



Camp Hill Press

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From The Pastor’s Desk

Dear Friends,

As I write this, it was less than 2 months ago when the Mission Study Team presented its report to the congregation. A lot has taken place over those last two months – Christmas, New Year’s Day, a government shut-down that has lasted longer than any other in our history. It feels as though that report was given at least six months ago. And because of everything that has happened since, it is easy for us to forget what was in the report and overlook some of the findings in the report. I want to bring some of those findings to your attention.

One of the things that jumped out at me in the report was that, according to a local pastor, 70% of the residents in the church’s immediate vicinity are unchurched. To be sure, that is not all that different from national averages. That means that some of your neighbors and co-workers have no church. Years ago I attended a workshop where the presenter said that each of us knows at least 7 people who are unchurched. He said we should write their names on an index card and pray for them for 2 weeks. Then we should invite them to church. His studies showed that at

least 2 of them would say “no.” But at least 2 of them would say “yes.” Would any of you be interested in trying that? If 70% of the area’s residents are unchurched, maybe “the harvest is plentiful,” (Matt. 9:37).

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS	
Feb. 3	Communion Annual Meeting
Feb. 6	Mid-week Organ Recital Lunch 11:45 Recital 12:15
Feb. 10	Hymn Festival 4 p.m.
Feb. 17	MATE Day Rev. Thea Kornelius preaching
Feb. 18	President’s Day; Church Office closed
Feb. 25	Session 7:30 p.m.

There was also a strong interest expressed in having a worship service that is more “blended.” I know that thought makes some people uncomfortable. But a blended service does not mean electric guitars and drums and large screens. It does mean perhaps singing music that has been written in the last 10 or 20 years (I love the public radio statement that, “Remember, all music was once new”), and maybe using acoustic guitars for some songs. It could mean having a different order of worship. We are hoping to develop some possibilities for that. Your suggestions are welcome for this, as are your talents (any other guitar players out there?).

The report also indicated a strong desire to become “more engaged in meeting the emerging needs of the local community.” Part of that means being a more visible neighbor, getting involved in more Camp Hill activities, and letting the community know what we are doing. But it also means getting beyond the walls of the church, and

doing that more than just the symbol of opening the doors when we sing “Joy to the World.” There is so much good here at Camp Hill, and so much that can yet be done. The Session will be working on some of these things as we move forward. We ask for your prayers and your support, as we are “Striving to discern God’s will as we embrace this opportunity of transition to become more actively engaged in ministry and service, in following Jesus Christ in the church and the community, with vibrant participation by all generations.”

In doing that, this could be a really exciting year for Camp Hill Presbyterian Church. I look forward to continuing this part of the journey with you.

See you in worship!

Craig Miller

CHPC Pastors Seeking Hospital and Wellness News

The church’s pastoral staff wants to visit congregation members who have been hospitalized, are recovering from surgery or illness, or are homebound. Please call the office at (717) 737-0488 to share this news about yourself or a member of the church family.

About

Gwen Fourson Recognized



Gwen Fourson was recognized as an “Honorary Life Member of Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (USA)” at the January 2019 meeting of Dorcas Circle. A member of CHPC for 40 years, Gwen was recognized by the Executive Director of Presbyterian Women for her commitment and faithful dedication to the life of CHPC. During her 12 years as a Deacon, including one term as Moderator, Gwen faithfully led, and demonstrated, the meaning of ‘service’. A member of the Sanctuary Choir for 40 years, she has also been a volunteer in the church office, and has faithfully been (and continues to be) a Sunday Offering ‘counter’ for 30 years. “In charge” of the church kitchen for more than 20 years, she kept things clean, organized and in good working order. For many years, the great kettles of soup served at CHPC’s popular Wednesday Lenten Family Nights were prepared by Gwen, and the “Senior Lunch Bunch” gatherings enjoyed Gwen’s culinary talents as well. As a MATE participant, Gwen fed the workers for 5 years. Currently, she prepares the lunch for the CHPC Organ Recitals, as she has for the last 10 years and is a faithful participant of Prayer Fellowship every Wednesday. Please join PW in expressing gratitude and appreciation for the service and commitment Gwen has given to CHPC.

CHPC PW

Thank-You. Presbyterian Women of CHPC thank you for your generous support of our Quilters and Crafters Sale on December 9 and 16, as well as supporting the PW Bake Sale. Your contributions will enable us to further our mission support.

Save the Date for “Food, Fun, Frivolity!”

