



CHRIST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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August 2021

KIVA **NEWSLETTER**



A Word From Our Pastor...



It's an honor to continue to serve as the pastor of this incredible congregation and church family. I've had the opportunity to do so for the last 25 years. And I think my proudest and most humble time has been over the last three months when I had to take time away to heal after falling from a ladder, and you all had to step up and lead. You did so with grace and finesse.

I was so humbled to worship online and be led by many folks whose faith was so deep and shared so openly. The church is certainly the people. I believe we are a visible witness to the world on how life can be lived together, faithfully.

When we give our lives to God through following Jesus as our Savior, and let the Holy Spirit come to us and through us... great and mighty things happen.

So, what now? Let's keep going! May we stay in the journey together, leading each other to a deeper faith in Christ, reaching out to others to invite them into the journey with us, making room for new folks in worship and all the other parts of our church life.

Let's not just enjoy this church family together, let's expand it.

Invite your neighbors, friends, co-workers, bridge partners, whomever, to join you in-person or on-line. Make sure you reach out and greet each other (in-person/on-line). You could share our social media postings to your social media posts and use them as a way to invite others.

We've got the Good News.... Let's tell everyone!

Peace in our journeys,
Pastor Steve Melde

Sunday Worship

We celebrate worship every Sunday morning

8:30 a.m. with the Band (in the Sanctuary)

10:45 a.m. with Luke, Susan, and the choirs (in the Sanctuary)

Children are welcome in worship. We do host a nursery (professionally staffed) for the youngest of our children, if parents choose.

We are worshiping in-person and on-line:

www.cpctucsonaz.org (scroll to bottom of homepage)

[www.Facebook.com/ChristPresbyterianTucson](https://www.facebook.com/ChristPresbyterianTucson)

www.YouTube.com/CPCTucsonAZ

Our August worship theme:

Romans 8 – Pastor Steve’s favorite chapter in the Bible

August 1: Romans 8:1-8 Set free for what?

We will also celebrate the Sacrament of Communion

Liturgist: Laura Cech

August 8: Romans 8:9-17 The Battle between Flesh and Spirit

Liturgist: 8:30 Julie McCrea; 10:45 Bart Kimball

August 15: Romans 8:18-25 Suffering and Hope

Liturgist: Ann Larrabee

August 22: Romans 8:26-27 The Art of Prayer

Liturgist: Lhasa Compton

August 29: Romans 8:28-39 Getting through it all

Liturgist: Fred Hubbard

Sunday Funday



Sunday Funday kick-off is September 12 for combination in-person and Zoom classes for those who can't attend in person. For more information, please contact Miss Robin at robbert77@juno.com



2-4 Youth Fellowship

Our 2-4 Youth Fellowship for our teens (Grades 6-12) will begin on Sunday, August 22nd, 6 p.m. with our annual Parent/Youth Night. Families are encouraged to come together for an evening of fun and food and signing up to help with the fall semester's activities.

**WELCOME
BACK**

Adult Sunday School

Adult Christian Living will start meeting
Sunday, September 12

9:30 a.m. in E/F

Line by Line Bible Study, will be at 9:30 a.m. in A/B

Memorials

Bob DeRees - August 21, 10:00 a.m.

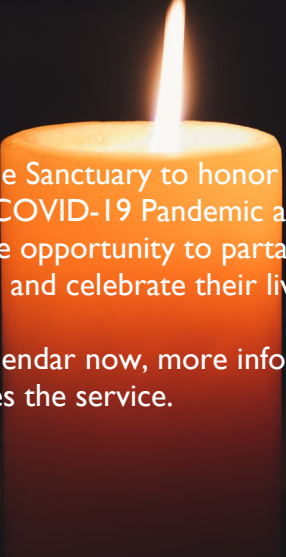
Rada Rich - August 28, 1:00 p.m.

(In lieu of flowers, please donate to fronteradecristo.org)

Dot Young - September 11, 3:00 p.m.

Memorial Service for our Loved Ones Sunday, November 7, 2021 4:00 p.m. Tucson Time

A Time to honor our loved ones who passed away during the
COVID-19 Pandemic.



