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It's Time to Vote for Best of Carmichael!

Voting has opened for this year's Best of Carmichael competition. It's simple: go to <https://www.bestofcarmichael.com/> and scroll down to "Best House of Worship." CPC is currently in first place, so let's make sure it

stays that way! Each person can vote once.



CPC has won this award five times, so let's make

it 6 for 2026! You can also vote for Carmichael Food Closet under "Best Non-Profit Community Service." Voting closes October 10, so be sure to get your vote in early.

Rooted Deep, Reaching Wide 2027 Stewardship Campaign

by Jami McCray

"Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

—Jeremiah 17:7–8

In 1918, a small

group of neighbors began gathering their children for Sunday school in Carmichael. By 1923, that gathering had become a church — planted, watered, and given room

to grow. A century-plus later, I find myself thinking often about those first saints of God: what they hoped for, what they

prayed for, and how little they could have

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Pastor Keith Writes:

I'm Back! Sabbatical Reflections

Thank you for the gift of sabbatical these past 3 ½ months. They have been renewing, refreshing, and revitalizing. It was an opportunity to just be, not needing to know what day of the week it was, knowing that I was surrounded by the love and prayers of the faithful members and friends of CPC and your amazing staff. Your unconditional support gave me the freedom to fully enjoy my time away and to fully embrace the gift of God's "daily bread." Thank You!

I have two short stories from my sabbatical journal to share. First, before traveling to SoCal to spend some time with friends of 44 years, Mark and Debi, Jenny and I attended a memorial service in Auburn, CA for Judy Nelson, Toby Nelson's wife. Toby is a friend and colleague in ministry that I have known since my college days when he was pastoring a small country church in Covelo, California and I was doing summer youth ministry in Ukiah. We

shared resources in planning a few great events for the youth of both our churches and other youth groups. As we entered Auburn Presbyterian Church we were greeted by Toby, who was inviting us in to celebrate his wife's life and commitment to the church. He was sur-

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rounded by many pastors of the presbytery who knew and loved Toby and wanted to support him in this difficult time. But this was not your typical memorial service, and Toby is not your typical pastor. The service had his fingerprints all over it; tears were shed in both grief and in joy. In fact, the laughter at times was raucous, as Toby told a hilariously intimate family story. I am grateful for Toby's 50 years of friendship and the opportunity we had to support him as he begins a new chapter in his life.

Then two days later, June 8, Jenny and I were given a wonderful gift from our daughter Kaylan, and her husband, Drew. It was amongst my most favorite of gifts, tickets to see and hear Bruce Hornsby at the Harris Center in Folsom. Bruce Hornsby has been at the top of my favorite musical talents since the mid 1980's, and I have most of his albums in one form or another, including of course, vinyl! Yes, I still have vinyl records and a turntable that works. IT WAS ABSOLUTELY WONDERFUL! THANK YOU, KAYLAN AND DREW, WE LOVE YOU AND WILL GO TO ANY FUTURE CONCERTS THAT YOU WANT TO BUY US TICKETS FOR.

Our sabbatical was off to a really good start! I'll have many more stories to share in the coming months.

May God's blessings be upon you,

Pastor Keith

... Rooted Deep, Reaching Wide ...

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imagined all that would grow from what they started.

This year's stewardship theme, Rooted Deep, Reaching Wide, comes from that same image in Jeremiah — a tree planted by the water, its roots going down even as branches reach out. It's a picture of who we already are at CPC. Our roots run deep: a century of worship, of Sunday school teachers and choir directors and session members who showed up faithfully, year after year, so that we could be here today. And because those roots are deep, our branches have been free to reach wide.

You can see it all over our campus and beyond it. Every week, our Food Closet meets real, practical need in our community — a ministry now decades old and still growing. Our partnership with Carmichael HART carries that same spirit of neighbor-love into places we couldn't reach alone. Families

new to this country have found welcome and support through our ministry to refugees and support of local social service organizations. And being a committed Earth Care congregation reminds us that stewardship isn't only about budgets — it's about tending well everything

have.

Over the next several weeks, you'll hear more — through the *Mission Bell*, in worship, in letters home — about what it looks like to keep these roots deep and these branches wide for another year. I hope you'll take that time to reflect on your own place in this story: not just what CPC means to you, but what it can continue to mean for our neighbors, our community, and the generations still to come.

