

The Lamplighter

A Newsletter of **Community Presbyterian Church**
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APRIL 2019

New Directions in Ministry

A highlight of March for me was our Discovering CPC Class through which we welcomed ten new members into the life of our congregation. Our family of faith is expanding and I am fond of reminding us as a church, that as we welcome new people into our midst, we are changing as a church and that is a good thing. There are new voices in the choir, new insights on our leadership teams, and beautiful new babies in our nursery.

We as a Session of Elders, the leadership of this church, are always working to keep the regular rhythms of the church going as well as listening for how God is leading us in new ways into our future. It is my joy to make you aware of some new directions in ministry as a congregation:

Rev. Don Shaw, Parish Associate – We as a session have formalized the way in which Don already plays a part in loving and caring for our members in need. The Parish Associate role is a position in our Presbyterian system that is a good fit for retired pastors who wish to continue serving in a part-time capacity. Don will support the pastoral care work that I do by visiting with our members who need ongoing support. He will visit, pray, and encourage those who are home-bound or facility-bound, as well as our members who are grieving or dealing with long-term health issues. Don will be remunerated for this part-time role by the church. We are so grateful to have Don serve in this capacity to increase the care we can provide for those in need.

Vital Congregations Initiative (VCI) – The Presbyterian Mission Agency is sponsoring a national effort in which our Presbytery of the Cascades is participating. We as a congregation will join in this Initiative in its pilot phase beginning this Spring, and gearing up for full engagement in 2020. Cheryl Adams and I will be going to a conference in May to learn more and begin the training for this effort. The VCI encourages local churches to assess and discern how we do what we already do as a church, pursuing the seven marks of a Vital Congregation:

1. Lifelong Discipleship
2. Intentional Authentic Evangelism
3. Outward Incarnational Focus
4. Empowered Servant Leadership
5. Spirit-Inspired Worship
6. Caring Relationships
7. Ecclesial Health

Renewing our Vision and Mission – The Session has discerned that this is the right time for us as a church to reflect on our past, present, and future and listen for how God is leading us forward as a church in our core vision for ministry and mission. We will work with a consultant, Corey Schlosser-Hall, in a series of mini-retreats to better understand where we are in the life-cycle of our congregation, our context as Redmond grows and changes, and our vision for growth and renewal as a church. We see this as leading into and dovetailing with our work with the VCI in the year to come.

All this is new and exciting for us as a church, but also a lot of hard work! We are praying and discerning our way through this as a session. Will all of you, the whole church, join us in prayer and listening as we prepare for and begin engaging with this exciting season of ministry ahead as a church. Also, will you consider how you can give a little extra as a volunteer or in your financial giving to power the church into this season of renewal and vision.

We are in this together, unified in Christ,
Rev. Andrew Hoeksema



Have You Met the Food Pantry Wagon?

There is a new addition to the narthex. A little green wagon, now located in the northeast corner of the narthex, is always available for accepting congregational donations to the Redmond food pantry.

Once a month, on Communion Sundays, the deacons will move our green "pantry wagon" to the church entrance as a food donation reminder....

As we are fed with the elements of Holy Communion, we can remember to feed our fellow brothers and sisters who face food instability every day.

Shoes For Kids!



The Mission Team is collecting shoes for the "Shoes for Kids" project put on by the Family Access Network. Please support FAN by bringing in new shoes for all sizes that will be given to children in need in the Redmond area. The sizes most needed are Children size 2 thru Adult size 4.

Please leave your donations of new shoes in the box located in the lobby under the Mission Bulletin Board. Thank you for your support!

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering



Every year Presbyterian churches collect a special offering near Easter called One Great Hour of Sharing. This money goes towards three programs: Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (used for our Katrina cleanup trips).

A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, providing food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

CPC will be receiving this offering on Palm Sunday but you may give any time using special envelopes in the pew racks.

For more info on [Presbyterian Missions](http://www.presbyterianmission.org) go to: www.presbyterianmission.org.



