**CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER**

**APRIL 2025**

**DEVOTIONAL**:

Easter is the day that commemorates the death of death. Death dies when Christ was risen. Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die.” (John 11:25-26)

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**:

April 6th | Communion will be served followed by the First Sunday luncheon

 April 13th | Palm Sunday service

April 17th | Maundy Thursday worship at 6PM with

a meal & the Lord’s Supper in Scott Hall

April 18th | Good Friday service at 7PM  
 April 20th | Easter Sunday one service at 10AM

followed by an Easter Brunch

**HEALTHY WALKING PATH**:

Come and join us for a warm walk on the new CPC Healthy Path. Our church will be open to members from 8:30AM – 10:30AM on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays now through April 30th. Please sign in at the Hansen Hall doors and follow the signs. The Healthy Path is ¼ mile long and can be repeated for longer distances. If you have any questions, please call Diane McClellan at 419-360-3412. Other organizers include Jeff & Carol Lydy and Beth Bedwell.



**CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY**:

*Community Egg Hunt*: Saturday, April 12th at 3PM. Candy donations are needed for this event by April 6th. Thank you for your support!

*One Great Hour of Sharing* offering will be collected on Sunday, April 13th. Envelopes will be in the bulletin for offerings and fish banks will be collected.

*Mulch Fundraiser*: The CPC Youth Group is collecting orders for bagged mulch to be delivered on Friday, May 2nd. They will return Saturday, May 3rd to install the mulch, if desired. Please consider supporting the youth as they raise funds to attend Triennium this summer. There are three ways to order mulch:

* + - Fill out a form and return
    - Online: bit.ly/cpcmulch25
    - Call Jen: 419-304-1127

*Presbyterian Youth Triennium 2025*: High School Youth wanting to attend this amazing event need to connect with Jen right away! Our delegation is planning to register mid-April. The cost per youth is approximately $400. Anyone interested in sponsoring a youth can contact Jen or Amalya.

*Summer Camp at Kirkmont*: Thinking about camps for this summer? We have camp scholarships available for anyone interested in Camp Rejoice or PYC camp. You can find more information at Summer Camps/Kirkmont Center.

**MUSIC MINISTRY:**

*Good Friday* will be a service of readings, music by our Chancel Choir and congregational hymns that focus on the crucifixion.

*Easter* will have a single service at 10AM which will include celebrative music provided by CPC’s choirs and brass.

Our Choirs welcome new singers and ringers. Rehearsals are:

Handbell Choir (Thursdays - 6: 15PM)

Chancel Choir (Thursdays - 7:15PM)

Youth Choir (Sundays - 11:10AM)

For more information, contact Mark Mathias.

**MEMORIAL COMMITTEE**:

We are seeking any information you might have on the history of the beautiful original carillon that for decades played from the steeple. Do you remember that it was a gift? Were you on a committee working on this musical project? Unfortunately, for years it has been unable to be repaired. Thankfully, we were able to replace this with a new electronic carillon in 2024 that is being used in the outdoor narthex entry area. We are hoping to learn anything about the history of the chimes. Please contact Mary Lou Forsee or the church office with any information.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**:

