

Today is Food Bank Sunday. We are collecting non-perishable food items and paper products for the residents of VOICE (Victim Outreach Intervention Center). The *Items of the Month* are canned fruit and vegetables. All items should be *un-opened* and *non-perishable* (not requiring refrigeration or freezing, and no produce). If you have any questions, please check with a member of the Mission Committee, one of the pastors, or the office staff. Supporting local people who are struggling is just one way that CCUPC is trying to make a difference and to spread the love of God.

The **video ministry team** needs volunteers to prepare the video slide presentations for services each week. If you are interested, and have a few hours that you can dedicate during the week, please write "Video" on the registration sheet as it is passed to you this morning. This is a task that can be done from home as long as you have a computer! *We'll be in touch!*

Night Out at a Lock-In at Fun Fore All! CCUPC is joining other area churches this **Friday, April 29th through 7:00 AM Saturday morning, April 30th** for a lock-in. Parents — **drop off** on Friday at CCUPC at 9:00 PM for some games, and then we will head over to Fun Fore All at 11:00 PM. **Pick up is by 7:00 AM** on Saturday from Fun Fore All. This event is open to anyone in 6th grade and up and their friends. Cost is \$25/person. Flyers and the 2016 Blanket Permission Forms are available at our Information Center in the Greeting Area. You can place the completed form *and* payment in the office or in the offering plate clearly marked "Lock-In". *Please let Pastor Dena know today if you are planning on going.* Email her with any questions at denaroy@ccupc.org.

Support Mission and Savor Great Food! We are holding our annual **Ethnic Food Fair on Sunday, May 1st from 12:30 - 2:30 PM.** Members of the Mission Committee and the congregation will share the ethnic food heritage of Hungary, England, Poland, Germany, Italy, Greece, Ecuador, India, South Africa and Southern US. We even have "Kidonia" offering child - friendly food to make this a great event for families.

The Food Fair is open to the public. Enjoy food from 10 regions for \$10/adult, \$5/children under 12, or \$30 for the family. Takeout will also be available for sale.

This fun and delectable event raises funds for CCUPC missions, which include the Functional Literacy Mission in Haiti, Wycliffe Bible Translators, VOICE, Habitat for Humanity, Pittsburgh Project and CityView Church. Funds also are used to offer scholarships to those who need it to serve on mission trips.

VBS Registration opens next Monday, May 2nd! We can hardly believe that it is time! However, *we are still in need of A LOT of volunteers!* Our first specific need is for Group Leaders. These individuals will help to greet students in the Sanctuary as we begin, and lead their group to each rotation. The Group Leaders will not be responsible for any planning! They simply have to be friendly, enthusiastic and welcoming, willing to guide students around the church, and be able to assist the rotation leaders as necessary! We are also in need of a Science Rotation Leader and a Snack Rotation Leader. These individuals will help to plan activities for their area, and will be given everything they need to thrive! If you can help in one of these areas, even for just a few days that week, please see Pastor Dena or Halley Bannon. (denaroy@ccupc.org or bannonfamily@zoominternet.net).

THIS WEEK AT CCUPC

<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>
TODAY	4/24	
	<i>Pray for French Polynesia</i>	
8:45 am	- Worship/Food Bank	Sanctuary
9:45 am	- Coffee Social	Greeting Area
	Ushers Ministry Team A	
10:00 am	- Sunday School	Both Levels
11:00 am	- Worship/Food Bank	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	- Coffee Social	Greeting Area
	Ushers Ministry Team A	
6:30 pm	- Middle School Youth Group	Lower Level
7:15 pm	- High School Youth Group	Lower Level
MONDAY	4/25	
7:00 pm	- Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
TUESDAY	4/26	
8:30 am	- Men's Breakfast/Bible Study	Conference Rm.
WEDNESDAY	4/27	
6:30 pm	- <i>Last</i> Children's Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	- <i>Last</i> Adult Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
THURSDAY	4/28	
11:30 am	- Ladies Lunch & Learn	Greeting Area
FRIDAY	4/29	
9:00 pm	- <i>Night Out at a Lock-In! drop-off at CCUPC</i>	
SATURDAY	4/30	
7:00 am	- <i>Night Out at a Lock-In! pick-up from Fun for All</i>	
SUNDAY	5/1	
	<i>Pray for Gabon</i>	
8:45 am	- Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 am	- Coffee Social	Greeting Area
	Blooming Group & Village H	
10:00 am	- Sunday School	Both Levels
11:00 am	- Worship/Food Bank	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	- ETHNIC FOOD FAIR	Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	- NO Youth Groups	

A LOOK AHEAD AT OUR UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

- Our **Food Bank** collection is *today*. The *Items of the Month* are canned fruits and vegetables.
- The next **Men's Breakfast/Bible Study** is Tuesday, April 26th at 8:30 AM.
- The **Ladies Lunch & Learn** will meet on Thursday, April 28th at 11:30 AM.
- The **Ethnic Food Fair** is Sunday, May 1st following the 11:00 AM service.
- The **Senior Dinner** will be held on Saturday, May 7th from 4:00 - 6:00 PM.

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP **A WEEKLY CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION**

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life. Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be My children."
Revelation 21:6c-7

The Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the register pad, passing it down the row, then back to center aisle.)

