



August 30, 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.*

*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.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

– We Gather For Worship –

PRAYER OF PREPARATION – *(to pray silently)*

We regard our living together not as an unfortunate mishap warranting endless competition among us, but as deliberate act of God to make us a community of brothers and sisters jointly involved in the quest for a composite answer to the varied problems of life. Amen.

Steven Biko, South African anti-apartheid activist (1946-1977)

– We Are Called into God's Presence –

CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 96:1-3, 7

One: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

**All: Sing to the Lord, bless God's name;
Tell of God's salvation from day to day.**

One: Declare God's glory among the nations,
God's marvelous works among all the peoples.

**All: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,
Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

*OPENING HYMN – 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

– We Confess Our Sins –

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.

We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.

**We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We have not done justice, loved mercy, or walked humbly with you.

*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 affirmation of
faith invites us to join
with God's people
everywhere in claiming
our faith in God as our
Creator, Redeemer and
Sustainer. It also
reminds us to go out
and publicly proclaim
our faith in God.*

**Set us free from a past we cannot change;
open us to a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more
into your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

RESPONSE TO THE CONFESSION

Help Us Accept Each Other (verse 1)

**Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
Teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe
We are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO THE PARDON

Help Us Accept Each Other (verse 3)

**Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved
In living situations to do the truth in love;
To practice Your acceptance until we know by heart
The table of forgiveness and laughter's healing art.**

– We Hear God's Word –

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE WORD OF GOD – *Luke 15:11-32*

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God,

People: **Thanks be to God.**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Walking with the Lord
Guest Artist – Connie Cairo Conway

arr. Ed Martel

SERMON

Dr. Dave Kivett
Rev. Meg Vail

“Telling Our Stories – Parents (and Neighbors) Telling”

– We Believe –

*SUNG AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I Love to Tell the Story for the Sung (verse one)

**I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story; because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.**

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE 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 – Hymn 432

Song of Hope

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

– We Go Out to be God's Presence in the World –

*CLOSING SONG

God of the Sparrow (verses 4-6)

4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the

prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy

How does the crea - ture say Life
How does the crea - ture say Peace
How do your chil - dren say Home



QR Code (for quick
mobile giving)

*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.*

*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".*

*BENEDICTION

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 in honor of the choir by Kirsten Foyles.

Accompanist: Ed Martel

Ushers: Char Popson, Joe and Patty Franklin, Kathy Hodges

Greeters: Pat and Butch Lackey

Audio: Scott Brewton

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; 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 July 2026

	Actual	Budget	Better/(Worse) Than Budget
YTD Income	550,637	546,956	3,681
YTD Expenses	494,879	548,706	53,827
Net	55,758	-1,750	57,508

– Community Happenings –

Weekly Calendar

Sunday (August 30)

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Retreat – Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship – Loft

Monday

- 5:30 p.m. Eyes to See Prayer Group – Chapel
6:30 p.m. Barbershop – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

- 3:30 p.m. Reach for Success – Victory Village
7:15 p.m. Troop 7G – Great Room

Wednesday

- 1:00 p.m. Angel Tree Planning Meeting – Conference Room
1:00 p.m. Circle #1 – Fannie B. Gray Parlor
4:00 p.m. Dementia Care Partner Support Group – Chapel

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Purls – Library
5:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Fellowship Hall

Sunday (September 6)

- 10:30 a.m. Worship

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 CPC 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 Amanda Bryan/ Finance Manager in the church office at (910) 295-6848 or at abryan@communitypres.com

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

QR Code (for quick mobile giving):



Fall Festival, October 4th, 2026

The CPC Annual Fall Festival is Sunday October 4 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up by using the card in the pew or by contacting Sally in the church office. The suggested donation is \$10/individual or \$25/family. Southern Q Barbecue will once again cater the delicious lunch.

Nancy Oakley is in charge of the Annual Chili Cook-off so please contact her to enter the contest by bringing a pot of your favorite chili recipe. Volunteers are also needed to serve the chili. You can give her a call, (910) 639-0056 or email her at Nancy.oakley@me.com by September 27th.

We also need volunteers to help set-up the Fellowship Hall, help with the children's activities (Bouncy House, face painting, sidewalk drawing and the making pottery) and with clean-up. Please contact Jane Garcia if you can help at (910) 295-1780 or ladyjane515@gmail.com.

Your CPC Membership Committee

CPC Youth Group

The CPC Youth Group meets year-round on Sunday evening from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the church loft. Entry is through the doors from the main parking lot with the portico. The meeting, led by Youth Director Kaleb Joiner, includes Bible lesson, games, a snack period and a fun way to encourage new friendships.

