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The latest news and updates from [Cary Presbyterian Church](#).



## News & Updates from Your CPC Family



**Worship Service**

# 1st Sunday in Lent

Sunday, February 18, 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School (All Ages) 9:45 a.m.

Scripture Reading: Mark 9:2-9; Psalm 25:2-9; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Genesis 9

Sermon: *Sanctified Hearts*, Rev. Lori Pistor

Director of Music: Ed Yasick

Youth Choir Director: Julie Henry

Choir: Chancel Choir, Youth Choir (11:00 a.m.)

After Worship Coffee and Fellowship begins Feb. 18, this coming Sunday!

Beginning this Sunday, we will have intentional time for coffee and fellowship, following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. It is our hope and our goal to make this a regular Sunday feature.

We hope you'll take time this Sunday to be with us!

**CPC Members: Did You Hear?!**

You are invited and needed for important conversations during Lent.

Guided conversations among groups of 6-12 people

will invite each other to reflect and listen with one another for the purpose of building up life together at CPC.

Rooted in respect and confidentiality, a process of **mutual invitation** shapes the dialogue so each person has the chance to be heard with all group members listening.

These 90-minute conversations will involve congregational responses to the two recent questions (on cards and online) posed by the Transition Team.

[Please follow this link to sign up for a small group conversation.](#)

[See the first report from the February 11 Town Hall Forum here](#)

*We are the body of Christ, and each one a part of it.*



**Know Chocolate for Lent  
begins this Sunday, Feb. 18**

*Know Chocolate for Lent* kicks-off in Sunday School on February 18.

We have worked hard to be sure that everyone is included: this will be sophisticated enough for adults, and interesting to children and teens as well.

Don't miss this fabulous introduction; begin your day in the Fellowship Hall with A Celebration of Chocolate and God's Good Gifts!

**Be sure to follow the Children's Time in worship each week.** Also nurture faith at home by engaging in weekly family devotions available during Lent. These may be picked up in the Narthex on Sundays, or accessed electronically.

**Plan to attend the Bible study from**

*Know Chocolate for Lent*, which uses a simple plan for thinking about the Church, the Season, the film *Chocolat*, and ourselves. The Bible study will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesdays throughout Lent, beginning Feb. 21. It repeats at 6:00 p.m. A simple soup supper will be held in between, for fellowship for the two classes.

Each week we'll examine several scripture passages, view scenes from the film, and share in discussion and reflection.

For more information, or to register, please email [medora.hix@carypresbyterian.org](mailto:medora.hix@carypresbyterian.org).

A special single-session screening of the film *Chocolat* will be offered this coming Sunday evening, Feb. 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall as a service to participants.

### Other Christian Education Information

**The Preparing Children for Worship Milestone**

will continue during the Sunday School hour Feb. 25 and March 4 for second graders and their parents, but ALL children from second grade through fifth grade are welcome to attend if they have not yet experienced this Milestone. The course covers working through the order of worship, navigating the bulletin, the vocabulary of worship, the sanctuary, and the sacraments.

