

God's Story, Many Voices



Dear CPC Members and Friends,

As a community of faith, we learn **God's Story** and seek to live out its messages of grace and hope. We are God's **Many Voices** joined together to spread the Good News. We do this by remembering, responding and rejoicing.

We **Remember** Christ, who gave himself for us, and who bears our burdens and fears. We gratefully remember the generosity, vision, and commitment of those who came before us and gave us the CPC we know today. Those gifts came to us with God's Grace. We need to build on this cherished legacy so current and future CPC generations can grow in the knowledge and love of God.

We **Respond** by asking first, who is God calling us to be? In this time of transition at CPC, we are seeking to answer this question through prayer, conversations, and the building of relationships with each other in small groups and larger gatherings. We are called to respond enthusiastically to God's future work at CPC with our gifts of money, time, and talent.

We **Rejoice!** Paul tells us "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say Rejoice." (Philippians 4:4) Our congregation is blessed with the talents and energies to sustain CPC's ministries, its programs and its missions. We rejoice with gratitude for all we can do together, affirming what this church is and will become.

Come and see who God is calling us to be. Come with generous hearts and **Rejoice!**

"Come and See" - During October, Elders and members of the Generosity and Transitions Teams will facilitate informal small group gatherings based on the Transition Team Q&A results (where we are now and where we want to go) and related financial information (costs of our future priorities). These gatherings will be held in a variety of places – at church, at restaurants, in members' homes, and other locations as needed. Everyone is invited and needed to engage in further sharing of responses and questions, as well as imagining CPC's future as part of God's story. Watch for more information and sign-up opportunities for the small group gatherings.

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." (1 Corinthians, 12:27)

Following the small group meetings, **Generosity Sunday will be November 18**. During the morning worship services, we will join together to offer our commitments of prayer, money, time, and talents.

Remember, when we share our gifts, we grow as servants of God; when we give, we are generous; when we are generous, we build our faith and join together in fellowship, caring and love. Let us **Respond** with generosity, and **Rejoice!** with our many voices.

With gratitude, grace and peace,
Your CPC Generosity Team

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