CPC Adopts New Mission Statement

With the review and approval of the Session, the new Mission Statement for our church was adopted in December and included as part of the 2018 Annual Report. This new statement is on our website and in the Sunday morning bulletins. You will see some additional clarifications below the new Mission Statement from your Pneumatrix Committee as we discerned and grappled with our future together living the Gospel. We hope this will help you in your own journey both individually and as part of the CPC family. Please feel free to reach out to us with your questions and comments.

MISSION STATEMENT:

Responding to God’s love through Jesus Christ, we:

Welcome all

Nurture relationships

Grow in faith together

Connect with and serve our community and the world

CLARIFICATION:

Welcome all

We extend hospitality, acceptance, and inclusion to all. And all means all.

We strive to provide a gracious and warm welcome to all, whether they are longtime members, friends, or guests.

Nurture relationships

We are intentional about nurturing and growing our relationships with:

God – through study, prayer, and worship

Our fellow church members and friends – through fellowship,

(Continued on page 3)
Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, traditionally forty days, excluding Sundays, when we are called to self-reflection, prayer, repentance, self-denial and preparation in anticipation of the celebration of Easter. The period of forty days has many roots including Noah and the flood, Israel’s forty year wanderings, and Jesus’ forty days in the wilderness where he, like Moses and Elijah before him, sojourned in preparation for his ministry.

During this time, we are called upon to reflect on our sins and the many ways we have separated ourselves from God and from one another. At ashes upon your forehead, hearing the words, “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you will return,” a reminder of our mortality and fragility before God. We provide that opportunity on Ash Wednesday evening March 6 in the Sanctuary at 6:30 p.m., in a Taize style worship service, with reflective music, scripture readings, and the invitation to the Lord’s Supper.

If you choose a Lenten discipline, some act of self-denial or spiritual discipline as part of your Lenten journey, “let it be part of a freedom journey, not wallowing in gloom but practicing justice and joy in fellowship with God and one another. Let us make that journey together, exploring how we can turn the casual cultural concept of ‘giving up something for Lent’ into a meaningful act of devotion.”

(Continued on page 3)
... From Pastor Keith ...

(Continued from page 2)

I have come to appreciate poetry more and more over the years and have often referred to the writings of Old Testament scholar, Walter Brueggemann. In his book, Prayers for a Privileged People, he includes this prayerful poem, Marked by Ashes. I hope you will reflect upon it as we begin our Lenten journey.

May you be blessed as we begin our Lenten journey together,

Pastor Keith

... Mission Statement ...

(Continued from page 1)

small groups and serving side-by-side in ministry as we grow together

Our neighbors and community – through outreach, education, and advocacy in the community

Grow in faith together

As believers, we are at different stages of our shared Christian journey. Some have been on the journey from their earliest years, while others are new to the path. Most are somewhere in between.

We affirm the rich tradition of this church and the faithfulness of those who have come before, while prayerfully discerning what it means to be faithful in our changing times.

Through worship experiences, education for all ages, fellowship groups, and opportunities to serve, we strive to learn to live our faith in our lives together and wherever our lives touch God’s people. Connect with and serve our community and the world

Connecting extends serving to walking side-by-side with the people we help and support because we are all part of the same community. We listen to and engage with the people in our community, meet people where they are, and speak up for social justice as individuals and the church. We see that all people are God’s children and share God’s love with them. We cherish and take care of the environment God created.

We support world mission financially and through volunteer opportunities.

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us on Sunday, March 17 at 10:00 a.m. for an informative gathering for questions and comments about the new CPC mission statement.