Palm Sunday, April 14

Easter Cantata

9:00 am and 11:00 am

Good Friday, April 19

Worship Service at 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 21

Worship Services

9:00 am & 11:00 am

Easter Egg Hunt April 21

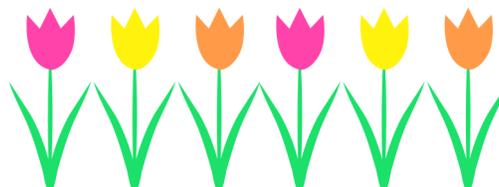
10:15 am

Please Welcome Beatrice K Mburireh

Beatrice will be with us at worship this Sunday, **April 7.**

Beatrice was appointed to the Pwani Presbytery's Mission Board that dealt with projects for needy areas in the Presbytery; starting, through the Mission Board, the first ever Presbyterian Girls Hygiene Program was created in order to help rescue girls from early marriages.

Currently Beatrice is a business person, running educational institutions and serving as an elder at Pcea Kisauni Parish for the last 10 years. Beatrice is married with two adult children and three grandchildren. Beatrice is also a gospel singer for the last 5 years with four complete albums to the Glory of God.



The Kitchen Remodel

The kitchen re-model and re-stock is complete and we thank all the volunteers who signed up and worked those days.

Each day a few people were assigned two hours in a area of the kitchen, they were on their own to create a neat and amazing job of sorting and arranging items in that given area.

The creativity and neatness was amazing, getting the task done in the given two hour time we had set. We have some talented and hard working volunteers on the Food and Fellowship Team.

*Thank you one and all,
Liz Scanlon, Organizer*



New Cook

Please stop in the kitchen and welcome our new cook,
Benjamin Brown!
Benjy will be our cook for Lenten soup suppers and
Wednesday night suppers!

Ladies Bible Study

Wednesdays at 10:30 am.
On Wednesday, March 27, the group started a 9-week class: "The Beatitudes: Happiness Is a Serious Business." All women are welcome to join the group on any Wednesday in Teddy's Hall.

Adult Ed Sundays at 9:30 am

April 7: "Global Health"
April 14: No Class
April 21: "Church & Family as Schools of Civic Virtue"
New Study: Part 2 of "Tell It Slant"...Jesus and His Prayers
April 28: Chapter 13, "Keeping Company With Jesus as He Prays"
May 5: Chapter 14, "Jesus Prays With Us"

Adult Ed Sundays at 10:15 am

The class in the library is currently studying the Passion Story in the book of Mark.

Easter Egg Hunt Candy Wanted

The big hunt will be held on Easter Sunday,
April 21 at 10:15 am.
If you would like to help with this event, please bring **individually wrapped candy** (non-melting) to the church by **April 10**.
All are welcome to help stuff the eggs following the Lenten Supper on Wednesday
April 10.

Children & Youth Ministries

Director of Youth and Children Ministries

Emily Nelson 541-548-3367 emily@redmondpc.org

Youth Group Updates



We've been continuing our exploration of Spiritual Disciplines in March, looking at fasting, rest, nature, and celebration. If you'd like to try out some of the methods we've been using, there are extra copies of the Spiritual Disciplines Take-Home Sheets located on the Parent Info bulletin board upstairs.

In April, we're combining our youth group with the youth group from Mountain View Fellowship for a study through Philippians and how we're called to grow *together* and care for *each other* as followers of Jesus. All students (6th-12th graders) will meet from 5:30-8:00 for the month of April. We will meet at CPC but travel to MVF for youth group April 3, 10, and 17. We will have youth group at CPC on April 24.

Children's Sunday School



Children are invited to join Miss Carole or Miss Monica for Sunday school! School-age children will be dismissed from services to Sunday school for fun, age-appropriate lessons.

Nursery

Children younger than school-age are invited to join Miss Claudia, Miss Kayley, and Miss Kelsey in the nursery for playtime, Bible stories, and fun!