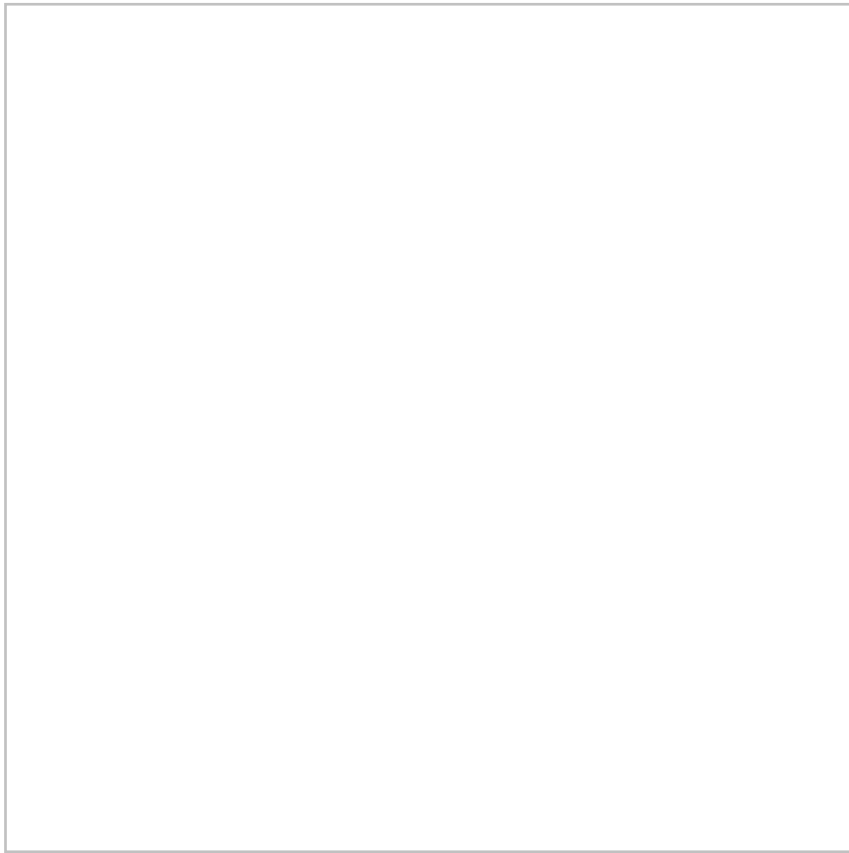
Please feel free to attend if the first class was missed. For more information, contact: [medora.hix@carypresbyterian.org](mailto:medora.hix@carypresbyterian.org)

**Vacation Bible School will be June 17 - 21.**

Save those dates now for children from age 4 through rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Middle and High School youth are encouraged to be helpers and leaders.

VBS Directors Meredith Bullis and Valerie Short will shortly begin recruiting. Please say 'yes' when asked!





## Youth Group Activities this coming week

**Christian Adventurers, Middle School, and High School Youth Groups:  
Rise Against Hunger: February 25 - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Stop Hunger Now is back with a new name! With Rise Against Hunger, Cary Presbyterian is planning to package 10,000 MEALS on February 25. We need lots of hands to make this happen!

This year, sign ups are needed as space is limited for this event.

**We still need set-up and clean-up help (see times below). Packaging slots are full.**  
If you can help, sign-up [here at this link](#).

5:00 -6:00 p.m. - Set up  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Meal Packaging  
7:45 - 8:30 p.m. - Clean up

Please contact Sarah Troiano at [sarahtroiano@yahoo.com](mailto:sarahtroiano@yahoo.com) or 919-616-0541 with questions

Note: Please eat prior to coming to this event.

## Appalachia Service Project Registration starts this Sunday, February 18

Cary Presbyterian - it's that time of year again!  
ASP 2018 registration kicks off February 18th at 8:00  
a.m. in the church office for one of 37 spots on our  
team.

Appalachia Service Project works to rebuild  
substandard housing for low-income families with the  
goal of making homes warmer, safer, and drier. This  
year we're heading to Kentucky the week of July 8-14  
and we invite you to join us!

To ensure balanced teams, we register by "category" (male/female youth, young adult, and adult) and will start waiting lists once each category is filled. The cost is \$225 (paid at time of registration). Scholarships are available, if needed.

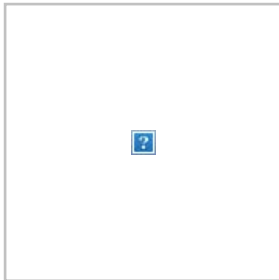
Registration forms are available [at this link on the CPC website](#) and there are hard copies in the church office. Questions about the trip? Contact Chris Bula at (919)454-5495 or [chrisbula@gmail.com](mailto:chrisbula@gmail.com). Is THIS the year you finally join us?



