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Mission Meets Ministries 2026 Stewardship: Living Our Mission Together

by Patty Kepner

Over the past few Sundays, we've been hearing from the different divisions of Carmichael Presbyterian Church about how their work carries out our mission statement:

Responding to God's love through Jesus Christ, we: welcome all, nurture relationships, grow in faith together, and connect with and serve our community and the world.

Through these presentations, we've seen how each ministry—whether it's worship, Christian education, congrega-



tional care, outreach, or administration—helps bring our mission to life. Every act

of service, every class, every visit, every gathering, and every prayer reflects how Mission Meets Ministries here at CPC.

On October 5, we gathered for the Mission & Ministry Fair (formerly Sundae Sunday), where Session members and Deacons shared how each ministry helps fulfill our mission statement. It was a wonderful opportunity. (Continued on page 3)

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Sunday, November 2 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
McMillen Hall

Are you tired of sending the same old gifts to your loved ones every year?
Do you long to make a difference as you show your love to them?
Come to the Alternative Gift Market!

Support local, national and international charities by purchasing gifts and making donations in honor of those on your holiday shopping list.

This unique event is an opportunity to support non-profits by providing space so they can display their products for purchase and share their purpose and their needs.

From Pastor Keith Stretching in Gratitude

I haven't been to Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center in quite a while. It is truly a gift from God, resting on the edges of Lake Tahoe with spectacular views of the lake and its surroundings. It is the jewel of the Sierras.



Pastor Keith attended the Pastor's Renewal Retreat at Zephyr Point and saw the bricks honoring CPC and some of Zephyr's biggest supporters.

A couple of weeks ago I returned to Zephyr for a pastors' retreat, lasting less than 48 hours. Though it was a brief respite, it was a time for renewal, a time to laugh with colleagues, and a time to catch up with friends in ministry. It was also a time to be stretched, literally, as **Rola Al-Ashkar** led us in yoga and breathing exercises. During the retreat I was filled with gratitude for the visionaries that gave birth to this conference center more than 100 years ago. Thank you!

Thank you, **Phil and Jimmi Mishler** for your commit-

ment to developing Zephyr Point, your service on Zephyr's Board of Directors, and your caring for this precious gift to be passed down from generation to generation. Thank you, **Dick Young**, Executive Director of Zephyr



Point, and your staff (including former staff, **Kate Eisel**, and current staff, **Ryan MacLean**, of CPC) for your attentive care for this place that I have not seen look better in the last 25 years. Well done, good and faithful stewards.

Stewardship is all about caring for those things that are important in life; our faith, hope, and love for God and neighbor (neighbor being inclusive of all God's children), family and friends, and God's

good creation. Stewardship is central to who we are as Christians.

As we engage in faithful stewardship of God's many gifts, we affirm our role in caring for God's good creation, maintaining our campus, car-

ing for the needs of those who are struggling, and sharing the good news of God's love for us **all**, as we participate in the mission and ministry of sharing the love of Jesus Christ. In this newsletter on page 1 you will find a

letter from our stewardship committee, telling you about our theme for this year,

"Mission Meets Ministries," and how those ministries seek to fulfill the mission of the church in Carmichael.

Please prayerfully discern how you can be a faithful steward of God's good gifts and how you can financially support the ministry of CPC as we dedicate our pledges in worship on November 16.

Thank you for being a part of the mission and ministry of CPC and for your generosity of time, talent, financial resources, and caring for one another.

You are appreciated,

Pastor Keith

Membership Class

Want to find out what it means to be Presbyterian, how CPC operates, and how you can connect to the life and ministry of CPC in a way that is meaningful to you?

Join Pastor Keith for new member classes on

Sunday, November 16

1:00-3:00 p.m.

and

Saturday, November 22

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

(includes Welcome Lunch!)

Childcare will be provided upon request.

Questions? Want to sign up? Contact Julie Ueltzen at
916-486-9081 or carmichaelpres@gmail.com

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ty to connect, learn, and celebrate the many ways CPC's ministries embody God's love through service, fellowship, and faith. This event also marked the launch of our annual stewardship campaign, as we begin praying and planning together for the year ahead.

