

# Spring & Summer 2026



## CLINTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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# Welcoming to All Growing in Faith Serving with Love.

Friends,

Easter is more than a single Sunday; it is a way of living into hope, joy, and new life in all the days that follow.

This preview is an invitation into the life of our church in the months ahead. You will find opportunities to worship, serve, learn, and build community together throughout the spring and summer.


Whether you are deeply involved already or just beginning to find your way here, we hope you will find something in these pages that feels like it was meant for you.

Find your place. There is always room for you here.

Peace,

Tracy



Anywhere you see this symbol,  , please click to sign up online!  
Or reach out to Ali and let her know of your interest!  
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# NOTES ABOUT WORSHIP

## Weekly Worship

We worship every Sunday at 9:30am and all are welcome to join us.

We celebrate communion on the first Sunday of each month.

Services are also livestreamed to our YouTube Page.



## Participate in Worship

Every week members and friends are invited to help lead in worship in a variety of ways. From ushers and scripture readers to AV support and children's conversations, there is an important job for everyone. And training is provided! If you are interested in participating in any way, please send an email to [Ali](#) and let her know how you would like to get involved.

## New Members

We love to welcome new friends to our church family. Membership classes are offered on a regular basis throughout the year. Our church is made up of people who have found their way to CPC from many different denominational backgrounds and those who are new to the Christian faith. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, there is a place for you at CPC. Please contact [Tracey](#) to learn more.

## Children @ CPC

We love children at CPC! Children are always welcome to stay in worship with their families. You will find Busy Bags at the front and the back of the sanctuary filled with quiet activities for little hands.

Each week we have a special Children's Conversation during worship. Children ages 6 and under are welcome to go to the nursery following this time or remain in the sanctuary.

Older kids are encouraged to stay in worship with their grown ups. Special bulletins which follow the theme of the worship service are available to help them stay engaged.

Nursery care is provided for infants for the entirety of the worship service should parents desire it.



All children and youth in 3rd grade and up are invited to be an acolyte. Our Acolytes at CPC serve by lighting and extinguishing the candles in the sanctuary as part of the worship service. The light represents the Light of Christ, reminding all of us that God is with us in worship.

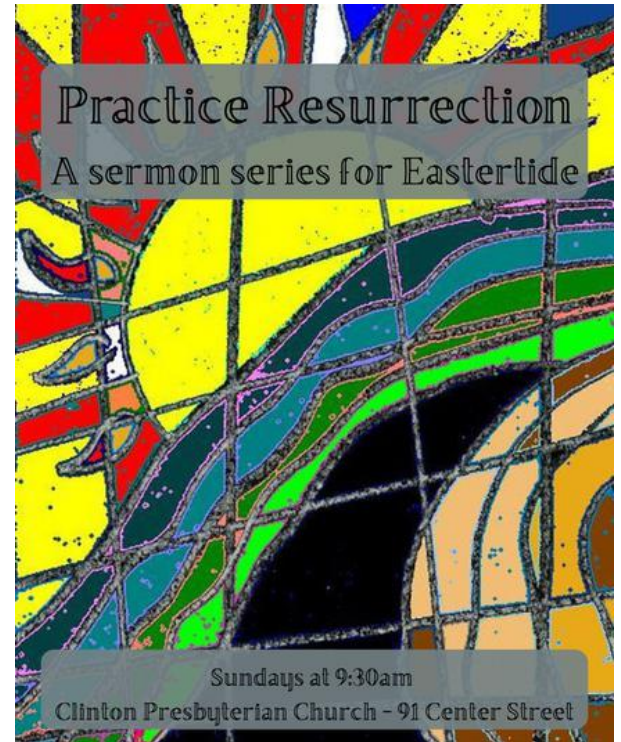
Please contact [Ali](#) in the church office and she will get you connected!

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## Post Easter Sermon Series – Practice Resurrection

Easter changes everything – but only if we let it. In this season between Easter and Pentecost, we explore what it means to live as resurrection people. What if hope shaped the way we speak, grace shaped the way we act, and courage shaped the way we love? Resurrection isn't just a story we tell – it's a life we practice.