## One Great Hour of Sharing Fish Challenge

Gracie the Fish boxes will be available at the Church School program on February 18 in the Fellowship Hall and in

the Narthex. These gifts enable the church to provide relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and help to empower the poor and oppressed. Color and fill your box with coins. Enter your fish in the challenge. Categories include: Most colorful fish, Most unusual fish, Heaviest fish, Most quarters, Youngest contributor, and Most senior contributor. Be sure to put your name on the box and return it to the church by Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018. Thank you!



### Triple F Group Meeting, Feb. 19

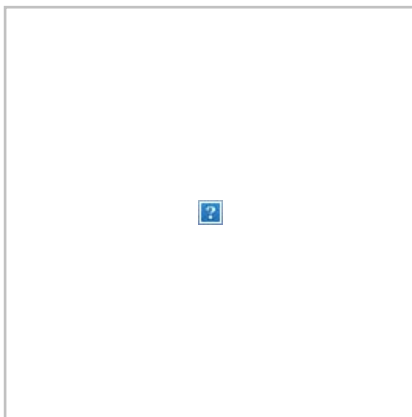
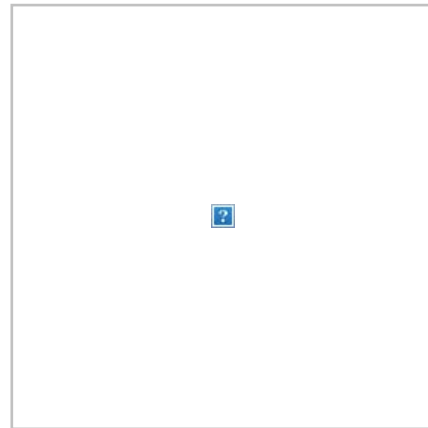
Triple F Group will meet at IHOP on Kildaire Farm Road for brunch at 9:30 a.m. on February 19, 2018. Regular meetings will resume in March. We hope to visit the Duke Lemur Center in the spring.

This nondenominational group is open to all retired folks. Come join us!

### Rise Against Hunger Event Feb. 25, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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### Read and Feed Diversify Our Books Campaign Special Event, February 25

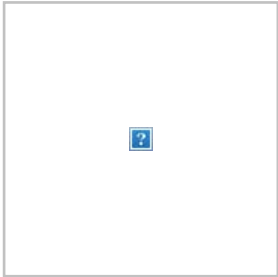
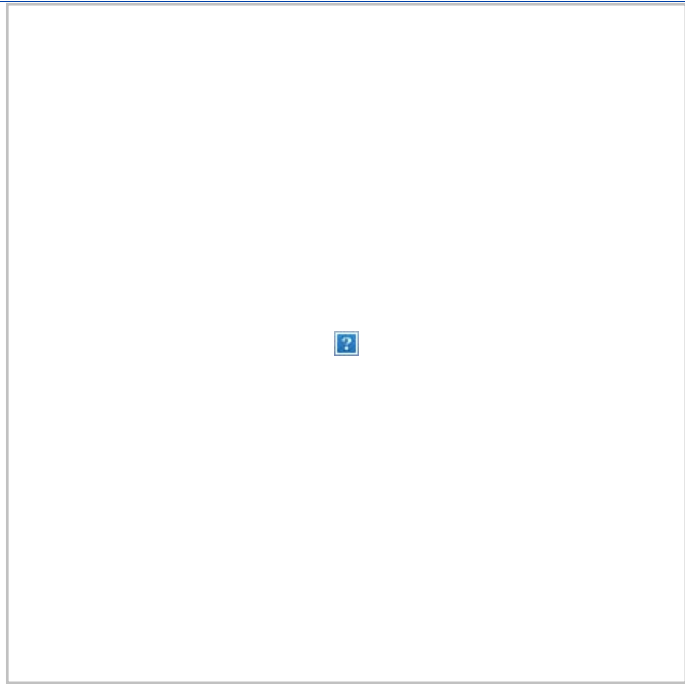
During Black History Month, Read and Feed is running a [Diversify our Books](#) campaign. We want to add 17 new titles to our book club collection. We buy these books in sets of 3-4 so that they can be read in groups. We have 8 books now, but no complete sets. Can you help?