By now, you should also have received a letter from **Pastor Keith** inviting you to prayerfully consider your financial commitment for 2026. Our stewardship theme, *Mission Meets Ministries*, reminds us that our giving is not just about meeting a budget—

it's about sustaining the ministries that embody God's love in our church and community.

Our work and ministries are even more important now, given the current economic horizon. The needs around us are growing, and our ability to respond faithfully depends on all of us continuing to support CPC's mission together. Pledges make up more than 85% of our church's annual revenue, so your pledge is critical to funding the key activities that make CPC vibrant and alive in Christ's service.

On ***Commitment Sunday, November 16***, we will each have the opportunity to dedicate our financial pledges for 2026, supporting the ministries and programs that will carry CPC's mission forward into 2026 and beyond. As you pray and plan your pledge, remember that your generosity enables everything we do—from worship and music to youth and mission outreach—to flourish. Together, we can continue to respond to God's love, serve our neighbors, and live out our mission with hope and faith for the future.

Pastor Ivan Writes:

Standing With Our Ancestors in Faith: The Theological Declaration of Barmen

I was a teenager when I first visited a Presbyterian church – it was Susan’s church in Roanoke, VA. I remember a series of banners hanging in the back of the chapel. They were clearly full of Christian symbols, but I didn’t quite understand what each one meant. As I began to grow in familiarity with the Presbyterian tradition, I learned these banners represented each of the creeds and confessions of faith included in the *Book of Confessions* of the PC (USA). (The set of banners and their history can be found at <https://pcusa.org/resource/confessional-banners>).

Particularly attention-grabbing was the banner with a swastika with a giant X over it. Who in the world would allow a swastika in their worship space even if it has been

crossed out!? Well, Presbyterians, that’s who! The banner represented the Theological Declaration of Barmen, a statement of faith that emerged when the church in Germany faced pressure to conform to Nazi ideology. This bold statement of faith, written in 1934, was a response to the growing control of the German state over the church that sought to align Christian doctrine with the policies of Adolf Hitler’s regime. In this context, a group of theologians (most notably Karl Barth,

the declaration’s primary author) gathered in the city of Barmen to affirm the independence of the church and its sole allegiance to Jesus Christ.

The Barmen Declaration was not simply a protest

against a political movement; it was a clear theological stand against the union of Christianity with the fascist nationalism and militarism that most German Christians embraced. It proclaimed that the church belongs to Christ alone and that no earthly authority can usurp Christ’s lordship in the church and in our lives.

Recognizing the lasting significance of Barmen’s message, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) included the *Theological Declaration of Barmen* in its *Book of Confessions* in 1967. This powerful declaration continues to resonate today, reminding us that the church must never compromise its witness to the gospel in the face of political pressure. As White Christian nationalism continues to surge in the U.S. in 2025, this anti-fascist confession of faith continues to call our church to confess Christ boldly, especially when voices of injustice and oppression seek to distort the truth.



THE SWASTIKA CROSSED OUT AND THE CROSS RISING. A protest and witness against Nazi tyranny and any effort to take the role of God and control of the church.

THE FIRE. The suffering and death which follows from defense of the faith against tyranny, as for some of the Barmen signers. But the cross survives such persecution and the crisis of war, rising out of the flames.

Spread Christmas Joy by Donating to the Christmas Gift Ministry!

by Lillian Janik



It may only be November, but as we approach the festive season, the Christmas Gift Ministry is calling on your generosity to help make this holiday season brighter for families in need in our community. The Christmas Gift Ministry is a wonderful community outreach project that aims to bring hope and happiness to families who might be struggling during the holiday season, but we need your support to make it happen! Your contribution can help us provide families in need with the joy of a delicious holiday meal and gift cards to purchase the presents they desire.

Your donation to the Christmas Gift Ministry can make a significant impact in several ways:

- **Feeding Families:** With your support, we can ensure that families have access to a festive meal during the holiday season. Your contribution can help put a warm, delicious meal on their tables and bring the true spirit of Christmas to life.
- **Gift of Choice:** We believe that everyone deserves the joy of giving and receiving gifts during the holidays. Your donation will provide gift cards to families, allowing them to choose presents that suit their unique needs and preferences.
- **Spreading Hope:** Your generosity spreads hope and kindness during a time when many are facing difficult circumstances. Your donation can make a profound difference in the lives of those who may be feeling isolated or overwhelmed.

