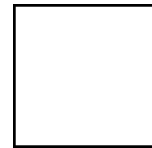


**Community
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of DEERFIELD BEACH
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Monday - Thursday
9:00 - 12:00pm, Fridays
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954-427-0222

Join us!

Sunday Worship - 10:00 a.m.
in Sanctuary
*Refreshments following service
In Fellowship Hall.*

Pastoral Staff

Minister, Rev. Dr. M. Randall Gill

Support Ministries; Professional Staff

Director of Music, Sabrina George
Administrative Assistant, Dolly Dreyer
Church Custodian, Aloma Linhares

Our Church Alive

Celebrating our 70th Anniversary November 2016



My Dear Friends,

As the 2016 election season comes to an end, we pause once again to reflect upon the blessings of a society that permits the free exercise of speech among its citizenry and enfranchises its people with the right to vote. The right to vote and to voice support and opposition for political candidates continues to be one of the foundational principles in our land. The free exchange of ideas in the public arena is a sign of strength in a free society and reason for all of us to give thanks.

I'm grateful that people in Deerfield Beach can come to Briggs Hall to vote. We help to provide a place for those who love freedom. In the New Testament, Paul could say to the Galatians, "For freedom Christ has set us free, stand fast therefore, and do not submit again to any yoke of slavery." The roots of our nation's commitment to a free society can be traced to many sources, but none are any more important than the Bible and the Word of God that it proclaims.

I trust that you treasure more than ever the right to vote and to participate in the election of our leaders. This is part of our Presbyterian Heritage. Rev. John Witherspoon, a Presbyterian Minister, was a signer of the Declaration of Independence and from 1776 to 1782, a leading member of the Continental Congress. He encouraged people in the church to be involved in making this world a better place. George Washington believed that we lived, "In the hands of a Good Providence." He saw the vital connection between our freedom and the God who is author of all freedom.

"Our fathers' God to Thee, Author of liberty, To Thee we sing. Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light, Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King."

Faithfully yours,

Randall

M. Randall Gill, Stated Supply Pastor



FALL BEACON 2016





Notes from Our Music Director

Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. - Colossians 3:16

The music department of Community Presbyterian is gearing up for Fall and Winter worship and programs! Summer flew by, and it's hard to believe, but the chancel choir has already begun preparing its Christmas cantata.



If you have thought you might like to give chancel choir a try, now is the perfect time of year, as we are just starting new music, and we could definitely use your help to make beautiful and meaningful musical offerings during worship on Sunday mornings. Choir is a great way to give back by participating actively in worship, it's a satisfying learning experience, a healthy activity for your lungs and brain, and offers wonderful fellowship experiences. Please contact me at the email address listed below if you think you would like to try choir by attending a rehearsal, or call the church office for more information.

During the next few weeks, expect to see the children participating in worship, Anne Allaire playing violin, Gloria Humphrey accompanying hymns on the bell tree, Wesley George playing guitar and percussion, and new anthems sung by the choir.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC CALENDAR



Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. choir rehearsal in the choir room on the south east side of the sanctuary. Special ensemble rehearsals and sectionals scheduled at 6:15.

Oct.30 Reformation Sunday/All Saints Sunday

Nov.13 Children "Steeple Singers"

Nov.20 Thanksgiving Sunday

Dec. 4 5:00 p.m. Holiday Jazz Concert in our sanctuary (Music Club of Hollywood, FL)

Dec.11 Choir Christmas Cantata

Dec.24 Candlelight Christmas Eve Service 7:00 pm

Thank you for your support of our music program here at Community Presbyterian Church, and please take time to thank one of our many volunteers: the choir members, musicians, and sound technicians who participate faithfully to enhance worship and bring to God the glory.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Sabrina S. George
sabrinageorge1987@gmail.com

Prayer Shawl Barbara Ash

The Prayer Shawl Team has been very active this past season and will be again starting the first Tuesday in November - and meeting the first Tuesday of each month through the season.

We have given away 17 pray shawls to shut-ins and those in need. Come join us if you love to knit, or we can teach you! New comers will be given some yarn and knitting needles. Hope to see you November 1st, 2016 at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

We'd love to have you join us!!

Barbara Ash



Missions Update Hester Patterson, Chair

Missions is Gearing up for Operation Christmas Child.

