



Peace, Be Still by He Qi

Worship for the Lord's Day

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025

9:30 am

Prelude

O Perfect Love

Barnby, arr. L. Larson

Lighting the Christ Candle

Libby Coriell

Words of Welcome

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

***Opening Words** (from Psalm 67)

One: God grants us grace and blesses us; God makes his face to shine on us.

**All: May your way, O God, be known upon the earth;
may your deliverance be known among the nations.**

One: People will praise you, O God; all people will praise you.

**All: Let the people celebrate and shout with joy
because you judge the nations fairly and guide all nations on earth.**

One: May the people thank you, God! May all the people offer thanks to God.

All: Let us worship God!

***Hymn 401**

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

Call to Confession

Michele Vickery

One: We are a people in need of God's vision, praying for our eyes to be opened. We are a people in need of God's reversal, praying for our hearts to be softened. We are a people in need of God's reconciliation, praying that our faces might be illumined by God's presence. Let us claim our need of God, confessing our sin together.

Prayer of Confession

All: Loving God, we long to have our lives filled with peace. Not any kind of peace, but your peace. Forgive us when we take for granted daily moments filled with wonder. Forgive us when societal demands, peer pressure and internal lists of "shoulds" interfere with our living a life of peace with you. Help us, we pray, to recognize the chaos we may be contributing to life. Speak into our fear. Relieve our anxiety. Comfort us with the knowledge that we need not have all the answers. Release your Holy Spirit into our souls again and again so that we may be vessels of your peace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: It is the Lord who opens eyes to see.

All: It is the Lord who softens hearts to hear.

One: It is the Lord who returns us to God's presence.

All: Christ speaks to us saying,

"Peace, peace, peace." We are loved. We are enough. We belong.

One: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored.

All: Thanks be to God forever and ever! Amen.

*Sung Response 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

All: And also with you!

*Sung Response 587

Alleluia!

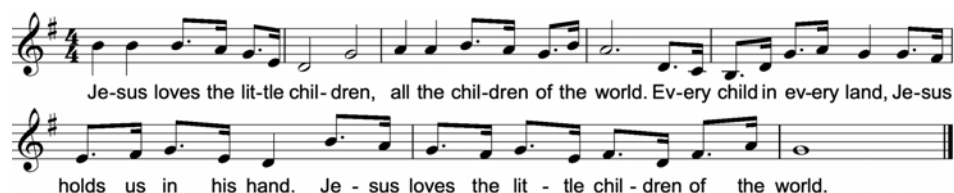
CELTIC ALLELUIA

Growing with God

Kristin Duy

Following our time together, all children are invited to remain in Grace Space or return to their parents.

Sung Response remain seated



Prayer for Inspiration

Michele

Scripture Reading

John 14:23-29

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

The Gift of Peace

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

*Hymn 543

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

GREEN TYLER

Offering Our Gifts to God

Invitation to Offering

Michele

Offertory

Song of Gladness

Harold Marks

Robert Sacks, Organ



QRCode for Giving

***Doxology** words 607, tune 606 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Prayer of Dedication**

Michele

Church Tidings



Beth

use this QRCode to sign into the friendship pad

Joys & Concerns

One: We lift our prayers to God.

All: **Lord, hear our prayers.**

God's People Pray / The Lord's Prayer (using "sins")

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn 340

This Is My Song

FINLANDIA

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

Fugue in E-Flat, BWV 852

J. S. Bach

* Please rise in spirit or body

All speak **emboldened type**

LITURGIST: Michele Vickery

ACOLYTE: Libby Coriell

USHERS: Janice Bouchard, Steve Bouchard

ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Linda Cirillo

AV: Erich Kretchmer, Liz Monson

LARGE PRINT hymnals are available from the ushers.

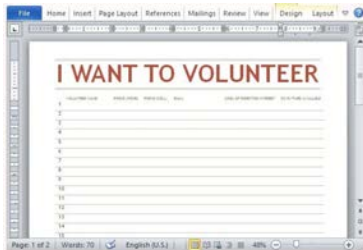
Next Sunday in Worship, June 1

Guest Preacher: Liz Hulford



VISITING CPC? WELCOME!

