

Dear CCPC Members and Friends,

It's the most wonderful time of the year! And you are about to get a very special gift -- a Pastor Search Committee! Under the steady and thoughtful leadership of Elder Scott Brock and our National Capital Presbytery liaison Rev. Mary Austin, your Nominating Committee has fulfilled its duty in selecting CCPC members to begin the process of searching for a new pastor. As stated in its charter, the committee's purpose is "to identify members of the congregation whom it seems God might be preparing for service ..." Please do attend the Congregational Meeting on Thursday, December 9 at 7:30pm on Zoom to meet the slate of nominees and cast your vote.

Beginning the search for a new pastor is an exciting time for any church. I have been blessed to serve on Pastor Search Committees in the past and know that the process can take anywhere from 6 months to 3 years and can have a fair share of both blessings and challenges. Please hold your Pastor Search Committee in prayer as they enter into this dynamic process.

In this season of Advent, as we prepare to celebrate the coming of Christ, let us also celebrate this new season of exploration that awaits our Pastor Search Committee, knowing that God, in Christ, is indeed Immanuel, God with us.

Peace,
Pastor Susan Graceson

Virtual Concerts!



All concerts are held via Facebook at 4:00pm.

For details, please visit our [website](#).

December 5—A Celtic Christmas

Pledge Reminder!

Many thanks to everyone who has already made their 2022 pledge to CCPC. We are most grateful for your generosity. The tabulation of the pledges received so far shows that the number of pledges and the value of the pledges are significantly below those received for 2021. There is still plenty of time to pledge for 2022. You can send your pledge to the church by US Mail, drop it in the pledge box at church, complete the online pledge form using [this link](#), or by sending an email to ccpconline@aol.com that includes the same information that is on a pledge form. Pledge cards are on a table in the atrium and one is below. The pledges are used as a budgeting tool to plan for programs and activities for 2022. Thanks again for your support of CCPC.

2022 Faith Expressions

TAKE ONE STEP UP FOR CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH

This is in response to God's love and is an expression of my faith and commitment to Christ and His Church.

- Step up beyond tithing**
My desire is to do more than God's minimum.
- Step up to tithing**
I will give 10% of my income to God's work.
- Step toward tithing**
I am moving toward that goal.

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MY 2022 COMMITMENT IS \$ _____ per year / month / week (circle one)

I'D LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT CCPC'S ENDOWMENT PROGRAM

Please Print:
Name(s) _____ Date _____
Address _____ Apt# _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____

This commitment is strictly confidential, non-binding and may be revised or cancelled at any time.

Proportional Giving Guide

"Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Cor 9:7

Annual Income	Weekly Giving as a Percentage of Annual Income											
	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%	12%	15%
\$20,000	\$4	\$8	\$12	\$15	\$19	\$23	\$27	\$31	\$35	\$38	\$46	\$58
\$40,000	\$8	\$15	\$23	\$31	\$38	\$46	\$54	\$62	\$69	\$77	\$92	\$115
\$60,000	\$12	\$23	\$35	\$46	\$58	\$69	\$81	\$92	\$104	\$115	\$138	\$173
\$80,000	\$15	\$31	\$46	\$62	\$77	\$92	\$108	\$123	\$138	\$154	\$185	\$231
\$100,000	\$19	\$38	\$58	\$77	\$96	\$115	\$135	\$154	\$173	\$192	\$231	\$288
\$125,000	\$24	\$48	\$72	\$96	\$120	\$144	\$168	\$192	\$216	\$240	\$288	\$361
\$150,000	\$29	\$58	\$87	\$115	\$144	\$173	\$202	\$231	\$260	\$288	\$346	\$433
\$175,000	\$34	\$67	\$101	\$135	\$168	\$202	\$236	\$269	\$303	\$337	\$404	\$505
\$200,000	\$38	\$77	\$115	\$154	\$192	\$231	\$269	\$308	\$346	\$385	\$462	\$577

Adult Education Classes!

Join us after worship service in Dodds Hall.

December 5, 2021

Kevin Maxwell "Community Nonprofits"

December 12, 2021

No Adult Ed

(Christmas Party for Kids & Teens)

December 19, 2021

Gladys Ayuketah "Churches in Africa"

December 26, 2021

Ann Fleming "Meditations for Advent"



Pastor Search Slate of Nominees!

The CCPC Nominating Committee is happy to present their slate of nominees to serve on our Pastor Search Committee. CCPC members are called to a congregational meeting on Thursday, December 9, at 7:30 pm on zoom, for the purpose of voting on the slate of nominees at that time.

Gladys Tataw-Ayuketah has been a lifelong Presbyterian. Her father was a Presbyterian educator from his young adult years until his death. She has been a member of CCPC for over 15 years and has served in various capacities as elder, communion team, youth group elder, and recently as a deacon. Her husband, Adolf Schwartz Ayuketah and her children, Alexis and Abby, have all been valuable members of CCPC. In addition to the love and care of the CCPC family, the vibrant children and youth ministries have been the highlight of her membership. Gladys has enjoyed Straight from the Source Bible study, contemporary music, adult education, and Christmas Families. She works as a Program Manager at the NIH/Clinical Center. Gladys feels honored to serve in this capacity.