Join us in the Sanctuary to honor loved ones who passed away during the COVID-19 Pandemic and gathering restrictions. We will have the opportunity to partake in the sacrament of communion and celebrate their lives in word, song, and prayer.

Set your calendar now, more information is coming as the planning team creates the service.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

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Did you know?? All women of the CPC congregation are members of Presbyterian Women and are invited to participate in Bible study and learn about local, national and international mission service projects.

Bible Study for 2021

All women are invited to participate. The Bible Study meets on the first Friday of the month at 1:00 p.m. starting September 3.

Thank you to all who support the Women's projects!

Ronald McDonald House: Please hold all pop tabs, disinfectant wipes, and chemo caps until after COVID-19 subsides.

Lions Club Glasses: Lenses, frames and any glasses ARE being accepted.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has started meeting on the first Tuesday of the month, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in rooms E/F. Our next meeting will be August 3. We hope to have a great time catching up on what everyone has been doing during the long pandemic. We look forward to seeing all of our members and would love to see some new faces appear, so if you knit or crochet, please consider coming to our meeting and see what we do. We will be following church recommendations of wearing masks and practicing social distancing.

If you have any questions, please call LuAnn Cobb, 520-721-7338



YOUTH ON THEIR OWN™



Going back to school each fall can be a difficult time for youth who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity. Many have a hard time succeeding because they lack the basic support and resources we take for granted, like food, hygiene products, and school supplies.

You are the key to helping these students in-need succeed! By making a gift to our Back to School Challenge, you can make a direct, positive impact on the lives of youth in Pima County.

This year, we are raising money to purchase high-demand items for all of the YOTO students we anticipate serving this 2021-2022 school year. We're thrilled to announce that a group of anonymous donors have generously committed to matching all financial gifts up to \$15,000 - this means your donation can go twice as far! Your gift today will ensure every student starts off the school year on the right foot!

Ways you can donate:

- Online at <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/YOTOBTS21>
- Over the phone by calling (520) 545-0689
- In person **beginning July 6, 2021** by dropping off a check at the YOTO office at 1660 N Alvernon Way on a Monday-Friday between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm

Give blood.

Every 2 seconds someone
in the U.S. needs blood.

American Red Cross



**Blood Drive
August 28, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 pm
Fellowship Hall**

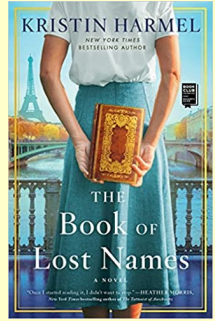
**For more information or to schedule an
appointment, please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit:
redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: CPC**

Donations are by appointment only.

Book Club

The Book Club will meet via Skype on Tuesday, August 10, 1:00 p.m. to discuss: *The Book of Lost Names* by Kristen Harmel

Eva Traube Abrams, a semi-retired librarian in Florida, is shelving books when her eyes lock on a photograph in the *New York Times*. She freezes; it's an image of a book she hasn't seen in more than sixty years—a book she recognizes as *The Book of Lost Names*.



The accompanying article discusses the looting of libraries by the Nazis across Europe during World War II—an experience Eva remembers well—and the search to reunite people with the texts taken from them so long ago. The book in the photograph, an eighteenth-century religious text thought to have been taken from France in the waning days of the war, is one of the most fascinating cases. Now housed in Berlin's Zentral- und Landesbibliothek library, it appears to contain some sort of code, but researchers don't know where it came from—or what the code means. Only Eva holds the answer, but does she have the strength to revisit old memories?

As a graduate student in 1942, Eva was forced to flee Paris and find refuge in a small mountain town in the Free Zone, where she began forging identity documents for Jewish children fleeing to neutral Switzerland. But erasing people comes with a price, and along with a mysterious, handsome forger named Rémy, Eva decides she must find a way to preserve the real names of the children who are too young to remember who they really are. The records they keep in *The Book of Lost Names* will become even more vital when the resistance cell they work for is betrayed and Rémy disappears.

An engaging and evocative novel reminiscent of *The Lost Girls of Paris* and *The Alice Network*, *The Book of Lost Names* is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit and the power of bravery and love in the face of evil.



Congregational Care Corner

Compassion Connections Ministry

Let All that you do be done in love! I Corinthians 16:14

Greetings Friends!