Let's come together to ensure that this Christmas is a season of warmth, joy, and hope for everyone. You'll be able to purchase a Christmas ornament made by CPC youth as a donation to the ministry, or you can drop off your financial donations in collection boxes in the sanctuary or the church office, in the DeVries Gathering Place after service, online at the church website, or mail your donations to our church office. Please make checks payable to Carmichael Presbyterian Church and note "Christmas Gift Ministry" in the memo line. Your generosity will play a part in making the holiday season memorable and enjoyable for those who need it the most. Thank you for your help!

Transgender Day of Remembrance Candlelight Vigil



Trinity Episcopal Cathedral will host a Transgender Day of Remembrance Candlelight Vigil on Saturday, November 22 at 6:30 p.m. to memorialize those who have lost their lives due to gender identity or expression. The service is an inclusive, secular community event, open to all. It is co-hosted by PFLAG Sacramento and Sutter Gender Identity Support Group. The Cathedral is located at 2620 Capitol Avenue in Sacramento.

Getting to Know CPC Members

Behind the Scenes with Paul Shultz

by Cathy Wride

Another longtime member of CPC, **Paul Shultz**, has been with the church and serving since July 1973.

After growing up in Ukiah and serving in the Air Force in their Finance Department, Paul moved to Sacramento to attend Sacramento State where he met **Lynn Purvis** in one of his Economics classes. He used her notes for a class that he missed in exchange for helping her with the class. This led to dating and falling in love. Paul and Lynn got married between their junior and senior years.

Paul was raised Catholic and Lynn was raised Presbyterian in Southern California. Lynn moved to Sacramento in 1967 and joined CPC with her family that year. Paul started attending CPC with Lynn and liked the people that he met, finding them friendly and welcoming. He decided to become a member and was soon recruited to become a Deacon (It seems that CPC has a way of getting people involved quickly). He also served two

more terms as Deacon and one term as an Elder. He participated in all-church workdays and in co-ed softball games as part of CPC's team in a local church league for



Paul Shultz has been CPC's Financial Administrator since 2003.

several years.

He felt that CPC would give his three children a good Christian education. His children are now grown and living in Northern California, Las Vegas, and North Carolina with their four grandchildren.

Over the years he and Lynn have participated in Mariners as part of the Good Ship Lollipop and now as members of Holy Scow.

Pastor Keith, in learning about Paul's background as a federal auditor for 30 years, asked Paul to join CPC's staff

as Financial Administrator, helping to keep track of the church finances. Paul gracefully accepted and has been in this position now for 22 years.

Paul helped Lynn develop the Godly Play program in the early 1980s and has continued to help **Mary McDonald** with the young children's classes. He enjoys this age group and derives much joy from their energy, comments, and questions. He especially enjoys seeing new families with young children joining the church and hopes we will have more joining the church in the future.

Paul stays active and alert for his job at CPC by continuing to play tennis twice a week, despite dislocating his wrist a few months ago. What is that expression? "You can't keep an avid tennis player down."

I hope I can remain as active and involved as Paul has been. He is one of the people that I find to be a quiet but active and involved presence in the church and with a good sense of humor.

Who You Say I Am

by Sharon MacLean

In September, 35 wonderful women, from both Carmichael Presbyterian and First Presbyterian Stockton churches attended this year's Women's Retreat at Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center at Lake Tahoe. Our theme was "Who You Say I Am" and the amazing **Pastor Ashley Love-Skrabec** from First Presbyterian Stockton was our speaker. Pastor Ashley had us examine all the influences that helped shaped our identity through the years; what Jesus says about us; and who the Bible says we are. We broke into small groups for interesting discussions and got to know others better. Lots of great information to remind us of where we find our identity as followers of Jesus.

We also enjoyed singing, painting, worship, getting to know others, lots of laughter, a fun trivia game, yummy food and even a lesson on how to fold a fitted sheet. So grateful for such a wonderful retreat, all who helped, and all who attended.