Commitment Sunday is November 15, 2026, when we'll each bring forward our pledges for 2027. Until then, let's hold this church — its history, its ministries, its future — in prayer.

Send down your roots, Car-

michael Presbyterian. Reach wide your branches. God isn't finished with what was planted in 1918.



From its beginnings in 1918, CPC has been planting roots to serve our community and our world.

God has entrusted to us, including the earth itself.

None of this is new for CPC. It's simply who we've been since 1918, made visible in the life of our congregation today. Our stewardship of this congregation does not need to reinvent a new identity for this church. Rather, it calls us to nourish and sustain the one we already

From Pastor Ivan: Valuing Words

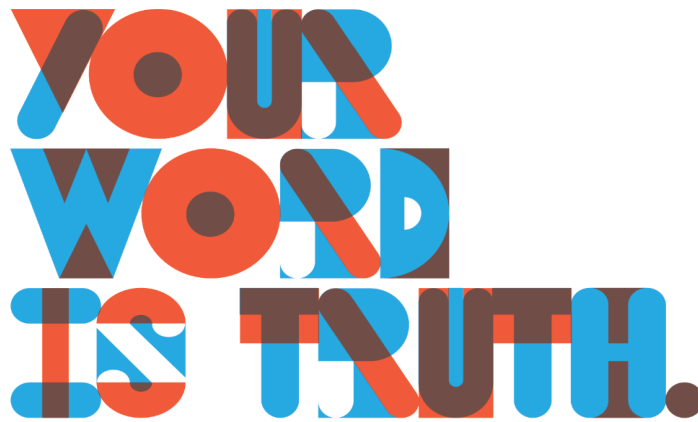
With mid-term elections a month away, my social media airwaves are chock-full of words. Political advertising is expensive, but the words are cheap.

I've found myself asking, "What are words worth? Do they have value?" With so many words constantly and cheaply available, how do we determine what words are truly valuable?

There are times I yearn for the holy silence practiced by our Quaker siblings; when words break the silence, they have gravity. When Presbyterians gather for worship each Sunday, we are word-heavy: Scripture readings, prayers, hymns, and, of course, the sermon.

We even capitalize it: the Word. We prepare to hear the Word through invitation, confession, and pardon. We proclaim the Word through anthem, time with children, scripture reading, and sermon. The Word is sealed on our hearts with the sacraments, and we respond to the Word with offerings and prayers. We are sent to carry the Word out into the world with a charge and blessing.

"Reformed Christians have marked the presence of the true Church wherever... the Word of God is truly preached and heard..." (*Book of Order* F-1.0303) The Word in worship is not simply the Bible being read aloud or preached. The proclamation of the Word also



includes the preaching and the hearing of the sermon. Only by listening is the Scripture interpreted and connected to our lives.

That means the sermon isn't simply a lecture about the Bible. At its best, preaching is an invitation to listen together for what God may be saying to us now. And hearing matters just as much as speaking, so the sermon is a work of collaboration as we encounter God's Word.

At the heart of our faith is Jesus Christ, whom John's Gospel calls the Word made flesh. We believe God speaks to us through Scripture, through

the life of Jesus, and through the Holy Spirit moving in community.

Christian Ethicist Stanley Hauerwas in his 1993 book *Unleashing the Scripture: Freeing the Bible from Captivity to America* has even argued that reading the Bible alone is dangerous

because isolated readers tend to twist scripture to fit their own personal or political agendas. Communal interpretation grounded in Christian discipleship is essential to understanding the Bible. The "unleashing" of Scripture occurs when Christians allow its nar-

ratives and commands to shape their lives and practices.

Sometimes the Word challenges us. Sometimes it comforts us. Sometimes it opens our eyes to a new possibility or calls us toward greater compassion, justice, and love.

The Word we hear on Sunday is meant to go with us when we leave. We are called not only to hear God's Word, but to live it—to become people who carry God's love into the world. When we translate the Word into action, then the Word truly becomes flesh and walks among us.

It's Almost Here!!