Confirmation Class



What does it mean to own your faith? What makes Presbyterians different from other denominations? How do we know the Bible is true? Students in 8th grade and up are invited to be a part of Confirmation this spring to explore these questions and so many more! The class will be taught by Emily Nelson and Ed McKinney, with help from Pastor Andrew. Classes start April 28 and continue through June 19! If you have not received information but would like your child to participate, contact Emily ASAP.

Lenten/Easter Activities for Kids!



Kids are invited to join in and be a part of the church celebration of Lent and Easter! Mark your calendars now and plan to be here for these great opportunities to participate:

April 14 - Palm Sunday - Kids are invited to process through the sanctuary waving palm branches during the opening song of both services!

April 21 - Easter Sunday - Kids are invited to join in on the Easter Egg Hunt between services! Three age-appropriate areas will be set up for kids to participate, and all kids will get candy!

Save the Date - VBS 2019 is Coming!



VBS 2019 will be **June 24-28** from 9:00 am -12:30 pm. This year, our VBS journey will take place in the city of Athens, where kids will get to meet Paul and learn about his missionary journeys while also learning about God's love for them. You can register [here](#). Mark your calendars now so you don't miss out on this week of faith formation and fun! (Also, parents - email Emily if you're interested in helping out with VBS! emily@redmondpc.org)

Upcoming Youth Events:

3 - Combined Youth Group with MVF - MS & HS
5:30-8 - Growing Together Week 1

10 - Combined Youth Group with MVF - MS & HS
5:30-8 - Growing Together Week 2

14 - Palm Sunday - Worship @ 9:00 & 11:00 -
Kids invited to wave palm branches;
CYMT @ 12:15

17 - Combined Youth Group with MVF - MS & HS
5:30-8 - Growing Together Week 3

21 - Easter Sunday - Worship @ 9:00 & 11:00;
Easter Egg Hunt @ 10:15

24 - Combined Youth Group with MVF - MS & HS
5:30-8 - Growing Together Week 4

28 - Confirmation Begins - 12:30-2:00

Music Ministries

Karen Sipes, Director

Happy Spring! We are excitedly preparing our Easter Cantata. This year we are learning a new one, "Upon This Rock", by Pepper Choplin. The music is uplifting, beautiful and masterfully written, with a variety of musical genres interwoven to create a moving and spiritual work.

The cantata will be presented at both the **9:00** and **11:00 am** services on Sunday, **April 14**. Please invite people from the community to come and be blessed by this beautiful story of Christ's journey as told by Peter in the narrative. It is a great way to introduce people to CPC, and a wonderful way to enjoy Palm Sunday service.

Even though time is drawing near for the presentation of the cantata, I will extend an invitation to instrumentalists to join in. If you play an instrument and would like to see the music to see if it is feasible for you to play for this cantata, please talk to me! Singers may still join in as well. We have rehearsal CDs and several more rehearsals before April 14, so talk to me if you are interested.

We are still searching for a pianist for our traditional service! If you or anyone you know, may be interested in this rewarding position, please let me know. We are extremely blessed to have Shelby O'Clair Snyder, for her incredible talent and dedication, and sharing her amazing gifts with us as our substitute pianist. She is ready to hand over the torch!

As always, we encourage singers and instrumentalists among us to join us in music ministry in any way that their gifts and the spirit may lead. Please talk to me if you have musical gifts to share, and we will find ways to get you involved!

Blessings, Karen Sipes

Director of Music Ministries

Men's Monthly Breakfast



The Monthly Men's Breakfast on **April 3** will feature our Kisauni Parish sister Elder Beatrice giving us greetings and an update from Mombasa, Kenya.

All are welcome to join this event by using a sign up sheet in the lobby.

Breakfast is from 8:00 am to 9:15 am, in the Fellowship Hall, the cost is \$5.

May 1: The program will feature John Nastari in concert in the Fellowship Hall.