[MOFU Shoppe](#) and Baozi food truck have teamed up to offer a pop up dinner to benefit Read and Feed. Join us for some great food and fun in downtown Raleigh on February 25.

Tickets are not required, but it is recommended to get them by using the Eventbrite link on the MOFU Shoppe Facebook event page above.

We hope to see you there. If you have books that you'd like to donate, there will be bins to drop them off.





### Page Turners Book Club, Feb. 26

The Page Turners will meet Monday, February 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the church parlor. We will be discussing *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles.

Set in post-Civil War Texas, this novel of historical fiction explores the boundaries of family, responsibility, honor, and trust, as an aging itinerant news reader transports a young captive of the Kiowa back to her people.

New members are always welcome, so please feel free to join us! Questions, contact Jane Dunbar [jvdunbar123@gmail.com](mailto:jvdunbar123@gmail.com) or Lisa Ward

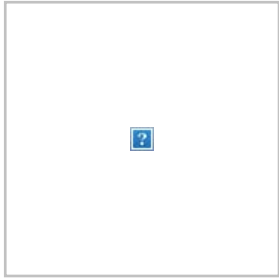
[lpward58@gmail.com](mailto:lpward58@gmail.com).

### Cool Books Club, Mar. 7

The Cool Books Club will meet on March 6, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the home of Peg Giesbrecht to discuss *Eternal Life: A New Vision Beyond Religion, Beyond Theism, Beyond Heaven and Hell* by John Shelby Spong.

A snippet from Goodreads says: Drawing on a lifetime of wisdom, New York Times bestselling author and controversial religious leader John Shelby Spong continues to challenge traditional Christian theology in *Eternal Life: A New Vision*. In this remarkable spiritual autobiography about his lifelong struggle with the questions of God and death, he reveals how he ultimately came to believe in eternal life.

If this topic interests you, please contact Peg Giesbrecht at 919-859-3951 or Ellen Cline at 919-469-1456.



### Social Justice Ministry Upcoming Events

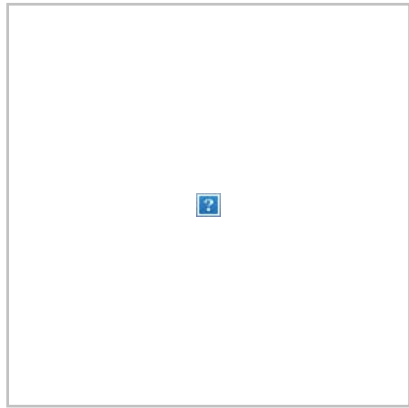
CPC members and friends are invited to two upcoming events sponsored by CPC's Social Justice Ministry. Both programs will be hosted at CPC, are free of charge, and open to the public.



(Bring a friend!) These programs promise to be informative and thought-provoking. There will be time following each presentation for a Q & A session

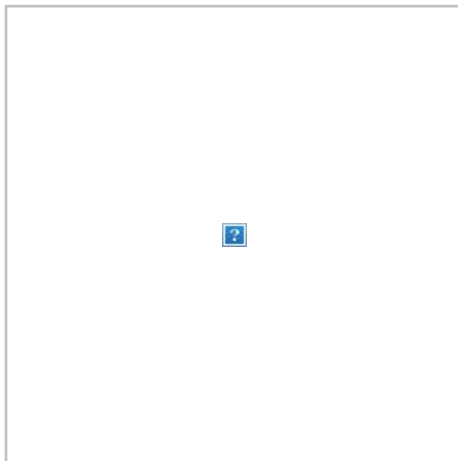
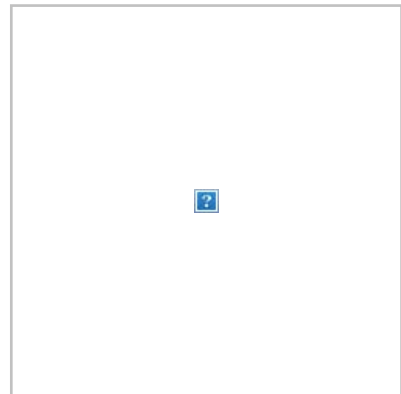
## Clarence Darrow: A One Man Play March 15, 7:00 p.m.

