



Even though the Emancipation Proclamation was made effective January 1, 1863, it could not be implemented in places still under Confederate control. As a result, in the westernmost Confederate state of Texas, enslaved people would not be free until much later. Freedom finally came on June 19, 1865, when some 2,000 Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas. The army announced that the more than 250,000 enslaved black people in the state were free by executive decree. This day came to be known as "Juneteenth," by the newly freed people in Texas. These were dangerous times. Even in the face of resistance and threat, the formerly enslaved Africans found ways to give voice to the wide range of thoughts and emotions at the announcement of the end of legalized slavery in the United States of America. Juneteenth National Independence Day was made a federal holiday in 2021.

Worship for the Lord's Day 4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 16, 2024

9:30 am

Prelude

Deep River

arr. Ann Buys

Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, I want to cross over into campground.

Oh, don't you want to go to that Gospel-feast, That promis'd land where all is peace?

I'll go into heaven, and take my seat, Cast my crown at Jesus' feet.

Oh, when I get to heav'n, I walk all about, There's nobody there for to turn me out.

Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, I want to cross over into campground.



Follow the QR Code for more information about the history and significance of the spiritual, *Deep River*.

Words of Welcome

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

Lighting of the Christ Candle

*Opening Words

Warren Ali

One: Hear, O people of God, and declare that the Lord is our God.

All: Our Lord is indeed God, the one who is Creator of heaven and earth and all who dwell in it.

One: We gather in response and gratitude to God's invitation and love for us.

All: We've come to worship the God who created all humanity in God's image and likeness, equal in dignity and worthy of regard and care.

One: Let us worship our great God together.

All To the God of justice, love, and peace we lift up our hearts and minds and voices.

One: For even in the midst of injustice and oppression, this is still the day that the Lord has made.

All: And we shall rejoice and be glad in it.

***Hymn 853**

We Are Marching in the Light of God / Siyahamba

SIYAHAMBA

English: **marching**, Zulu: **siyahamba**, English: **dancing**

Call to Confession

Warren

One: When we pass through deep waters or go through times of fiery trial, the Lord our God is with us. With confidence in God, our creator and redeemer, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and the judgment we heap on ourselves and others. Forgive us for words and acts that perpetuate prejudice based on race. Awaken us to see our own racism and inspire us to do the hard work of owning our need for growth and reformation. Help us to see clearly the privileges we have gained through institutional racism. Inspire us, Holy Spirit, to work for justice, to commit to kin-dom building, and to celebrate emancipation.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: Believe this truth: Jesus prays for us and longs for the unity of humanity.

All: We rejoice in the grace and forgiveness of Jesus Christ. Forgiven and loved, we recommit ourselves to the building of God's kin-dom. Amen.

***Sung Response 582**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

Warren

One: As a sign of our reconciliation with God and with one another, let us share the peace with one another. The Peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

***Sung Response 399**

God Welcomes All

THEMBA AMEN

Growing with God

Beth

Following Growing with God, all children are invited to return to Grace Space or sit with their parents.

***Sung Response 175 v 1**

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

Scripture Reading

Mark 4:26-34

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Kin-dom of God and Juneteenth

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

*Affirmation of Faith (from the Belhar Confession)

We believe

- that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

We believe

- that the credibility of this message is seriously affected and its beneficial work obstructed when it is proclaimed in a land which professes to be Christian, but in which the enforced separation of people on a racial basis promotes and perpetuates alienation, hatred and enmity;

We believe

- that any teaching which attempts to legitimate such forced separation by appeal to the gospel, and is not prepared to venture on the road of obedience and reconciliation, but rather, out of prejudice, fear, selfishness and unbelief, denies in advance the reconciling power of the gospel, must be considered ideology and false doctrine.

Let us say it again, we believe

- that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn 339

Lift Every Voice and Sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE

Offering Our Gifts to God

Invitation to Offering

Warren

Offertory

Bless his Holy Name

Mark Shepperd

Summer Choir

*Doxology words 607, tune 606

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

Warren



QRCode for Giving

Church Tidings

Susan

Joys & Concerns

God's People Pray

One: We lift our prayers to God.

All: Lord, hear our prayers.

Lord's Prayer (using "sins")

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread;


and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn

Draw the Circle Wide



Draw the cir - cle, draw the cir - cle wide. Draw the cir - cle, draw the cir - cle wide. No one stands a - lone, we'll stand side by side. Draw the cir - cle, draw the cir - cle wide. Draw the cir - cle wide, draw it wid - er still. Let this be our song: No one stands a - lone. Stand - ing side by side, draw the cir - cle, draw the cir - cle wide. Draw the cir - cle, draw the cir - cle wide.

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

This Train

arr. Ann Buys

This train is bound for glory, Children get on board. . .

No more weepin' and a wailin', Children get on board. . .

This train is bound for freedom, Children get on board. . .

