

Dear CCPC Friends,

In this season of lent 2021, we have a special opportunity to draw near to Jesus. Many of you know that I recently made a major life change by moving to Maryland. I am slowly unpacking and setting up house and getting to know my new surroundings. Of course, with any move and with any major life change there is loss. In my moments of grief, I think about Jesus in the days before his death. We are so blessed to serve a messiah who was fully human and who shared in the same sufferings that we face in our lives. I encourage you, in your times of loss, to remember the ways in which Jesus faced his trials — calling out to God, sometimes in anger and in pain, but always with faith, always filled with the spirit.

The elders of CCPC recently participated in a Session Retreat in which they shared "Holy Moments" with one another, times in their lives where they felt the presence of God. The stories were rich and varied, some dealing with tragedy and loss, others dealing with joy and fulfillment, but all of them had two things in common — there was mystery and spirit. As we move through lent, know that mystery and spirit are a part of any faith-filled life. Look for the "Holy Moments" in your own life.

In my new home in Chesapeake Beach, my neighborhood is surrounded by the Fishing Creek Wetlands Preserve. Although I have not seen them yet, I understand that the preserve is filled with river otters, herons, gulls, turtles, and so many more of God's creatures. I will be looking for mystery and spirit as I make my home here, as winter gives way to spring, as lent moves toward resurrection, and I will be anticipating mystery and spirit as we draw closer to the cross, closer to the joy of Easter morning.

Peace,
Pastor Susan





Holy Week

Schedule

Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2021 at 7:00pm live on Facebook

Good Friday

April 2, 2021 at 7:00pm live on Facebook

Easter Sunrise Service

April 4, 2021 at 6:45am in the back parking lot

Easter Service

April 4, 2021 at 10:00am live on Facebook

All live Facebook services are available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/ChristianCommunityPresbyterianChurch>

*And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.*

~ John 17:3 ~

Happy Anniversary!

Judy and Allen Frank will celebrate 64 years of marriage on March 23.
Happy Anniversary, Judy & Allen!

Happy 95th Birthday!

Doris Kobe's 95th birthday is coming up on Sunday, March 21, 2021. Unfortunately the COVID restrictions mean no in-person party this time around. However, it would be lovely if you could send her a card to help her celebrate. We anticipate that she will be back in Bowie by early March. She is living with David and Gina and their address in Bowie is 13111 Yorktown Dr., Bowie, MD 20715, so please send your cards there. We also will be hosting a virtual get together after church on March 21 from 3pm to 4pm for people to say hello; the church will provide the Zoom information once we get closer to the date.

Thanks,
Kathy Kobe and siblings

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87387767021?pwd=YnVXeXFVUm1BZFdxNkICNjk5bmFyZz09>

Meeting ID: 873 8776 7021 Passcode: 104934

One tap mobile: +13017158592,,87387767021#,,,,*104934# US (Washington DC)

Dial by your location: +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87387767021?pwd=YnVXeXFVUm1BZFdxNkICNjk5bmFyZz09>

Thank You!

Dear CCPC Friends:

I appreciate very much the cards, eMails, calls, and prayers that you sent my way during my recent health problems. I have felt "hugged" by the church!

Marjorie Tanner

I want to thank all of my CCPC friends who sent me cards or called me because of my broken hip. Dick and I have now moved to Collington where we are doing well. I appreciate everyone's card, calls, and prayers.

Trudy Neff

Session Update

February 2021

Pastor Susan declared the Annual Congregational Meeting informative and robust.

Evonne Tang, Finance Chair, reported that January offerings were behind, but that the church is also presently underspending. Offering income typically catches up in February and March. Session approved Finance Committee's nomination of Steve Webb as the next Treasurer, replacing retiring treasurer Bob West. Watch for a capital drive for live streaming equipment for our worship services.

Ann Fleming, Personnel Chair, reported that staff reviews should be moved to September due to budget planning. Rick Osborne's weekly hours are being increased to 40 but his pay will remain the same. Robin Seekford will be rewarded with a pay increase for completing ten years as CCPC Administrative Assistant.

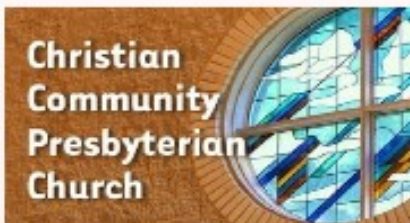
Ann Fleming, Race and Diversity Chair, announced that the movie watch party for **Just Mercy** is rescheduled to March 13 via Zoom. A **Matthew 25** book discussion is on Sundays at 4:00 but will not meet on concert dates. A **Microaggressions in Ministry** summer series will be led by Ann and Dennis Evans. The **White Too Long** fall series will be led by Mary Brock and Steve Donoian. Kris Ross will lead a winter series, **Outside the Lines**. Check the CCPC Facebook page for details.

Adult Education classes for Sunday mornings are set with teachers including Pastor Susan, Rick Osborne, Sam Guillermo, and Dick Neff among others.