PneuMatrix Team: Allison Cagley, Clint Dahlke, Tim Farley, Kathy Lewis, Sharon MacLean, Rae-Nani Stokes, Len Tozier, Keith DeVries.
(Presbytery Support: David Williams, Grace Suwabe)
From Pastor Ivan N. Herman:

“Teaching our Children (and Ourselves)”

Jesus fasted for 40 days in the wilderness before he began his public ministry. The 40-day season of Lent invites us to a season of engaging in spiritual disciplines that strengthen our ministry together. Here are a few ways to engage this year:

The Discipline of Generosity

Our children take notice of our actions more than our words. They notice when we go to church meetings, Bible study, or worship. They also notice when we don’t. Teaching our children to be generous givers is more than just telling them to share their toys with each other; we must also model a discipline of generosity. Do your children know how much you give? Have you talked to them about why you give? Perhaps more importantly, do they feel invited to give, too?

This past December our children (and adults!) got really excited about filling the “goat stick” with quarters to buy goats for Pastor Joseph Kaweesa’s farm in Uganda. The kids raised $800—enough for four kids. I’m not sure if the energy originated with the children or with the adults, but it bounced around the sanctuary, and has had a lasting positive effect. (The goat stick returns in May 2019—I hope you’re excited!) Our kids notice and learn from these experiences, and it helps them develop the joyful discipline of generosity. It might seem a small thing that youth hold soup pots to collect funds for the food closet on Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday, but these young people are witnessing the generosity of this congregation. You are teaching them how to be generous.

This season of Lent we will invite our children to take home a “fish bank” to collect coins for our One Great Hour of Sharing offering. They will have a chance to bring those forward during worship on Palm Sunday. I hope parents will use this opportunity to evaluate ideas about generosity and how they model it. As with any spiritual discipline generosity can become an ongoing part of our children’s lives rather than an occasional practice.

The Discipline of Studying Scripture

During Lent I will be teaching two special classes. Starting Sunday, March 3, I will invite us to re-read the parables of Jesus based upon the work of Dr. Amy-Jill Levine, an Orthodox Jew and New Testament scholar (yes, you read that right), Short Stories by Jesus; The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi. Her scholarship on first-century Judaism and the teachings of Jesus can help us understand what made him so provocative and attractive to first century Jews. Through these parables, we will examine repentance, forgiveness, and what it means for us to pursue justice as individuals and as a church together.

Since Ash Wednesday falls on March 6, I will begin a Wednesday evening study on March 13 that will meet through May 1. Final Words from the Cross by Rev. Adam Hamilton, examines Christ’s dying hours and his final words as seen and heard through the eyes and ears of those who stood near the cross. If you have ever been with someone you love as they are approaching death, you know how precious final words are.

(Continued on page 5)
Afghan Family Literacy Project Update

As you know, CPC is engaged in supporting Afghan refugee families in our community and plans to launch our own Family Literacy Project as our teachers are trained. Here is an update on what is happening and opportunities for you to get involved. (And as a reminder, in general, the men of these families worked for our government in Afghanistan and had to leave Afghanistan because their lives were in danger. Many of the women could not receive an education because of the Taliban.)

Survey of Afghan Families near CPC

In late October 2018, World Relief, with support from CPC members, surveyed Afghan families at two apartment complexes close to CPC. Afghan men from these apartments were helpful in distributing the surveys. 71 surveys were completed out of 140 surveys handed out. Here are some of the findings.

The majority of families are content with their current life in Carmichael, and over three-fourths of them feel comfortable here. Ninety percent feel very safe or safe here. With respect to driving, men are far more mobile—97 percent have driver’s licenses—while only 16 percent of women have driver’s licenses. Of the people completing the survey, far more males have completed high school or university education (70 percent of the men vs 24 percent of the women). Twenty-four percent of women were pre-literate, but 52 percent have completed Intermediate School (grades 1-7). This may reflect that more educated families completed the surveys. (World Relief Sacramento data indicate a higher percentage of women who are pre-literate.) Forty-five percent of women find it hard to learn English while only 22 percent of men find it hard or very hard.

For most families, their income does not cover their living expenses. This is not a surprising finding, considering their newness to America, their language barriers, and for many, the inability of their wives to work and the relatively large size of their families.