Brian Cable has been an active member of CCPC for over 45 years. He is currently serving his fourth term as Elder for Personnel. He is happily married to Patti who is also very active in the church. They have two sons, Steven and Patrick. Brian currently works as a manager for the FAA and is looking forward to retirement in the near future.

Sara Huey has attended CCPC since early 2017 and became a member in 2018. She is originally from Tobyhanna, PA. Sara was a founding member of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (DEI, then the Race and Diversity Task Force), serves on the Worship Committee, leads the Ears to Hear Happy Hour (ETH) podcast club, and is active in the music ministry at CCPC including participation in Clinquant and special music. She is passionate about social justice and LGBT+ inclusion in worship as a queer woman herself. Sara works as a data analyst for the US FDA and is in the final year of her Master of Public Health in Epidemiology; she hopes to work in infectious disease upon graduation. Sara lives in Upper Marlboro, MD with her husband, Matt Novak, where they both enjoy playing trumpet, kayaking, and spending time with their two rabbits.

Dr. Kevin Maxwell worked in Public Education in Maryland, nationally and internationally. His children – three daughters and one son – are all graduates of Maryland public schools. He and his wife Nancy live in Bowie. He has been a member of CCPC for over forty years. He has previously taught Sunday School, served as Sunday School Superintendent, and served as a Ruling Elder at CCPC.

Jane Mellow is currently the Elder for Youth. She has been a member of CCPC since 2009. Jane has previously served on CCPC's session as the Elder for Mission and the Elder for Outreach. Jane created and ran the slides for the contemporary service for several years and she has put together the CCPC year in review photos for the past few years. She has participated in multiple CCPC mission trips to build houses in West Virginia and in Tennessee and volunteered for VBS and various youth activities. She is the mother of 19-year-old twins Wesley and Caitlin Shoemaker. She works in advocacy and public policy for an education non-profit.

Skip Oates has served as an Elder and Deacon and along with his wife, Peggy, taught Sunday School and has gone on several youth retreats and work camps. Skip moved to Bowie with his family in 1979. He has been a member of CCPC since 1983 and a Presbyterian since the age of 14. He retired in 2016 after 42 years working in the Wholesale Building Supply Distribution Industry. Skip and Peggy have 3 daughters and 6 grandchildren.

Mark Pfarrer and wife Becky have been members of CCPC for 35 years; their two children Daniel and Paulina grew up in this church. Mark has served as Elder and on the B&G committee. Was in bell choir for years. Served on PNC that selected James Brassard. During the work week, Mark is busy as a senior engineer with the home consulting firm of HomeSpan.

Emelie Rubin is a lifelong Presbyterian and has been a member of CCPC for 10 years. She served one term as elder for children's ministry, taught Sunday School, led the renovation of the Belair Room, and is currently serving as a deacon for Cluster 11. She works as a university archivist and spends her free time gardening, reading, and taking long walks in the C, M, and W sections. She lives in Bowie with her husband, Danny, and daughters, Elliot and Charlotte.

Christmas Eve Worship Services!



Family Service at 4 p.m. (in person only)

Concert at 6:30 p.m. (in person and streaming)

Traditional Service at 7 p.m.
(in person and streaming)

Christmas Party for Kids & Teens!

Following the service on Dec. 12th in Dodd's Hall,
celebrate the season with Christmas treats, crafts, games, and a special visitor!



Christmas Poinsettia



Christmas poinsettias will be here soon! We will have 7" pots with 30 reds, 6 whites, 6 pinks, and 12 marble. The price is \$16.50 each.

Orders must be in by Monday, December 13th

If you would prefer to mail this order form in with your check (please write "poinsettia" in the memo line), please mail it to the church office with attention to Judyann Glazener.

Any questions, please contact Judyann Feinstein at
judith.a.glazener@gmail.com or 240-351-4121.

Your Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Given in memory/honor of (please print clearly):

7" Poinsettia - Qty. _____ @ \$16.50 each, for a

TOTAL of \$ _____

(Specify color)

_____ red _____ white _____ pink _____ marble

Thank you so much for your generous contribution!



Christmas Post Office

The Christmas Post Office Is Open!

To help facilitate the sorting and delivery of your Christmas cards, we ask that you observe the following courtesies:

- * Please place your cards in alphabetical order by last name and put in the appropriate box
- * Please do not bring cards for out of town or shut in members
- * Please pick up your cards by January 31st or ask Robin to hold them in the church office for you

*Thank you
and
Merry Christmas!*

Malawi Update!

We are grateful to be able to serve in Malawi, Africa, long term and to be fully engaged in advancing the Gospel and strengthening the Church. Due to COVID-19 we are anxiously awaiting our return to Malawi, but still have no updates on timing. Your prayers and financial support are an essential part of this mission and we are very thankful for each of you! Please pray for the country of Malawi, its government, its leaders, its students, its future, and also pray for our local partner the CCAP, and the universities that we work for.

Tyler and Rochelle Holm

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To support financially Tyler's position through Presbyterian World Mission:

<http://www.presbyterianmission.org/donate/E200532/>

To support the University of Livingstonia Faculty of Theology:

<http://www.presbyterianmission.org/donate/E052124>

To visit our family blog: <http://www.holminafrika.blogspot.com/>



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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.

