

Dear Friends,

Love is in the air!

The month of February brings Valentine's Day and celebrations of all different kinds of love. It's not just about chocolates and roses. I hope that you have had a chance to stop by the church and add to the Garland of Love that Kimi Gedrich and the children and youth have started. It's a wonderful visual display of the many ways in which God's love is shown at CCPC. Be sure to stop by and add a few hearts to the collection if you have not already done so.

As followers of Christ, we do well to remember that love is at the heart of what Jesus named as the two greatest commandments in the Gospel of Matthew -- loving God, and loving others as we love ourselves. He also taught us to "love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:12)

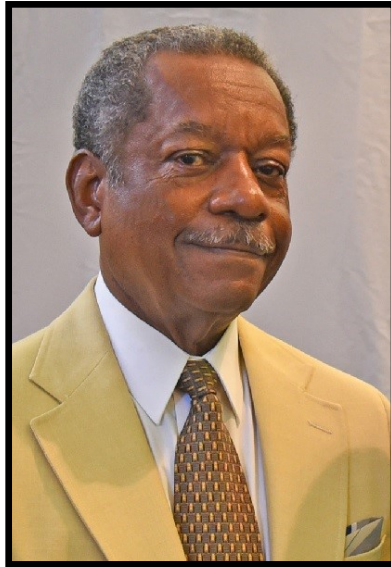
As Presbyterians, we look to our own Book of Order which tells us, "In Christ, the Church participates in God's mission for the transformation of creation and humanity by proclaiming to all people the good news of God's love, offering to all people the grace of God at font and table, and calling all people to discipleship in Christ." (F-1.01) I have been blessed to see so much love at CCPC in my time as your pastor. Love is at the heart of all that we do, whether it is praying for one another, collecting items for mission efforts, pledging money, or mowing the church lawn.

So in this month in which we celebrate love, remember to celebrate the love that we at CCPC have for one another, for God, and for God's world.

Love,  
Pastor Susan



# *In Memory of* *Al Wimbish*



Al Wimbish was a long-time member of the church, along with his wife Ellen. Al was born on July 7, 1948. He passed peacefully in hospice care surrounded by his wife, Ellen, daughter, Alice, and family on January 15, 2022. Al and Ellen joined the church in October 2006. Throughout Al's time at CCPC, he served in a variety of ways. On numerous occasions he served as liturgist, headed the Buildings & Grounds committee where he did countless projects such as the remodeling of Hudson House, the remodeling of the Dodds Hall bathrooms, the remodeling of the CE building, as well as installing the railings and ramp in the Sanctuary, just to name a few. In fact, he did so much for Buildings & Grounds and the church that at the end of his tenure the committee and the church awarded him with an Unsung Hero award and thanked him for all of his hard work. Al was not only an unsung hero for CCPC, he chose medical treatments that he hoped and prayed would help not only himself, but would benefit others. Al loved antique cars and you would often see him riding around Bowie in one of his treasures. He was always ready with a helping hand for anyone in need and would show up with a smile on his face. Al will be truly missed by his CCPC family and friends. We hold Al's family and friends in our hearts and pray that all of the wonderful memories they have of him will give them comfort during this difficult time.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.  
Details will be announced in the bulletin, Caller, and at worship service.

# Adult Education

Join us in person or online after worship

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83035980751>

Meeting ID: 830 3598 0751



## “LABOR OF LOVE”

**Sunday, February 6, 2022:** No Adult Ed! Congregational Meeting after Worship

**Sunday, February 13, 2022:** *Microaggressions in Ministry* with Ann Fleming

**Sunday, February 20, 2022:** *Confessions Series I* with Pastor Susan Graceson

**Sunday, February 27, 2022:** *Confessions Series II* with Pastor Susan Graceson

## Annual Congregational Meeting!

February 6, is the congregational meeting and will take place after worship service.

Electronic copies of the report were emailed to all members on Friday, January 28. If you would like a paper copy of the report, please contact Robin in the church office at 301-262-6008 or [ccpcbowie@verizon.net](mailto:ccpcbowie@verizon.net).

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84523098485>

Meeting ID: 845 2309 8485

One tap mobile: +13017158592,,84523098485# US (Washington DC)

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

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbSldgxwPp>

## Per Capita

We ask each member to prayerfully consider contributing **\$42.67 to the Per Capita Funds** of the National Capital Presbytery for 2022.

Per capita are funds gathered from all of the nearly 11,000 congregations and mid-councils of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). It allows us to connect and participate in the work of the wider church. Per capita makes possible our effort for visible unity of the church of Jesus Christ. By providing the primary means through which commissioners and advisory delegates can gather to do their work, per capita dollars help to sustain our governance system. The PC (USA), as with other faith traditions and denominations, is but a small part of the one church of Jesus Christ.