*This train is bound for glory, this train. This train is bound for glory,
don't carry nothing but the righteous an' a holy. This train is bound for glory, this train.*



Follow the UR Code for more information about the history and significance of the gospel piece, *This Train*.

* Please rise in spirit or body

All speak emboldened type

USHERS: Janice Bouchard, Ann Jaltuch

LITURGIST: Warren Ali

ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Amy Hall

AV: Tristin Rush, Teagan Manning

Next Sunday in Worship, June 23

9:30 am

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; Mark 4:35-41

Calm



CELEBRATING THE REV. SUSAN TINDALL

Sunday June 23

During and After Worship

Be present to offer your deepest thanks, appreciation and well wishes to Pastor Susan as she prepares for her next call to a new church. Let's celebrate and give thanks for the many extraordinary ways Susan has led and inspired us during this time of transition. Let's shower her with our love and prayers as follows God's leading to the next church. Plan to stay for a reception following worship. Baskets will be available to receive your cards, notes of thanks and well wishes. Contact [Lindy Steeves](#) of the Administration & Personnel Committee with any questions.

Pick up a STAR, fill it with your words of thanksgiving and memories of Susan and then place it in the box with Susan's name on it. You may also place your personal cards and gifts of appreciation in the same boxes.



HELLO!
My name is

Visitor

Visiting CPC? Welcome!

We believe feeling welcome is foundational for members and visitors to be open to the journey of lifelong faith formation and growth. If you've felt a sense of welcome at CPC and are curious in learning more about us, reach out to Ingrid Ellithorpe, Community Connector, to chat by email ingridellithorpe@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 630.452.2625



The Confession of Belhar is a powerful confession of Christian faith that emerged in South Africa during the years of Apartheid. It is named for the city in South Africa where it was first adopted. It is a statement that focuses on three themes, Unity, Reconciliation, and Justice, in a church environment where racial separation made it impossible for brothers and sisters in Christ to worship together or come to the Lord's Table together. Churches around the globe have recognized the power and theological insight of Belhar as an expression of Scriptural truth for their own contexts

The PC(USA) approved the Confession of Belhar as part of the Book of Confessions at the 222nd General Assembly (2016). Read the Belhar Confession here: https://www.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/oga/pdf/boc2016.pdf starting on page 337.

This week at CPC:

Sunday, June 16

Summer Choir

9:30 am — Worship

Monday, June 17

6:30 pm — Finance; Zoom

7:00 pm — CE-C; Zoom

Tuesday, June 18

1:30 pm — Staff Meeting; Chapel/Hybrid

7:00 pm — KA Board meeting; Chapel/Hybrid

7:00 pm — Stephen Ministers; Zoom

Wednesday, June 19

9:15 pm — Circle of Voices; Gathering Room

Thursday, June 20

7:00 pm — APNC meeting; Fellowship Hall

7:30 pm — M, E & O; Zoom

Friday, June 21

Saturday, June 22

10a-3p—CPC High School go to The Forge

Sunday, June 23

Celebrating Pastor Susan Tindall

9:30 am — Worship

9:45 am — Bible Explorers; LL Rm 8

10:30 am — Celebration Brunch



BIBLE EXPLORERS GROUP

June 23 & July 21

During Sunday worship service

All 3rd - 5th graders are encouraged to participate in the Bible Explorers group. Kids will get a chance to interact with their Bibles in ways that equip and inspire them to read them regularly at home.

NURSERY CARE

The Nursery will be staffed **July 14**.

Families can drop off their little ones to be cared for by our volunteers.

We use a pager system in case a parent is needed. The Nursery is located across from the church office on the main floor and is always open and available for use, even when not staffed by our volunteers. **Live stream of the worship service is offered in the Nursery.**



SUMMER WORSHIP ~ GRACE SPACE

Grace Space is available to all children to participate in the worship service in a space designed just for them. There are coloring & activity pages, books, puzzles, fidget items, streamers and more for your child to use while worshipping right up front so as to not miss a thing!



We also offer **worship bags** in the narthex filled with activities for children who want to sit in the pews.

CARAVAN ENCOURAGEMENT CREW



Summer is here and the high school youth caravan team is ready to take off on July 7! As a community sending them out into the world, we could use your encouragement. Bring a letter, a prayer, a poem, a picture, song lyrics, any piece of inspiration for

our team and we will share them during circle time each evening. You are invited to bring your inspiration piece to a basket in the narthex starting today! Thank you for giving a little inspiration to our Caravan team by joining the caravan encouragement crew!