We were thrilled to hear that 80 percent would be very happy to connect with Americans (men were a bit more open to that), and that men were generally very comfortable with sharing their culture with Americans.

Not surprisingly, only thirty percent of respondents had confidence in helping their children with their homework, and almost three-fourths would like to have tutoring

(Continued from page 6)

... From Pastor Ivan ...

(Continued from page 4)

In biblical terms, forty days symbolizes wholeness or fullness. I hope that these forty days of Lent are for you a special time of devotion and discipline. I hope these days help you live more wholly and fully.

“I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”

(Galatians 2:19-20)
... Afghan Literacy Project ...

(Continued from page 5)

for their children. Two-thirds of the women surveyed would be interested in ESL classes and almost all of the women needed child care in order to attend these classes. Men were also interested in ESL classes, with career mentoring a close second. Ninety-three percent of women would be very happy to attend an English class near their home with 88 percent of them saying that they would be comfortable attending an English class in a church building. Good news for us!

Finally, 79 percent of women and 88 percent of men are very positive about their future in the US, and 91 percent of all respondents were very hopeful about the future of their children.

What this says to us is that the Afghan refugees are positive about being here (despite all of their barriers) and positive about their futures. And, they are eager to hear what CPC plans to do.

Good Neighbors Program

The Good Neighbors Program pairs individuals with Afghan families to help them feel welcome, and to help them assimilate into our culture. We already have two Good Neighbor volunteers making a difference with their assigned families. More volunteers are welcome!

Use of our Facilities by World Relief

World Relief is now using McMillen Hall one evening a week for a group of Afghan boys to play futsal (a derivative of soccer played on a basketball style court with a smaller, low-bouncing ball) on a six-week trial basis. They are super excited to have the use of such a great facility!

Training of Our Congregation

In January, eight volunteers (six from CPC, two from other congregations) received teacher training from World Relief and some of us have begun volunteering in World Relief ESL classes. We also participated in registration for those classes so that we would know how to do it ourselves later (with help from translators). Additional CPC volunteers completed the World Relief orientation and attended Cultural training in February conducted by World Relief at CPC to learn more about our Afghan neighbors.

Volunteering

Because we will be offering child care with our English language classes, we are looking for volunteers who would like to work with the little ones. World Relief has found a volunteer to head it up.

If you want to get involved, receive regular online updates or have ideas about additional ways we can connect with our Afghan neighbors, please don’t hesitate to contact Kathy Lewis (916-505-4281 or kathyblewis@att.net). Whatever you decide to do, you will be supported.

SAVE THE DATES!

Lifetouch Photography will be at CPC April 23 & 24 1:00-8:00 p.m. each day to take photographs for our church directory update!

If you’ve had a change in your family, didn’t make it into the current directory, or just want a new photo, this is your chance!

Watch for sign ups beginning in mid-March!

Questions? Contact Karen Gray at 916-486-9081 or karen@carmichaelpres.org
Family Promise

Did you know that Family Promise in Sacramento is made possible by 32 faith communities working together? Sixteen of them (including CPC) serve as host communities, and sixteen support them. This is an ecumenical effort with Protestant, Catholic, LDS and Jewish communities coming together to help newly homeless families get back on their feet. CPC hosts Family Promise families four times a year, for a week each time. Our next hosting week is April 7-13.

Family Promise has made a difference in Sacramento for the past 14 years. During that time, it has served 251 families, and placed 250 families in either transitional or permanent housing. These families included 325 adults and 492 children. Sixteen guests have earned their GED, 16 have earned college degrees, and 11 have purchased their own homes! Four high school seniors have received full scholarships to CSU while in Family Promise. And, over 10,000 people have been served through referrals to other services. In 2018, 18 families were served.