Welcome Back, Pastor Melde!!!!

As many of you know, our Compassion Connections Team helped lead worship in June. In preparation for the worship experience, much thought went into how we can show the congregation how God is working through our ministry. No better way than to ask the VIPP how Compassion Connections makes a difference in their faith journey. So my granddaughter, Kelsey (she ran the camera) and I went to visit a few of our VIPP and asked them to tell us what it has meant to be included in our ministry. Particularly during the pandemic. It was wonderful to see some our people, some of whom we had not seen since before the pandemic. And at the same time, my heart ached when I saw the decline in some; such sadness, weariness, and despair. As they spoke, I witnessed the effects of isolation, loneliness, uncertainty, and hardship of being confined. But in each person I saw God..... and felt their thankfulness..... gratitude and relief. I heard hope....I sensed the love in their hearts for God and their church, and I knew beyond a doubt that God is working around us, through us, and in us! Thank you all who shared with us, it helped us better understand how your confinement and absence of human interaction during the pandemic changed us all. And reminded us that we were not completely isolated. For nothing can separate us from the love, hope, and presence of our Holy Father. Nothing! Thanks be to God!

The Prayer Shawls are blessed and ready for distribution! We blessed the shawls during worship and our supply is restocked. If you or someone you know is struggling and would like to receive a shawl from the CPC Prayer Shawl Ministry, please let us know. We depend on all of you to help us reach out to our faith community by informing us of the need. Folks don't always let us know so please

help us share the love of Christ among us. A special thanks to the prayer Shawl team for all of their work. They indeed let all they do be done in LOVE.

Please hold in prayer Lana Rich, Nancy Cella, and Sharon Holcomb as they grieve the loss of their beloved spouses: Rada Rich, Pete Cella, and Jim Holcomb. We celebrate their lives and thank God for each of them.

Some good news to share; the Compassion Connections Team has been given permission to get back out to our “in-person” visits! We are so excited and looking forward to re-connecting in person with you!

May God continue to bless each of you and hold you in his care. May you feel his **Presence**, know his **Love**, and live in his **Peace and Grace**, always. Amen. Hope to see you all very soon!

Keep us posted on how you are doing and any prayer requests you may have. Call the church office and leave a message, 886-5535, and I will return your call. Call my cell phone, or send me an email, cpc.congcare@gmail.com.

If you have an emergency or crisis situation, please contact Pastor Melde at the church office 520-886-5535, or on his cell.

Blessings,
Debby Anderson

CPC Ministries, Teams, and Groups

Please call Stella at the office if you are planning to resume your recurring meetings on campus so she can reserve space and include you in the calendar.



Flea Market News



Secondhand Weekend: August 7 & 8

This is one of those months when the second Sunday falls on the same weekend as the first Saturday. For months like this we use the Sunday days, to determine Secondhand Weekends.

Saturday Hours for Processing Donations and Donation Collections: 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sunday Hours for Processing Donations: 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sunday Donation Collection Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 12 Noon. **(This change will remain in effect from now on.)**

If you are volunteering, please bring your own snacks and lunch. Bottled water available. Please mask up if you are not fully vaccinated.

Flea Market (Oct 7-9) Volunteers Sign-Ups

The Flea Market Team will be using **SignUpGenius** for the Flea Market Volunteer positions this year. This tool will allow you to sign up through email. You will be able to view and select the dates and positions you would like to volunteer for: Set Up (mainly in the month of September). The Sale (Oct 7-9). Clean Up (Oct 7-13). Please let us know if you need help with the process or do not receive email. We can help you with the electronic program or put your name on the paper roster.

Because of COVID-19 restrictions the sale was moved from March to October, which means that most of our winter visitors, many of whom are enthusiastic volunteers, will not be back to Tucson in time to help us this year. We are therefore asking those in town: PLEASE come as often as you can. We need a great deal of help, as all 10 pods are at, or nearly at, capacity. There will be LOTS of stuff to get out and display and store for the March 2021 sale (yes, we hope to be back on track from that point forward).