Truth Matters:

How a Bible Mistranslation Shifted a Culture

by Kathy Lewis

Come join people from across Sacramento (and beyond) to learn the truth about a Biblical mistranslation with major implications. Invite a friend (or friends) to join you. We will offer a continental breakfast plus a box lunch provided by our very own Jackson Catering!!

In 1946, the term “homosexual” was incorrectly included in a Bible translation. That single decision has reshaped church teaching, family relationships and countless communities across multiple generations.

We are fortunate to have LGBTQ+ advocate and author **Kathy Baldock** lead a day of learning and discussion about this historic decision and the lasting impact it has had, specifically on faith communities.

We are co-hosting the event at CPC with St. John's Lutheran Church and the Sacramento Area Rainbow Faith Alliance.

Conference Schedule:

- Continental Breakfast: 8:30 a.m.
- Workshop Sessions: 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- 1946 Movie Screening: 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. (optional)

Your \$10 registration fee includes continental breakfast and lunch. Please register through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/TruthMattersEvent> or by calling the church office (916-486-9081). Child-care is available upon request. If you have already seen 1946, your day can end at 2:30. Otherwise, the day will end at 4:00 p.m.

Help spread the word about this opportunity!!!

Any questions? Contact **Kathy Lewis**.

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Truth Matters

How a Bible Mistranslation Shifted a Culture

10 October

at Carmichael
Presbyterian Church

got questions? **Ask the Pastor!**

New to Carmichael Presbyterian Church and curious what we're all about? **Ask the pastor!**

Been here a while but still curious?

Ask the pastor!

Meet other curious folks for an informal chat with Pastor Keith

**Sunday, October 18 at 11:15 a.m.
in the Parlor**

Questions? Contact the church office at

916-486-9081 or

carmichaelpres@gmail.com



Session Spotlight

by Mary MacDonald, Clerk of Session

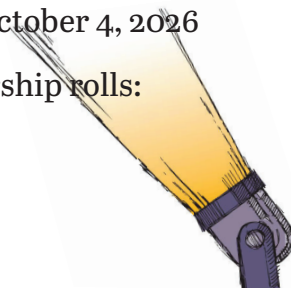
During their regular meeting on August 25, your Session:

- Received the June and July 2026 financial reports.

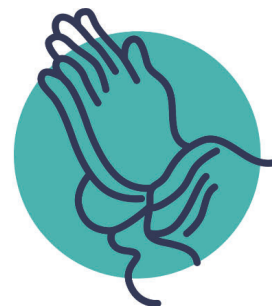
General Fund	June	July
Income	\$53,998.88	\$66,986.42
Income, YTD	\$542,854.98	\$488,856.10
Expense	\$76,078.70	\$67,791.90
Expense, YTD	\$501,258.11	\$425,179.41

21 st Century Fund	June	July
Income	\$9,420.95	\$45,870.08
Income, YTD	\$185,006.15	\$175,585.20
Expense	\$211,870.56	\$144,602.53
Expense, YTD	\$658,104.70	\$446,234.14

- Approved the Sacrament of Baptism for October 4, 2026
- Deleted these members from the membership rolls:
Terry Barto, deceased June 29, 2026
Don Cox, deceased July 14, 2026
Howard Willey, deceased July 22, 2026
Melvin Majesty, deceased July 28, 2026



In Our Church Family



Please hold in your prayers these members of our faith community who have recently lost loved ones:

- the family of **Billy Bristow**, who passed away on August 28.

Parking Lot Update

We're in the home stretch! After six months of working and waiting, the parking lot renovation is close to completion. As of late September, the concrete curbing is finished, including new stairs and ramp. The parking area is paved with shiny new blacktop and the solar panels are being installed. There are landscapers putting in irrigation and finishing the bioswales that will capture and filter rain water. Soon, we should see plants filling up the



spaces.

We hope that striping and marking will

happen soon, along with railings and signage. As with any construction project, there is no definite timeline, but we

are hopeful that we will be able to start enjoying our new parking lot in the next several weeks. Once the solar canopy is finished, it will be a couple of weeks before it becomes operational.

Thank you, CPC, for your patience in this process and for your dedicated support as we "pave the way to welcome all."