Please plan on joining in for lunch and entertainment at 11:45 a.m. Sunday, March 3, right after the service. Start thinking about what you might like to share during our “talent show” — singing a song, telling some jokes, performing magic, playing an instrument, putting on a skit, presenting your artwork — anything goes! Or, just come and enjoy the food and fun!



Getting to Know Our Staff



We hear him play beautiful music during worship and watch him skillfully lead the choir, but what else do you know about our Director of Music, Dan Dorty? Enjoy an opportunity to learn more below! Feel free to visit Dan during his office hours, Monday thru Thursday, noon to 4 pm. He advises that the best way to reach him is on his cell phone (717-414-6892).

Where are you from originally?

-I grew up in Shippensburg, PA

Where have you lived before this area?

-Only ever lived in Shippensburg.

Where did you go to school?

-I went to Big Spring High School in Newville, PA and Messiah College in Mechanicsburg, PA.

What have been your favorite jobs?

-Serving as Director of Music and Organist for First United Presbyterian Church, Newville, PA and, especially, here at Camp Hill Presbyterian Church.

What is your favorite book?

-God's Holy Word (the Bible) and my hymnal...I love the texts to the great hymns of faith.

What is your favorite movie?

-The Legend of 1900

Do you have hobbies?

-I love Sudoku and spending time with friends. Music really is my life, my hobby, and my expression of faith.

What is your favorite Scripture verse?

-Psalm 34

What do you enjoy most about CHPC?

-I love the members of CHPC, such incredibly loving children of God whom I'm blessed to serve, day in and day out.

Care

Downtown Daily Bread Needs Backpacks



Downtown Daily Bread would greatly appreciate your donated backpacks. Please bring in your used, but still functional, backpacks and place them in the marked box in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your generosity.

Serve

New Hope Ministries

Our church supports New Hope Ministries in a variety of ways: 1) financially; 2) working 2 evenings per month to keep the food bank open when it would otherwise be closed; and 3) with our prayers. We have several members who volunteer their time on the 2nd and 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. We need more volunteers for this work (working the front desk as customers arrive, helping them shop, and stocking the shelves from the food in the warehouse). It takes 5 workers each evening. The current procedure is as follows:



- 1) send your name, email address and phone number saying you are interested in volunteering a few times per year to Monica Zazworsky at zaz@sprintmail.com;
- 2) register to volunteer with New Hope Ministries (on their website under the Join Us tab);
- 3) attend one evening to train;
- 4) wait for emails asking you about your availability in the coming months and then respond with your availability;
- 5) read the emails from Monica Zazworsky that say whether you are working that month or not; and
- 6) work the night you are scheduled.

Hope to hear from many of you soon as we need to beef up our volunteer list for 2019. The work is light and very appreciated. Feed my sheep....says Christ.

M.A.T.E. Pastor to Preach at CHPC on February 17



On February 17, Pastor Thea (pronounced “Tee-ah”) Kornelius will be here. Thea, shown here with Dan Flint at one of our 2018 housing project sites, is the pastor of the Fairbanks and New Portland churches, and Executive Director of MATE and the MATE Housing Ministry. Please plan to be in church that day to learn more about this ministry that has meant so much to generations of Camp Hill Presbyterians.

Do you feel called to serve God through helping others? Do you want to learn new skills? Do you want to make new friends and strengthen bonds with other church folks you already know? Do you want to have fun? If the answer to any of these questions is yes, then this may be the year for

you to join our mission team as it travels to beautiful western Maine to work at Mission at the Eastward, more commonly known as MATE.

Set aside the week of July 20-27 on your calendar now to join members and friends of CHPC for our annual summer mission trip. Our group works with the MATE Housing Ministry (MHM) to repair or build homes for persons in need. We expect to once again work side by side with members of the First Presbyterian Church of Ramsey, NJ.

Registration materials will be available in the Gathering Space on March 1, and must be returned to the MATE mailbox (across from the church office) no later than April 30. The team will meet for orientation immediately after the annual Deacon’s Pancake Breakfast.

This trip is a wonderful opportunity for teens and adults to meet new people, have lots of fun, and serve in Christ’s name. No prior construction skills are necessary! Save the dates!

Are You of a “Sound” Mind?



Charlie Appleby will be providing training to those interested in volunteering as “engineers” for the Sanctuary’s sound system. The first session will be held at 11:45 a.m. on Sunday, January 27. Contact commtaskforce@gmail.com or just stop by the audio/visual booth any Sunday for more information.