**Begins Sunday  
April 12**

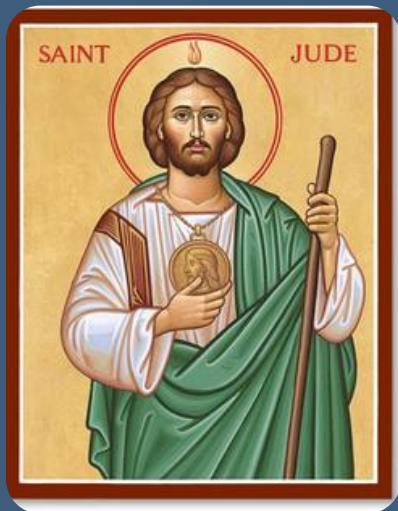


**Lydia Lucas**

## Welcoming Lydia Lucas from City Relief – April 19

Snow has forced us to reschedule our visit from Lydia Lucas, Chief People Officer at City Relief, not just once but twice, but we are very much looking forward to welcoming Lydia to the CPC pulpit on April 19 as we continue to strengthen our partnership.

# SUNDAY MORNINGS IN APRIL



## Hey Jude: A Short Letter for Complicated Times



**April 19-May 3 - 1040am in Room 4**

Faith isn't always neat and tidy.

The Epistle of Jude was written for a community struggling with confusion, conflict, and harmful leadership—and it might feel surprisingly relevant today.

Join us for a three-week conversation about truth, power, doubt, and what it means to hold onto faith without losing compassion.

RSVP today

## Lingering with the Word

**April 19-May 3 - 10:40am in Fellowship Hall**

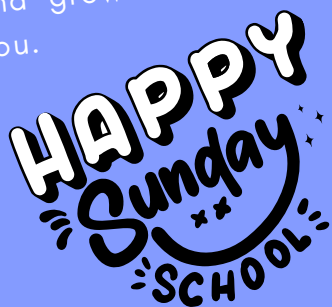
Good coffee. Honest conversation. A space to linger with the sermon a little longer. After worship, let's gather for a relaxed, no-pressure discussion about what we heard, what stuck with us, and what we're still sorting out. Bring your questions, your thoughts and your morning pick-me-up! All are welcome.



## Sunday School for Kids



After a short post-Easter break, Sunday School is back! Join us on April 19, 26, and May 3 for snacks that can't be beat, music that makes you move, and activities that help us learn and grow together. We can't wait to see you.



**6-8 Grade Sunday School**

Middle school Sunday School will meet in the Wolverton Building after worship on April 19, 26, and May 3. Join us for conversation, connection, and exploring your faith in a space that's just for you.

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## Men's Breakfast - April 25



Start your morning on a high note! Join the men of the church for breakfast, conversation, and good company.

**Date: April 25**

**Time: 8:00 AM**

**Location: Fellowship Hall @ CPC**

Fuel up, swap stories, trade ideas, drink coffee. Breakfast is on us—just bring your appetite and your energy!



## Ladies' Cheese Tasting Night with Fourchette - April 30



Join us for an evening of gourmet cheeses, delightful pairings, and sparkling conversation with our friends from Fourchette.

**Date: April 30**

**Time: 7:00 PM**

**Location: The Manse**

Taste your way through a selection of delicious cheeses, discover a few pairing secrets, and enjoy a relaxed night out with friends.

Because let's face it—cheese makes everything better!

*\$39 per person. Please send payment to Jes Bruno. Cash, check, venmo (@jessicaqbruno) or Zelle ([jprakopcyk@gmail.com](mailto:jprakopcyk@gmail.com)) by April 19th*

## Book Club

Regularly scheduled book club gatherings happen on the third Thursday of each month at 7pm downstairs in Room 4 at CPC. Come join us! Along with reading good books, we have plenty of fun and fellowship. If you would like to know more, please connect with Adrienne Hodulik (908)310-1987 or [hodulik@comcast.net](mailto:hodulik@comcast.net).

Here is what we will be reading and discussing now through the summer months.

