

The Good News

February 2020



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From the desk of...Pastor Nancy Pearson

“Sabbath is a promise-rich gift—the command to stop once a week, every week, in the midst of the rushing water flooding our lives, to climb aboard God’s peaceful boat where we will find rest. It is a special, holy, sacred, ordinary recurring day, set aside (as Eugene Peterson puts it) ‘for praying and playing.’ In a culture driven by doing, and going, and producing, and consuming, it doesn’t get more radical than Sabbath.” “Uncluttered” by Courtney Ellis

How do we keep Sabbath? How do we disconnect for a 24 hour period each week so that we can reset and renew? What would it look like for you or for me to set aside this time, each and every week to stop, to notice, to listen to God and to our loved ones?

Begin by being intentional about setting aside the time. For most, the Sabbath will be observed on Sunday, beginning with a time of worship with your church family. For some of us, Sunday is a work day, and so Sabbath must be carved out at another time. When will Sabbath happen for you?

Decide what your Sabbath will look like. What will you do? How will you disconnect from phones, computer, TV, work responsibilities? How will you connect with Jesus during Sabbath? Prayers, journaling, music? What might you do with loved ones? How will you be intentional about planning some play time with others or by yourself?

Ask God to meet you in your time of Sabbath. Pray, asking God to help you honor his desire to set aside this time from your busy life.

Include some time for rest. Sometimes what we need most is just to stop and “be.” Allow time for a nap and for a time of rest.

Sabbath keeping is not necessarily easy to do, especially when it’s a new discipline for you. So be easy on yourself if you fall back into the routines of your daily schedule. As we ask God to create in us the desire to spend time with him, he will help us “unclutter” our lives so that there is space. Remember there is nothing too big or too small in our lives that God is not concerned with.

Blessings to you as you carve out time to be in the presence of Jesus and your loved ones.

See you on Sundays!

Pastor Nancy

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Community PrePresbyterian Church Youth Newsletter

February 2020

February Lineup

(Youth Group is from 11:45-1:15 on Sundays)

2/2 Souper Bowl of Caring & Youth Group: Youtube/Mytunes

2/9 Youth Group: Youtube/Mytunes

2/16 no Youth Group (Presidents Day weekend)

2/23 Youth Group: Youtube/Mytunes

2/25 Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper

2/29 Service and Fun: Animal Shelter and SUU Climbing Wall and Swimming



FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER! TUESDAY, FEB 25, 4:30-8:00



Calling all Jazzed up, Mardi Gras Party going, pancake flipping Youth and your families! This is our big fundraiser for the year and we need your help to host this awesome community event. We need YOU to decorate, wait tables, flip pancakes (adults only), clean up, and eat food! We hope to raise \$2000 toward our designated Youth Events and Scholarship Fund, which helps subsidize the cost of most of our youth activities!



Dust Devil Ranch Horse Sanctuary. SUU Climb & Swim!

Saturday. February 29. 9:45-4:00! Starting and ending at Community Pres. Join us as we volunteer at the Dust Devil Ranch Horse Sanctuary, doing barn chores and interacting with the horses, then we'll grab a bite to eat and head to the SUU PE Building for indoor Rock Climbing and swimming. Invite your friends—it's gonna be sooo fun. Cost \$10. RSVP by Sunday, Feb 22. Email pastorrobbyn@cedarpres.org or text me. Parents must fill out an online volunteer form for each student. Bring your permission form, your friends, your \$10 and your sense of compassion and adventure...



A BIG HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH OUR SNOW DAY AND WINTER LOCK-IN!

Thanks especially to Eric and Briget Eastep for providing transportation and supervision for this event! We couldn't do this fun stuff if it weren't for parents and other adult volunteers!!! And thanks to the congregation for donating supplies so that the youth could assemble 30 Hygiene Kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.



Congratulations to the Confirmation Class of 2019/20!