On March 15 at 7:00 p.m. John Robinson, a retired teacher in Winston-Salem, will perform *Clarence Darrow: A One Man Play* by David Rintels. The two-act play features the life of Darrow, a determined and hardworking lawyer who fought for basic human rights. Robinson chronicles Darrow's achievements and failures in the form of monologues. In the first act, he begins with a discussion on capital punishment before transitioning into how he became a lawyer. The second act involves instances where Darrow had to defend himself. The performance highlights his journey to and through the legal profession, various trials he worked on, and the issues that were important to him, such as equal rights, the economy, and the death penalty.



## Be SMART April 29, 7:00 p.m.

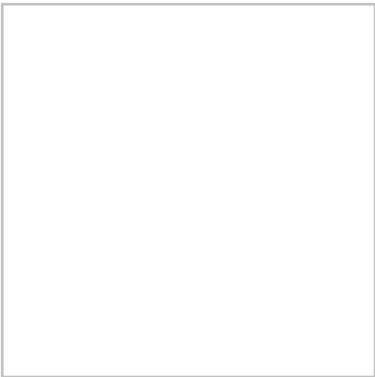
April 29 at 7:00 p.m. a program called Be SMART will be presented by speakers from Moms Demand Action. This group supports the 2nd Amendment, but believes that common-sense solutions can help decrease the escalating epidemic of gun violence that kills too many of our loved ones every day. The Be SMART campaign asks parents and all responsible adults to prevent these tragedies by following five simple steps. Both gun owners, and those who don't own guns, will find this a compelling and informational program.



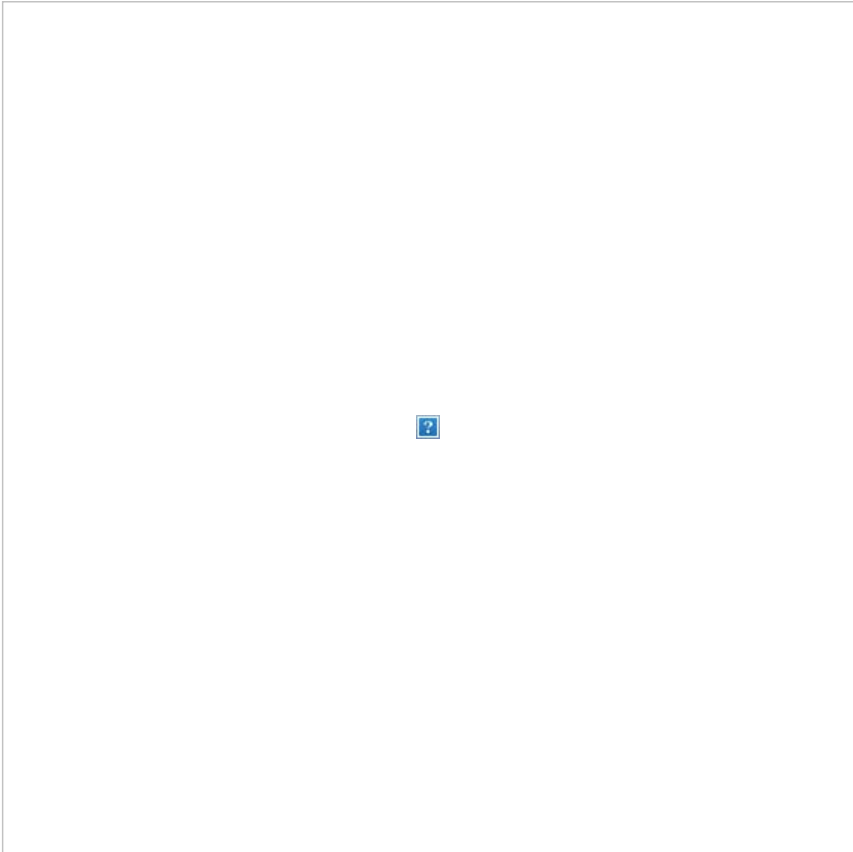
## Next CPC Blood Drive, Wednesday, May 2

