are faithful and true;
By your mercy you prove you are love.

Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory!
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:
Great...are you, Lord! Great...are you, Lord!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

– We Go Out to Be God’s Presence in the World –

*SUNG BENEDICTION

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

God be the love to search and keep me;
God be the prayer to move my voice;
God be the strength to now uphold me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

Walking behind to hem my journey,
Going ahead to light my way,
And from beneath, above, and all ways:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

Christ in the eyes of all who see me,
Christ in the ears who hear my voice,
Christ in the hearts of all who know me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

POSTLUDE

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of Worship

*Please stand if you are able.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Joanna Oakley in honor of her mother Manuela Olivieri.

The flowers last Sunday were given to the glory of God by Lisa Putman in memory of her parents Bob and Bev Boatman and by Shay Teese in honor of Herb’s 87th birthday on February 2.

Accompanist: Cindy Hughes

Ushers: Kathleen Erickson, Pam Jankowski, Kathy Hodges, Chip and Susanne Brown

Greeters: Cathy Hilton

Audio: Bob Barmore

Our worship does not end at the conclusion of this service. We go forth to love and serve the LORD in daily living. In so doing, we seek to fulfill our mission to “love God and make God’s love known”.

Children’s Church:

If you are a visitor here and have a child that would like to attend children’s church they are more than welcome to join us! After the children’s sermon, all children ages kindergarten through fifth grade are dismissed to go downstairs with the teachers. We have a snack, game, Bible lesson and a craft. If your child has any food allergies or other health/behavior concerns please come downstairs with your child and let the teachers know. We have visitor forms as well that are located by the worship boxes and bulletins. When church is finished please come downstairs to pick your child up. We also have a nursery that is available from birth-preschool age. Thank you!

Prayer from Our Care Team:

Each month, Pastor Meg and your congregational care elders, Patty Franklin, John Liles, and Cindy Ward, meet to pray through the requests that have been offered on our congregational prayer list. If you have new requests to bring to our team for prayer and care, please contact Cindy Ward via phone or email: (910) 986-0491 or ryw20042004@yahoo.com

The Mission of Community Presbyterian Church:

“We exist not for ourselves, but to love God and make God’s love known.”

CPC Financial Update**Income vs. Expenses for December YTD**

	Actual	Budget	Better/(Worse) Than Budget
YTD Income	926,111	916,527	9,584
YTD Expenses	847,465	916,527	69,062
Net	78,646	0	78,646

– Community Happenings –

Weekly Calendar

Sunday (February 8)

- 10:30 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Annual Congregational Meeting – Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship – Youth Loft

Monday

- 9:00 a.m. PEO – Chapel
10:00 a.m. SNG – Great Room
4:00 p.m. Designing Women – Great Room
6:30 p.m. Barbershop – Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Troop 7B Committee Meeting – Fannie B. Gray Parlor
7:00 p.m. Troop 7G – Great Room

Tuesday

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast – Off Campus
2:30 p.m. CALL – Everette House
3:30 p.m. Brookside Tutoring – Fannie B. Gray Parlor
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 7 – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday

- 2:00 p.m. PAWS – Fellowship Hall
3:00 p.m. Women of the Pines Board Meeting – Great Room
3:30 p.m. Membership Committee Meeting – Fannie B. Gray Parlor

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Purls – Library
1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study – Library
2:00 p.m. PEO – Fannie B. Gray Parlor
5:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Fellowship Hall

Friday

- 8:30 a.m. Prayer Garden

Sunday (February 15) – Scout Sunday

- 10:30 a.m. Worship – Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship – Loft

Theology on Tap: February 11th & 25th

The final two sessions of Theology on Tap will take place on Wednesday, February 11th and Wednesday, February 25th at Pinehurst Pizza from 5:30-6:45 p.m.! RSVP with Meg by the Monday prior to each gathering. Plan to arrive around 5:15 p.m. if you would like to purchase a beverage.

On-line Giving is now available. And it's easy!

Anyone can now donate to CPC via the QR code or the link below.

You can donate via your Smartphone, laptop, Mac or tablet. You can also donate via the "Give" button on the homepage of the GCC website. The donation landing page gives you a drop down menu with options of which fund you would like your donation to go to. FYI - any donation going to the General Fund will be applied against your pledge total.

If you have any questions please contact Sam Crouter/
Finance Manager in the church office at (910) 295-6848 or at scrouter@communitypres.com

<https://onrealm.org/CommunityPresby67558/give/now>

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Join the 2026 CPC Crop Walk Team!

The Sandhills Crop Walk is Sunday, March 29th at 3 p.m. at Union Pines High School. Join the CPC team and walk for a cause: to address local and global poverty. This year, as a community, we hope to raise \$26K in 2026! There will be one team meeting taking place after worship on **Sunday, February 22nd**. Lunch will be provided. To sign up for the team, email Meg and she will provide you with a link.

SAVE THE DATE: Vacation Bible School 2026!

**Monday, June 15th - Wednesday, June 17th
5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
PreK through 5th Graders**

Youth Helpers Welcome and Encouraged!

Registration opens February 9th.

- February Anniversaries & Birthdays -

Anniversaries

Jon and Stephanie Koontz2/3
Jerry and Ramona Epperly2/7
Ollie and Wanda Sweeney 2/25
John and Patricia Reed 2/27
Lee and Leslie Hosterman 2/29

Birthdays

Steve Frazier..... 2/1
Trip Johnson 2/1
Leighton Schwob 2/1
Herb Teese 2/2
Laura Williford 2/2
Belize Menzies..... 2/2
Butch Lackey 2/4
Jane Currie..... 2/6
Christy Rudin 2/7
Elizabeth Bailey..... 2/8
Caroline Warner..... 2/8
Judy Kaplan 2/10
Gary Williford..... 2/10
Tony Cenci..... 2/11
Charlie McWilliams..... 2/11
Kitti Pyne 2/12
Marie Dee..... 2/14
Katie Mays 2/15
Allan Williams 2/16
Bob Carbrey..... 2/18
Densel Williams 2/20
Judy Silver..... 2/21
Sharon Denton 2/22
Norm Hylton..... 2/22
Sydney Langdon 2/23
Don Goss 2/26
Bonnie Roberson 2/26
Clare Ruggles..... 2/26
Ray Linville 2/27
Jan Havey 2/29

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Friday – Closed

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