

Scripture Readings for January 29<sup>th</sup> : Micah 6:1-8 *and Psalm 15*; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

Lay Assistant for January 29<sup>th</sup> : Elder Andy Smith

Ushers: Deacons Martha Smith & Christy Shepard

Fellowship & Refreshments: The Torgersen Family, Donna Alpaugh

**Week of January 22, 2023 – CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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 12, 2023 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-7.0302)**

**BY ORDER OF THE SESSION**

The Rev. Christopher Scrivens, Moderator  
Janet Lindstrom, Clerk of Session



**FOOTSTEPS**



Following Our One Teacher to Study Teach Experience Pray Salvation



Last week our Sunday School class discussed the book of Nehemiah. Nehemiah was a cupbearer to the king. We discussed what a cupbearer was and some of the responsibilities that went with it. We had the chance to take care of the king's cup by balancing it on a tray trying not to spill it. Because Nehemiah took good care of the king, he asked the king if he could go to Jerusalem to rebuild the wall around the home of his ancestors. The king granted his request. So, with Nehemiah, we travelled to the city of Jerusalem to rebuild the damaged wall. Nehemiah had some opposition to the building of the wall but was able to find people who believed in God and were willing to help protect the workers and build the wall. People had specific jobs to do. With faith in God and with God's help the job got done. Fortunately, we didn't have any opposition to building our wall and the kids worked well together. Some of them cut pieces of brick, some peeled the backing off of the brick and some "laid" the brick. We talked about working together to get something done. We also talked about the purpose of walls/fences. This week we are going to talk about the book of Job and begin the book of Psalms. Please continue following us in the bulletin and on the bulletin board each week.

Sunday School help is still needed. Please see Carolyn or see the sign-up sheet on the FMD door in Fellowship Center.

**Next Confirmation Class** will be held Wednesday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireplace Room

**Reminder: Annual Report Forms** are past due. If you haven't turned a report in yet (and you know who you are) please get your reports in now. Drop them off, email to [amoc@cpcchester.org](mailto:amoc@cpcchester.org). or fax 908-879-1596. Thank you.

**Coffee Hour Volunteers** ~ *Thank you to those who have signed up recently.* Please see the sign-up sheet in Fellowship Center or call the office and we will add your name!

### **2023 Pledge Envelopes**

The 2023 Pledge Envelopes are available. If you have a mailbox in the office they are in there. All others can be found in **alphabetical order** on the card table on the ramp to the sanctuary under the daily announcements.

**Please Note:** Your envelope number may have changed from last year as we are consolidating the numbers.

All donations and monies given to the church on your behalf will follow your new number.

**It is important** that you take your envelopes even if you typically donate ONLINE or ONCE A YEAR as the "**Per Capita**"\*\* envelope is included and we do not want to waste money if we have to send it to you.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to the church office during the week or email me at [financialsecretary@cpcchester.org](mailto:financialsecretary@cpcchester.org). Thank you all so much for your cooperation in this. Jacki Spinelli, Financial Secretary

**\*\*Per Capita is \$42.50 per member.** There is a blue envelope

In everyone's box of envelopes for this purpose. If you do not get envelopes, when you make out check, please be sure to put in the memo line for per capita and drop in offering plate, or in the office or mail.

**The Parish Life sponsored book club** chose John Steinbeck's **East of Eden** as their next book. The book discussion originally scheduled for Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> has been changed to Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Additional participants and book suggestions are always welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Joan Stephens (201-874-1477).

**SCRIP NEWS** ~ 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](mailto:nbcase48@yahoo.com)) and she will be happy to help you. The next scrip order will be placed on Sunday, **FEBRUARY 12, 2023.**

Join us and bring a friend, the more the merrier, for our next **Women's Breakfast Saturday, February 4, 2023** beginning at 8am at the Chester Diner.

**The 2023 Flower Calendar** is posted and has lots of openings if anyone is interested in having flowers in the Sanctuary on a Sunday. Flowers are from Stony Hill Gardens and are \$42 for a Sunday. Forms are available in the church office or call, and we will put your name on the calendar. Checks can be made out to CPC and marked flowers in the memo line.

**From CPC Presbyterian Women:** Would you please save the fronts of your received Christmas cards again? There is a bag in the office for them. We need just the fronts for a Presbyterian Women project for the next Holiday Extravaganza. If you are not reusing your decorative paper Christmas bags again, please drop them off in the office.

**Do you have news to share with your church family?** We would be happy to share your news, happy, sad, exciting, whatever but we cannot share with the congregation if we are not aware of the news, be it passings, births, weddings, graduations, accomplishments ~

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship: In Person and Virtual</b>
	<b>10:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Fellowship and Refreshments</b>
		<b>Genesis Ringers rehearse</b>
		<b>New Members/Inquirers Class</b>
	6:00 p.m.	IPSA*
Mon., January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Deacons Meeting
Tues., January 24 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a.m.	Fifty Plus Club
	3:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Wed., January 25 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 a.m.	Healthy Bones
Thurs., January 26 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a.m.	Quilters Group
	6:30 p.m.	Bell Rehearsal ~ Larison Room
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Sunday, Jan., 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>
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	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>IPSA</b>

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS and CONSIDERATION

If you have any names you would like to have put on our 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.

Dick	Suzanne Pfaff	Jan
Sarah Jane	Ukrainian People	Margie
Kristi	Liz and Bill G	Kim
L C	Anna	Pam Spinelli
Bill Wolgamuth	Andrea	Lance Tkacs
Judy		Ken McCrea & Wife

**Church Family News: Lance Tkacs Update:** So some good news! The tumors have not grown and there is indications of necrosis (meaning the cancer is dying). This is the best news, as I was truly expecting a bad report. There has been a lot of news about the lottery....but I feel like I just won. I thank you all for your prayers as they were answered!