Don't miss out on next year's retreat! Mark your calendar for the 2026 Women's Retreat September 18-20 at Zephyr Point.



Mission and Ministry Fair

by Kathy Lewin

The weather couldn't have been more perfect – 75 degrees and smiles everywhere you looked.

Even on such short notice, all the Divisions and Deacons came together for a wonderful and informative time after worship service October 5 to share the purpose and outreach for their ministries.

There was great interest in what each group does within the church as well as out in the community. This was really helpful for new members; even those who have been members for a while were interested to see the changes

that have been made within each Division.

Because this was held in the Sundial Courtyard (in full sun) it was decided not to include ice cream – as has



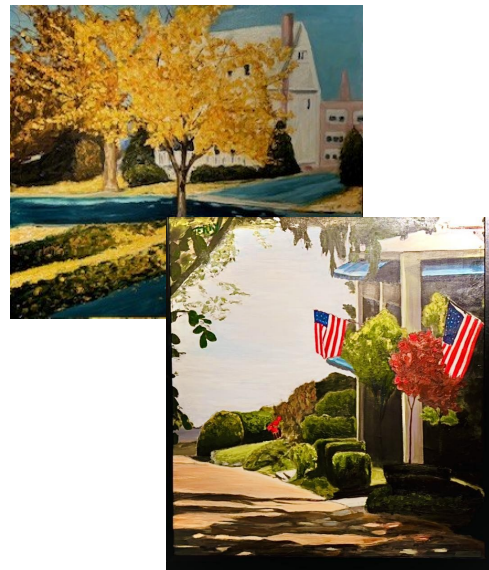
The Mission and Ministry Fair (M&M) gave CPC's programs a chance to share their work with members and friends.

been done in the past on "Sundae Sunday" – but to offer M&M's instead.

Through mid-November, Divisions will be expanding on their mission during worship.

Thank you for being a part of this vital function at CPC!

Art Committee News



The artwork of **Terry Sweeney** will continue to run for the first part of November, and we all thank him for sharing his wonderfully talented paintings! Our upcoming show will be photos of our CPC Stained Glass windows in "Windows to the Soul – Part 2." This show is by CPC members, **Jimmi Mishler** and the late **Phil Mishler**. There will be more to follow in the December/January *Mission Bell* about Jimmi's detective work in finding the original drawings for some of these windows. We also honor Phil Mishler and are blessed by his incredible photography of our stained glass to inspire this beautiful art show which will run through the end of the year.

Session Spotlight

by Mary MacDonald, Clerk of Session

At their regular meeting on September 23, your Session:

- Received the August 2025 financial report.

General Fund

Income, August	\$59,458.24
Income, YTD	\$560,324.31
Expense, August	\$70,669.63
Expense, YTD	\$597,985.50

21st Century Fund

Income, August	\$9,977.65
Income, YTD	\$250,991.38
Expense, August	\$13,961.61
Expense, YTD	\$210,732.25

- Called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, November 9 immediately following worship for the purpose of amending Terms of Call for Pastor Keith L. DeVries to include CPC's contributions to a 403(b).
- Called a Special Session Meeting for Saturday, November 22 at 12:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving new members.



What's Up in Children's & Youth Ministry?

by Michael Lombrano, Children's & Youth Ministry Director

Scavenger Games

On November 8, we hope that you will join us from 2:30-4:00 p.m. at CPC for our third Scavenger Games! Search the church buildings from top to bottom, looking for matching clues to piece the larger puzzle together. You can search in a group or go solo. All ages are invited to join the hunt! BUT PLEASE NOTE: Students who are in elementary school and younger will need an adult in their group to participate.

There will be prizes for

SCAVENGER GAMES

NOV 8TH 2:30-4
MEET IN MCMILLEN HALL



those who finish first in two

age categories: 1) elementary school and younger and 2) middle school and older

This event is free, and no registration is required. Wear comfortable running shoes and meet us in McMillen Hall. The games will start precisely at 2:30!