CIVIL RIGHTS TRAIL PILGRIMAGE

Register by July 1

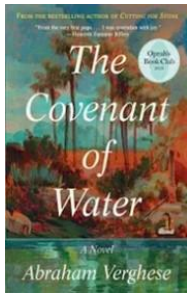
Fri Oct 18-Sun Oct 27

New Orleans, Jackson, Montgomery, Birmingham

This ten-day pilgrimage to the South promises to deliver a deeper understanding of and insights into the historic movers and movements of the historic and ongoing civil rights struggles as we learn personal stories, visit museums and historical sites and experience cultural immersion.

Partial Scholarships are available. Contact [Pastor Beth](#) or [Gregg Morton](#) for more info.

[Click here](#) for the brochure and detailed itinerary [Click here to register](#)



CIRCLE OF VOICES

Wednesday, June 19th

9:15 am (new time for this meeting)

Gathering Room

We will discuss our book and then choose books for next year. If you haven't joined this group before, this is a great chance to have a voice in choosing the books we will read. For those who would like to, we will go to Ruth Lake Country Club for lunch after our discussion. Our book is *Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese. All are welcome to join the discussion, even if you have not finished or read the book. The book is available at the Clarendon Hills library.

If you have not been a regular attendee at Circle of Voices but would like to join us for the discussion and lunch, please contact Barb Coop.



BACH COLLEGIUM VALPARAISO

Christopher M. Cock, Conductor and Evangelist

Wednesday, July 24, 2024 - 7:30PM

Valparaiso University Chapel of the Resurrection

Free Admission (Open Seating)

On the occasion of the 300th anniversary of the composition of "St. John Passion" by J.S. Bach, the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians (in conjunction with Lutheran Summer Music) will sponsor a performance of this incredible masterwork.

Led by Christopher M. Cock, the Bach Collegium Valparaiso is an ensemble comprised of some of the best vocal and instrumental musicians in the greater Chicago area — many of these musicians specialize in the performance of early music, especially the works of J.S. Bach.

Christopher M. Cock founded the Bach Institute at Valparaiso University in 2004 and led Bach Institute ensembles on numerous concert tours and many performances both in the US and in Germany. He has personally conducted or sung nearly 100 performances of the passions of J.S. Bach.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 11; 10:30am - 1:00pm picnic lunch included

August 12 & 13; 9:00am - 12:00pm snack included

\$50 per child; includes a t-shirt, creative arts & music, games, Bible reflection & prayer and storytelling. Camp activities will be based on **Psalm 98** and the book **Song of the Seasons** by Glenys Nellist.



To register click [HERE](#) or scan the QR code

PLEASE NOTE: THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS JUNE 23





MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

The Fenstermacher Family – Max (9) has just completed 3rd grade at Walker Elementary, and enjoys running with the West Suburban Junior Harriers, playing AYSO soccer and inventing/building (Magna-tiles, duct tape and moving boxes are his preferred media). Ben (6) has just completed kindergarten at Walker, also plays AYSO soccer, enjoys swimming, and music (singing, playing the piano, and drumming on anything he can find). Sarah retired from teaching high school (history) to take on the multi-dimensional role of CEO of the Fenstermacher household; this role’s responsibilities include being full time mom to Max and Ben, public relations, managing the household’s environmental impact, and project management for every crazy idea Michael can throw her way. In her *spare* time, Sarah will serve as the 2024-2025 PTO Co-President at Walker Elementary School. Michael is a Managing Director at HPS Investment Partners, where he has spent the past 16 years managing investments in corporate loans by institutional investors. Michael’s absences on Sunday mornings are typically a result of camping trips and early morning

excursions to the Museum of Science & Industry with the boys. Sarah and Michael both grew up in Elkhart, Indiana (Recreational Vehicle Capital of the World!) and both attended Indiana University (albeit 6 years apart). We were members, and the boys were baptized, at St. Paul’s UCC while we lived in Lincoln Park prior to moving to Clarendon Hills in 2020. We were originally drawn to CPC by the loving care we witnessed surrounding Ben’s Pre-K experience at CPC, and have appreciated the collective warm embrace we and our boys have received from so many in the congregation every Sunday since.

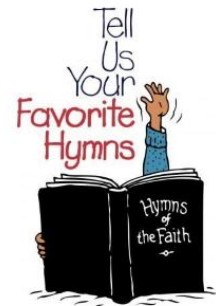
FAVORITE HYMN SUNDAY

July 21

Someone once asked "Why don't we sing more of the top 11 hymns?"

Here's your chance! Vote now for YOUR favorite hymns and on Sunday July 21 we'll sing the congregation's top picks!! Pick from the *Glory to God* hymnal or any hymnal you wish! Let's sing to God!

Email your votes to summer intern, Teagan Manning at teagan.manning@chcpc.org by July 1.



SAVE THE DATE

WORSHIP ON THE LAWN

AUG 18

Let’s gather on the south lawn, under a shady tent, with cool drinks and worship God! It will be an upbeat morning of inspired music by Jason Hill, Lonesome Eagle and Scott Anderson. Bring your lawn chair or use a church chair.



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