Harvest Festival Help Needed

by Michael Lombrano, Children's & Youth Ministry Director

Festive costumes and games await at CPC's annual Harvest Festival! Join us on Wednesday, October 28 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in McMillen Hall. There will be games for all ages, an optional hot dog dinner, and to finish the night, trunk-or-treat.

If you or your family would like to host and decorate a trunk, please contact

Anita Lawson (anitawlawson@gmail.com).

We also need



lots of youth volunteers to run games, decorate

the food closet van, and pass out candy during trunk-or-treat. Youth volunteers will also have time to participate in the events throughout the evening! If you or your youth want to help out,

contact **Michael Lombrano** at michael@carmi-chaelpres.org.

Check out the flyer inserted in this *Mission Bell* for all the details!



Art Exhibit

"The Legends of the Wall" Portraits by Karen Orlando

by Kathy Daigle

The current exhibit in the DeVries Gathering Place, "The Legends of the Wall," is a collection of acrylic and oil paintings by Karen Orlando created for her husband, Steve.

Karen says this collection "was an idea that started to bloom in 2020. After moving into our Carmichael home, I had an idea to

blend my need for practice on portrait painting with Steve's empty office wall and his love for sports. A small conversation about his fantasy baseball team had him drawing up a list of legendary baseball players. Well, there is nothing like practice, practice, practice to learn something and the wall collage of legendary sports figures for his home office was up and running. To say this exhibit is an art show wouldn't be accu-

rate. It is at heart a display of a lifetime of love of the game presented in painting."

Legendary athletes like

boxing champion Muhammad Ali, golf legends Arnold Palmer and

Russell of basketball fame and tennis champions Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal, John McEnroe, and Andre Agassi are also on display.

"While this can be called an art exhibit, it's also a sports legends exhibit to be thought of as a collage of trading cards for a sports fan. Each name has a few details of the sport and career titles. This is more important than the art description for us. It's what makes them legends, I suppose," says Karen.

Karen Orlando is a native Sacramentan. She and her husband, Steve, along with their family, joined CPC nearly 30 years ago. She has been a Deacon and an Elder, has served on a plethora of committees, and has written and directed several CPC drama presentations.

Karen started painting in 2013 to support a friend who was experiencing a great loss. Somewhere along the way, she got hooked. She paints in acrylic and oil but prefers oil paints. She will tell you that she enjoys the act of creating and discovering what color can become.



Artist **Karen Orlando** shares some of her paintings of sports legends in the current DeVries Gathering Place art exhibit, "The Legends of the Wall."



Jack Nicklaus, San

Francisco 49er greats Joe Montana and Jerry Rice, plus several legendary football coaches are included. You'll also see baseball legends Mickey Mantle, Babe Ruth, Willie Mays, Jackie Robinson, Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio, Yogi Berra, and many more. Portraits of Magic Johnson, Larry Bird, and Bill

Mission Updates

by Bob Curtis

Safe Harbor Celebrates Five-Year Anniversary

Carmichael Presbyterian Church supports Safe Harbor (also known as WEforce) which has an ongoing successful collaboration with Family Promise of Sacramento for five years. Safe Harbor offers five tiny homes as temporary housing for homeless families on their journey to stable living and has served 61 families over its five year

history – totaling more than 179 lives, which are touched by support, wrapped in safety and acceptance with dignity – and the list keeps growing!

One recent addition to Safe Harbor is a fifth tiny home built by Consumnes River College (CRC) Construction Students. Families assisted by Safe Harbor and Family Promise are prescreened and the parent must be employed.

Another addition to Safe Harbor is a multi-function resource center, the Irene Lincoln Center also built by CRC construction students. It is a versatile “chameleon” providing space for intakes, meetings, dinners, computer work and counseling. Case managers for the residents provide individualized guidance and mentoring to fit the unique needs of each family served. The mentoring goal is to dismantle obstacles



Safe Harbor lead **Robin Moore** with husband **James**, Family Promise lead **Marsha Spell**, and a tiny home.

preventing success toward a stable life and permanent housing. There are 25 interdenominational churches that serve Safe Harbor and Family Promise. Carmichael Presbyterian serves Safe Harbor four times a year by offering gardening, kitchen clean up, gift cards and baskets, groceries and special meals, and household items. Our last service week for 2026 is December 7. If you would like to help, contact **Bob Curtis** at rkcurtis6@outlook.com.