Our participation in Family Promise is a great way to connect with and serve our community in partnership with other faith communities. Family Promise families appreciate the support— we are making a real difference in their lives! We hope you can be part of this important ministry! Look for sign-up opportunities between services on March 24 and 31. We can’t do it without you.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary MacDonald, CPC Family Promise Chair (mary.macdonald123@gmail.com). Mary is replacing Carol Jones who has faithfully held that job for many years!! Thank you, Carol, for all of your work and leadership!! Carol is, of course, staying actively involved.
“No test or temptation that comes your way is beyond the course of what others have had to bear. All you need to remember is that God will never let you down; he’ll never let you be pushed past your limit; he’ll always be there to help you come through it.” (1 Corinthians 10:13 from The Message)

When I read this verse, I feel hopeful. Not only will God not allow me to be tested beyond what I can bear, he will help me endure it! There are many ways he might help me get through it—one of them could be by providing a Stephen Minister to help me.

**What is a Stephen Minister?**

A Stephen Minister is:

- a child of God who walks beside a hurting person
- a caring Christian friend who really listens and keeps it confidential
- a lay person who has received 50 hours of training in how to provide distinctively Christian care.

A Stephen Minister is NOT:

- a counselor or therapist
- a problem solver
- a casual visitor

_A Stephen Minister ministers to those who are experiencing_ ...

- loss of a loved one
- unemployment
- separation or divorce
- terminal illness
- other stresses or challenges

**How can you be involved?**

- Pray for our Stephen Ministers and those receiving their care.
- Help make others aware of the support system that is available.
- Do you have the gift of listening, mercy, or encouragement? Consider God’s direction as to whether you should become a Stephen Minister.

**Want to know more?**

Contact one of the Stephen Leaders: Kelly Holland, Misty Dunn, Mary Thomas, John Wallace, or Len Tozier.

---

**Taizé Worship: An Invitation**

You are invited. Are you curious and excited when you receive an invitation? Does your mind ponder who will be there and what will happen? Well, you are invited! Invited to join Jenny DeVries and Kathy Daigle to worship God with music, scripture, reflection, prayer, and holy silence as we gather in the Chapel on Wednesday, March 20 from 6:15-7:15 p.m.

Please join us, just as you are. We all come seeking an encounter with God—a fresh taste of his loving presence and promised peace. Come and find an oasis in the midst of whatever is going on in your life. Come and fill this sacred space with your presence. You are invited. The door is open, the candles are flickering. Come fill this space. Come and see what will happen. We all will be blessed.
The Presbyterian Women (PW) Worldwide Mission pledge largely finances the operating budget of PW at all levels—nationally, as well as at the synod, presbytery and congregation levels. These funds support evangelism, education, church planting, justice work, and ministry across the nation and around the world, as PW partners with Presbyterian Church (USA).

Horizons magazine, available by subscription, is filled with inspiring articles and is published by PW six times a year. Like the PW Bible Study, Horizons magazine helps to fulfill the mission of PW itself: to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study, to support the mission of the church worldwide, to work for justice and peace, and to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the promise of God’s kingdom.

Additionally, each spring PW focuses on Birthday Offerings to celebrate blessings and fund up to five special projects. At least 40 percent of this fall offering supports health ministries throughout the world. Also, CROP helps fund hunger efforts like the Heifer Project through CPC’s Alternative Gift Market.

Here at CPC, the dedicated women of Dorcas Circle are part of the PW’s World Service Sewing Circle. They meet on the first Tuesday of each month (October through May) from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Howard Crowley Room. These women use their talents and gifts to sew colorful lap blankets for seniors locally and for Emancipation Baskets for youth leaving foster care. Thank you, ladies, for all the good works you do!

All women of CPC are invited to become active members and attend PW Gatherings and Circles, which meet the 3rd Thursday of each month, September through May, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. The possibility of a new evening circle is being explored. We would be delighted to have you join us at one of our monthly circle meeting or our pastor’s Bible study on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. If you are interested, please call Carole Jacobi, PW Moderator.

(Continued on page 10)
New Member Class!