Our next Blood Drive is Wednesday, May 2, from 2:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. You can only donate blood every eight weeks. Therefore, please do not donate after March 3 to be eligible for our Drive.

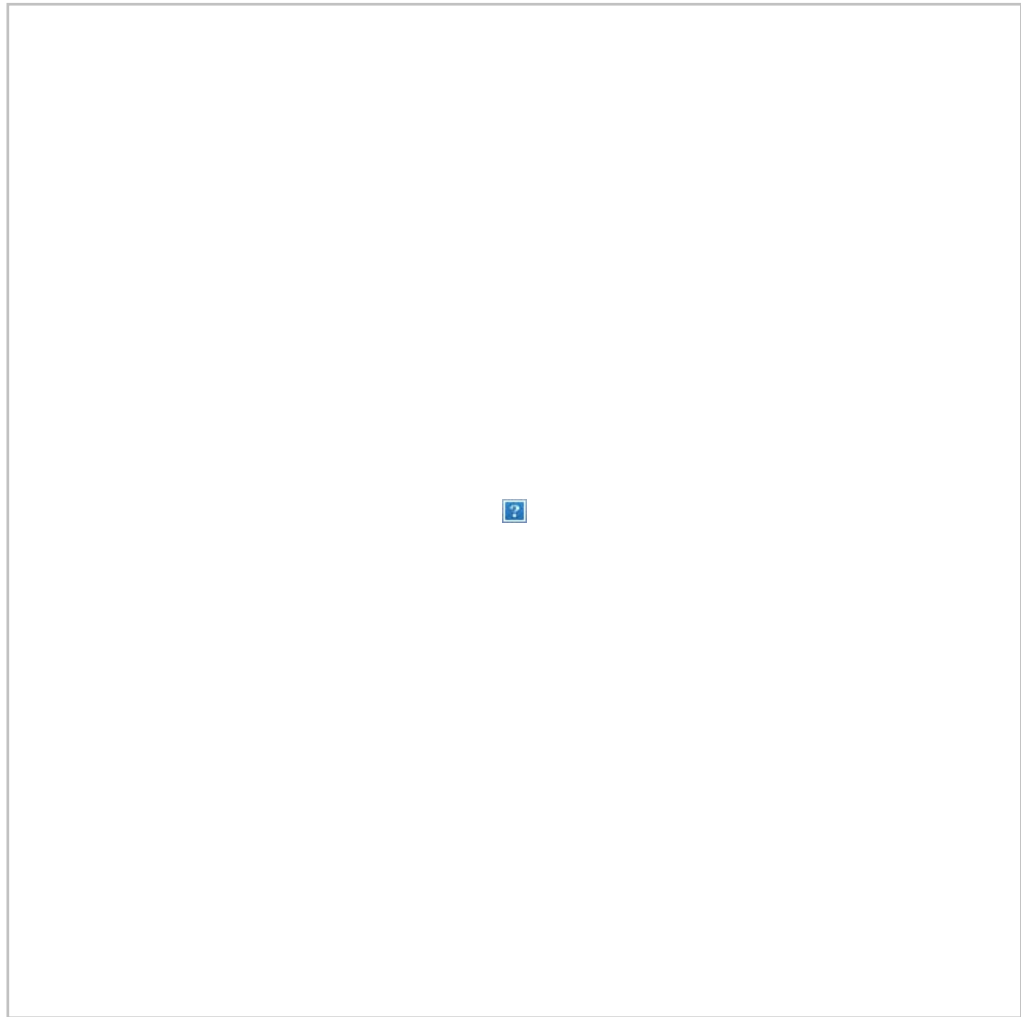
Mark your calendars: we hope to see you there!