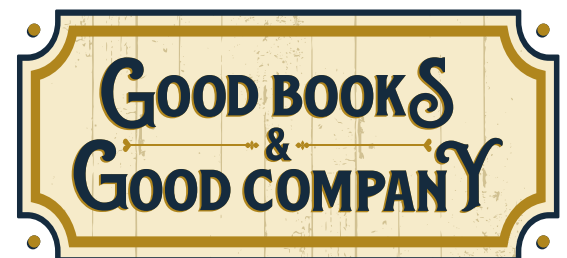
April 16th - Theo of Golden by Allen Levi

May 21st - The Lion Women of Tehran by Marjan Kamali

June 18th - We Were the Mulvaneys by Joyce Carol Oates

July 16th - To be decided

August 20th - My Friends by Fredrik Backman



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## Sunday School Teacher Appreciation May 3

We're giving a big shout-out to our incredible Sunday School teachers during worship! These dedicated volunteers pour love, energy, and passion into guiding our kids in faith, and we want to say a heartfelt THANK YOU!

Want to join this amazing team next year? We're now accepting applications for Sunday School teachers this fall. Let us know if you're interested—we'd love to have you on board - just send us an email!



## Youth Group Gatherings - May 3 & May 17

Calling all 6th-12th graders! We would love to see s'more of you! Stop on by on **May 3** and we'll toast up some marshmallows and catch up with one another - Middle Schoolers 5PM, High Schoolers 6PM. Then we'll wrap up the year on **May 17** with a Geocaching Adventure and bounce house fun - 5-7PM for all grades. Whether you've been coming all season or are just joining us for the first time, we want you there!



## Pedals for Progress - Bike & Sewing Machine Drive



**P4P @ CPC!!!**

We're excited to host another Pedals for Progress event on Saturday, May 9, from 9:00 a.m. to noon, in partnership with the North Hunterdon Rotary Club.

Bring your used bicycles (kids and adults) and sewing machines to help support people in developing countries. These items become powerful tools for education, employment, and community development.

Since 1991, Pedals for Progress has collected over 172,648 bicycles and 7,198 sewing machines - making a real difference around the world. Learn more at [www.p4p.org](http://www.p4p.org).

Spread the word and help transform lives!

## Confirmation Sunday at CPC - May 10

Join us as we celebrate our students taking an important step in their faith journey. It's a meaningful milestone for our students, their families, and our entire church family—come be part of this special day.

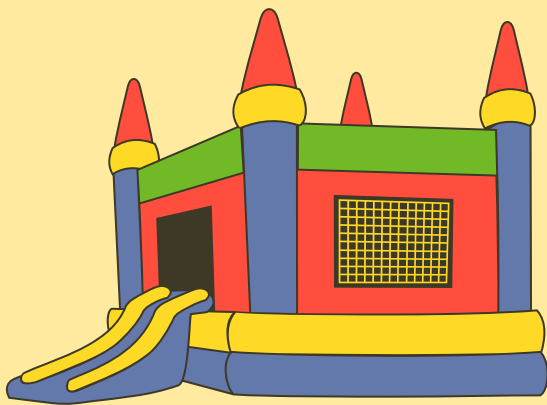


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## Senior Recognition - May 17

During worship, we'll take a moment to honor our high school seniors. Join us in celebrating their achievements and cheering them on as they step into the next chapter of their lives!



## All Church Picnic - May 17



Summer is calling, and we're ready to celebrate in style! Join us after worship for our all church picnic. There will be games, a bounce house for the kids (and the kids at heart!), and plenty of time to connect with friends old and new. Plus, don't miss our FREE raffle featuring amazing prizes from local businesses!

## Pentecost Sunday - May 24

The Spirit is still on the move at CPC and we are grateful! Join us as we celebrate Pentecost with a Jazz Worship Service and head into the summer months living in the Spirit's power



## Lemonade on the Lawn

Cookies, lemonade, watermelon... and you! Starting Memorial Day weekend, we'll gather on the lawn after worship for sweet treats and sunshine. Want to help make it happen? Sign up to host a week and we'll give you all the details.



# SUMMER DAYS @ CPC



This summer, while Pastor Tracey is on sabbatical, our deacons and elders will step into the pulpit as our "Preachers from the Pew."