May the Lord uphold you by the Holy Spirit and bless you with gifts of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in God's presence, both now and forever!

- Elizabeth "Izzy" Lucille Eastep is an 8th grader at Cedar Middle School. She loves reading, science, travel, outdoor adventure and making the world a better place. Her mentor was Susan Allman.
- Jasper Reed Eddy is a 7th grader at Cedar Middle School. He is an avid Lego designer, Fortnite player, hiker, comedian and reader. His mentor was Bob Ballou.
- Katherine "Katy" Emma Hall is an 8th grader at Cedar Middle School. She loves to mountain bike, play water polo, hang with her friends and get creative. Her mentor was Linda Johnson.
- Ashley Belle Kelley is a 7th grader home-schooler. She enjoys playing with her dog, playing the flute, and helping animals. Her mentor was Robyn Eddy.
- Ellen Deborah Orlemann is a Sophomore at Parowan High School. She is an avid runner, guitar player, artist and deep thinker. Her mentor was Linda Johnson.



We are grateful for the time, love and care that so many people shared with our confirmation class. Thanks to our fabulous mentors: Susan Allman, Bob Ballou, Linda Johnson and Robyn Eddy. Thanks also to the many special guests who shared their stories and insights: Muriel Lee, Jan Ackart, Jeff Smith, Amarante Vasquez, Gen Phelps, Rita Osborn, Dana Covey, Sonya Swatsley, and Pastor Nancy Pearson.

New this year!

A Strove Tuesday Pancake meal on the evening before Lent begins! (Tuesday February 25). Join your church family and friends for a festive meal featuring pancakes and all the trimmings at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come and bring your friends. The supper will be a fundraiser for youth ministries.

Traditionally the celebration of Mardi Gras happens the night before Lent begins. In early days of the church, this was a time to "eat, drink and be merry," knowing that your Lenten fast would begin the next day.

Watch for more information!



Family Fun and Games Night

Family Fun and Games Night, Saturday, Feb 8, 5:00-7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a favorite table game and a side or dessert to share. We will provide hotdogs and an assortment of toppings, along with Twister, Jenga, and family Pictionary. For CPC Children and your families! RSVP to Pr Robyn so we get enough dogs!

Looking Ahead to March

During the weeks of March, we will join together in an All Church Book Study!

The book I've chosen is "The Walk" by Adam Hamilton. I'll be preaching each week on a section of the book.

Watch for an opportunity to sign up to be a part of a small discussion group and to purchase the book so that you can read it. We'll have questions to discuss and will join in fellowship together around the topic of "Our Walk with Jesus."

Looking forward to this time to study, pray and be together.

Pastor Nancy

ICAMA

Come celebrate Valentine's Day with a sweetheart of a show as Iron County Acoustic Music Association presents a legend of the Utah folk scene, Cosy Sheridan, Friday, February 14 at 7 PM in the CPC Fellowship Hall. Touted as one of the finest songwriters of her generation, Cosy plays a percussive bluesy guitar style backed by the strong rhythms and harmonies of her bass player Charlie Koch.

You can check out Cosy's music at www.cosysheridan.com and on Facebook, at Cosy Sheridan Music.

\$5 suggested donation.



Resource Ministry



Resource Ministry Committee is up and running. Take a second and visit the Welcome Table. There you will find our newly designed Information Card. Take a few to have ready to pass out to friends and someone seeking a church family. Our committee members are starting to connect with worshippers to have conversations about places in our church to serve....be it once in awhile, a few times or even on a regular basis. We are looking forward to visiting with each of you.

Job 37:6 "For He saith to the snow, be thou on the earth"



Like to Ski? Like to Snowboard? If interested in starting a CPC Ski Group, please call Mick Bixler at 970-471-4364 or email me at mickbixler@gmail.com. All abilities are welcome. See you on the slopes!

Congregational Life

Hi everybody!! What a great time we have when we get together!! I am looking forward to our Beat the Winter Blues Talent/No Talent show on February 1st at 6pm. This will be an evening Potluck, so bring your favorite Potluck dish to share.