A gentle reminder of donations we can no longer accept:

- Mattresses of any size, condition, or quality.
- Mechanical beds and chairs (medical or lift type).
- Large appliances (stoves, refrigerators, dishwashers, built-in microwaves or ovens, washers, dryers, etc.)
- Plumbing/remodel fixtures (sinks, toilets, kitchen counters, flooring, tiles, similar items)
- Big box TV's
- In General: Any item that is broken/damaged/dirty beyond a gentle cleaning (includes clothing, furniture, any normal household items, electrical and mechanical machines, tools,

Men of Faith Breakfast

Biscuits Country Café, 7026 E. Broadway Blvd.

The Men's Breakfast meets every third Wednesday of the month. We're Men studying the Bible to become better men of faith. The next meeting is Wednesday, August 18. All ages are invited. Bring a friend! Separate checks!

Casa Maria Sandwich Making

Tuesday August 24, 8:30 a.m.

Casa Maria Soup Kitchen is an organization that has been providing hundreds of meals daily since 1981 to Tucson's hungry women, children, and men.

CPC Casa Maria Sandwich Making Ministry meets every fourth Tuesday of the month to put together two hundred lunches. Each lunch includes two sandwiches, fruit and cookies.

If you would like to provide sandwiches (meat and cheese), please bring them to Fellowship Hall before (they can be kept in the refrigerator) the fourth Tuesday of the month or by 8:30 the morning of. If you would like to help put the lunches together, contact Cindy at ridingsc@comcast.net.



Presbyterian Women of CPC Crafts Group Happenings



August, September, October

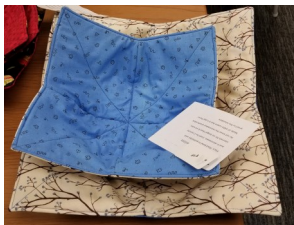
Note: This article includes three months' worth of scheduling due to the upcoming October Flea Market.

If you would like to join in the crafting fun, we would be thrilled to have you join us! We meet on Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. You are welcome to craft with us or contribute some of your own creations for our Presbyterian Women Mission fundraising sales. If you would rather craft, sew, crochet, or knit from home, that is perfectly okay too. The profits from the sale of our items go to many worthwhile organizations.

With the upcoming Flea Market set-up and sale days, our scheduled days at church will alter as follows:

- For the month of August: Meet as usual. Room A/B. 9-12, each Wednesday.
- For the month of September: Meet as usual on Sept 1 and Sept 8. No crafts for the remainder of the month, due to Flea Market. (Meet us instead, in the multi-Purpose room if you wish to help with the set up and staging of the sale).
- For the month of October: No crafts on Oct 6 or 13. Crafts resume on Oct 20.

We will begin preparing for the PW Craft Sale (December 4 & 5), when we resume our weekly Wednesday meetings.



In the month of November, our days will extend from ending at 12 noon until 2 p.m. as there is often much to do just prior to the sale. More on this as time gets closer. Masks are no longer required for the fully vaccinated, but optional, as you desire.

Contact Pam Cullop – pjcullop@gmail.com or call/text: 520-271-6678 to help with projects or to get into the hallway to look at what we have for sale.



Our August Birthdays!



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| 1 Rebecca Martin | 15 David McClanahan |
| 1 Lou Potter | 18 Kallie Parkey |
| 2 Ken Ryan | 19 Cathy Bioxham |
| 3 Joan Van Loozenoord | 20 Lynne Nagele |
| 4 Jemma Cullop | 22 Lhasa Compton |
| 4 Steve Hutchins | 23 Sharon Holcomb |
| 6 Eve Thorburn | 23 Lois Koch |
| 6 Larry Raines | 23 Debi Ryan |
| 8 Ann Byrum | 24 Heather Radcliffe |
| 8 Mike Letson | 24 Marian Rogerson |
| 8 Tom Oliver | 27 Barbara Bastin |
| 8 Rebecca Standifer | 28 Ani Ver Burg |
| 11 Eric Gardiner | 29 Jen Stretch |
| 12 Peggy Wynkoop | 30 Roni Reeves-Voeltner |
| 15 Craig Courville | 31 Bart Kimball |



If we've missed
your birthday,
please let us



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Deadlines

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Monday—Friday

9 a.m.—3 p.m.

(Closed for lunch 12 —1 p.m.)

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Weekly Bulletins and Friday

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inserts

Please submit your articles and

requests by **Wednesday at**

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