We appreciate your contribution toward Per Capita this year. Please indicate it on your offering if you are mailing in a check. If you are donating online, please use the line "Per Capita."

# *Clinquant Rehearsals & Looking for New Members!*



Clinquant, our adult handbell choir, will be resuming rehearsals on Wednesday, February 2nd. At present, we have enough ringers to cover three octaves of handbells. However, we have almost **FIVE** octaves of bells and would love to see those bells being used!

We have an exciting program planned for the spring, including wonderful arrangements of “Lift High the Cross” and contemporary favorites such as “You Raise Me Up” and “Come to Jesus.”

We practice at 7:30pm on Wednesdays in the Sanctuary with everyone socially distanced and wearing masks.

If you are interested, or even *mildly curious*, please contact Rick Osborne at [ccpcmusic@verizon.net](mailto:ccpcmusic@verizon.net) or 301-262-6008.

## *Women's Retreat*

### *Women of CCPC!*

Yes, you're all invited; even your Mom, sister(s), and bff(s)!

**March 25-27, 2022**

Rhodes Grove Conference Center, Chambersburg, PA

Theme: “It's About Time!” Led by Shani McIlwain

More details and [signup form](#) on  
CCPC's [PWOC Webpage](#)

Sign up online or manually, but do come join us!

**Proof of Full COVID-19 vaccination status required**





## Blood Drive!

CCPC will be having a winter blood drive on **Friday, February 25, 2022 from 9:00am to 2:00pm in the CCPC parking lot.** Registration is required. Contact Judyann Glazener at [judyann.a.glazener@gmail.com](mailto:judyann.a.glazener@gmail.com)

## Garland of Love!

The Children and Youth Ministry invites everyone of the church, young and old, to take part in helping to create a Garland Of Love. You can find a small bin near the front doors, outside with supplies. Please pick up a heart with paper from the bin, and on the paper write something you love about the church, then sign your name on the heart. After, leave them together in the bin and they will be hung on the twine for everyone to see! If you can't make it up to the building, just let Kim Gedrich know what you'd like written on your heart.



## Sarah's House

### Sarah's House!

Another Mission Project is Sarah's House, a homeless shelter at Fort Meade. They are requesting the following items which have become scarce during the pandemic:

- 1) Individual fruit juice boxes
- 2) Individual sized bottles of water
- 3) Fruit cups (applesauce, diced fruit)
- 4) Pudding cups

A collection box will be placed outside the church entrance where you can deposit your contributions, similar to the way we collected for the art supplies. Contributions will be collected **starting on February 15**. If you have questions, send them to Marjorie Tanner at [m.b.tanner@verizon.net](mailto:m.b.tanner@verizon.net).

## Souper Bowl of Caring

Help our children and youth ministries tackle hunger! Non-perishable food donations can be placed in the designated bin outside of the church. Monetary donations can be placed in the soup pot in the office during office hours or donate on our website at <http://ccpc.bowiemd.org>. If donating online, please put "Souper Bowl of Caring" in the memo section next to "Other Giving."

**Donations will be accepted now through Sunday, February 13, 2022.**

All donations will go to The Bowie Food Pantry.

Check out what our CCPC youth and children have to say:

<https://vimeo.com/672484640/adfd9dc6ac>



# Concert Series

Concerts are performed live in person at 4:00pm in the Sanctuary  
or can be viewed virtually at: <http://ccpcbowie.online.church>



## **Sunday, March 6: Monte Maxwell, organist**

Mr. Maxwell, nationally recognized concert artist and organist of the United States Naval Academy, presents a program of masterworks.

## **Sunday, April 3: Joshua Espinoza Trio**

Haunting original compositions are interspersed with the trio's unique interpretations of pop hits as they inhabit the undefined space between jazz and classical idioms.

## **Sunday, May 1: Ann Street Trio**

The 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, October 2: Dane Frandsen, flutist**

Flutist Dane Frandsen and pianist Susan Ricci-Rogel will present a program including works by Kazuo Fukusima and Georges Hüe.

## **Sunday, November 6: Malcolm X Drummers & Dancers**

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

## **December 4: Bruce Jonas**

Mr. Jonas will present jazz arrangements of works from various musical genres, unique interpretations of seasonal favorites and original compositions.

**A free will offering will be received at our live performance.  
You also may contribute on line at: [ccpcbowie@verizon.net](mailto:ccpcbowie@verizon.net)**

For further information, please call 301-262-6008 ext. music dept, or email: [ccpcmusic@verizon.net](mailto:ccpcmusic@verizon.net)

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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](mailto:info@belaircoop.org)

[www.belaircoop.org](http://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](http://www.ImagineThePlace.com), call 443-510-6308, or e-mail

[info@ImagineThePlace.com](mailto:info@ImagineThePlace.com). Scholarships available.