



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 2022

Dear Friends:

One of the distinctive features of our Presbyterian tradition is the important contribution that Presbyterians made during the forming of our country. For example, there was only one clergyperson who signed the Declaration of Independence, John Witherspoon. Rev. Witherspoon was the President of Princeton and a Presbyterian Clergy person. During the Revolutionary War, King George called the conflict, "a Presbyterian Rebellion".

As people of faith and Presbyterians, part of our DNA is the realization that we are called to live out our lives and our faith in the world that is in need of healing. In the Confession of 1967, the vital nature of our engagement is shared:

Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world.

The church gathers to praise God, to hear God's word for humankind, to baptize and to join in the Lord's Supper, to pray for and present the world to God in worship, to enjoy fellowship, to receive instruction, strength, and comfort, to order and organize its own corporate life, to be tested, renewed, and reformed, and to speak and act in the world's affairs as may be appropriate to the needs of the time.

The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Their prayer and Bible study are part of the church's worship and theological reflection. Their witness is the church's evangelism. Their daily action in the world is the church in mission to the world. The quality of their relation with other persons is the measure of the church's fidelity.

What does it mean to be Presbyterian in 2022? What is our witness?

Blessings,
Peter Wilkinson

Summer Worship

Beginning July 3, we will worship in the Community Room. We are utilizing this space because the space provides more options for people to be socially distanced during our worship experiences (along with a quiet air conditioning system!). Nursery Care will be available each Sunday and our worship services will seek to provide ways to engage people of all ages. Sunday school has ended for the summer and will begin again in the fall.

We look forward to our worship time together.

Thank You

Thank you to the Deacons and Christian Ed, as well as the Interim Pastor Search Committee for helping to make a very special day on Sunday, June 5th. The perfect weather contributed to a beautiful day of thanks and official welcome for Rev. Peter Wilkinson.



Save the Date



A NIGHT OF BASEBALL

Thursday, August 11
First Pitch - 7:05 pm

Plan to join us for the New Jersey Jackals vs. Empire State Greys game at Yogi Berra Stadium. We have tickets for 40+ seats and the possibility for more.
– Thank you Neal Day! This is a family favorite.

Watch for the sign-up coming soon!

July Birthdays

- 1 Lisa Krizner-George
- 2 Adelle Buck
Lisbeth Hoyt
- 4 Heather Day
- 6 Linn Kristine Johansen
- 7 Natalie Grace Wilson
- 10 Levi Waisanen
- 31 Jackie Lane
Lin Roth
Valerie Spain

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Our worship service will shift to the Community Room as of July 3 rd to take advantage of the air conditioning.					1	2
3 Martha Day, Guest Pastor 10:00 am – Worship w/nursery Judy Palma, Guest Organist 6:30pm - 8:00pm AA	4 Independence Day Office Closed 6:30 pm Women in Action	5	6 6:30pm-9:30pm Private Event – Grace Hall	7 7:00pm - 9:00pm AA	8	9
10 10:00am Worship w/Lord’s Supper Judy Palma, Guest Organist 6:30pm - 8:00pm AA	11 6:30 pm Women in Action	12 9:30am Staff Meeting 1:00pm – 5:00pm Private Event – Community Room	13 10:00am – 4:00pm Private Event - Community Room 6:30pm-9:30pm Private Event – Grace Hall	14 7:00pm - 9:00pm AA	15	16
17 10:00am Worship 6:30pm - 8:00pm AA	18 6:30 pm Women in Action	19 9:30am Staff Meeting 6:00pm Christian Ed. Committee 8:00pm Worship Committee	20 6:30pm-9:30pm Private Event – Grace Hall	21 1:00pm – 6:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive 7:00pm - 9:00pm AA	22	23
24 10:00am Worship Judy Palma, Guest Organist 6:30pm - 8:00pm AA 31 10:00am Worship 6:30pm - 8:00pm AA	25 6:30 pm Women in Action 7:00pm Deacons meet	26 9:30am Staff Meeting	27 6:30pm-9:30pm Private Event – Grace Hall	28 7:00pm - 9:00pm AA	29	30

Church Passing



It is with great sadness that we share the tragic news that our Building Manager, Mark Schoonfield, passed away at home on June 22, 2022.

Mark joined the Central Staff in 2019. He shared great energy in fulfilling this important role at the church. Mark was always busy. He searched for ways to fix/repair things. He made himself available to work on projects. Mark wanted to find ways to help others. His support throughout the pandemic was important as the church navigated the challenges that presented themselves during that period. In the past year, Mark's diligent work following the massive flooding that took place following the storms last August made it possible for our tenants to remain open during the cleanup.

Mark married his love, Lenka and lived a beautiful life together for 30 years with their daughter Elizabeth. Mark loved music. He kept a guitar in his office. He loved to talk about the band he played with and the joy music brought to his life.

Mark's life was grounded in his faith. He saw his employment at Central as an opportunity to witness his faith. Mark will be missed and let us continue to keep Lenka and Elizabeth in our prayers.