Sunday, April 7
(1:30-3:30 p.m.)
and
Saturday, April 13
(9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)
(includes lunch)

Join Pastor Keith to learn more about what it means to be Presbyterian, how CPC operates, and how you can get involved in the life and ministry of CPC.

Child care will be provided upon request.

To register or for more information, contact Judi Stewart (stewart@winfirst.com) or call the church office at 916-486-9081.

In Lesson 7 of the PW Bible Study, we focus on God with us as Emmanuel. In her introduction to this lesson, author Amy Poling Sutherlun says, “Having traced God’s promise ‘I will be with you’ through the Old Testament scriptures, we will arrive in the New Testament—the first chapter of the first book. Where we have heard before the promise of God to be with us, we now meet the One who is God with us. We have been tracing, or chasing, the words of promise through the pages of scripture, and here in the first chapter of the New Testament, we come face-to-face with the person who fulfills that promise. In Emmanuel, the Word becomes flesh and dwells among us. It is not an exaggeration to say that this changes everything. In Jesus, the promise becomes a person.” (Primary Scripture: Isaiah 7:10-16; Matthew 1:18-25)

Our prayer: Faithful God, we give you thanks that you have not only promised to be with us, you have fulfilled that promise in Jesus Christ. We praise you, Emmanuel, for you came to dwell among us, the Word made flesh. So great is your love for us, you are willing to do whatever it takes to be with us. Give us faith that helps us overcome our fears and teach us, we pray, to seek you as we have been sought.

(Continued from page 9)

In Our Church Family

Please lift up in prayer these members of our church family who have recently lost loved ones:

❖ the family of Vern van der Kamp, who passed away on January 18.
❖ Sue Carpenter and the King Family on the loss of Sue’s granddaughter, Rachel King on January 18.
❖ Jerri Pefley and family on the loss of her husband, Jack Pefley, on January 25.
❖ Mattie Young and family on the loss of her husband, Richard Young on January 27.

Mission Bell Deadlines

March 11 for the April newsletter
April 8 for the May newsletter

Submit articles to: Amy Lerseth, Mission Bell Editor at amylerseth@buzzoates.com or leave articles in the Mission Bell box in the church office.
Twenty-one members of the Clipper Ship met on February 10 at Thelma Wever’s home for our monthly meeting and valentine exchange. After hors d’oeuvres and chit chat, we were entertained by an excellent barbershop group, The Checkered Past (888-877-9806). The group joined us for a delicious bris- ket dinner served by Thelma on her festive table settings. After dinner our skipper, Judy Sweeney conducted a short meeting which began with a devotional based on Matthew 14 given by Thelma. Following the meeting, valentines were exchanged and read by every member. It was a fun event with much laughter and good will. Thank you, Thelma, for hosting.

Companionship
Skipper: Terry Barto

On Saturday, February 2, the Companionship met at El Papagayo for a delightful Mexican dinner. Seated at a very long table, we were able to chat with each other over “help yourself” chips and salsas while waiting for our entrees to be served. Our end of the table dined on chile rellenos, tacos and quesadillas accompanied by margaritas and more chips. Following dinner, a small group went on to the Chau-tauqua Theater to see the play “Doubt”. As Joe St. Clair said, the actress playing the Mother Superior was so convincing that he hated her! All those in attendance said this was an excellent production.

Our next event will be a tour of the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in downtown Sacramento. If you...
SUMMER CAMP, HERE WE COME!

WESTMINSTER WOODS

**ADVENTURE CAMP**
(entering grades 2-4)
**JUNE 23-26 OR JUNE 23-29**
COST: $262.50 (1/2 week) OR $525 (1 week)

**ELEVATION**
(entering grades 6-8)
**JUNE 23-29**
COST: $525

**SHERWOOD FOREST**
(entering grades 4-6)
**JUNE 23-29**
COST: $525

**HIGH SCHOOL CAMP**
(entering grades 9-12)
**JULY 21-27**
COST: $525

Register online at [www.westminsterwoods.org](http://www.westminsterwoods.org)

Save $35 if you register by April 1 with CPC’s discount code.
Contact Lisa Torgerson for details (lisa@carmichaelpres.org or 916-486-9081).