It's the Season to Volunteer

Join your CHPC brothers and sisters in service to those in need. Please prayerfully consider donating just two hours of your time to Downtown Daily Bread on any Saturday throughout the year. Signup online at <https://ttsu.me/gy4jjh> or contact Joe Harner at (717) 421-1493.



Learn

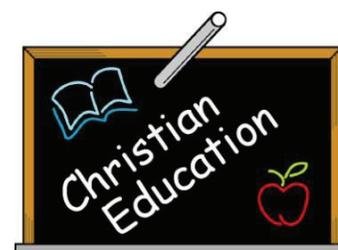
Immediate Need for Sunday School Teachers

The nurture committee has an immediate need for Sunday School teachers in February.

K-5 Classroom: February 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th

RAP/PYC classroom: February 10th & 24th

Teachers are provided with a curriculum by email on the Monday or Tuesday before they teach. For questions about teaching or to sign up via email...Contact Lindsay Gottwald.



Session on Triennium Scheduled



Parents and guardians for youth ages 0 to 18 are strongly encouraged to join the RAP/PYC class in the Youth Room from 9 to 10 a.m. Sunday, February 3. Pastor Craig Miller will provide testimony and lead an informational session on Triennium and other youth programs offered through the Presbyterian Church.

WHAT IS TRIENNIUM?

Triennium is a gathering held every three years for high school students of the PC(USA) and Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Youth from churches all over the country come together for five days of CONVERSATION, RECREATION, LEARNING, WORSHIP, AND FUN. It's a life-changing, life-giving, faith-growing gathering focused around the theme, "Here's My Heart."

WHERE AND WHEN

Triennium takes place July 16 - 20, 2019 on the beautiful campus of Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN.

A Prayer for Our Youth

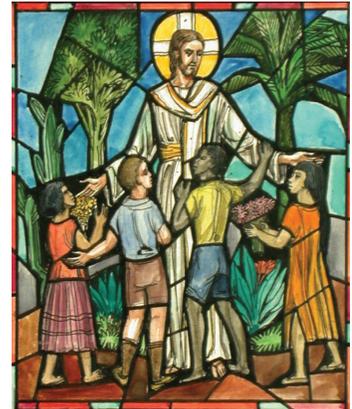
Over coffee several years ago, a friend and I tried to name the information we used on a weekly basis from our years of formal education. We rattled off skills learned in elementary school: basic arithmetic, map reading, computer skills, reading, and writing. Middle school received high marks for “general knowledge” content, but high school curriculum was poorly represented in our list.

That conversation greatly impacted my views on education. Specifically, I started thinking of high school not as a space for content mastery, but as workshop for learning with increasing independence. To put it another way, my goal for students exiting high school would not be for them to remember all content, but to leave with the skills to master and synthesize content as needed in their daily lives.

My views on Christian education echo these sentiments. While I hope some important biblical content sticks firmly with the youth at CHPC, I have additional learning goals in mind as I look toward their adult years. Overall, I hope that, as a congregation, we do everything we can to arm our youth with tools to independently navigate meaningful lives of faith.

My prayer for our youth is the same as Paul’s for the Philippians: “that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.” (Philippians 1: 9b-11)

Lindsay M. Gottwald, Director of Youth & Christian Education



Give

CHPC-Presbyterian Women THANK YOU!!!!!!

Thank you for your “warm donations” of 24 blankets which were delivered to DDB (Downtown Daily Bread) on January 10, 2019. In addition, 7 backpacks were delivered at that time. We were told that day that the blankets would be handed out that evening with temperatures dropping into the mid 20s.

Since September of 2018 a total of 84 blankets were delivered to DDB, and we continue to collect these items, to be placed in the Gathering Space by the steps.

Your generous donations have enabled those less fortunate to stay a little warmer these cold days of winter. God bless you.

Staff Thank you!

Your church staff (who were with us the entire 2018 calendar year) wish to express their thanks to the congregation for the generous monetary Christmas gift voluntarily provided by many members in December. Your gifts were very appreciated and affirming of each of the staff member's work here at CHPC.

2019 Per Capita Amount

Reminder: The 2019 per capita amount for presbytery, synod, and PCUSA expenses is \$27.10. Please consider making this contribution, as this is a regular annual expense for CHPC. Thank you!