This is a great opportunity to hear thoughtful perspectives from familiar faces, reflect on the many ways God's work is present in our congregation, and share in worship together as a community.

Come worship with us, encourage our leaders, and be part of these meaningful summer services.



## Summer Choir



No Weekly Commitments,  
Just Great Music!

Love to sing but can't commit to weekly rehearsals? We've got the perfect opportunity for you - Summer Choir! We'll gather at 8:30 AM to rehearse familiar songs and then share them as a joyful offering in worship. Want to get a head start? Email Ted, and he'll send you the sheet music and even an MP3 to practice with at home. Whether you join us for one date or all three, we'd love to have you sing with us this summer!



*June 21*



*July 19*



*August 16*

# SUMMER DAYS @ CPC

## Summer Adventure Awaits at Camp Johnsonburg!

Looking for a fun, faith-filled adventure for your kids and teens this summer? Camp Johnsonburg is the place to be! Some of our CPC kids are attending the week of July 27—a great chance to spend time with familiar faces—but if that week doesn't fit your plans, there are lots of other options throughout the summer.

Kids will explore the outdoors, make new friends, play games, and grow in faith—all while creating memories that will last a lifetime. Sign up for a week of sun, fun, and adventure!



## Sight & Sound Theatre: Joshua - June 24



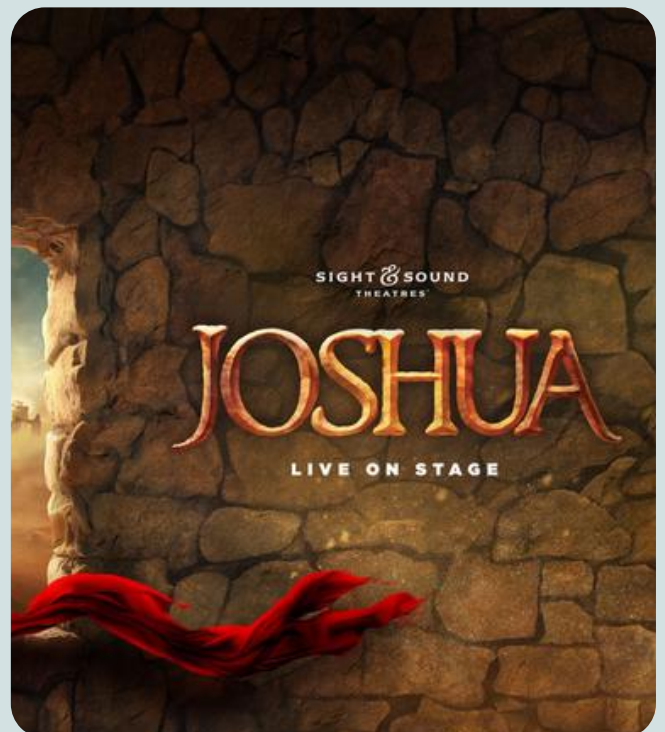
If you've never experienced the Sight & Sound Theatre, you're in for a truly unforgettable adventure! This immersive, panoramic stage production brings the biblical story of Joshua to life in a way you'll never forget.

We've reserved a limited number of tickets, so be sure to snag yours today! Tickets are \$76 for adults and \$42 for kids. RSVP now to secure your spot.

Can't make June 24 but still want to see the show?

Check out the Sight & Sound calendar here:

[CLICK HERE](#)



# SUMMER DAYS @ CPC



**Vacation Bible School**  
**July 20 – July 24, 2026**  
**5:30pm – 8:00pm**  
**Dinner included!**

All kids from Pre-K through 6th grade are invited to register today for an adventure in Rainforest Falls, overflowing with waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures! Kids will explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God and find a safe, steady place in the midst of life's storms.