We believe feeling welcome is foundational for members and visitors to be open to the journey of lifelong faith formation and growth. If you've felt a sense of welcome at CPC and are curious to learn more about us, reach out to Erin James, Community Connector, to chat by email erinjames1@comcast.net or by phone at (630) 649-0151.



NEW SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET

Looking for a way to share your gifts? Your help is needed and welcomed.

To support the CPC community on Sunday mornings, please sign up to usher, be liturgist, assist with AV, serve communion (ordained elders and deacons), host online worship, create worship slides, lead announcements, or provide lemonade and cookies after worship.

Follow this **new** link or QR code for Sunday morning worship volunteers sign-up sheet.

[Link to sign-up](#)

NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN



NOMINATIONS NEEDED

Recommend someone or yourself!

Are you or someone you know called to serve our church? The Nominating Committee is looking for 6 people to serve as elders (being leaders of the local church and beyond) and 6 deacons (serving those in need within the local church and beyond). The commitment is for 3 years. Please help us by identifying someone we should consider, including yourself. If we contact you about serving, please consider the request prayerfully before giving us your answer. Contact anyone on the committee for more information or to suggest a name.

Ingrid Ellithorpe (Chair, ingridellithorpe@sbcglobal.net), Tracy Sims, Wendy Wilhelm, Jessica Skupien, Ann Hamman, Todd Petersen, Kris Veenbaas, Steve Bouchard, Pastor Beth Freese Dammers (staff).

This week at CPC:

Sunday, May 25
9:30 am — Worship

Monday, May 26
Memorial Day
Church Office Closed

Tuesday, May 27
10:00 am — PW Circle 4; Oak Trace
1:00 pm — PW Circle 2; Gathering Room
7:00 pm — PW Circle 3; Gathering Room

Wednesday, May 28

Thursday, May 29

Friday, May 30
4:00 pm — Kids' Academy Pre-K Graduation; Sanctuary

Saturday, May 31

Sunday, June 1
9:30 am — Worship
10:30 am — Youth Car Wash



NURSERY CARE

The Nursery will be staffed by our volunteers **June 8**. The Nursery is located across from the church office on the main floor and is always open for use, even when not staffed by our volunteers.



BUILD YOUR OWN WORSHIP BAG

Don't miss the new Worship Cart in the Narthex! Children 2 - 92 can build their own worship bag to bring into the Sanctuary. Each week there will be activities/worship aids for anyone looking to enhance their worship experience. There are bags available to put your choices in...this does not take the place of

Grace Space...this is just another option for creating an inclusive worship service!

After worship please bring activities/bag back to the cart



JOURNEY THROUGH SUMMER

June 10 & 26, July 8 & 24 & August 5

3:00 - 4:30 pm

Join us for one or all of the days As we enjoy games, crafts, snacks, music, Bible stories and surprise activities! Click [HERE](#) to sign-up for any days you are interested in!

All kids 3 yrs - 11 yrs are welcome & will need to be accompanied by an adult

MEAL A MONTH COLLECTION

Food Pantries are in desperate need. Fill a bag with grocery items to be donated to Hinsdale Community Services. The suggested menu is:

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| • Cereal & Pancake Mix | Mac & Cheese |
| • Peanut Butter & Jelly | Shampoo & Conditioner |
| • Rice, Beans | Laundry Soap, Dish Soap |
| • Canned Soup | Paper Products |
| • Canned Tuna or Chicken | |



Any non-perishable items will be most welcome! Pick up a bag in the narthex or use your own and return to CPC. Thank you for your generous donations.



DEAR CONGREGATION,

Gifts from you were delivered to a lovely Syrian family who were very happy and grateful. As you can see in the picture, there is a mother, three teenage girls, and two adorable little boys who received coloring books and crayons and took to coloring with gusto, skill, and joy. The father was at work at the time.

The hospitable family treated us to a delicious Syrian dessert and tea, and a chat. They conversed in the English they are learning, with the help of an Exodus volunteer whom we met.