Skip Oates, Building and Grounds Chair, reported that the committee is dealing with concerns from neighboring property owners about falling tree limbs from the church's woods causing damage to their property. The committee will survey the property line in the spring and take care of any problems. Two patio heaters have been added for use in outdoor Vespers (come early to sit close).

Judyann Glazener, Outreach Committee Chair, presented the James Brassard Resolution Document for approval and hanging in the church. The motion carried and it will be framed and hung very soon.

BLOOD DRIVE



Friday, 19th March 2021 | 8:30 am to 2 pm

Christian Community Presbyterian Church
3120 Belair Drive
Bowie, MD 20715

Online Sign-up: <http://bit.ly/ChristianCommunityBD>

[LIVE LINK: http://bit.ly/ChristianCommunityBD](http://bit.ly/ChristianCommunityBD)

Race & Diversity Committee

Upcoming Events

[Just Mercy - Movie Discussion](#) on Saturday, March 13 at 7:00pm via Zoom. You will need to register for this event. Details are provided via the [link](#).

It's not too late to participate in the [Matthew 25 Book Discussion](#) on "Good White Racist" by Kerry Connelly. We'll meet on Zoom; Sundays at 4PM, Feb. 21 to March 28 (Palm Sunday)

- ◆ We will read two chapters a week
- ◆ No meeting on March 7, due to the [Concert Series](#) Performance
- ◆ With no meeting, March 7, we will do three chapters on 3/28
- ◆ Each chapter has questions for self-reflection and what to do next
- ◆ We'll apply them to ourselves and our church
- ◆ Steve Donoian and Kris Ross will be facilitators
- ◆ Kerry Connelly, the author of *Good White Racist*, will be with us on March 21 (ch. 7 & 8)

Looking for an action to take? Checkout our suggestions on how to support the [Maryland Fair Youth Sentencing Bill](#).



New CCPC Support Group

*"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way
you will fulfill the law of Christ."*

~ Galatians 6:2 ~



Our Board of Deacons has decided to form a new support group to help us "carry each other's burdens."

Pastor Susan will facilitate this group that will meet on the

**2nd and 4th Fridays of each month at 2 pm
Zoom beginning on March 12th.**

Each group session will include devotional readings, prayer, sharing, fellowship, and encouragement.

Please join us if you are in need of some extra support.

Contact Pastor Susan or your deacon for more details.

"For nothing will be impossible with God."

~ Luke 1:37 ~

Joshua Espinoza Trio

Sunday, March 7th at 4:00 pm

Live on CCPC's [Public Facebook Page!](#)



This trio's unique interpretations of pop hits will include works by Mancini, Gershwin, Cole Porter, Lerner & Loewe, and Duke Ellington. This Sunday, be ready to put on your dancing shoes and grab your "honey" for a stroll down Memory Lane!

Check out all of our concerts for 2021 on our website at:
[http://ccpc.bowiemd.org/calendar--events/concert-series.html!](http://ccpc.bowiemd.org/calendar--events/concert-series.html)

More Virtual Concerts!

Sundays at 4:00 pm

SAVE THE DATES!

Sunday, April 11: Mark Jaster and Matthew Pauli

“Two Fools Split the Bill”

Two family-friendly clowning performances featuring Wingnut, a foolish carpenter and his musical misuse of tools, and Mr. Smudge, an average guy with bigger than average dreams, preparing for a musical performance.

Sunday, May 2: Ann Street Trio

This trio performs chamber music from the classical era to the 21st century, while providing an up-close look at the excitement of works composed for clarinet, cello and piano.

Sunday, June 6: Malcolm X Drummers and Dancers

Virtuoso drumming and thrilling dancing combine in a celebration of African American culture and history.

Sunday, October 3: Bayfield Brass Quintet

The regionally acclaimed quintet returns with a varied program including works of the Italian Renaissance and a patriotic salute to our armed forces.

Sunday, November 7: The Capital Ringers

The ensemble, performing on six octaves of handbells and hand chimes, returns with the inspirational program, *“Rise Up!”* and its message of hope and resilience.

Sunday, December 5: A Celtic Christmas

Pipers Randy Welch and Michael Binnie with percussionist Robert Murray and Celtic harper Mary Fitzgerald return with a program of seasonal music from the British Isles.



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CCPC, the first Protestant church in Levitt Bowie, was born from a passion for Christian mission in the local community, and this focus continues.

*Our Mission: To worship God, to grow in faith and community,
and to place our gifts in the service of Jesus Christ.*

Please remember CCPC in your will.



Belair Cooperative Nursery School

The school is a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-partisan organization. It's located in the CE Building of Christian Community Presbyterian Church.

Call 301-464-5782 or Email info@belaircoop.org

www.belaircoop.org



Imagine - Yoga & Wellness Center



Located in the CE building, offers yoga and a variety of wellness programs to CCPC members and the community. For more information, visit

www.ImagineThePlace.com, call 443-510-6308, or e-mail

info@ImagineThePlace.com. Scholarships available.