And remember, CPC pays most of the camp costs for families that donate to and volunteer for the Planting Seeds of Faith Auction on March 24!

---

Start Watching the Sales!

**Emancipation Basket Time is Coming**
**April 7-28**

These baskets of household and personal hygiene items are distributed to graduates of the Independent Living Project, classes offered to foster care youth who are “graduating” from the system and need help getting started on their own.

Watch for more information in your April Mission Bell and May Parish Notes.
would like to visit our ship, please contact our Lookouts, Sharlene and Joe St. Clair.

**Friendship**
Skipper: Monica Dahlberg

**HMS Pinafore**
We’re sorry to report that, after polling most members of the H.M.S. Pinafore, there was general agreement that the time has come for us to go into dry dock. It has become increasingly difficult for us to continue as a ship as many of us find ourselves unable to do the heavy lifting necessary to stay “afloat.” We will in the near future come together for a decommissioning ceremony. No doubt we will plan occasional get togethers as we cherish the friendships we have made through the years.

**Holy Scow**
Skipper: Terryl Summers

**Kinship**
Skipper: Bill & Erin Pace

**Lifeboat**
Skipper: Anne Parker

**Nautilus**
Skipper: Peter & Kathy Davalos

In February, a small contingent of Nautilus mariners plopped themselves down in the ultra-comfy seats at one of the Century theaters, extended their foot rests, lowered the seatbacks, gathered tubs of popcorn and other snacks in close, and transported themselves to Seville, Spain in the mid-nineteenth century. With the lights dimmed and the seats comfortable, naps were a threat, but that wasn’t going to happen during the Metropolitan Opera’s *Live in HD*, where movie theaters around the world screen live productions of the Met’s operas, and include backstage activities and interviews during intermissions.

This day it was *Carmen*, the beloved operatic story of romance, danger, and, as is typical of these things at their conclusions, death. The aficionados, now newly infused with culture, abandoned their popcorn and luxury seating for lunch at Estelle’s.

The annual CPC auction, to which Nautilus will be donating an auction item, will be our March activity. If you’d like to join us for an activity or want to consider membership, contact our skippers, Kathy and Peter Davalos or any of the ship’s members.

**Skipjacks**
Skipper: Bob & Doris Beckert

Heart healthy dining at Mimi’s Café, a heart and soul filled devotional, and funny Valentines highlighted the February gathering of 21 of our Skipjacks. The rainstorm did not quell our enthusiasm for fellowship and food in Mimi’s banquet room.

Following dinner, Skippers Bob and Doris Beckert led a brief business meeting at the home of the Jacobis. For part of the devotional, Chaplains Phil and Jimmi Mishler had us participate in readings defining heart and soul, and in Bible passages where the...
word “heart” had been used. (Jimmi used a concordance from the church library to choose the readings.) An exchange of valentines to our fellow secret pals resulted in smiles, laughter, or sometimes blushes. Then valentine greeting cards were provided to us by Care & Share Jan Olsen to mail to our CPC senior pals. Plans for a “romantic” basket to donate to the silent auction were suggested by Diane Instness. Cargo funds will be given to the Beckerts for shipping a box of Bibles and commentaries to Christian Resources International. Upcoming programs were listed by First Mates Carole and Dick Jacobi.

To end the evening, we enjoyed coffee and the red velvet cake that Judi and Jim Flint provided, along with chocolate candy at Carole’s beautifully decorated table of candles, hearts and flowers.

(Continued from page 13)
Our CPC Staff

Remembering that the members of Carmichael Presbyterian Church are the ministers and missionaries of our faith community, our Pastoral Staff and Support Team provide leadership and specialized ministries.