The usual 2nd Sunday Potluck/ Birthday Sunday will be February 9th after worship. If you have a birthday in February, please come to the Fellowship Hall right away to have your cake, candles, the birthday song and a picture!

To get the season of Lent started off, we are going to have a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper! This will be from 5:30 to 7:30pm on February 25th. Please mark your calendars, and then mark your calendars to come the Ash Wednesday Service the next night, February 26 to usher in the season of Lent.



Prayers of Intercession for:

Please Pray

Prayers of Bereavement:

Harry Brown
Jan Hite
Patt Behrens
Beverly Dressen
Kathie Duca
David Price
Rev. Jeri Lee Harrell-Leeper
Tyler and Stacy Ballou
Greg Gonzales
Brad Phelps
Jackie Jackson
Klaus and Linda Stetzenbach
Audrey Starks (Jane McCoy's aunt)
Bob Beatty
Dee Thorpe



Sue Ebersole & Family
Des and Sara Penny
family of Carole Lucas

Prayers of Praise

Praise God for the healing of baby Jack!
Praise God for the progress of Klaus
Stetzenbach

Mission and Outreach

Thank you for being a part of Suds for Spuds! We donated 245 lbs. of cleaning products to Care and Share!

Our committee is considering a Mission trip to Las Vegas. We'd serve at the homeless shelter preparing meals and participate in other projects. Watch for information about how you can participate.

We're exploring other needs in our Cedar City community. We'd be glad for your input. Pastor Robyn has communicated with the Mission committee about support needed for youth and family outreach projects. We're also exploring the possibilities of supporting InterVarsity Christian Fellowship on the SUU campus through the ministry of Trevor and Maria Hollis.

Please send any of YOUR ideas our way. We're looking for additional members to join our Mission and Outreach team. And as always, we want to get many others involved at CPC. Thanks for your support.

Rich Bontadelli, Mission elder

February Birthdays

Sue Ebersole	Feb 2
Michelle Garrison	Feb 5
Judy Colwell	Feb 7
Marilyn Smith	Feb 9
Sandra Capps	Feb 9
Kathie Duca	Feb 9
Fred Hite	Feb 16
Lynne Brown	Feb 17
Claire Whipple	Feb 21
Cliff Hoppus	Feb 22
Chris Roelandt	Feb 25
Sherron Hall	Feb 27
Eleanor Eddy	Feb 27
Delainey Boudreau	Feb 27
Jim Howells	Feb 29



Session News

Session met on January 21, 2020.

Elders present were Dana Covey, Brad Phelps, Rich Bontadelli, Jeff Smith, Jane McCoy, Mary Belle Royer. Excused was Linda Stetzenbach.

Guest was nominated elder Jeff McCoy.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Nancy. Word, Share, Prayer was from Luke 19: 5-10.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved, the minutes of the called meeting of session on January 11 were reviewed and approved.

A thank you card from the Bright Starz staff was read, thanking us for the Christmas gifts from CPC. A letter from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly was read regarding having Sexual misconduct policies in place.