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to **Michael Lombrano** at 916-406-9081 or (michael@car-michaelpres.org)

Presbyterian Women Finding Resilience, Joy and Our Identity in Jesus Christ

by Terry Sakuda

During our study of Lessons 1 and 2 in our *Finding Resilience,*

Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ

study, we reflected on Mary Magdalene the Tower and Mary of a Certain Village. We continue our study on Lesson

3: Jesus is Tested.

This lesson is based on Luke 4:1-13 and explores how Christ's wilderness experience shows us that when our lives are dangerous and frightening, we are not alone.

We will discuss the struggles that Jesus went through while in the wilderness. During this struggle, the devil tested him by questioning Jesus' identity. We will learn that Jesus' testing and temptations shows who he is, God's child, and so are we. Jesus knew where his identity is found. We will learn that

our identity is through Jesus Christ. When we survive difficult times,

we have the chance to discover or rediscover how much we rely on God and how we build endurance and resilience through

God. May this provide hope and peace during difficult times.

PW Bible Study Books

There are still a few study books available in the church office. If you are interested in obtaining the Bible study book, please contact **Terry Sakuda** at terry.sakuda@yahoo.com. Books are \$16.00.

Pastor's Bible Study

Pastor **Keith DeVries** will lead Lesson 3 in our study via Zoom, sharing insights with us on Thursday, November 13 at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome.

If you wish to join the Zoom meetings on the second Thursday of each month through May, please contact **Karen Gray** in the church office for the Zoom link. These meetings are very informative and provide for very lively discussions.

PW Circles

The PW Circles meet monthly in small groups for continued Bible study, prayer, fellowship, mission, and to nurture our faith as we share with one another. We also share reflections, fellowship and prayers. Naomi Circle continues on their hiatus this year. Mary Martha Circle meets every third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. from October through May. Dorcas Circle, our World Service Sewing Circle meets monthly to work on sewing and quilting projects. If you are interested in joining this sewing circle, please contact **Carolyn MacGregor** (sabrina53@earthlink.net). If you have questions about this Bible study or about Mary Martha Circle, contact **Kathy Daigle** (kathy777@gmail.com) or Li-

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Lesson Three in the 2025-2026 PW Study, Finding Resilience, Joy and Our Identity in Jesus Christ is titled "Jesus is Tested."

CPC Presbyterian Women present

Advent Gathering

Friday, December 12 at 12:00 noon

Please join us in the Sanctuary for a

FREE Concert

of seasonal music from the marvelous
El Camino High School Choir

under the direction of Tessa Kelly

All are welcome!

Bring your Friends!



Caregiver Support Group



If you are
caring for a
loved one,
you are invit-

ed to join CPC's Caregiver
Support group, meeting the
first and third Wednesdays of
every month at 12:30 p.m. on
Zoom. The next meetings will
be November 5 and 19.

For more information or to
receive the Zoom link, please
contact **Kathy Lewin** at
kslewin@sbcglobal.net.

Wednesday Dinner

Everyone is invited to enjoy a meal and conversation together on Wednesday evenings in McMillen Hall starting at 6:00p.m. Enjoy a delicious dinner for \$7 per person with a \$25 max per family and/or pizza for \$1 per slice. Youth Group for grades 6-12 meets from 6:30-8:00 p.m. and the Sanctuary Choir rehearses starting at 7:00 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help with set up, clean up, making pizzas, and preparing meals. Cooks can choose the menu and are reimbursed for food expenses. Interested? Contact **Pastor Ivan** at 916-486-9081 or ivan@carmichaelpres.org and he'll be glad to help you get plugged in.



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sa Benadom (lbenadom@comcast.net). If you are interested in a new PW circle that would meet that would meet in the evening or after Sunday service, please contact **Rae-Nani Stokes** at rae-nani@hotmail.com.

Historic Bible on Display

by Keith Atwater

CPC churchgoers may not have noticed a polished wood and glass display case in the narthex to the left of the main door. A ledger of CPC donors has been on display there for some time, but now a new book is open and available for inspection.

