

It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle,  
than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

Mark 10:25

## Service for the Lord's Day

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 14, 2018

9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

### Prelude

*From God I will Not Turn*, BWV 658  
(Please use the prelude to make the transition from getting here to being here.  
Open yourself to the Spirit of God moving in our midst.)

J. S. Bach

### Words of Welcome

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

### Lighting of the Christ Candle

Abby Petersen

### \*Sung Call to Worship 388

*Come, All You People*

UYAI MOSE

### \*Opening Sentences (Psalm 22:3-5)

Stan Cook / Pete Hanlon

One: God, you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

All: **In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted you, and you delivered them.**

One: To you they cried, and they were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

All: **God, you are holy. All praise to you, now and forever!**

### A Time for Our Youngest Disciples

Beth

(During the singing of the following hymn, children 1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
and younger may go to their Sunday School room with their teachers.)

### \*Hymn 721

*Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

\*rise in body or spirit

## Call to Confession (Psalm 22:11)

Stan / Pete

God is not far from us. When trouble is near, God is our help and our refuge. Let us confess our sins to God that we might receive mercy.

## Prayer of Confession

**Living God, you have blessed our lives with so many gifts, so why do we find it difficult to share what we have with others? We forget about those who do not have the choices we have... those whose economic landscape is shaped by circumstances beyond their control: no job, no skills, chronic illness, no transportation, no hope.**

**Forgive us for believing that we are the body of Christ in this place but fail to love as he loved; fail to care as he cared; fail to empty ourselves of self so that we can be filled with the desire to meet the needs of others. We want to be faithful followers of Jesus, so help us to discern what hinders our commitment—whether it be our possessions, our career, our family or friends, our fear of what might happen if we devote our lives to you, Jesus. Merciful God, our hope lies in our belief that what seems impossible for us is possible with you. In this hope we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## Assurance of Forgiveness

One: The mercy, grace, and love of God far outweigh what we think possible, for, as we confess our sins, God forgives us and cleanses us from all unrighteousness. All things are possible for God.

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen!**

## \*Sung Response to Pardon 582

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

GLORY TO GOD

## \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

One: As a sign of our reconciliation with God and one another, let us share the Peace of Christ.  
The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

(Let us share the Peace of Christ with our neighbors.)

## Anthem

*Poor Man Lazrus*

Traditional spiritual; arr. Jester Hairston

## Prayer for Inspiration

Beth

## Scripture Reading

Mark 10:17-31 (N.T. p. 42)

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

## Sermon

*Let it Go*

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

## Commissioning of Young Disciples

One: You have heard the Word proclaimed.

Now, may you go forth, ready to grow in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: **Amen.**

Children in **grades 2 – 3** may meet their Sunday School leaders at the **front** of the sanctuary.

Young people in **grades 4 – 8** may meet their leaders at the **back** of the sanctuary.

*\*rise in body or spirit*

**\*Hymn 684**

*Faith Begins by Letting Go*

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**The Offering**

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory**

*Shepherd Me, O God*

Stan / Pete  
Chuck Callahan

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Christ all people here below,  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore,  
Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Church Tidings**

**Minute for Adult Mission Trip**

Lisa Henderson  
Jason Salbego

**Sharing of Joys & Concerns**

**Hymn 471**

*O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

HEAR MY PRAYER

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.  
When I call, answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me.

**Prayers of the People** (We lift this prayer to God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**)

**Lord's Prayer** (using "sins")

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**\*Hymn 749**

*Come! Live in the Light!*

WE ARE CALLED

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Response to Benediction 749 refrain**

*Come! Live in the Light!*

WE ARE CALLED

We are called to act with justice;  
we are called to love tenderly;  
we are called to serve one another,  
to walk humbly with God.

**Postlude**

*Fugue (from Praeludium in C)*

Dietrich Buxtehude

*\*rise in body or spirit*

**LITURGISTS:** 9:00 Stan Cook / 10:30 Pete Hanlon

**PERCUSSIONIST:** Keira Burton, cajón (box drum)

**USHERING THIS MORNING:** 9:00 Kevin Manning, Bill Vickery, Michele Vickery, Matt Vold  
10:30 Nancy Pritzel, Wayne Pritzel

**FLOWERS ON THE COMMUNION TABLE** are given to the glory of God by Glenn and Donna Gabanski in loving memory of Glenn's mom Florence Gabanski.

