

Welcome to Worship at CPCC

It's a joy to welcome you to worship this morning! We worship the LORD with our heart's affections and mind's attention focused on His glory and His grace. Take a moment to preview *the order of worship* in the bulletin. **We're glad you are here!**

Sunday Worship

Even twenty years after returning from exile, the people struggled with the foreboding work of rebuilding a city and the Temple of the Lord. "Discouragement dogged God's people" says one source. But God sent a prophet with weighty words of encouragement. Today's sermon is "**Hope in God**" from the book of Zechariah. May we hear God's Word, believe it, and hope in the power and grace of our Lord.

☑ Before next Sunday please read: Malachi.

*If the Spirit of God is working in you today, calling you to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, repent of sin, or otherwise respond to the Word of God, then **please** take a moment to speak with one of our Elders after this morning's service.*

Children in Worship

All children are welcomed and encouraged to be in worship as parents train them to praise the Lord and to listen to God's Word. As needed, the **church nursery** is ready for infants & toddlers during the worship service and the Sunday School hour.

Visiting Today?

We're glad you're here! If you need a Bible they are available at the ushers' station in the back of the sanctuary. Help yourself. ***All first time visitors** should pick up a **Welcome Gift Bag** from the ushers' station after the service — and then enjoy some light refreshments with everyone downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday School

Our summertime "**Family Class**" — with adults and children all in one room — has a final lesson today on **A Parable of Jesus** with Pastor Bissett in the Fireside Room. And those with memory verses mastered, can obtain a sweet reward after class! Join us! Note: there are no classes on Sept. 6th (Labor Day weekend). On Sept. 13th. is our *Annual Sunday School Assembly*.

Wednesday Prayer Meetings

CPCC has three regular times for corporate prayer, two in-person: **Sundays @ 9:15 AM** and **Wednesdays at 10:00 AM** in room #8. Our Wednesday evening meeting is **ONLINE at 7:00 PM**.

The Women's Connection

On Sat., Sept. 12th, the Women's Connection has "**Coffee & Bible Study**" with Pastor Bissett at CPCC. PDB will make and serve the coffee, sign-up to bring a pastry item to share. *All are welcome!*

Befriend an international student

First Presbyterian Ch, Schenectady will host a welcome dinner for international students, at **5:45 PM on Thursday, Sept. 17th**. Everyone brings some food followed by socializing. *There's an opportunity to become a Christian friend with a student for the school year (with gospel potential)*. For more info or to RSVP, contact Jim or Edee Silva, 518-877-8032 (JSilva.ny@gmail.com).

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THE WEEK AHEAD @ CPCC —

Monday: 6:00 PM **Small Group Bible study** at CPCC
Tuesday: 7:00 PM **Joint Deacons/Elders** zoom meeting
Wednesday: 10:00 AM **Morning Prayer meeting** at CPCC
 7:00 PM **Evening Prayer meeting** online
Saturday: 6:00 PM *Sky Family Celtic Revival*
Next Sunday: 9:15 AM Sunday Morning Prayer (Room #8)
 9:30 AM **Sunday Worship Service**
 (no Sunday School this weekend)

Scheduled Volunteers: (TODAY)

• **Coffee:** Roger & Eva Bowman
 • **Nursery:** Craig & Pam Thomas,
 and Elizabeth Meisner

(NEXT SUNDAY, SEPT. 6TH)

Luisangela & Kevin & kids
 Ellen Dick, Alysa Kitchen

This Saturday: Sky Family Celtic Revival Concert

CPCC is looking forward to hosting a family-friendly musical concert on **Saturday, Sept. 5th at 6:00 PM**, to reach our neighbors and have them visit our church. A love offering will be received for their expenses. **SEE & SHARE THE COLOR FLYERS** (near the round table). Plan to attend, **to promote**, and to **pray** for this event!

> HELPERS NEEDED ON SATURDAY:

- **FOOD:** provide **an early supper @ 4 pm** (for 10 people - 6 adults, 4 children) for the band. It can be *anything* (except pizza, which will be ordered for them *after* the concert).
- **DRINKS:** someone to buy/bring three liters of Diet Coke, and someone else to buy/bring a 24-pack of water bottles.
- **USHERING:** a couple of volunteer ushers are also needed.

Covenant Sunday

Sunday, **Sept. 13th** is our annual "**Covenant Sunday**" when we refocus after the summer and begin our school year programs. After our morning worship service with the Lord's Supper, we will have:

- **11 AM:** an "**All Church Sunday School Assembly**" to remind us from Scripture why we emphasize Christian education for all ages, and to present our Sunday School staff for the year. Gift Bibles will be awarded to any incoming 1st Graders, and we will have a time of prayer for all the classes and teachers.
- Note: During the assembly, we will have a brief **members meeting** to vote on the *Capital Fund Proposal* (see other announcement).
- **Noon:** **A Fellowship Luncheon**; bring an entree and a salad or dessert to share with others.
- **1:00 PM:** A **second service**, with PDB sharing from the Word.

Upcoming Calendar items...

- ★ Monday, Aug. 30 — 6 PM, Small Group Bible study at CPCC
- ★ Tuesday, Sept. 1st — 7 PM, Joint Boards Zoom meeting
- ★ **Sat., Sept. 5th** — 6:00 PM, **Concert** with **SKYS Celtic Revival**
- ★ Sat., Sept 12th — 10 AM, Women's Connection Bible Study
- ★ **Sun., Sept. 13th** — **Covenant Sunday / Sun. School Assembly, and a Fellowship Luncheon**
- ★ Monday, Sept. 14th — *Serve at Schenectady City Mission*
- ★ Tuesday, Sept. 15 — 10:30 AM, Service at Schuyler Ridge
- ★ Sat., Sept. 19th — *Camaraderie Coffee & Bible Study*, 10 AM
- ★ Tuesday, Sept. 22 — 7:00 PM, Elder Board Zoom meeting

"Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth!
 For I am God, and there is no other." Isaiah 45:22 esv