It is a King James Bible published in 1869. It belonged to Music Director **Keith Atwater's** great-great-great-grandfather David Tuthill, a farmer in upstate New York. Keith lo-



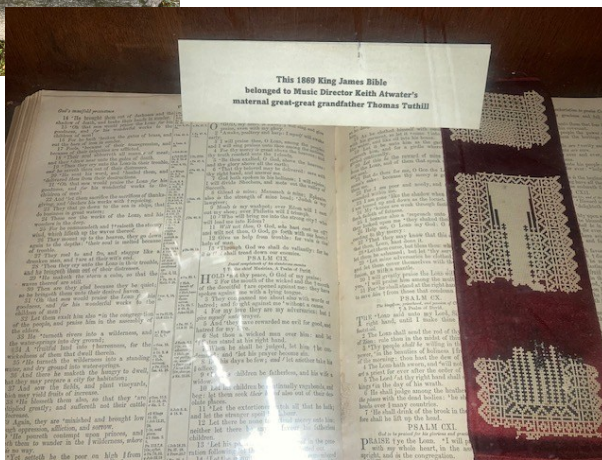
*A Bible belonging to **Keith Atwater's** 3x great grandfather, David Tuthill, whose grave marker is shown above, is on display in the narthex.*

cated his grave in a small cemetery while on his recent vacation. Other Atwater ancestors were also found in small old village cemeteries nearby.

This Bible was new when David received it as a Christmas present. It's inscribed on the inside cover "to our father from his loving daughters."

There were three daughters - Geneva, Margaret, and Nellie. Margaret later married and her daughter Daisy married Keith's great-great grandfather, Ellis King Atwater. The Bible appears to have been well used. Several slips of paper with penciled notes were found throughout, presumably favorite scripture passages and probably Bible study, Sunday School, and/or sermon notes as well.

You'll see an original bookmark made of lace and ribbon, presumably made by



one of his daughters. The King James translation was really the only one around at that time, and it wasn't until the early twentieth century that other translations were published - and Keith's grandfather Kenneth Atwater moved to the San Francisco bay area. But all the Atwater ancestors were Presbyterian!

In Our Church Family



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

- † the family of **Laurie White**, who passed away on September 27.
- † **Kristina Knoll Niemi** and family on the loss of her father, **Norm Knoll** on October 19.

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November 10

for the
December/January edition

(Please note: There will not be a separate January newsletter)

Submit articles to
Karen Gray at
karen@carmichaelpres.org
or mail/drop off a hard copy in the church office.

Scuttlebutt

News from CPC's Marinerships

Companionship

The Companionship met on October 4 in the DeVries Gathering Place for a fun afternoon of bidding on well-disguised and unknown packages! Halloween or harvest-themed hats were required! Co-skipper **Sharlene St. Clair**, wearing a pumpkin hat, opened the meeting by thanking **Hal and Sharleen Miller** for hosting and for the wonderful harvest decorations. Sharleen M. wore a most wondrous spider web fascinator! Our chaplain **Nancy Studer** shared two meaningful passages, one about "weathering the storm:" how we all face challenges in life but with God's help, we can survive. A second story was

about a scarecrow named Pumpkin Girl who was battered by winter storms but kept a smile on her face. And how we are blessed with the beauty of fall leaves at this

time of year. Nancy finds the best stories and articles to share with us! Following our business meeting we all had an opportunity to look at the beautiful-

ly disguised packages on a display table. Some were labeled "Do not lift" or "Do not shake" We signed up offering a price we would pay if we were lucky enough to be the high bidder! When the bidding ended, we took turns unwrapping our packages and exclaiming over the beautiful harvest or Halloween items. There were several lovely

bowls, some with Halloween candy. Other gifts were fragrant homemade scones and jam, blackberry liqueur, a Ghost Face Chia Pet, and a BIG pumpkin with supplies to make a living pumpkin plant garden. It was a very fun activity. The high bidders wrote checks which will be added to a donation from our treasury and donated to Friends for Survival, a local support organization for family and friends who have lost a loved one to suicide. Following the gift reveal, we celebrated with yummy dessert provided by the Millerings: Nothing But Bundt Cake!

Our next meeting will be a planning meeting for 2026. If you would like to visit our ship, please contact our Look Out, Sharlene St, Clair.

Nautilus

On October, 14 Nautilus crew members docked at our usual Parlor berth for lunch and **Carol Misquez's** family version of the PBS program, "Finding Your Roots."