**HOSPITALITY:** The Ryan Family (Sarah, Garrett, Summer, Wesley, Sabrina)

**OUR PASTORS WELCOME ALL CHILDREN**

In worship – the squiggly, the sleeping, the giggling and the goldfish snacks! If you prefer, we broadcast worship in the narthex and chapel, where there is more room to move around.

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Next Sunday in Worship: October 21

**Guest Preacher for Stewardship**  
**Rev. Ken Green**  
**Luke 12:16-21**  
***Weigh Anchor!***

Clarion Bell Choir  
Baptism at 9:00 am  
Third Grade Bibles at 9:00 am



Space for your reflections and doodles:

The "Eye of the Needle" has been claimed to be a gate in Jerusalem, which opened after the main gate was closed at night. A camel could only pass through this smaller gate if it was stooped and had its baggage removed.



## ***This week at CPC:***

### **Today, Sunday, October 14**

#### **Worship 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

9:00 a.m. — Sunday School Nursery –8<sup>th</sup> Gr.  
9:00 a.m. — *The Present Word* Parlor  
10:30 a.m. — *Tracing Our Faith* Parlor  
1:00 p.m. — Youth Leader Retreat returns  
5:00 p.m. — Disciple & Post Disciples Cubes  
7:00 p.m. — WF

### **Monday, October 15**

9:00 a.m. — A Beautiful Mess CH Starbucks  
7:30 p.m. — CE-C Committee Parlor

### **Tuesday, October 16**

7:00 a.m. — Men's Group Parlor  
9:00 a.m. — PW CT Parlor  
1:30 p.m. — Staff meeting Chapel I  
7:00 p.m. — Inquirers' Class Parlor  
7:00 p.m. — Stephen Ministry Rm. 6-8

### **Wednesday, October 17**

1:00 p.m. — Courage to Change Rm. 6-8  
5:30 p.m. — Aspire & Endeavor Lower level  
7:30 p.m. — Chancel Choir Choir Rm.

### **Thursday, October 18**

9:00 a.m. — Thurs Morning Devotions Chapel  
7:00 p.m. — Clarion Bells Rm. 6-8

### **Friday, October 19**

### **Saturday, October 20**

5:30 p.m. — Progressive Dinner Begins at Mehrhoff Home

### **Sunday, October 21**

#### **Worship 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

9:00 a.m. — Sunday School Nursery–8<sup>th</sup> Gr.  
9:00 a.m. — 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bibles  
9:00 a.m. — Baptism  
9:00 a.m. — *The Present Word* Parlor  
10:30 a.m. — *Tracing Our Faith* Parlor  
11:30 a.m. — Inquirers' Class Parlor  
11:30 a.m. — Finance Chapel  
5:00 p.m. — Disciple & Post Disciples Cubes  
7:00 p.m. — WF

## **Children & Youth**

**Nursery** care is available each Sunday 8:45 – 11:45 a.m. for children ages 6 weeks through 2 years old in room 105. Pagers are available, or parents are always welcome to stay. **(RM 105)**

**Preschool 3's through 1<sup>st</sup> Grade** meet at their classrooms at 9:00 a.m. and are picked up after worship at 10:15 a.m. **(RM 109 & RM 205)**

**2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade** join their families in worship at 9:00 a.m. and will be sent with their leaders to their classrooms after the sermon. Classes dismiss at 10:15 a.m. **(RM 206 & RM 8)**

**Middle School** youth join their families in worship at 9:00 a.m. and will be sent with their leaders to their classroom after sermon. Class dismisses at 10:30 a.m. **(youth lounge)**

For more information, see Lisa Henderson, Director of Children & Family Ministry.

### **MID-WEEK MINISTRY AT CPC: Aspire & Endeavor**

Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

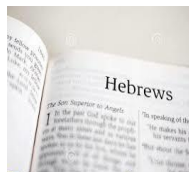
Our new Wednesdays at CPC (formerly Logos) includes **ASPIRE** for 2<sup>nd</sup>–5<sup>th</sup> grade kids and **ENDEAVOR** for 6<sup>th</sup>–7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth. These exciting ministries include great fellowship, dinner, music, Bible study and more! Go to our website, [www.chcpc.org](http://www.chcpc.org), to download registration forms in the narthex or on the website, [www.chcpc.org](http://www.chcpc.org).

### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Cubes are in full swing! Be in the Youth Lounge at 5:00 p.m. and stick around after our meal for WF from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
Tonight at WF: Sardines and Gargon.

## **Adult Education**

### **MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP**



meets Tuesdays at 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. in the parlor. All men are invited for a “Bring Your Own Coffee” setting for discussion and fellowship. They are studying the book of Hebrews. Contact Bob Parsons at 708-588-1753 with questions.

### **THE PRESENT WORD**

meets every Sunday, at 9:00 a.m. in the parlor. This adult education class uses the *Present Word* curriculum published by the PC(USA). Our discussion and activities encourage participants to live out their faith in their individual and congregational activities.

For more information contact Walt King at [wwkingo6@gmail.com](mailto:wwkingo6@gmail.com).

### **TRACING OUR FAITH**

meets every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor with the video series *Reading Biblical Literature: Genesis to Revelation* by Dr. Craig R. Koester of Luther Seminary. We are discussing what the life and works of the Apostle Paul mean to us. The one hour program begins with a one-half hour video, followed by a discussion of the subject. Each session stands alone so consecutive attendance is not required to understand the material. Questions may be directed to Ron Eshleman at [reshleman@vi-institute.org](mailto:reshleman@vi-institute.org) or 630-292-0857.



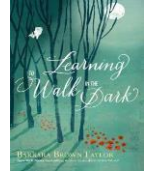


### A BEAUTIFUL MESS

This young-mom’s Bible study led by Pastor Lauren meets at 9:00 a.m. at the Starbucks in Clarendon Hills on various dates. This fall we are studying stories of motherhood in the Bible, using a curriculum written by Lauren. Each week we check in with each other, read scripture, ask questions about our faith and God’s word, and fellowship together over coffee (or whatever drink is your choice!). Email Lauren for more information or to get on the email group. Dates we meet: Mon. 10/15, Mon. 10/29, Tues. 11/13, Mon. 12/3. See you soon!

### THURSDAY MORNING DEVOTIONS

Our fabulous group meets next Thursdays, at 9:00 a.m. in the chapel. This Fall we are reading *Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor. This group is open to anyone who would like to join: we meet for prayers (joys and concerns style) and book discussion from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. each week. This is a casual group, and we are excited to have you, even if you can’t make it every week. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Lauren.



### WHAT’S HAPPENING AT CPC:

#### INQUIRERS’ CLASS AT CPC



Have you ever wondered what being a member at CPC means? Do you have questions about our church or being Presbyterian? This two-part class run by the Membership Team at CPC is made for you! On **Tuesday, October 16th, we will meet from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., and again on Sunday, October 21st, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** to talk about faith, get to know one another better, introduce you to the staff of the

church, and spend time answering questions. Childcare is available if you register in advance. Remember: even if you aren't sure that joining the church as a member is for you, this is a great chance to come and get to know us better. Please RSVP to Pastor Lauren (lauren.cochran@chcpc.org) or Stan Cook (Chair of Membership, stan.cook@comcast.net) so we can prepare to greet you!

#### PADS (PUBLIC ACTION TO DELIVER SHELTER) Volunteers Needed

Last night we welcomed homeless neighbors to PADS. We have been providing shelter to the homeless of DuPage County on Saturday nights since 1990. On the second Saturday of the month CPC is responsible to serve as host for our guests. Many hands are needed to make this mission of the church work. Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex. Please contact Pastor Lauren with questions.



**CHARLOTTE’S CLOSET** is open for your donations of *gently* used clothing. The Care and Concern committee of the Board of Deacons manages the distribution of the items. The clothing may be given to PADS guests or distributed to others in need.

#### Items that are most needed:

- Gently used clothes for all ages.
- Professional clothes for people returning to the work force.
- Warm coats and boots for the winter months.
- New Underwear and Socks (in unopened package)

#### The following items can NOT be accepted:

- Bedding (unless new in an unopened package).
- Medical equipment of any kind.
- Used underwear, swimsuits, fabric and yarn.
- Furniture and appliances.