What Per Capita Dollars Do For Your Congregation



*Per Capita -
For Love of
Christ's Church*

All Presbyterians benefit from each congregation's payment of their share of Per Capita. Per Capita is a fundamental way in which all of the nearly 10,000 congregations and mid councils of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) connect, participate, and share in the work of the wider church. Per capita is the primary source of funding for the Office of the General Assembly, and is how Presbyterians mutually and equitably share the costs of coming together to discern the Spirit's leading for the future.

The per capita amounts are determined by the General Assembly nationally, regionally by the Synod and locally by the Presbytery. These monies are used to perform and coordinate the responsibilities, functions, and missions of each governing body. The amount for 2019 is set at \$27.10 per member. \$15.85 is for the Presbytery, \$2.30 is for the Synod, and \$8.95 is for the General Assembly.

The Carlisle Presbytery is committed to remitting the full amount of the Per Capita assessment to the Synod and General Assembly. The churches that do not honor their full financial commitment place an unfair burden on the Presbytery and those churches that do.

CHPC's Session honors this commitment on behalf of our congregation by paying our full Per Capita assessment each year, which for 2019 will be more than \$10,000.

Many of our members pay their own Per Capita assessment each year, assisting CHPC with this expense. Please consider paying the Per Capita assessment for all in your family who are active members of CHPC. This extra gift to the church will free monies in the CHPC budget to further our mission efforts locally while supporting our collaboration with our Presbyterian brothers and sisters furthering the mission of Jesus Christ around the world.

Per Capita directly benefits your church as it:

- Maintains a physical office and staff at all three levels of governance.
- Provides tools for your congregation if searching for a pastor.
- Assures the future of the Presbyterian Church by preparing those in our Presbytery who are called to ministry.
- Assists in conflict resolution if your congregation is having internal disagreements.
- Supports your youths' faith journeys through Camp Krislund, Youth Triennium, and other youth events.
- Insures prudent business administration by assisting your congregation with property issues, loans, insurance, and record keeping.
- Educates your church leaders to become better ruling elders, deacons, and ministers by providing free learning opportunities such as REACH, etc.
- Represents your congregation's disaster assistance mission through Lend-A-Hand and work of mission committee.
- Improves your congregation's ability to discern God's call in the life of the Church universal and working and living in fellowship with "all persons in every nation."
- Holds General Assembly meeting bi-annually where each Presbytery is represented to discern God's plans for congregations and denomination.
- Supports the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia.

Connect

"Then Sings My Soul" – Festival of Hymns

Music, Art & Drama Event – Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.



Under the direction of Linda L. Tedford, Artistic Director, Founder and Conductor of the Susquehanna Chorale, Camp Hill Presbyterian Church's Chancel Choir will be presenting a concert of hymns and spirituals including works by John Rutter, Mack Wilberg, Gilbert Martin and other American arrangers.

The Chancel Choir will be accompanied on organ and piano by Daniel L. Dorty, Director of Music at CHPC. The congregation will have the opportunity to sing several well-known hymns with the choir during the course of the program.

We invite you to come support the Chancel Choir and the MAD series by joining with us in singing praises to God and being uplifted through hymns old and new!

Wednesday Noonday Organ Recitals



Shawn Gingrich

First United Methodist Church, Hershey, PA

Wednesday, February 6 11:45 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.

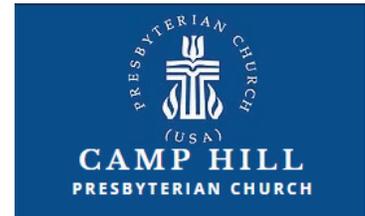
Light Lunch served in Fellowship Hall

12:15 p.m. — 12:45 p.m.

Organ Recital in the Sanctuary

CHPC's Website

Our website address is <https://www.CampHillPres.org>. Please save a bookmark or favorite to return and get the latest updates. We appreciate your comments and suggestions which you can send to commtaskforce@gmail.com



YouTube Channel

Did you miss a sermon? Do you want to hear a sermon again? Visit The CHPC YouTube Channel. Sermons are posted on CHPC's YouTube channel and our Facebook page as soon as possible following worship.

CHPC Social Media

Our online community continues to grow with more than 400 friends and followers.

- FACEBOOK - The CHPC social Facebook page, CHPC Pastors is where you can see posts from the Pastors and staff, share your posts, and interact with other friends of CHPC. Our organization page Camp Hill Presbyterian Church is where breaking news and events are posted. Be sure to "LIKE" the page to be notified when news is posted. Please SHARE posts with your Facebook friends!
- Instagram: [Camp_Hill_Presbyterian_Church](#)
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