For many years, Carol has preserved extensive family records and her presentation focused on the Marsac side of her family, starting with nau-

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*Companionship members celebrated fall with a harvest-themed mystery auction, with proceeds benefitting Friends for Survival. **Tim Farley** (bottom left) and **Sharleen Miller** (bottom right) show off their treasures.*

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tical Captain Marsac in 1875, and including the recent Cowan family of 8 successful children. The James R. Cowan Elementary School on Becerra Way was named after one of those children.



Carol Misquez (right) shared some of her family history with the Nautilus ship and was applauded at the end of her presentation.

For those of us who struggle to keep track of siblings and cousins, Carol's genealogical abilities are amazing!

Harvey Swenson announced the passing of **Laurie White**, who, with husband Don, was one of the original Nautilus members.

Skipjacks

A "Dutch Lunch" was on the table for our October meeting in the DeVries Gathering Place (though this was not the typical cold cuts and

cheese board lunch we usually associate with that name). The entrée was **Bep van der Mik's** Dutch Pea Soup, home-made from her special recipe: split peas, ham hocks, potatoes, carrots, leeks and onions, laurel, cloves, pepper,

bouillon if needed. She also provided imported Dutch waffle cookies filled with caramel and vanilla. Besides the corn bread and fig conserve that **Bette**

Johnson made, shipmates brought cookies to go with coffee and tea.

This lunch has become an annual event (3 years now), which we enjoy in the cooler days of autumn.

Once we were fortified by lunch, Skipper **Tony Perrou** said, "We have dined, now we have to pay the price!" (the agenda).

Chaplain Bette chose one of the many poems

written by Leigh Penny in her five part series. Leigh was a former member of CPC.

We welcomed guests **Kate Erlich** and **Henny Cross**, who shared a little of their background.

We reviewed upcoming program plans for a White Elephant Auction in November and a Christmas lunch at High Hand Cafe in Loomis in December.

A Nominating Committee was formed to select next year's officers.

We missed **Jan Olsen**, who is recovering from Covid and a fall. Prayers for her healing.



Skipjacks gathered for a delicious Dutch Lunch in October.

Our CPC Staff

The Rev. Keith L. DeVries

The Rev. Ivan N. Herman

Keith Atwater, Music Director

Michael Lombrano,
Children's & Youth Ministry
Director

Paul & Mary Camozzi,
Childcare Providers

Karen Gray,
Executive Assistant

Julie Ueltzen,
Administrative Assistant

Paul Shultz,
Financial Administrator

Ron Morris,
Maintenance Manager

Christian Bolen, Custodian

John Busath,
Food Closet Warehouse
Manager

Heidi Van Regenmorter,
Organist

Gabe Bisho, Pianist

Will Condrey, Drummer

Merlyn Van Regenmorter,
Bassist

Noor Bitar, Michael Gray,
Bruce MacLean,

Steve Parker, Kiyo Romais,
and **Avonlee Janik**,
Audio/Video Technicians

Our Mission

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



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The church office is open Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.





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Sundays @ CPC

In-Person & Live Stream Worship

10:00 a.m.

A blend of traditional and contemporary music styles bring new life to the Word. Worship in the Sanctuary or join online. Go to youtube.com/@carmichaelpres or search for "carmichaelpres" on the YouTube app or your Smart TV.



Children's Sunday School

10:15 a.m.

All children are welcome and encouraged to attend worship.

Following the Time for Young People, kids age 4-5th grade are dismissed to their classes.

Preschool through 2nd grade students experience Bible stories through Godly Play. Kids in 3rd-5th grade learn together using lectionary-based Whirl curriculum.

Nursery care for infants through age 3 is available throughout the morning.



Coffee Fellowship

Waterfall Singers & Youth Bible Study

11:00 a.m.

Visit and enjoy a cup of coffee and a cookie while you browse the art exhibit in the DeVries Gathering Place or chat with friends old and new following worship.

Children in Kindergarten through 5th grade can join CPC's children's choir, Waterfall Singers.

Youth in 6th through 12th grade are encouraged to come to Room 204 for Bible study.