[CPC Church Service Podcasts](#)



CPC Service podcasts are added weekly to Soundcloud and for posting to the website [on this page](#). They appear with the most recent service featured at the top of the page, with the illustration from that week's bulletin as an identifier (as shown above).



### [Visit Our CPC Facebook Page!](#)

The public CPC Facebook page is a great continuing source of information about what is upcoming and what has happened at CPC. Visit it frequently for news and pictures you won't see elsewhere, and share the posts with your friends and on your own Facebook page!

Follow the link here:

[Cary Presbyterian Church on Facebook.](#)

### Need a Name Tag?

**BE KNOWN! Wear your name tag!**

Need a name tag? Need a new name tag?

You can either:

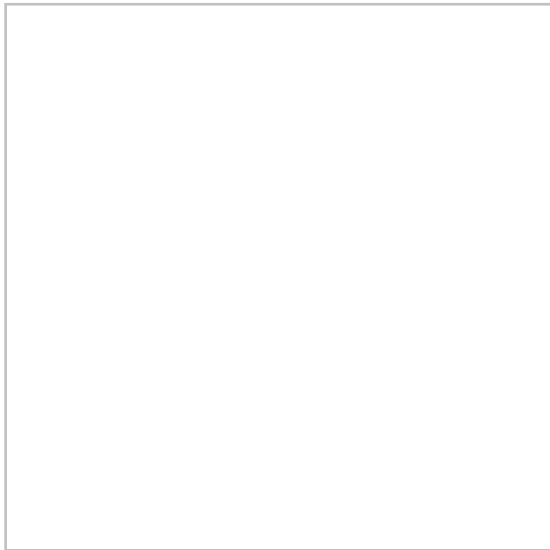
Write "Need a name tag" next to your name in the Welcome Book

OR sign up for a name tag at the table by the TV in the Narthex.

As soon as yours is ready it will be on that same table.

Keep it where most convenient on one of the name tag racks.