Men's Monthly Breakfast Committee:
Spike Biggers, Rick Hoffman, Richard Lance,
Craig Dennis & Rocky Johnson.

Quilter's Quips



CPC Winter Quilting Bee

Monday, April 22 thru 25

9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Sign up in the lobby to reserve your station
(24 machine stations available)

ARMS

Faith-based classes are available in Redmond for women who are, or have been, living with domestic abuse. The 15 week classes focus on healing and restoration, which are free and confidential.

Call the 'ARMS' (Abuse Recovery Ministries and Service) office at 503-846-9284 for times and locations.



Wellness Ministries Mission Statement: To help the congregation attain, maintain, and/or regain the best possible health...Wellness of mind, body and spirit that can be experienced. This is realized through education, guidelines, screening and providing ongoing support.

Coordinator: Lois Millsbaugh

Support Groups:

Redmond Parkinson's Support Group,

Wednesday April 3, at 1:00:

Program this month: Annual Goals / Progress and Share and Care.

For additional information please contact:

Ginny Weeber 541-548-6310 or

Susan Ferguson 541-350-0899

Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group,

Wednesday, April 17, at 2:00.

Parkinson's Caregivers Support Group,

Wednesday, April 24, at 1:00.

ALL CHURCH BREAKFAST



Date: Saturday, **May 18**

Time: **9:00 a.m.**

Location: Community Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Your Wellness Ministries team cordially invites you to participate in our yearly All Church Breakfast. We will be offering a wonderful breakfast that includes Strata (meat, vegetarian, and gluten free), fresh fruit, muffins and a number of other breakfast choices for your enjoyment.

Our guest speaker will be Stacy Crawford (son of Donna Altig) and his working partner Molly who is a Deschutes County Narcotic detective K-9 officer. Narcotics detection dogs are trained and certified to detect the odor of certain illegal drugs and will alert their handler to their presence when conducting a search. The narcotics detection K-9 teams have participated in a high number of drug interdiction stops on the highways in Deschutes County and have had a number of large drug seizures. Stacy and Molly will be demonstrating to our guests how they work together and how they locate illegal drugs. This will be an outstanding presentation and allow us to see how they work to protect our community.

Breakfast tickets will go on sale Sunday, April 28 and continue till May 12 following both church services.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

For the month of April CPC nurses will be available to take your blood pressure from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Just a reminder that our Blood Drive is scheduled for **June 7**. Please save your blood for our blood drive. Remember you can only donate every 56 days.

HEALTHY COOKING CLASS

Tuesday, **April 2**, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. The theme will be "Healthy Spring Holiday Dishes." This will be just in time for Easter or other spring holiday dinners. If you are interested in participating in our cooking class, please sign-up on the registry sheet in the narthex of the church. We look forward to having you participate with us.

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)

NAMI is a family support group which has affiliates in communities across the country, it is cost free, confidential, and is a safe place for families helping other families who live with mental health challenges. NAMI encourages sharing experiences and learned wisdom to help understand and deal with mental health challenges. The Redmond NAMI meets at the Redmond Library on a Thursday each month. Their next meeting will be April 4, from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. (827 SW Deschutes Avenue).

The NAMI Family Support Group let our family realize that we are not alone. For additional information please contact Linda Jackson-Shaw at 541-279-0589.

HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT PROGRAM

The Wellness Team sponsors a Hospital Equipment Program that loans out specialized equipment to church members and friends that is needed when they return home from the hospital. If you have a need for this type of equipment, please contact Lynda Talbot and she will be glad to work with you.

We are currently looking for donations of grab-bing devices for those individuals who cannot bend over to retrieve items out of their reach. We have recently acquired a kneeling scooter and it is available for an individual who cannot put weight on their foot and leg. All donations of equipment are very much appreciated. When returning equipment to the church be sure it is cleaned and in working condition. Thank you.



