

# The Lamplighter

A Newsletter of **Community Presbyterian Church**

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*Growing In Christ and Loving One Another*



## FEBRUARY 2025

### Message From Session

Dear CPC sisters and brothers in Christ, Session met Tuesday, January 21st and decided rather than summarizing our meeting, which we usually do on the first page of the Lamplighter, we would inform you of the responses we received from you to the questions suggested by the Genesis group that was here in November.

Above all else, thank you for taking the time to do this important work. Session was very pleased with both the number of responses received and the quality of your answers. It was obvious that many of you put a lot of thought into answering the questions, and we would like to share those answers with you.

We cannot publish the entire document on this one page, but we will provide a link at the bottom of the page you can click on to view all the responses. A link will also be provided in the e-news and hard copies are available in the Narthex.

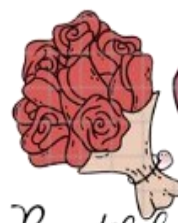
[GENESIS QUESTION ANSWERS](#)

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Again, thank you for taking the time to respond.

Your Session - Bob Ahern, Britt Anderson-Mueller, Truman Grandey, Rick Hoffman, Linda Jackson-Shaw, George Johnson, Luann Johnson, Carol Nelson, Diane Putnam, Rev Ann Bowersox - Moderator, and Nancy Patterson - Clerk of Session

### GOD SAYS YOU ARE



*Beautiful*  
Ecclesiastes 3:11



*Strong*  
Psalm 18:15



*Worthy*  
Romans 5:8



*Loved*  
John 3:16



*Enough*  
2 Corinthians 12:9



*Capable*  
Mark 10:27



*Unique*  
Psalm 139:19



*Precious*  
1 Corinthians 6:20



*Forgiven*  
Psalm 103:12

## Music Ministry February 2025

It seems like we just celebrated Christmas, and, yet, now the Worship committee is already preparing for Lent and Easter. With this in mind, I would like to invite you to join the choir in preparing and presenting a Lenten sacred cantata, "At the Ninth Hour." We will perform it on Palm Sunday, April 13th during the worship service.

What is a cantata? Wikipedia says it "is a vocal composition with an instrumental accompaniment, typically in several movements, often involving a choir." Because this sacred cantata begins with a Palm Sunday piece, "Hosanna," and ends with a beautiful arrangement of "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," it is a perfect one to help share the Holy Week message.

The choir will meet every Sunday at 9:00 am to practice for 45 minutes and will have a Dress Rehearsal on Saturday, April 12th (time TBD). We also need instrumentalists (string quintet, flute, oboe, Horn in F, and percussion). The parts are considered to be easy to moderate in skill levels, so we would love to invite any members who might be interested in playing. If you are interested or have questions, please contact me. I hope you will come sing/play your praises with us!

Blessings, Karen Baldwin-Kuntz - Director of Music Ministries



### *The Love of God*

*The love of God is greater far  
Than tongue or pen can ever tell.  
Could we with ink the ocean fill,  
And were the skies of parchment made,  
were every stalk on earth a quill,  
And every man a scribe by trade,  
To write the love of God above,  
Would drain the ocean dry.  
Nor could the scroll  
contain the whole,  
Though stretched from Sky to Sky.  
Chorus: O love of God,  
how rich and pure!  
How measureless and strong!  
It shall forevermore endure  
The saints' and angels' song.*

*Author Unknown*



### Quilters Quips February 2025

The cupboard is bare!  
Well, nearly. We will continue to display quilts on the walls in the Fellowship Hall and in the hallway as they become available. It is fun to see what new creations these talented ladies come up with.



We will begin refilling the cupboard again at the winter quilt bee, which is February 3rd-6th. The Fellowship Hall will be all abuzz for those four days. The quilters will be working on mission projects or projects of their own choice. Monday and Thursday will be brown bag lunch days, while Tuesday and Wednesday will be taco salad days. Of course, there will be dessert every day! There is always plenty of chatting, laughing, sharing, inspiring, and maybe even some quilting going on. What an enjoyable time; stop by and say Hi!

Becky Dennis

## The Deacon of the Month for February Is Cathy Edgerton

### The Deacon of the Month is On Call to Help With Special Needs.

Cathy is serving her fifth year as a deacon. Her versatility and willingness to help have significantly blessed the Board of Deacons and our church. She serves as the Deacon Representative to the Nominating



Committee. Cathy is also a member of the Missions Team and sings in the choir. In addition, she takes minutes for the community group Redmond Service Providers, which is involved with issues faced

by our unhoused neighbors.

Cathy loves exploring the outdoors and enjoys hiking, kayaking, and biking. You may have seen her riding her recumbent tricycle around town.

## Deacon's Report

Your deacons continue to try and act as the hands, feet, ears, and eyes of God as we move into the New Year. We have a full complement of deacons this year. Thank you all for volunteering for this important work. We



provide transportation for those who need it. We continue to care for our TLCs (people who need extra attention due to health or age consideration).