[com](mailto:rkcurtis6@outlook.com).

Eskaton Village Carmichael Continues Unwavering Support for our Food Closet

Recent actions continue to show residents of Eskaton Village Carmichael have a long-standing giving relationship to the Carmichael Food Closet. A spring food drive yielded impressive results: seven large full boxes of food and donations amounting to \$1,320. For Eskaton, **Carol Leone** masterfully led this drive and she was ably assisted by Carmichael Presbyterian member and Food Closet leader **Barbara Farley**.

Furthermore, Eskaton has given a big hand to the Food Closet by donating paper bags used to hold food items packed by Food Closet volunteers for distribution to our guests. This effort is led by Eskaton resident and Carmichael Presbyterian member **Priscilla Mauerman**. All told, the Food Closet has provided groceries to families in need for over 50 years, serves about 500 people each week 52 weeks a year, and has served over one million in its history.

Library Corner News Flash!

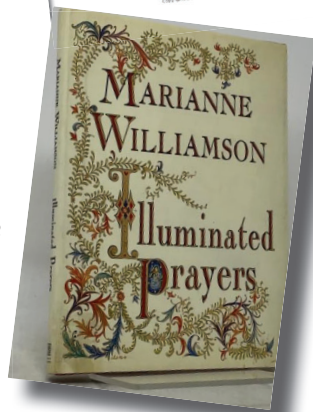
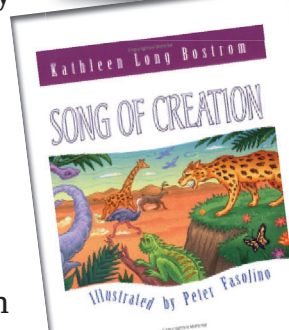
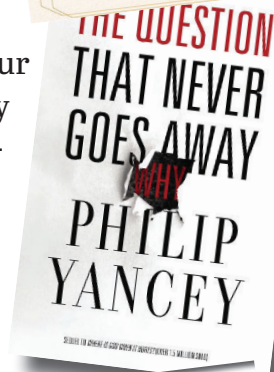
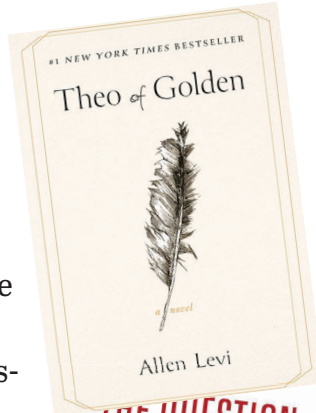
by Doris Beckert

CPC Library has a copy of *Theo of Golden*, written by Allen Levi, and it is ready for immediate check-out!

Several of you have read this novel, some with your book discussion clubs. You have recommended it for your church library, not only for its interesting characters, but also for its Christian overtones.

The last two books which I selected from the closed Presbytery Resource Center are:

- *The Question That Never Goes Away*, by Philip Yancey (248.86) And the question is "Why?" The author revisits the theme of suffering which he tackled in his first book *Where Is God When It Hurts?*
- *Song of Creation* is a children's book written by Kathleen Long Bostrom, with colorful illustrations



by Peter Fasolino, it describes the seven days of creation in a re-wording of the Bible, ending with "But I'm not done: My work on earth has just begun."

And finally, *Illuminated Prayers* by Marianne Williamson (291.4) is a small keepsake volume of her short prayers. It is illustrated by Claudia Sargent in the style of medieval manuscripts, with ornate initial letters and flowery edges. Each page is a work of art.

These books and many more are available for you to check out! The church library is open on Sunday mornings and during church office hours. You can also find a complete listing of available books at <https://www.librarything.com/catalog/carmichaelpres>.

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Little Library Refurbished

It had gotten a little battered by weather, parking lot construction, and time, but the little free library in CPC's parking lot has been refurbished and reinforced by our own **Ron Morris**.

Thanks to Ron's s handiwork, the library is ready for you to borrow a book, leave a book, or just browse. There is often a variety of books for both kids and adults. Stop by the next time you're at the back of the church campus and check it out!



A fun corner for kids in the CPC library.