April 2019



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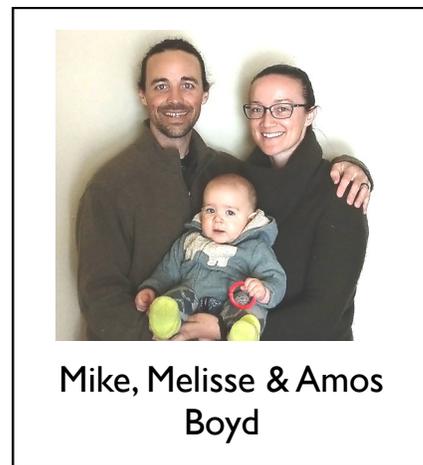
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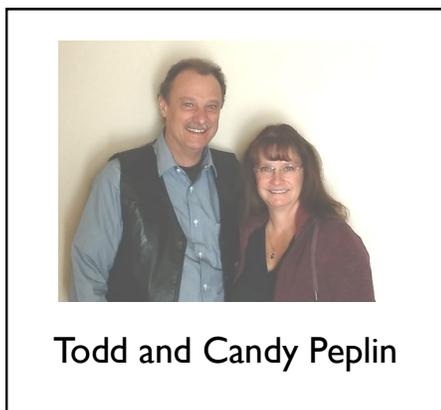
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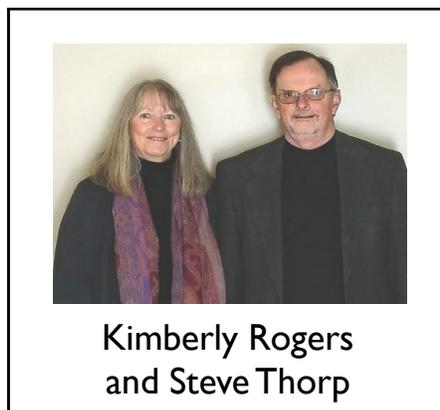
Katie and Wes Estvold



Mike, Melisse & Amos Boyd



Todd and Candy Peplin



Kimberly Rogers and Steve Thorp



Julie and Frank St Peter

Fair Trade Coffee

TAKE A FAIR TRADE COFFEE BREAK
WHY THIS COFFEE IS SO SPECIAL



CPC has been supporting coffee growers around the world by making their products available at fairly-traded wholesale prices.

A few years ago Don and Linda Shaw, CPC members, visited a coffee grower in Nicaragua who is supported by the Presbyterian Coffee Project. Because he participates in a farmer cooperative, he is able to grow and sell his coffee directly to Equal Exchange, which processes, packages, promotes and sells his coffee to churches, other groups, and individuals by the case. The farmer proudly showed the Don and Linda the new floor of his house. Prior to his participation in the Presbyterian Coffee Project, he was unable to afford a floor.

CPC offers Presbyterian Coffee Project coffees and teas by the case. The orders are placed quarterly. The next order will be placed at the end of April. In order to avoid shipping costs all orders are required to have at least 4 cases. Parishioners may split cases if they desire.

To view the list of products available you can go to the website at: shop.equalexchange.coop. If you would like to purchase a product, please contact Gloria Irwin or Luann Johnson.

Gloria Irwin 541-678-8005 giwin1@gmail.com or Luann Johnson at 541-548-6798 LRockyJohn@msn.com

March 19 Session Highlights



- ✦ Heard that the Prayer Chain is now called the Prayer Team and many of the prayer requests are being received through an email started in the church office.
- ✦ The food pantry donations can now be placed in a wagon in the narthex.
- ✦ The CPC Audit Team of John Seitter, Chair, Carla Barnes and Rocky Johnson, reported they found that all of our policies and procedures are being followed.
- ✦ Voted to submit a letter to the Presbytery of the Cascades saying that we would like to participate in the first round of the Vital Congregation Initiative of the Presbyterian Church (USA) beginning this Spring.
- ✦ Approved Worship Team's suggestion of having only one 10 am blended worship service each Sunday from June 16 through September 8.
- ✦ Heard that Mary Lou Hall has resigned as church treasurer and to fill our church treasurer position they will be interviewing an outside contractor soon. Carol Nelson has agreed to fill in until someone is hired.
- ✦ Pastor Andrew reported that Benji was just hired to cook our church Wednesday night meals and he will start in two weeks.
- ✦ The kitchen remodel was finished on time and under budget so the kitchen will be getting a new stainless steel freezer.