If you want to be part of this event, all you have to do is fill a shoebox. Please consider gifts of pencils, eraser, colored pencils or crayons. Socks, hats, gloves, gardening tools, screwdrivers, small hammers. Toy cars, hair decorations, combs, brushes, rubber bands for hair, balls and pumps. Dolls, stuffed animals, toothbrushes and toothpaste. Include a check for \$7.00 for each box to be sent.



In November, we plan to send a Thanksgiving missions gift to Cindy Corell, through Presbyterian World Missions, Port-au-Prince, Haiti. They are requesting eighty dollars. Cindy is a facilitator for the Joining Hands program and Cindy connects agricultural experts in Haiti with Haitian farmers to help farmers do what they do best—grow food for others. In December we'll start collecting Christmas gifts for needy families, supporting our local Gateway Community Outreach.

Property Team Fran Dadah, chair

We all know, there is always something that needs attention around our church, both inside and out. The property team stays very busy trying to keep up with the buildings and property. For instance, hurricane Matthew kept Wayne Landry very busy putting up the church hurricane shutters. Let's thank Wayne for he is a blessing to our church, thank you, Wayne.

And then, a couple Sundays ago, the office alarm was ringing and police were dispatched to investigate. In addition, Fran, (being on the call list), was called. He arrived to discover all the electricity went out in the church office. So Fran called Dan Cusack, a member who also happens to be an electrician, who came over and fixed our breaker problem, which was a 3 plus hours job. We are again blessed to have Dan Cusack, thank you, Dan, for all you do for our needy church full of surprises!!

A couple of property items that need attention in the near future:

- Trim trees
- Install walkway from parking lot to Presbytery entrance
- Parking lot resealing and striping



CLEANER GREENER DEERFIELD BEACH Lynn Wilkinson

One of many highlights of our 70th Anniversary Year was Community Presbyterian Church's collaboration with the city of Deerfield Beach to make and keep our city CLEANER AND GREENER!!! We were accepted into the city's "Adopt-A-Road" Program, whereby we are encouraged to do 4 clean-ups per year on our adopted road, which is SE 19th Avenue (from Hillsboro Blvd. to SE 10th Street). You can check out the signage on both ends of our street!

On August 5th, Community Presbyterian Church sent their "Green Star Team" out in the extreme heat for its first clean-up effort. Joyce Thompson, two of her grandchildren, Dillon and Marina; Gerda Creelman; Katia Salles and her granddaughter Alessandra; Sabrina George; Fran Dadah; Hester Patterson; and I collected a total of 15 pounds of debris on our adopted road!!! Kudos to the Green Star Team and to making Deerfield Beach a Cleaner, Greener city! Another clean-up will be scheduled shortly. Please contact Lynn Wilkinson if you would like to join our GREEN STAR TEAM!!!



Treasurer Update

Jane Haskin, Treasurer

For January-September, 2016, our total income was \$167,873 our total expenses were \$1 51,643 leaving us with a positive \$16,230 balance for the first 3 quarters of 2016.

Equipment improvements, landscaping, and education programs have been funded by parking fees and private donations. We also received a grant for a young adult program.

From the property report you can see that we have had several repairs this year. Also remember our air conditioners are at least 5 years old or older and the windows in Briggs Hall and the education building are original (40-50 years). We have a large aging property.

Also we have not given our staff a raise in 5 years.

The session is doing its part to cut expenses but we need the support and prayers of the congregation of the "Steeple on the Beach" to continue the important work of this church.

Blessings to you all.

Women's Bible Study Gerda Creelman, Chair

The Sunday Morning Women's Bible Study, held in the Education Building, begins at 9 a.m. This fall we are viewing a video study by Beth Moore, whose mission is to guide believers to love and live God's word. The study challenges women to understand that though we believe IN God we often hardly believe what He says in His Word. We see so little of Him in our day-to-day lives because we believe Him for so little. Our goal over the next few months will be to challenge our women to begin to walk a new faith-walk. Many of us are stuck in our faith. We realize nothing has changed in our Christian walk since our school days. We encourage all women to join us as we travel this journey of re-discovering this great God of ours.

Love and Sympathy

Our Love and Sympathy is extended to our families who recently lost loved ones.

To Sue DeRoo and family on the death of her husband, Bill DeRoo.

To Jamie Page and family on the death of their father, Jim Page.



Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God. Believe also in me.

John 14

Prayer Garden

Autumn time in the Garden,

The temperature will be cooling off soon, so be sure to come out, sit and relax in the garden. The garden is supported by parking fundraisers and donations. We are mindful of how we use the funds. The garden team volunteers continue to work around the church grounds to help it look pristine.