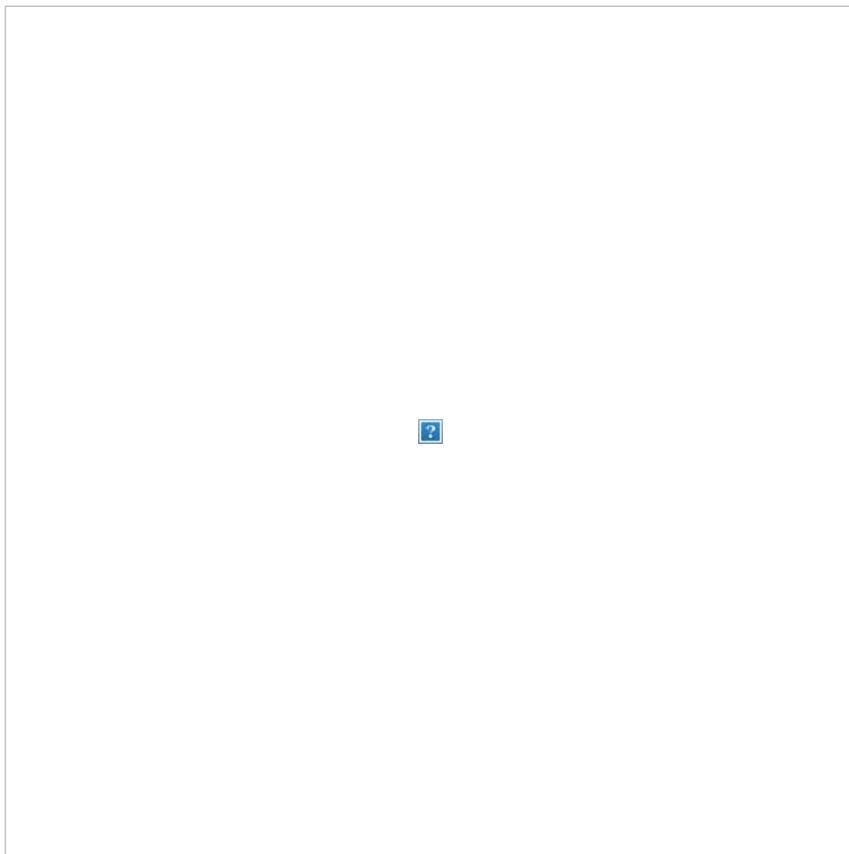
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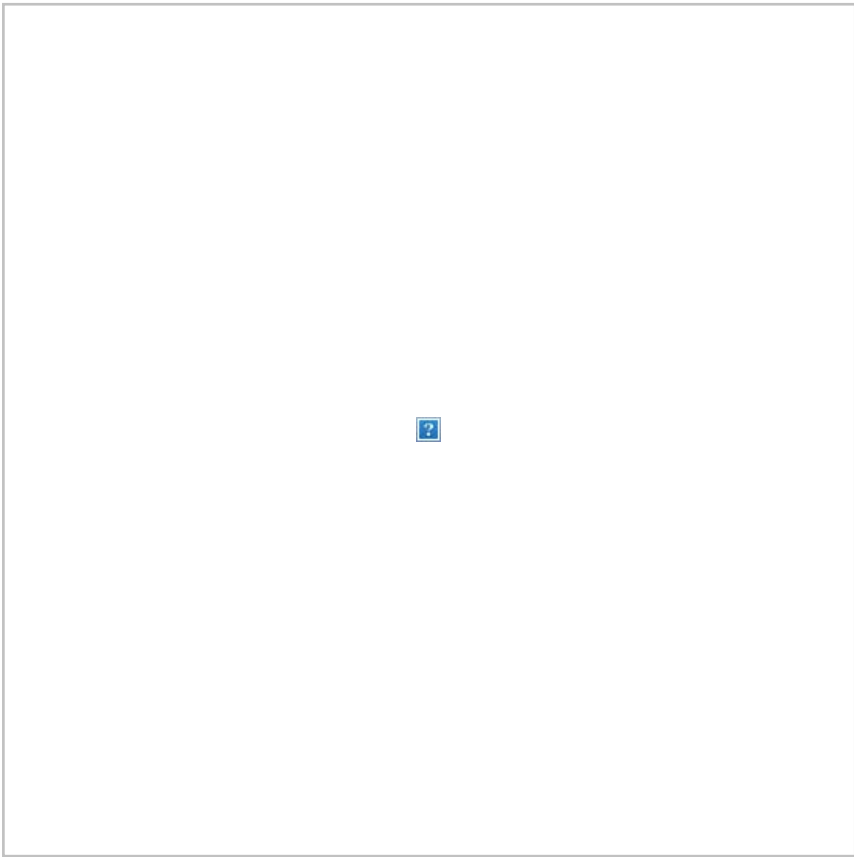


### Send Your News and Announcements

Bulletin and e-Link announcements to go in any upcoming print issue or email are due by 9:00 a.m. on the prior Wednesday. Please send to Phil Melton at [office@carypresbyterian.org](mailto:office@carypresbyterian.org).

### CPC Calendar for February 18 through February 25





**Did You Know?**

Cary Presbyterian Church is a part of a larger family of churches comprising the New Hope Presbytery. From Efland to the Outer Banks, spanning 33 counties, with 122 congregations representing 28,314 members, we are a Mid-Council of the Presbyterian Church (USA) serving eastern North Carolina.

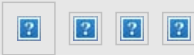
To learn more about what is going on within our New Hope Presbytery, [click here to sign up for the Presbytery of New Hope e-newsletter](#).



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