#### YOGA MATS NEEDED

Do you have a yoga mat you are no longer using? Our Child Care Center is excited to be introducing yoga and meditation as a part of their weekly curriculum and they need yoga mats. If you have a yoga mat you would like to donate, please drop it off at the church office! *Thank you!*

**JUST A REMINDER:** The Press is now a quarterly publication. Please provide any inclusions to Shannon (shannon.nyhart@chcpc.org) by November 8. Distribution date will be December 8.



## FLOWERS IN WORSHIP



You are welcome to donate flower arrangements for the beauty of Worship. Please call or email Shannon Nyhart (shannon.nyhart@chcpc.org) to select a date for your donation of flowers. Flowers may be placed on the Communion Table or, if Communion is being celebrated, they will be placed under the cross in the back of the sanctuary. You are welcome to designate your flowers to the glory of God, a special person or occasion. You are also welcome to take your flowers home with you at 11:30am.

If you wish, you may also ask that the Deacons deliver your flowers as a sign of J.O.Y. (Jesus' Outreach to You). The deacons will then deliver your worship flowers to one in need of some Joy.

## CPC CHILD CARE CENTER STAFF NEEDED!

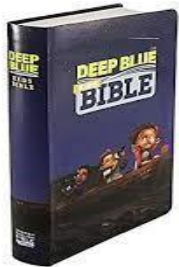
The Child Care Center at CPC has served the local neighborhoods for over forty years. We are currently in need of after school part-time leaders with ability to work some afternoons, 2:00 -6:00 p.m.

Duties Include:

- supervise and monitor the safety of the children in their care
- follow routine/schedule to allow for an easy transition for the children between child care and school
- assist in organizing a snack for children based on the daily menu
- assist teachers in creating activities for the children in their care.

Email resume to [cccstaff@chcpc.org](mailto:cccstaff@chcpc.org) or visit [www.chcpc.org](http://www.chcpc.org) for more information.

## THIRD GRADE BIBLES



**Sunday, October 21 will include the presentation of Bibles to 3rd Graders followed by a 6-week Bible class during Sunday School!**

Third Grade kids will be presented their new Bibles next Sunday, October 21, during the Time for Youngest Disciples at our 9:00 a.m. worship service. Immediately following this presentation, 2nd and 3rd graders will leave worship to begin a special 6 week class all about their Bibles! Third grade students will be paired with a second-grade student to share in the learning Experience, encouraging them to take an interest in the Bible and helping them make the Bible their lifelong companion. This special class will meet for six Sundays through Nov. 25th and is led by Lisa Henderson and the 2nd and 3rd Grade team.

## STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY: OCTOBER 28



Stewardship is our response to the many blessings and gifts God has given us. Each week in worship we gather a morning offering. The giving of these financial gifts goes far beyond supporting a charitable organization. The giving of our gifts to God's church is one way we express our covenantal commitment to God and our acknowledgement that all we have is a blessing from God.

The pledge season offers a great opportunity for CPC to move into a stronger financial position. Session aims to live fully into our Strategic Pillar that declares:

"We are good stewards of the gifts God has given us."

Additionally, the Finance Committee is striving for a balanced budget for 2019. This means continued careful monitoring of our spending and increasing financial gifts so that we are operating within our means.

Please prayerfully consider increasing your pledge to support God's ministry in our lives, this community and the world.

Bring your pledge with you to worship on Sunday, Oct 28, for placing on the Communion Table as we re-dedicate our lives and gifts to God and the building of God's kingdom here and now.



**THE PROGRESSIVE DINNER** is next Saturday! Adults of CPC are invited to wine and dine with each other, enjoy BBQ from Pickens' Place, and support our Community Thanksgiving Dinner all in one fun evening! We will gather at 5:30p.m. on **October 20th**, at the home of Lynn and Andrew Mehrhoff in Hinsdale. The last chance to purchase tickets is **TODAY**, October 14. They are \$25 dollars a piece. Tickets will be on sale in the narthex after worship. Talk to Pastor Lauren or Alyssa Woody if you have any questions!

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through the worship and programs at Community Presbyterian Church.*

For more information about our programs,  
please visit our website at  
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