The Prelude

"Savior, Like a Shepherd"

"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him." Psalm 37:7

(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a green prayer card and pass it to the center aisle as they will be collected during the first hymn and included during the prayer time)

The Call to Worship

WE WORSHIP IN PRAISE

*A Hymn

"You are Mine"

*1. I will come to you in the silence
I will lift you from all your fear
You will hear My voice
I claim you as My choice
Be still, and know I am near*

CHORUS:

*Do not be afraid, I am with you
I have called you each by name
Come and follow Me
I will bring you home
I love you and you are Mine*

*2. I am hope for all who are hopeless
I am eyes for all who long to see
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light
Come and rest in Me **CHORUS***

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3. *I am strength for all the despairing
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free
And all will know My name*

CHORUS:

*Do not be afraid, I am with you
I have called you each by name
Come and follow Me
I will bring you home
I love you and you are Mine*

4. *I am the Word that leads all to freedom
I am the peace the world cannot give
I will call your name, embracing all your pain
Stand up, now, walk, and live* **CHORUS**

WE WORSHIP IN PRAYER

*The Call to Confession

*The Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy and gracious God, we confess that we say that we love our sisters and brothers in Christ, but we do not always show that love. Our words speak of the love we have for our neighbors, but our actions tell a very different story. Forgive us, Lord. Strip us of our pride. Teach us to love as You love, so that we may more faithfully demonstrate our love for You through our love of all others. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

*The Assurance of Forgiveness

*Glorifying God **“We Will Glorify”**
*We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.*

The Joys, Concerns, and Prayers of God’s People

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE WORSHIP IN GIVING

Our Invitation to Give

The Offertory

“His Sheep am I”

Women’s Chorus

*Praising God #556 **“Praise God From Whom All Blessings”**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*The Prayer of Dedication

WE WORSHIP IN PROCLAMATION

*The Greeting (*Please share words of peace, encouragement, and hope*)

The Children’s Lesson and Prayer

(*The children may come forward*)

(*The children 3 years old - Kindergarten may now leave for TLC*)

(*The children who are in 1st - 3rd grades may now leave for KFC – 11:00 AM*)

The New Testament Lesson

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Mark 1:21-28

The Sermon

Pastor James M. Moran

“ARISTOTLE WAS WRONG!”

GOING IN GOD’S NAME

*A Hymn #165

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

*The Benediction

The Postlude

“Lord, Reign in Me”

**Please stand as you are able.*

We ask that you not applaud following musical presentations.

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The basket of flowers is given by Srimi, Karen, and Anjali Raman to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Karen’s mother, Dolores Giese.

Please keep these family members and friends in your prayers:

Sara Ahlgren (daughter of Bill & Becky Ahlgren), Seth Apel (the Ahlgren family), Geneva Cable (mother of Mindy Cable), Cameron (5 mo. old son of Jodi), Joe Ciaramella (father of Pastor Dena & Brooks Roy), Marietta Eklund (wife of Howard Eklund), Carol & Lillian Grundler (daughter & wife of Dick Grundler), Barry Lavery (brother-in-law of Dale & Diane Jacobs), Kim Long (friend of CCUPC), Mackenzie Lynd (granddaughter of Linda Lynd), Jim Miller (CCUPC member), Lynn Moran (wife of Pastor Jim), the people of Ecuador & Japan, Karen Raman (CCUPC member), and Deb Schmidt (mother of Linda & Dave Schuman’s son-in-law).

The sympathy of our congregation is extended to Lydia and John Horvath and family on the death of Lydia’s cousin, Krista Ronai.

The Deacons are hosting the **CCUPC Senior Dinner** on Saturday, **May 7th** from **4:00 - 6:00 PM**. There will be food, fellowship, and entertainment! Please **RSVP by tomorrow, April 25th** to the church office (724-776-5310). All those of you who are 60 years “young” and older are invited!

I WAS JUST THINKING . . .

Responses from all returned worship questionnaires have been tabulated and presented to your elders. Pastor Dena did a wonderful job of assembling your suggestions and preferences resulting in thirteen pages of information! As you can imagine, it will take some time to digest and analyze the data. I have asked the elders to review what has been documented so that we may have a time in the near future to discuss next steps. We will keep you posted!

In the meantime, it is profitable for us to continue to reflect on matters germane to worship. The following was composed by world-class theologian, J.I. Packer, a man renowned for his insight and understanding. I have read many of his books, heard him lecture and had lunch with him many years ago in Chicago. Here is what he writes:

“To worship God is to recognize his worth or worthiness; to look God-ward, and to acknowledge in all appropriate ways the value of what we see. The Bible calls this activity ‘glorifying God’ or ‘giving glory to God,’ and views it as the ultimate end, and from one point of view, the whole duty of man (Ps. 29:2; 96:6; 1 Cor. 10:31).

“Scripture views the glorifying of God as a six-fold activity: praising God for all that He is and all His achievements; thanking Him for His gifts and His goodness to us; asking Him to meet our own and others’ needs; offering Him our gifts, our service, and ourselves; learning of Him from His word, read and preached, and obeying His voice; telling others of His worth, both by public confession and testimony to what He has done for us. Thus we might say that the basic formulas of worship are these:

“‘Lord, you are wonderful’; ‘Thank you, Lord’; ‘Please Lord’; ‘Take this, Lord’; ‘Yes, Lord’; ‘Listen everybody!’

“This then is worship in its largest sense: petition as well as praise, preaching as well as prayer, hearing as well as speaking, actions as well as words, obeying as well as offering, loving people as well as loving God. However, the primary acts of worship are those which focus on God directly and we must not imagine that work for God in the world is a substitute for direct fellowship with him in praise and prayer and devotion.”

Bless Your Hearts,

Pastor Jim

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A CONNECTIONS THANK YOU! This is the last month for our **Connections Program** during this school year and on behalf of the students and ministry team, we would like to send out a big **THANK YOU** to everyone who has supported our *Connections Students*. All who are enrolled in the Connections program certainly appreciate the prayer support, cards and care packages. This wouldn’t be possible without the continued support of such an awesome congregation!