- Clerk-Barbara Ambrose was baptized during worship on December 22, 2019. Ashley Kelley and Elizabeth Eastep were baptized during worship on January 12. Confirmation Sunday was January 12, with five youth being received into membership after affirming their faith and reaffirming their baptism. They are Ashley Hall, Elizabeth Eastep, Ellen Orlemann, Jasper Eddy, and Katy Hall. The General Mission Pledge this year will distribute 15% to General Assembly and 85% to the Presbytery of Utah.
- Pastor Nancy-The Annual Meeting of the Congregation is scheduled for January 26 after worship. A Deacon/Elder training session is scheduled for Feb 8th with Richfield, CPC and St George.
- Pastor Robyn- Five youth studied during the fall and were confirmed on January 12. Michelle Garrison has joined the Sunday school teaching team. Pastor Robyn has been actively involved in supporting the Ebersole girls during Tim's last days. The CPC Moms group has been meeting for fellowship and mutual support, with seven moms in attendance in December.
- Finance-the December finance report was approved. Session approved a 2020 budget and the Terms of Call for Pastor Nancy on December 28th.
- Worship and Music-Ruth Fotheringham is chairing the worship committee until Linda Stetzenbach returns. Ruth is working to organize the ushers. There will not be Lenten suppers and services this year. The Ash Wednesday Service will be February 26th.
- Property and Maintenance-the final repairs of the plumbing in the kitchen are underway.
- Congregational Life- The committee joined with the Mission Committee to have the 2nd Sunday potluck in conjunction with Spuds for Suds. A motion was approved to hold the program for the talent show in the sanctuary.
- Mission-The Spuds for Suds event was successful with a lot of donations for Care and Share. The committee would welcome new members!
- Personnel-The committee has been working on staff job descriptions to make them measurable.
- Nominating-We have no one to nominate as deacon, and Jeff McCoy has agreed to serve as elder of Personnel. The nominating committee nominees are Rick Osborn, Amarante Vasquez and one to be determined at the congregational meeting.
- Presbytery-The winter Presbytery meeting will be February 22, 2020.
- Treasures-The Treasures financial report shows an income of 100,000 for 2019. Praise the Lord!!
- New Business-Discussion was held about the lack of interest in serving on the Board of Deacons. No action was determined, further discussion will be held. Discussion was held about a request to hold an Autism Awareness Event at our facility, it was determined that we needed more information, there is a possible scheduling conflict involving the parking lot that day. Discussion was held about having more involvement and participation during Lent. A motion was approved to hold a pancake supper on Shrove Tuesday, February 25, with Ash Wednesday service on the 26th.

The next session meeting will be at 6pm, February 18th, 2020 in the conference room. The meeting was adjourned with prayer offered by Jane McCoy.

Dana Covey
Clerk of Session

The February donation for Care and Share is

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Upcoming Sermons & Worship for February

“Who We are As God’s People”

- February 2** Worship & Communion
Women’s Choir sings
“We are Chosen by God”
Ephesians 1
- February 9** Worship
Sara Penny special music
“We are His Body”
1 Corinthians 12
- February 16** Worship & Communion
Praise Team
“We are All His Gifted”
1 Corinthians 12
- February 23** Worship
Praise Team leads
“We are Bound Together in Unity”
Ephesians 4
Pastor Robyn preaching



Property and Maintenance Thank-You

I would like to thank all of the volunteers who offered their knowledge, their eyes and ears on site when I’m not there, backs and muscles and their time and encouragement to me personally. There are too many to list but their accomplishments are numerous and without their constant help this job would be impossible - so thanks to all of you. --Jeff Smith

Looking Ahead to the Season of Lent

Ash Wednesday (February 26) marks the beginning of the church season of Lent. Lent is a time of preparation and waiting, when we think about Jesus’ life and His sacrifice of love for us. Lent continues through Holy Week and culminates in our joyous celebration of Jesus’ resurrection on Easter Sunday. (April 12)



At our church we will remember the beginning of Lent with an Ash Wednesday worship service at 7 pm. We’ll sing and pray and hear a brief message, and the pastors will impose ashes on the foreheads of those who would like this memorable experience. We remember that “we are dust, and to dust we will return.” We also remember that we are beloved children of God.

Pastors Nancy and Robyn will also be available during the day to pray for you and impose ashes on your forehead. The church sanctuary will be open from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and you may come anytime during those hours.

January Birthdays



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We are especially thankful for...



The Session

Class of 2021

Dana Covey, Brad Phelps, Linda Stetzenbach

Class of 2022

Rich Bontadelli, Jane McCoy, Jeff McCoy, Jeff Smith

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Class of 2022

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