The Rev. Keith L. DeVries

The Rev. Ivan N. Herman

Randy Benfield,
Director of Music

Trina Spivack, Accompanist

Jenny DeVries,
Contemporary Worship Leader

Marti Wallace,
Mission Bells & Carillon Director

Lisa Torgerson,
Children’s & Youth Ministry Director

Matthew Lillie,
Children’s Ministry Intern

Paul & Mary Camozzi,
Childcare Providers

Rachel Ratliff,
Preschool Director

Karen Gray, Pastors’ Secretary

Julie Ueltzen, Church Secretary

Paul Shultz & Mary Menssen,
Financial Administrators

Ron Morris,
Maintenance Manager

Christian Bolen, Custodian

Josh Hogge, Custodian

Lisa Levering,
Wedding Coordinator

Contact Us

by telephone:
CPC Office 916-486-9081
Office after-hours line 916-486-1406
Health Ministry 916-486-0604
Stephen Ministry 916-486-0604
CPC Preschool 916-486-9189
Food Closet 916-483-9232
Fax 916-486-3771

To leave a voice mail message for a staff person when the office is closed, dial 916-486-9081. When the machine answers your call, dial the person’s extension.

Keith DeVries 203
Karen Gray 201
Paul Shultz 205
Lisa Torgerson 204
Ron Morris 206

Ivan Herman 202
Julie Ueltzen 200
Mary Menssen 205
Randy Benfield 208

via e-mail:
keith@carmichaelpres.org
ivan@carmichaelpres.org
randy@carmichaelpres.org
carmichaelpres@gmail.com
karen@carmichaelpres.org
paul@carmichaelpres.org
mary@carmichaelpres.org
ron@carmichaelpres.org
lisa@carmichaelpres.org
rachel@carmichaelpres.org

Or link to email through our website
www.carmichaelpres.org

Can’t Make it to Church?
Join “Church Flix!”

Enjoy CPC’s Sunday services, even if you can’t make it to church! The 8:45 a.m. service is recorded each Sunday and DVDs are mailed on Wednesdays along with a copy of the worship bulletin.

If you or someone you know would like to receive a weekly DVD, please contact the church office at 916-486-9081 or carmichaelpres@gmail.com. There is no cost for this service.
Sundays at CPC

Traditional Worship Service - 8:45 a.m.
(with traditional hymns and organ)

Contemporary Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.
(with the Contemporary Music Team)

Sunday Morning Education Opportunities

For Children and Youth

Infant & Child Care

8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Infant/Toddler Care (birth-4 years), Room 102
Cry Room (with video feed of worship service), #101

1st Service Pull-Out Program (following "Time for Young People" at the 8:45 A.M. service)
Spark, 4 years-2nd grade, Room 104

Children's Sunday School

10:00 A.M. - 10:55 A.M.
Godly Play, 4 years-Kindergarten, Room 207
Whirl, 1st-3rd grade, Room 206
Connect, 4th-5th grade, Room 205

Youth Sunday School

10:00 A.M. - 10:50 A.M.
Middle School & High School (6th-12th grade), Room 211

2nd Service Pull-Out Programs (following "Time for Young People" at the 11:00 A.M. service)
Spark (4 years-2nd grade), Room 104

For Adults

10:00-11:00 a.m.

Speaking Christian Join Dick Piper in reading and discussion of Speaking Christian by acclaimed Bible scholar Marcus Borg. In this book, Borg argues that the very language Christians use has become dangerously distilled, distorted, and disconnected from the beliefs which once underpinned it and calls for a radical change to the language we use to invoke our beliefs. Copies are available for purchase. Meets in the Crowley Room

Short Stories by Jesus Join Pastor Ivan in a DVD and discussion series, Short Stories by Jesus, by Amy-Jill Levine. Levine takes readers back in time to understand how the original Jewish audience heard Jesus’ stories. With this revitalized understanding, she interprets these moving stories for the contemporary reader, showing how the parables still challenge and provoke us two thousand years later.