The Ruling Elders for 2019 are: Ken Kerfoot, Cheryl Adams, Brian Leutschaft, Gene Schmidt, Kathy Persing, Rick Hoffman, Diane Wilson, Lois Ahern, Bruce Smith, Kelsey Stealey & John Duff.



Stewardship Corner

February Financial Update

February	2018	2019
Total income	85,351	58,150
Total expense	75,474	77,470
Net income	+9,877	-19,324





APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 4/01 Kiefer Leutschaft
 4/02 Betty McCormick
 Don Sheets
 Bruce Smith
 Katie Smith
 4/06 Judy McKinney
 4/08 Maddox Barr
 Joan Reekie
 4/09 Gloria Irwin
 4/12 Jack Nelson
 4/13 Kathy Persing
 4/14 Greg Lundgren
 4/16 Rita Phillips
 4/17 Barbara McDaniels
 Alyssa Nitschelm
 4/19 Skylar Adams
 4/23 Olivia Duff
 4/21 Andrew Ulum
 4/27 Lauryn Duryee
 4/30 Iverson Smith

★ **HAPPY** ★
BIRTHDAY!

May Newsletter Deadline

The next *Lamplighter* news deadline is Thursday, **April 18**. Articles turned in after the deadline may not be published and all articles are subject to editing. Whenever possible, announcements and articles for publication should be sent via email to:
tammy@redmondcp.org
 You will receive a reply letting you know your contribution was received.

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES



4/14 Don & Linda Shaw

APRIL Deacon of the Month

Hannah Grandey

CPC E-NEWS



Community Presbyterian Church is sending out a once a week newsletter to keep you informed of what is happening at CPC. You can subscribe on our [website](#) or on the sign up sheets in the narthex. Lamplighter subscribers will get a first preview next Thursday. Come by the office and let us know what you think.

Mark Your Calendars:

The Social Issues Group will sponsor a panel presentation on Youth at Risk on
May 6 at 7:00 pm



A Taste of Silence



CONTEMPLATIVE
OUTREACH

SILENCE
SOLITUDE
SERVICE

All are welcome to a morning of Centering Prayer, a method of prayer drawn from the Christian contemplative tradition that facilitates opening to an ever-deepening relationship with God.

A brief introduction to the method of Centering Prayer is offered for those new to this way of prayer. The event is free and open to the public. Sponsored by Contemplative Outreach of Central Oregon.

This will take place on Saturday, **April 6**, from **9:00 am* to noon** in the Heritage Hall at First Presbyterian Church, 230 NE 9th Bend, Oregon

*doors open at 8:30 am, program begins promptly at 9:00 am.
 For more information, call: Lorraine 541-318-0384

CPC Gives Thanks to...

... **Lynn Hodecker, Diane Putnam and Sandy Sutherland** for assembling the 2019 Spring Directories which are available on the narthex table.



... **Lynda Talbot and Lynn Hodecker** for helping out in the office while Tammy was on vacation.

... **Everyone** who brought food, helped with set up and clean up during our Lenten potluck soup suppers.

Elmer and I want to thank all of you for your prayers, visits, and cards. Elmer is doing better so keep the prayers coming,

*Thank you,
Barbara McDaniels*



Prayer Team

Many of you heard Kathi Hayward speak at both worship services on March 10. She shared her gratefulness to the Prayer Chain for their prayers for her prior to her lung cancer surgery. After a restless time leading up to the surgery, she received peace in the hospital just prior to heading into the operating room

The Prayer Chain, that is now called the Prayer Team, fulfills an important mission in our church. If you would like to join the team, please call Tammy in the church office, 541-548-3367. She sends an email to the team whenever she receives a prayer request. If you have a prayer request, please call Tammy as all prayer requests must first be received through the office.

