

Church Announcements – February 15th , 2026

As we celebrate Black History Month, today's music honors the deep roots of faith that sustained generations through struggle, hope, and perseverance. Old Time Religion Medley, arranged by Mark Hayes, weaves together beloved African American spirituals that grew out of lived faith – songs passed from voice to voice, heart to heart. These melodies remind us of a faith that endures, a God who walks with His people, and a community strengthened through song. May this music call us to remember, to give thanks, and to continue living out that same steadfast faith today.

Scripture readings for week of February 22: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 and Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

Lay Assistant for Next Week: David Rittenhouse
Ushers for Next Week: Emily Meseck and Nancy Case
Coffee Hour Servers for Next Week:

NOTICE OF ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

The Annual Meetings of the Congregation and Corporation of the Community Presbyterian Church of Chester, New Jersey, are called for Sunday, February 15, 2026 in the Sanctuary immediately following the 10 AM Worship Service.

The purpose of these meetings is to receive the Annual Reports, elect officers, and conduct any other business which may properly come before the Meetings.

(Book of Order G-1.0502, G-1.0503)

BY ORDER OF THE SESSION

The Rev. Christopher Scrivens, Moderator

Sarah Jane Noll, Clerk of Session

We are starting a **Prayer and Walking group!** All ages are invited to join us, all you need is a good pair of shoes and a heart for prayer. We will be walking on the first Sunday of the month at 2 pm, starting on March 1st. We will announce our walking route closer to the walk date so we can accommodate the weather. Please reach out to Darcy Taylor (908) 996-4649 with any questions.

SCRIP NEWS ~ This month we had 13 families purchase scrip with a net rebate of \$250.81 for CPC and a year-to-date total of \$474.09 Thank you everyone! Tom and Jeanne Perry won this month's donated gift card. Orders are placed on the second Sunday of the month, but individual orders/payments can be dropped off in the office prior to that if it's more convenient. If you have any questions regarding the scrip program or would like to place an order, please contact Nancy Case (201-317-4437 or nbcase48@yahoo.com) and she will be happy to help you. The next scrip order will be placed on Sunday, **March 8, 2026.**

We still have some 2026 Pledge envelopes in the church office. For those who do online giving, if you haven't done so already, please remember to update your withdraw amounts. If you usually donate online, you will not have envelopes, however, blue per capita envelopes are available. Please utilize these when paying your yearly **per capita, which is \$44 for 2026.** If you currently are not assigned an envelope number but would like one, please let the office staff know. Members who have recently joined our church, including this year's confirmation class, please look for your envelopes as well. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Coffee Hour Sign-up ~ Coffee hour is what you want it to be, as simple or extravagant as you wish. Do coffee hour as a family or with a friend... ~ Thank you to those who have signed up! It is an important fellowship time for our church.

Our 2026 Flower Calendar is posted in the Church Office. Flowers are \$42 per Sunday. Flowers are supplied and arranged by Stony Hill Gardens. You may choose to take them home following the service or ask that the Deacons deliver them to someone who could use a little cheering up. If you prefer to make your own arrangement, or provide flowers from your own gardens, just let us know. Thank you.

Book Club met on Tuesday, Jan. 27th for a discussion of *Reading Lolita in Tehran* by Azar Nafisi. They chose *Lolita* by Vladimir Nabokov as the next book to read and plan to meet on Thursday, March 12 at 6:30pm.

Presbyterian Women thanks everyone who drops off unwanted jewelry throughout the year! We had phenomenal success selling bits of gold and silver jewelry, broken pieces, odd earrings, etc. for the gold and sterling content in 2025. With gold and silver at all-time highs, this has proved a tremendous fundraiser for Presbyterian Women. The collection bag is in Fellowship Center and please take a tax donation letter from the church—they are in the bag. Tell your friends and relatives we love the jewelry donations—we take all types including broken pieces. Costume and sterling jewelry will be sold at our November 2026 Holiday Extravaganza. Thank you everyone!

Keep the Chester Mendham Food Pantry in mind when you go to the grocery shop. Items can be dropped off in the trunk in Fellowship Center. They continue to take on new clients and food donations are not back to normal levels. They are extremely low on big trash bags, dish detergent, laundry detergent, coffee, and oil.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun., February 15	9:15 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service / Annual Meeting
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship & Refreshments
	11:15 a.m.	Youth Choirs
	6:00 p.m.	IPSA
Mon., February 16		OFFICE CLOSED ~ Presidents' Day
Tues, February 17	10:00 a.m.	Al-Anon
	9:00 a.m.	Aerobics
	3:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	5:00 p.m.	Set-Up for Shrove Tuesday Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Service
Wed., February 18	7:00 p.m.	Overeaters Anonymous
	9:30 a.m.	Healthy Bones
	6:30 p.m.	Bell Rehearsal
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thurs., February 19	7:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Committee Meeting -LL
	9:00 a.m.	Aerobics
Fri., February 20	10:00 a.m.	Al-Anon
Sat., February 21	7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting
Sunday, Feb. 22	9:15 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship & Refreshments
	11:15 a.m.	Youth Choirs
		Adult Ed: Preparing for Lent
	6:00 p.m.	IPSA



When checking your emails, please check your spam/junk files. Some people have been finding emails from amoc@cpccchester.com in those files. Thank you.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS and CONSIDERATION

If you have any names you would like to have put on prayer list, please call the Church office and we will be happy to put the person(s) on the list, we would also appreciate a call or email to remove names from our list. Thank you for your consideration.

Daniel
 Jose F. E. Hernandez
 Kathy Petrozelli
 Ron Lawrence
 Andy
 Frank DiTaranto
 Thomas Price
 Don Sluter
 Miriam Gonsiska
 Eileen Specchio
 Jess H.
 Ryan H.
 Joelyn
 Phil
 Tom & Valerie
 Art
 Heather A.
 John & Kelly Savarese

Judy
 Olwyn Shaffeld
 Pastor Dave T and Joan
 Paul and Robin
 Annette
 Pete
 Ben
 Valerie
 Stephanie
 Bruce Campbell
 John
 Karen
 Jack Bonacci
 Joe and Ann
 Hillary
 Sarah
 Bill L.

Tracy
 RH
 Cindy B
 Declan
 Jerry
 Ethan
 Tom
 Joanne
 Bonnie
 Jan
 Matthew
 Barbara
 LC
 Suzanne Pfaff
 Ukrainian People
 Liz and Bill G.
 Anna
 Andrea & Jay J.



If possible, please sign up in Fellowship Center if you plan to attend and number attending. There is also a sign-up for help with set-up, cleaning up, etc.

You can also call or email the office, and we will be happy to put you on the list. Thank you.