Furthermore, we will help with Lenten Soup Suppers, as well as have regular devotional potlucks. We will provide money for Christmas for families identified as needy by Neighbor Impact. Angelfest will again get celebrated.

The deacons have incorporated the Wellness Team under the Deacon umbrella. We have a wealth of medical equipment donated by folks that we loan out to those who need it, as well as other things to help our congregation.

Blessings,

Steve Cross, Deacon CO-Moderator



*Love is patient & kind.  
Love is not jealous or boastful  
or proud or rude.  
It does not demand its own way.  
It is not irritable,  
& it keeps no record of being wronged.  
It does not rejoice about injustice  
but rejoices whenever  
the truth wins out.  
Love never gives up,  
never loses faith,  
is always hopeful, &  
endures through every circumstance...  
Three things will last forever  
—faith, hope, & love—  
and the greatest of these is love.*

1 Corinthians 13:4-7,13



## CPC Has Online Giving

If you are regularly writing a check for donations to the church, did you know that you can set up a giving plan online that will automatically deduct from your checking account or credit card each month?

If you would like to know more about how you can save time using this feature, please contact Carol Johnston. She'd be happy to help you set it up.





# February 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<sup>1</sup> <i>Office Closed</i>
<sup>2</sup> 10:00 Worship 11:30 Quilting Bee Setup 4:00 Sermon Zoom Discussion	<sup>3</sup> 9:00 Quilting Bee 	<sup>4</sup> 9:00 Quilting Bee  7:00 Boy Scouts	<sup>5</sup> 9:00 Quilting Bee  9:00 Caregivers Group 10:30 Bible Study 6:30 Cub Scouts	<sup>6</sup> 9:00 Quilting Bee  4:45 Spiritual Growth Zoom	<sup>7</sup> <i>Office Closed</i> 8:00 Men's Bible Study	<sup>8</sup> <i>Office Closed</i>
<sup>9</sup> 9:30 Blood Pressure Check 10:00 Worship 4:00 Sermon Zoom Discussion	<sup>10</sup> 8:00 Property Team Mtg 1:00 Parkinson's Group 3:00 Deacons Mtg	<sup>11</sup> 1:00 Wellness Team Mtg 1:30 Mission Team Mtg 3:00 Worship Team Mtg 7:00 Boy Scouts	<sup>12</sup> 10:30 Bible Study 2:00 Finance Team Mtg 6:30 Cub Scouts	<sup>13</sup> 10:00 Quilters 4:45 Spiritual Growth Zoom 	<sup>14</sup> <i>Office Closed</i> 8:00 Men's Bible Study	<sup>15</sup> <i>Office Closed</i>
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# February

## Birthdays

02/01 Gerry McRae  
 02/04 Gary Hucke  
 02/05 Lori Nitschelm  
 02/07 Sherry Verbeck  
 02/10 Irv Nygren  
 02/18 Ed McKinney  
 02/19 Jim Booth  
 02/21 Steve Lundgren  
 02/26 Margo Menown

## Anniversaries

02/15 Peggy & Jim Waggoner

*Let the dawning day  
 bring me revelation  
 of your tender,  
 unfailing love.  
 Give me light for my  
 path and teach me,  
 for I trust in you.*

*Psalm 143:8*



## Can and Bottle Donations

CPC has an account at BottleDrop that includes blue bags to fill with redeemable bottles and cans. Instructions are printed on the bag which may be picked up in the lobby near the food wagon.

You may bring the filled bag (of non-crushed clean cans and bottles) back to CPC or take it to the BottleDrop Redemption Center. If you would like to drop off your cans and bottles at CPC, please place the blue bag on the sidewalk to the left of the office door on Sundays. For any questions, contact Hannah Grandey.

*To my friends at CPC, I am writing to folks I knew or came to know, beginning in 1970 when I brought children from Camp Sherman to Bible School at CPC. When we moved nearer to Redmond, I joined CPC. It was a joy to be with you at the Old Church and in building the current church, which my two children, Pammy and Todd, remember vividly.*

*For medical reasons, I'm leaving Redmond and moving to Bend. I'll miss you greatly and treasure the memories we share. You'll be in my prayers as you continue to seek a new pastor. Godspeed, and thank you for the blessings of our time together.*

*Ann Thomas*

*You can get Ann's new address in the church directory or reach out to the office.*

## A Heartfelt Thank You for Your Help with Unhanging of the Greens

Adam Mueller, Chris Slabaugh, Dave & Diane Putnam, Ed Martinez & Linda Anderson, Frank Carter, Rick & Jean Hoffman, Rocky & Luann Johnson, Sharon Outcalt, Spike Biggers, Todd & Candy Peplin, and Truman Grandey your talents and dedication were invaluable as we "undressed" our Church during the Unhanging of the Greens. We deeply appreciate your willingness to lend a hand!

The article **due date** for the March Lamplighter is  
**Thursday, February 20th, at noon.**

Articles should be sent to Gina at [frontdesk@redmondcp.org](mailto:frontdesk@redmondcp.org).  
 You will receive a reply letting you know your article was received. *Thanks!*