Total Income (Jan. – Feb.) $87,428.22

Total Expenses $83,643.54

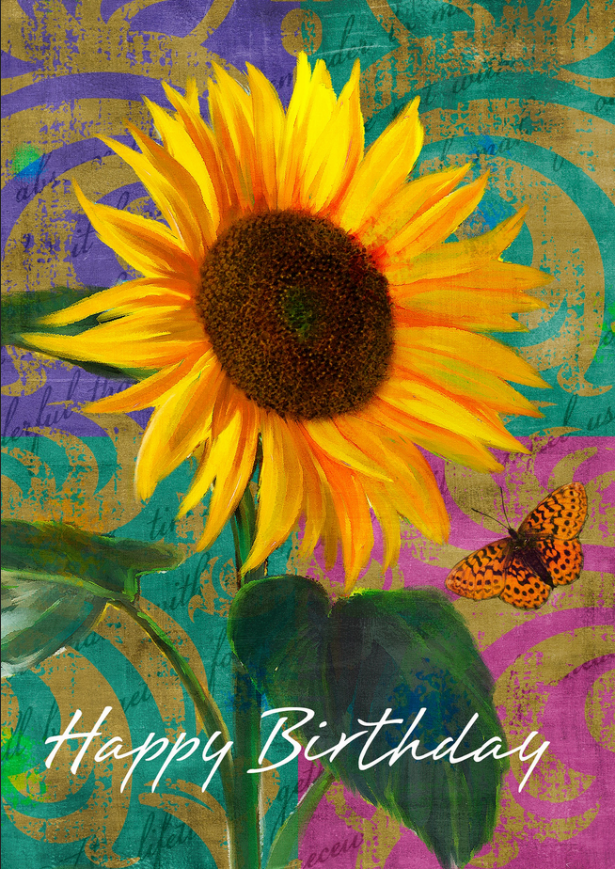
Net Income ($ 3.784.68)

If you have not yet returned a pledge card for 2025, please take some time to prayerfully consider your financial gift in the new year and return your pledge card to Amalya. Thank you for your continued support of our ministry.

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**:

These CPC members are celebrating a birthday this month and we wish them a wonderful year ahead!

*Sarah Francis; Rob Gnepper; Peg Newman 4/3; John Rowan 4/3; Hank Thomas 4/6; Virgie Hamrick 4/8; Jodi Schmidt 4/13; Mary Ann Gray 4/16; Stephen Souder 4/18; Mary Novakovic 4/20; Sam Thomas 4/20; Tyson Fankhauser 4/23; Walt Pinkham 4/25; Jim Findley 4/26; Jennifer Mauk 4/26; Jeff Puskala 4/26; Larry Hess 4/28; Roger Miller 4/29.*

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**CARE AND CONCERN**:

***Homebound:***

Jama Roman, Peg Locker, Harry Tubbs

***On Going Concerns*:**

Betsy Gouvernayre, Judd Collins, Bill Drake, Jack Rogers, Dee Tilley, Dave McClellan, Richard Stambaugh, Christine Vischer, Harry Tubbs, Sherry Gilbert, Barbara & Richard Brownlee, Don & Sandy Townsend, Joelyn & Millard Stone, Margie Olson, Kathy Batdorf, Stephanie & Linda Bell, Jim & Sanda Findley, Jean Oldham, Bruce Wharram, Katie Wharram, Cindy Wharram

***Deaths:***

Melodee “Dee” Lewin, mother of Jeremy Lewin, died on 3/01/2025

***Relatives & Friends***:

Barry Murr (husband of Lee Murr, recovering from surgery)

Gary & Louise Pikor (friends of Rick Stambaugh)

Debbie Proffitt (friend of CPC, had surgery on 3-4)

Harel Carrier (friend of Bill Drake)

Terry Drake (brother of Bill Drake)

Perry Bates (friend of Tyson Fankhauser)

Robert Wagner (brother of Jim Wagner)

Christina Hobbs (friend of CPC)

Pam Rogers (daughter in law of Jack Rogers)

Anthoney & Danielle Ferrer (friends of Katie Wharram)

Terri Jo Schempf (niece of Carolyn Collins)

Jean & Angie Crisp (Howard Wharram)

Aaron Grizaniuk (son of Pat & Tony Grizaniuk)

Mike Powers (friend of CPC)

Caroline & her family (guest & friend of CPC)

Betty Felton (friend of Chris Vischer)

Lois Ballanger (sister in law of Hattie Kate Howell)

Helen & Ken Kinderman (cousin & cousin in-law of Hattie Kate Howell)

Bob & Sandy Brennan (Uncle & Aunt of Kate Backoff)

Blake Underwood (friend of Tyson Fankhauser)

Leslie & Jess Lindgren (cousins of Kate Backoff)

Evelina & Mark Scala (friend of Roberta Mark)

If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Team or need information, contact Dave Hendrix.

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

“Dear God, through Jesus Christ give us Your Holy Spirit that we may rightly be comforted by Your resurrection, and day by day increase in such faith and certainty and hope, and accept our salvation. Amen.” (*Based on a prayer by Martin Luther*)