We did receive quotes to make repairs on the brick wall along A1A and decided because of the cost, (\$1,000+) we'll hold off on the project for now and keep saving.

If you love to garden and have time to donate, we'd love to have you, and remember, you can always donate a plant / bush in honor of, or in memory of a loved one.

A garden team member is always available, just ask where and when the team will get together next. Next project, we hope to plant flowering bushes along the prayer garden walkway during the season.

Respectfully submitted, Fran, Joyce, Lynn, Sabrina and Dolly



HYMNAL ORDER FORM



Date _____

Donor name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

I would like to donate _____ hymnal(s) to Community Presbyterian Church. @ \$20 each. Amt. enclosed \$ _____ (please consider an additional \$1.25 ea. shipping charge)

Please place a bookplate in my donated hymnbook(s)

in memory of _____

in honor of _____

to the Glory of God by _____

2017 Stewardship Campaign
Lynn Wilkinson, Stewardship Chair

**INVEST in our FUTURE
BELIEVE in our PRESENT
Cherish our PAST**

Take note of the magic of the Church bells chiming the hour and attracting your attention; feel the awe as you unwittingly glance up at the cross and are mesmerized by the golden glimmer and glory of its noble stance and call. As a member or visitor to Community Presbyterian Church, you will know of what I speak; you will have heard the bells and felt the awe....Community Presbyterian Church! YOUR church in Deerfield Beach! 2016 was our Seventieth Anniversary Year! Like the generations before us, I hope when you reflect on your personal

"walk" with God this past year, you will rejoice in the power of the Spirit working through the ministries, missions and fellowship of this church. Shortly in the mail you will receive a commitment or pledge card, which, when filled out, will express how you feel best able to share your time, talent and/or treasure as an expression of faith and a personal response to God's generosity and to the life of the church in the coming year. Thank you for your support of the church in the past. Each one of us makes a difference! Pray that we may become even more deeply anchored by God's Word in 2017. Cherish our PAST; Believe in our PRESENT; Invest in our FUTURE!



**Anchored by God's Word
2017**

Holiday Jazz Concert December 4th @ 5:00 p.m. in Sanctuary

What a wonderful event to invite a friend to!

At Community
Presbyterian
Church

A1A & SE 5th
Deerfield Beach



Are you called to serve the church?

The nominating committee is looking for members of the congregation to serve as Elders and Deacons for the class of 2019. If you are interested please contact one of the members of the nominating committee,

Jane Haskin, Dawn Applebee, Stan Roever, Barbara Ash, Beryl O'Connell, and Beryl Dennis.



PRIME TIMERS

Activities for The Young at Heart
Joyce Thompson, Prime Timers Coordinator

"♪Where has all the summer gone♪." That line has absolutely nothing to do with what follows later that I need to tell you. Often an idea for something I want to say pops into my head in the form of a song. Some of you may recognize the line as a paraphrase of a popular folk song of the '60's and it popped into my mind when Dolly's email reminded me that Beacon articles were due by Oct 4!
But what I want to tell you about IS something to sing about. It's about some things that have been going on, and some things yet to come, in the life of our church family and to invite you to participate and/or use the gifts the Lord has given you to serve and help your church grow. So let's begin:

The Prime **Timer Program** beginning its 19th year of helping make the retirement years some of the best years of our lives, begins on November 2. It is open to all in the community, church member or not. There is no charge to attend the Wednesday programs. Each attendee pays for his/her own trips and lunches.

The planning team prepared the calendar at its April planning sessions and is looking forward to another exciting year. A new brochure is in the works and will be handed out at our first meeting. Below is some of what will be in the brochure, but make sure you read the weekly Wednesday schedule below as it has changed from last year. AND once the programs begin, check the weekly worship bulletins for any last minute changes.