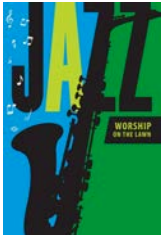
Thank you for your generosity and for your love and care for the world's refugees.

YOUTH CAR WASH

Sunday June 1

Following Worship

Plan ahead to have all your vehicles washed by the youth of the church on Sunday, June 1. Proceeds from the Car Wash will support all youth attending this year's Mission Caravan at Camp Courageous.



SAVE THE DATE

Worship on the Lawn: JAZZ

Sunday Aug 17

Bring your own chair, a sun hat and tapping feet for it will be an incredible morning of JAZZ MUSIC and WORSHIP. See you on the South Lawn under the big white tent!

Staff Changes at CPC



Stephanie Rens-Domiano Completes Her Service

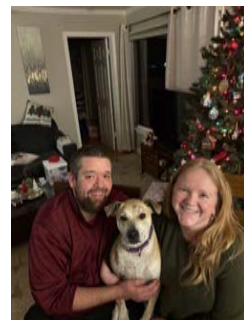
We are so thankful to Stephanie for the nearly 5 years of paid service she gave to CPC. Stephanie began as Director of Digital Platforms in September of 2020 at the height of COVID. As everything was shifting in our world and we were learning how to use Zoom, remain in contact with one another, developing a new website and changing our church database software, Stephanie was there! She has been invaluable to staff and members in expanding the many ways we utilize Realm as our church membership database. Stephanie has expanded awareness of CPC through Social Media postings, as well as updating and maintaining the CPC website. She has served as the staff liaison to the Communications Committee and been at the center of providing analytical data for the Stewardship Campaign, Membership Committee and for a multitude of other reporting needs. She has encouraged all on staff to expand how we use our digital tools such as Canva and the many features of Realm including Event Registration. Let us please express our gratitude to Stephanie for sharing her intelligence, wisdom and dedication with CPC! Now is a time when Stephanie is choosing to step back from employment to focus on family life. We will soon have a time in worship to thank her.



Welcome to CPC Staff: Alyssa Woody

Alyssa Woody has joined CPC Staff as a part-time Director of Youth Ministries while we continue to search for a new Associate Pastor.

Alyssa has been working in a leadership role for Cubes for the past 10 years, working in partnership with past Associate Pastors to deliver years of faith-building, engaging experiences where our youth have made lifelong connections with their Cube-mates. This past year, she jumped right in as a volunteer to set up and run our youth programs, leading retreats, lock-ins, prepping the Cube leaders for weekly Cubes sessions, WFs and leading Camp Courageous caravans. She has worked closely with Wendy Cook, CE-Y and Teagan Manning and will continue to do so. Alyssa has been a member of CPC for over 20 years. She has grown up through all the children and youth programs. Her experiences as a youth in Cubes and Camp Courageous caravans inspired her career choice! Alyssa earned a dual undergraduate degree in elementary and special education and holds a Masters Degree in Curriculum and Instruction. Alyssa Woody is a full-time 8th grade special education teacher at Westmont Junior High School. She has been married for 8 years to her husband, Jordan, and she has a 3 year old puppy named Sharpie. She's looking forward to taking on this new leadership role at CPC, and she can't wait to get to know families even better than before!



Welcome to CPC Staff: Blake Harmet

We are thrilled to share that Blake Harmet has been hired as the new Director of Digital Platforms effective May 27.

Blake grew up in Clarendon Hills, and has attended CPC his entire life. He knows the community and the church and is eager to utilize his skills to support the ministries of CPC. Blake has a background in communications. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater obtaining a degree in broadcast/print/web journalism. During his time there, he was very involved in the on-campus TV station, UWWTV. He worked a number of different positions, including newswriting, and being an on-camera personality. In his free time Blake enjoys fishing, golf, and other outdoor activities.



FREE BOOKS
From Pastor Beth's library
Until June 15

FREE BOOKS

On Tables in Church Main Hallway
Last Day: Sunday June 15

Children's books, Young Reader books, Theology, Bibles, Hymnals, Church Leadership and more!! Browse the stacks on three tables in the main hallway. Take as many as you wish!!!!



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