All youth ages 11-18 (sixth to twelfth grade), members and non-members are welcome.

Join us for a family luncheon on September 27th after worship.

Food for thought...

The Mission and Worship Committees are working together to provide an additional opportunity for donating food to our community. Each Communion Sunday, baskets will be at the altar to accept donations of food for the Sandhills Moore Coalition for Human Care. In addition to the regular baskets located in the office hallway, these Communion Sunday donations will both reinforce the continuing need for food assistance as well as expand the opportunity for you to give.

Save the Date Oct 27th 2026

Calling all CPC families and tutoring families. Mark your calendars for CPC's Fun Filled Safe Trick or Treat event. Dinner will be at 5:30. Treating will follow in the church starting at 6:00 till 7:00 p.m. Decorated doorways will welcome our costumed youngsters. Sign up information and details for both doors and attendance will be coming in September.

Help Feed Our Reach for Success Students!

We need weekly volunteers to provide an after-school snack for **14 students every Tuesday**.

When: Tuesdays by 3:00 p.m.
Where: Church Screen Room (basement)
How: Click the Signup Genius QR code below or contact Pat McFadyen

Keep it simple! We try to offer **a protein, something salty, something sweet, and fruit. Some easy ideas:**

**Hot dogs • Pizza • Sandwiches • Snack plates
Cheese sticks & yogurt • Fresh fruit • A sweet treat**

Our students love fruit, and **water is the perfect beverage**. Snacks do not need to be homemade or fancy—just something hungry kids will enjoy!



Ready to help? Scan the QR code to choose a Tuesday!

Questions or need help signing up?

Contact Pat McFadyen:

Email: mcfadyen.pat@gmail.com

Phone/Text: (910) 723-1280

Coming Soon!

Holy Grounds is Back! Starting September 6, please join us for fun, fellowship, and food after the service each Sunday. This coffee hour gives everyone a chance to chat with old friends and to meet new ones! If you would like to host one Sunday during the year, please call Judy Vanica, (910) 610-3831.

Reach for Success Needs Drivers!

The RFS tutoring/mentoring program at CPC is growing! We've added 10 students since fall 2025 and now have 3 more on our waiting list. But to serve them, **we need more drivers**.

Could you help transport students from Brookside?

When: Tuesday afternoons
Pick-up: 3:15 p.m. at Brookside
Drop-off: 5:45 p.m. at Brookside

Transport options:

- **CPC minivan:** Seats a driver, another adult, and 6 students. A booster seat is provided for our youngest student. OR
- **Mileage reimbursement:** \$3.50 each way/\$7 round trip

Even helping occasionally would make a difference!

To volunteer or ask questions, contact **Michelle Gray at (910) 639-9480 or graymb72@gmail.com**.

– September Anniversaries & Birthdays –

Anniversaries

Alexander & Amanda Jacoby9/1
Don & Holly Goss9/3
Tom & Micky Konold9/3
Charlie & Edie McWilliams.9/8
Cyrus & Susan Holbrook9/9
Brian & Belle Kennedy9/10
Tony & Kathryn Cenci9/18
Michael & Pamela Jankowski 9/28
Trip & Vicki Johnson. 9/28

Birthdays

Eugenie Frick..... 9/2
Riley Jackson 9/2
Ollie Sweeney..... 9/3
Natalie Vail..... 9/4
Bob Blackwell 9/5
Glenda Hilderbrand..... 9/5
Dan Kelly 9/6
Carol Robertson 9/6
Keith Warbington..... 9/7
Chuck Robertson 9/9
Vicki Johnson 9/10
Wanda Venable..... 9/10
Terry Mohr..... 9/11
David Butler..... 9/13
Christina Stone 9/13
Tony Wyatt..... 9/13
Stu Brothers..... 9/14
Jody Foyles 9/15
Glenn Leslie..... 9/15
Molly Warner 9/15

Brittany Jenkins 9/18
Robert Hobgood..... 9/19
Sue Brothers..... 9/20
Connie Hochstetler 9/20
Tom Summers..... 9/20
Pauline Taylor 9/20
Rebecca Ainslie..... 9/21
Gail Frye..... 9/22
Jack McLaurin..... 9/23
Jason Putman 9/24
Michael Putman..... 9/24
Howard Warren 9/26
Eli Weivoda 9/26
Maddie Lapping 9/28
Dawn O'Day 9/28
Gerlene Cotton 9/29
Robyn Potter 9/29
Biki Hopper 9/30
Preston Kennedy..... 9/30

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Office Hours: Monday through Thursday – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday – Closed

If you need a Pastor after hours, the following can be reached:

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