- 9:15 - 9:30 Set up
- 9:30 -10:15 a.m. Sit & Be Fit Exercise
- 10:15 -10:45 a.m. Meditation and Prayer
- 10:45 -11:00 a.m. Announcements
- 10:45 -11:45 a.m. Intellect Fueling
- 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch together
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Games or Movie

PRIME TIMER 2016-2017 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

- Nov. 2 **Overview of year's programs/** Committee meeting/Bag lunch
- Nov. 9 **Salute to Veterans/Cards to Ser** vice people/Lunch out
- Nov. 14 **Movie/Lunch at Century Village**
- Nov. 16 **Sharing thankfulness/Thanksgiving** Potluck /David's Turkey
- Nov. 23 **No meeting/Thanksgiving Break**
- Nov. 30 **Game Day/Committee meeting/Bag** lunch
- Dec. 7 **Christmas Party/Carols/Cookie and** Gift exchange/Lunch out
- Dec. 14 **Pre-school holiday program/** Christmas Potluck
- Dec. 21 **No meeting/Christmas Break**
- Dec. 28 **No meeting/New Year's Break**
- Jan. 4 **Welcome back to snowbirds/** Committee Meeting/Bag lunch
- Jan. 11 **Cecil Mackey/The Middle East/** Lunch cooked by David
- Jan. 16 **Movie/Lunch at Century Village**
- Jan. 18 **Oldies sing along/Lunch out**
- Jan. 24 **Morikami Museum and Japanese** Gardens/lunch (Carpooling)
- Jan. 25 **W.A. and Peggy Price/Strike It** Rich!/ Lunch cooked by David
- Feb. 1 **Birthday games and cake/** Committee meeting/Bag lunch
- Feb. 8 **Peter Weiss/The Lucky Gener-** ation/Lunch cooked by David
- Feb. 13 **Movie/Lunch at Century Village**
- Feb. 15 **Jane Leggett/Bible study/Lunch** cooked by David
- Feb. 19 **Tatiana Russian Restaurant and** Cabaret in Hallendale (Bus trip)
- Feb. 22 **Our favorite books/Committee meet** ing/Bag lunch
- Mar. 1 **Ash Wednesday Testimonials/Lunch** out
- Mar. 8 **Richard O'Connell/Poetry readings/** Lunch cooked by David
- Mar. 15 **Historical Society program/Bag lunch**



- Mar. 20 **Movie/Lunch at Century Village**
- Mar. 22 **This is your life/Sharing/Lunch out**
- Mar. 29 **Wayne Landry travels/Lunch cooked** by David
- Apr. 5 **Planning for next year/Lunch out**
- Apr. 12 **No Meeting/Holy Week Break**
- Apr. 19 **Planning for next year/Lunch out**
- Apr. 26 **Planning for next year/Lunch out**

The Deacons

Joyce Thompson, Moderator

Kay Kohler, Hester Patterson, Jill Reeb, Katia Salles, and Joyce Thompson are presently serving as your deacons. Your deacons each care for between 15 and 20 households of members and friends of our church. Deacons delivered Easter Flowers and flowers from worship to those of their flock who are homebound or were ill during the spring and summer. They average 6 to 8 calls a week to those on their care lists. In addition they are members of the prayer chain and visit with the pastor and help serve home communions. During the spring the Deacon Care lists were updated and during the summer the Deacons kept in contact with those needing care. They helped those in need financially, paying utility bills, helping with transportation costs, taking those on their care lists grocery shopping, to medical appointments, and with various other transportation needs.

The Session

- Joyce Thompson, Clerk of Session

Dawn Applebee, Fran Dadah, Jane Haskin, Carin West, and Lynn Wilkinson are your current session members. The session suspended monthly meetings during the summer from June through August. Necessary business was discussed and voted on via the internet and approved by a motion at the September session meeting held on September 27. A grant was awarded the church as the result of the application written by Lynn Wilkinson, for a Young Adult program. The program was held the first Saturday of the month beginning in June and continuing through

December. Katia Salles was employed to run the program and volunteers helped with the various activities. The Adopt-a-Road agreement was signed and the first clean-up day was held in May. Session approved hiring Hometown Pest Control for termite treatment of CE building. Presbytery held its September meeting here on September 24.

God has blessed our church immeasurably. We have a beautiful building, set in a beautiful location, with wonderful members and great programs. Lacking—enough people to carry out the work we could do. As a new program year begins, I hope you will pray that God will show you how you can use the gifts he has given you for use in building up his church. As long as you are breathing he has something for you. Talk to one of your session members to let them know how you could help.

Kid's Discovery Day 1st Saturday of month Briggs Hall



Free Snacks!

Free Event!

Free Demonstrations! Activity Stations

Everyone

Invited!

Together raising talents of our children and grandchildren

When: Nov.5th & Dec. 3rd

Times: 11:00am to 2:00 pm

Enjoy holiday craft projects with the children!