Thanks to all who serve on the Prayer Team. Their mission is appreciated.

The Stewardship Team



Cans and Bottles



Thank you all for the contributions of cans and bottles you donated for the youth group. In February \$103.90 was collected.

There are three ways to give cans and bottles to the youth group at CPC.

- 1) Drop them off at the north end of the church near the basement door.
- 2) Drop off at Walt and Norrie's home at 1849 SW Canyon Drive (leave on the north side of the house on the sidewalk)
- 3) Call 541-548-4472 and we will come and pick them up at your location.

The recycling facility will take crushed cans and crushed plastic bottles.

The plastic bottles just need to have the bar code still on the container.

Thank you for your continued support of the CPC youth and their activities.

Box Tops For Education



This program is still active. Those labels turned into CPC are given to Vern Patrick

School.

Other schools have a similar program; please support the school of your choice.

Thank you for your support of our schools.

CPC Singles Night Out



CPC singles are invited on **April 18 at 5:00 pm** to meet at **The Pump House 8320 N. Hwy 97** in

Terrebonne for a no-host meal.

This is a great time to get to know others from CPC better. Please sign up in the church lobby if you would like to join the group for dinner.

Comments on the Presbytery meeting March 15 and 16, 2019

Presbytery convened at the First Presbyterian Church in Corvallis and to anyone who wanted to participate through streaming. That's what Nancy and I did as we were unable to go to Corvallis this time. (You can do the same thing on your computer or have one of your grandkids set it up on the widescreen TV.) This is a fairly recent capability for the Presbytery and I heartily recommend it for anyone who would like to see what's happening in this particular judicatory. (Remember, you supported it with the per capita tax.) The next Presbytery meeting will be held in June and for those interested, contact the office to pick up the agenda as that will be of assistance to track the proceedings

The meeting began at 1:15 PM with workshops. One was titled "From Iraq with Love" led by John Shuck, pastor of Southminster who made a presentation about his trip to Kabalah last fall during the Muslim celebration of Arbaeen. Over 15 million people visited this shrine during a two-week period, making it the largest yearly gathering on earth. Another workshop was hosted by Christiana Drake, staff member of Project Homecoming. Under discussion was the New Orleans flood caused by a Storm with No Name in 2016. Still 2 ½ years later, thousands of families still struggled to return home when 17.2 trillion gallons of water fell in three days and 150,000 homes were damaged. Amber Spicer as the Operations Coordinator presented Being God's Hands & Feet in Disaster to when catastrophic events strike and challenge the church to respond.

Presbytery began at 3:30 PM with an opening worship. When concluded the business session began. One item of interest, especially for small churches, is that the 3.2% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for pastors was changed from mandatory to recommended.

There was a celebration of the OSU campus ministry by Rob Kirby and a recognition of the Koinonia House at the University of Oregon, with Jennifer Martin describing the activities there. Also, Presbytery voted to set aside \$10,000 for participants of the 2019 Youth Triennium in Indiana.

Of interest was Presbytery approving the new way to nominate General Assembly Commissioners by allow elders and ministers to apply rather than waiting for a nod from the Nominating Committee. The process is open to anyone when GA meets in Baltimore 2020.

The Commission on Preparation for Ministry candidate, Michelle Olson, completed her ordination examination and will be ordained at the Lake Grove Presbyterian Church in Lake Oswego on April 7. This was significant, as she has worked hard to become a pastor.

Other reports were made, but of significance was that our own Nancy Patterson was introduced and recognized as a member of the Administrative Personnel Association. She spoke to the assembly about the Association and the important role the church administrators have in the life of the church.

The meeting was adjourned Saturday at 1 pm with a pizza party lunch.

Bruce & Nancy Smith, elected commissioners not in body but in spirit