## **Volunteers Needed!**

We can't have this rainforest adventure without amazing guides! If you'd like to lead a crew, help with activities, lead us in song, or provide a meal, sign up today! Students 7th grade and older are also welcome to volunteer and be part of the fun. [SIGN UP →](#)

**REGISTER NOW**



**All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join us Wednesday after VBS for snacks, friends, and a glowing night swim at over at Zan's pool! It's a fun way to cool off, hang out, and celebrate the week together—don't miss it!**



# SUMMER DAYS @ CPC

## Mission

All summer long, we'll be offering meaningful opportunities to serve, connect, and care for others in our community and beyond. We invite you to take part in whatever ways fit your schedule and interests. Be sure to check our weekly email and website page for the latest updates and additional opportunities as they're added. For now, here's a look at what's already on the calendar:

### **Raritan Headwaters annual stream cleanup event - April 18th from 9am-12pm at the Columbia Trail trailhead in High Bridge!**

Please signup ASAP so we can plan accordingly. [Click here to use our private registration link.](#) This event is open to all ages. All materials will be provided.

Additional information about what to wear, what to expect, etc, can be found on the [RHA website](#).



**Game Afternoon** - We will be playing games with the residents of the Chester Area Senior Housing on **April 12th from 2-3pm**. All ages are welcome. The address is 1 Cole Ct. Chester, NJ [Join us!](#)

**Country Arch Bingo on Sunday April 19th from 2-3pm.** All ages are welcome. Please [signup here](#).

We're especially grateful for our Joy Scouts, our children's service group, who are always leading the way with creative ideas and helping us live as the hands and feet of Jesus! Join their Facebook page [here](#) to keep up to date with new opportunities

## End of Summer Picnic - August 27 @ 6pm

Say goodbye to summer in style! Join us for a fun evening at the Manse and catch up with Pastor Tracey after her sabbatical while enjoying some great food.

All ages are welcome—just bring your appetite and your (end of) summer spirit! RSVP today so we can save your seat at the table!



## Blessing of the Backpacks August 30

Before the new school year begins, all students are invited to bring their backpacks to church for a special blessing.

We'll pray for students, families, teachers, bus drivers, crossing guards, and everyone who makes school happen. Let's send them off with joy, safety, and a year full of learning and fun.

# SAVE THE DATE - SEPTEMBER!



The first Sunday after Labor Day is like a family reunion at CPC. After a joy-filled worship service, we'll get together for a potluck breakfast to catch up and swap summer stories. Don't miss it! Start thinking about what you might want to bring and watch for a sign up in July!



Class is back in session for all ages starting September 13th. Watch for more details on how to register kids as the date gets closer.

## SUNDAY FUNDAY KICK OFF

Calling all 4th & 5th graders! Join us in Fellowship Hall from 11:30-12:30 to kick off the Sunday Funday year!



Roll up your sleeves, grab your tools (or your biggest smile), and join us after church as we put our faith into action. Our All Church Day of Service is all about coming together to share our God-given talents and sprinkle a little kindness around the neighborhood. From weeding and cleaning to fixing to feeding—there's something for everyone. Let's bless our neighbors, build some memories, and have a whole lot of fun doing it.

***(No Sunday School classes on this date - we are putting everyone to work!)***



## Stay Connected!

Stay up to date with all the latest news and happenings at CPC by subscribing to our email list. You will receive a weekly email each Sunday morning with announcements and information about weekly worship and also links to our bi-monthly newsletter. If you are not already subscribed, email us today to get on the list! [office@clintonpresbyterian.net](mailto:office@clintonpresbyterian.net)

# OUR CHURCH IN MINISTRY

**Did you know that our Ministry Teams meet monthly? If you are interested in joining any of our teams, please email and let us know!**

<b>Mission</b>	<b>1st Tuesday</b>
<b>Children's</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday</b>
<b>Youth</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday</b>
<b>Operations</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday</b>
<b>Worship</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday</b>
<b>Fellowship</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday</b>
<b>Session</b>	<b>Third Tuesday @ 7pm</b>
<b>Deacons</b>	<b>Third Tuesday @ 6:30pm</b>
<b>Welcome and Connection</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday</b>
<b>Adult Discipleship</b>	<b>1st Tuesday</b>

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 Scott Jackle (Bl-Bu,V,Z)  
 Lee Longell(Q,R,T)  
 Robin Meyh (P)  
 Wendy Morrissette(A,C,N,O)  
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The letters next to deacon names indicate which members of the congregation are part of their flock. Please do not hesitate to reach out to your deacon at any time.

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