Presbyterian Women ReUNITED at Our Fall Gathering

by Lisa Benadom

Presbyterian Women (PW) gathered at our Fall Event to launch our 2026/2027 season. It was a time of study, laughter, re-connecting, smiles and hugs. Traditionally our Life Membership Award is presented at this meeting. However, this year's recipient, **Nancy Studer**, was feeling under the weather and could not attend. So, what did we do? We pivoted. Nancy has a long history of demonstrating her devotion to Christ's call and it was a privilege to recognize her years of service, even though it was in absentia. We will present her with the Life Membership pin at a future meeting.

The highlight of the event was welcoming back **Pastor Keith**. Rested and refreshed from sabbatical he energetically led us through Lesson 1 of this year's PW Bible Study, *United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other* written by Rhonda Mawhood Lee. He guided us through a few "getting to know you" activities to have us become better acquainted with our sisters in Christ. We gained special insights through sharing our experiences with Baptism. In Lesson 1 the question is asked: In your communications within church groups "what words are

chosen to remind readers or listeners of your unity?" Cause for reflection, indeed!



Lesson Two in the 2026–2027 PW Bible Study, *United in Christ, Bound to Each Other*, is "Connected in Christ."

During the year the study will focus on Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Lesson 2, to be presented in October, is entitled "Consecrated in Christ." The main idea of Lesson 2 is through our baptism in Christ, we have all the gifts we need to live well, grow spiritually, resolve conflicts, and care for each other as members of one family. Intriguing thought but have you ever doubted the accuracy of that statement? You are welcome to join us as we explore this topic and all the topics of our Study. Here's how:

Starting in October a Pas-

tor-led Zoom meeting will take place on the second Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to participate. Contact **Karen Gray** in the church office to be put on the Zoom list. On the third Thursday of the month Mary Martha Circle meets at 1:00 p.m. in the DeVries Gathering Place. Meetings provide time for fellowship, mission and Bible Study. If you are interested in attending contact **Lisa Benadom** at lbenadom@comcast.net OR **Kathy Daigle** kathypdaigle777@gmail.com. To purchase a study guide, contact **Terry Sakuda** at terrysakuda@yahoo.com. The cost is \$16.00

Dorcas Circle, our World Service Sewing Circle, remains active. Last year these remarkable women quilted over 100 lap robes for young adults graduating out of the Foster Care System. For those who have an interest in quilting, knitting and sewing and are interested in joining Dorcas Circle, please contact **Carolyn McGregor** at sabrina53@earthlink.net.

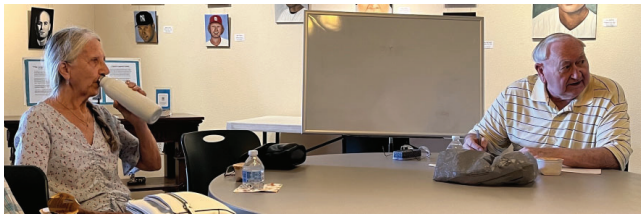
Unity is a beautiful word, rich in meaning and glorious in reward. Come and join us as we seek to be united through Christ and bound to each other.

Scuttlebutt

News from CPC's Marinerships

Nautilus

For our September Nautilus meeting in the DeVries Gathering Place, **Bob Bergsten** ap-



The Nautilus ship enjoyed brain-stretching quizzes and ice cream at their September meeting.

plied brain stimulants to the 11

shipmates present in the form of a dozen or so quizzes on a wide variety of subjects. Some questions were about the planets in our solar system (poor Pluto was once again excluded), birth and anniversary stones, Roman numerals, human eye colors at birth, shape names, measure device quantities, pictures on various American paper money (that proved more difficult to some than might be expected, but the blame was placed on credit card use and rarity, i.e. \$2 bills). I could not believe I was struggling with the \$100 bill photo when my pockets were filled with Benjamins. Fortunately for most of us, answers were just randomly

called out, so it was easy to pretend competence.

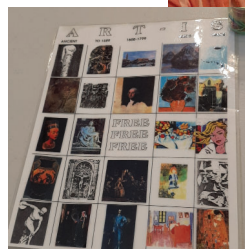
After our brains were again activated, we reviewed changes in membership as well as how folks with difficulties were doing. The Sweeney's move left a void at logkeeper, so **Harvey Swen-**



son won his old job back after fierce competition. Lastly, we discussed the last 3 meetings of the year, moving the October meeting to the third Saturday to prevent conflict with another CPC activity.

Our brains were then refreshed and nourished with ice cream furnished by our host, **Emily Moulton**.

Pattie Shaw (bottom right) created an Art Bingo game for the Skipjacks' September meeting.



Skipjacks

Bingo was on our program this month, but **Pattie Shaw** put a new spin on an old game.

Art Bingo: Instead of numbers, the squares on the cards were made up of great art and architecture masterpieces. The 5 rows were labeled: A R T I S

and were arranged by era: ancient to 1599, 1600-1799, 1800, 1900. The caller would say "T-Pieta", or "A-Coliseum" and you would place your token on that square if it was on your card. For some of

us, clues like "a girl in a striped dress" or other hint helped if we weren't familiar with the title. We agreed that matching

titles with pictures was a welcome mind stretch, and we were introduced to a wide range of art



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this way. Prizes of harvest themed plaques were won by **Doris Beckert, Tony Perrou,** and **Bette Johnson.** Pattie revealed that she created the game herself and made all the cards as well as the master sheet. She copied pictures from art books, reduced them to fit the dimensions of the squares

on the cards, and arranged the pictures differently on each card. What a labor of love.

Lemon was Pattie's theme for her refreshments, which were lemon meringue cake and lemonade.

Debbie Cameron led a brief business meeting at the beginning of our time. **Glenda Perrou** read a devotional from

David Dendy's book about how White Out can erase our mistakes, just as Jesus wipes our slate clean when we ask for forgiveness. Our Auction Dinner has been postponed until January 9, 2027. Our next meeting will be on Saturday, October 3 at 11 am in the CPC Parlor. **Bep van der Mik** will be serving her traditional Dutch pea soup.



Messiah Sing

Sunday, December 6
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Local church choirs and their conductors join CPC as we sing the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah with orchestra and keyboard. We'll have copies of the choral score to share.

Non-singers are invited to watch from the balcony or at home on YouTube.

Spread the word among your musical friends!



Philip Wiggins Partnership Director For World Relief, Sacramento	Rev. Cathy Chang PCUSA Global Ecumenical Liaison	Peter Okyere Digital Ministry Strategist New Worshiping Community Leader	Doug Hunt Presbyterian Peace Fellowship	Cheryl Hunt Presbyterian Peace Fellowship
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The Mission Support Committee
Of North Central California
Presents:

MISSION EMPHASIS EVENT

Saturday, October 24, 2026
3pm- 7pm
Carmichael Presbyterian Church
5645 Marconi Avenue
Carmichael, CA 95608

Register Here

Registration: 3pm
First Presentation: 3:30pm
Networking & Fellowship: 4-5pm
Dinner & Presentations: 5pm-7pm



Scan QR Code

Caregiver Support Group



If you are caring for a loved one, you are invited 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 October 7 and 21.

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 6:00 p.m. through the first part of June. 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.

We are always looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with set up, clean up, making pizzas, and preparing meals. Cooks can choose the menu and are reimbursed for food expenses. You can volunteer every week, just once, or as your schedule allows. Interested? Contact Pastor Ivan at 916-486-9081 or ivan@carmichaelpres.org or Lynette Ledesma at catcmom@gmail.com and they will be glad to find a spot for you.



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,
Bass Guitarist

**Noor Bitar, Michael
Gray, Bruce MacLean,
Steve Parker,
and Kiyo Romais**,
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. to 3:00 p.m.

MISSION BELL DEADLINE 10th of each month for the following month's issue

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



Sundays @ CPC

In-Person and 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 starting September 13.

Youth in 6th through 12th grade are encouraged to come to the Upper Rooms (youth rooms) for Bible study.



Carmichael Presbyterian Church

HARVEST FESTIVAL

FREE!

🕒 Wednesday, October 28
5:00 - 7:30 pm

📍 Carmichael Presbyterian Church
5645 Marconi Ave.

HOT DOG DINNER:

\$8 adults, \$6 kids (age 12 & under)

Advance reservations requested

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