

THE CP POST



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Spring Has Sprung

In the spirit of spring cleaning, let's not just dust off our shelves but also scrub our hearts and minds clean! It's the perfect time to reconnect with our faith and each other, tossing aside those pesky distractions that slow down our spiritual groove. As we get ready to hop into Easter, let's shine a spotlight on our blessings and the joy of serving our community.

During Lent, it's all about taking a good hard look at our lives, seeking forgiveness, and recharging our faith batteries. Just like we declutter our closets, let's also clear out the emotional junk—goodbye grudges and negativity!

So, let's tackle this season with a heart full of gratitude and purpose, gearing up not just for Easter celebrations but for the exciting faith adventure ahead. Together, we can create a vibrant space that radiates love, hope, and joy—just like the spirit of Easter—and grow both as individuals and as a tight-knit community!

*Upcoming
Pastors*

April 6

Rev. David Lindemer

April 13

Rev. David Lindemer

April 17

Rev. Rick Oppelt

April 20

Rev. Rick Oppelt

April 27

Rev. Mary Sample

Holy Week Schedule

April 13

Palm Sunday Service @ 10:30 am
with palm processional

April 17

Maundy Thursday Service @ 5:30 pm
with Communion

April 20

Easter Sunrise Service @ 7:30 am
Easter Worship Service @ 10:30 am

Finance

Give and it will be given to you.

Luke 6:38

January 2025

Pledged Offering Income	\$11,402.00
Actual Pledges Received	<u>\$9,847.16</u>
	(\$1,554.84)





Property

Our property committee consistently works diligently to ensure our facilities are kept in excellent condition.

- The sewer line for the OOJ church restrooms at Flaniken Hall has been cleared.
- The mailbox for the mobile home has been replaced.
- The insurance renewal is currently underway.

Inspire the change you wish to experience!

Ruth Circle

Circle will meet Thursday,
April 10 @ 11 am
in the WCR #26.

Lunch to follow at Olive Garden on Merritt Island. Please join us, Laurie King (321) 543-3654



Busy Fingers and Priscilla Circle

Busy Fingers will be meeting **April 19 @ 9 am** and Priscilla Circle will be meeting **April 19 @ 10 am** in the WCR #26.

National Day of Prayer

The National Day of Prayer will be observed in our sanctuary on **May 1st from 11 AM to 1 PM.**

The National Day of Prayer was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the US congress and signed into law by Harry S. Truman. It is an annual observance bringing together people of all faiths to pray for our nation.

NOT TO BE MISSED!

**EASTER SUNDAY
SUNRISE SERVICE
COCOA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Men's Breakfast

For the month of April, Men's Breakfast has been **canceled**. We will resume meeting on May 17th @ 8:00 am.



CPC's 67th Anniversary Picnic

This year, Cocoa Presbyterian Church (CPC) is proudly marking our 67th anniversary! Throughout these years, we've experienced numerous highs and lows, yet we've consistently thrived and supported our local community. We invite you to join us on May 4th, right after the service, to celebrate together.

There will be hotdogs, hamburgers, and other picnic foods for you to enjoy with friends and family!

Spread the word and invite your friends! Members of CPC are busy making preparations for a special Easter Sunrise Service on The Lawn followed by a breakfast for all.

This service will feature special music, liturgical dance, and a dramatization of parts of the Gospel of Luke with costumed actors and appropriate scenery.

Service will begin at 7:30 AM and will be held on the lawn between The Sanctuary and Flaniken Hall.



Share YOUR Faith

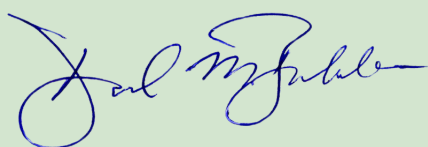
Our congregation is overflowing with wonderful ideas for worship services, bulletins, newsletters, and more! This month, we received a "Share Your Faith" contribution from David Brubaker, who shares how he weaves his faith into music. Thank you, David, for enriching our congregation with your insights!

The Power of Faith and Music

In the Bible, faith is defined as trust and confidence in God, and the assurance that what is hoped for will happen. It is also a conviction that things that are not seen are true. Personally, I lean on my faith every day, whether it's a good day or not. Often, I find myself thinking of lyrics from the praise songs we sing almost every week at CPC. These songs strengthen my resolve and help me realize God's mercy and grace.

One song that particularly resonates with me is Casting Crowns' "Great Are You Lord." The song starts with the lyrics, "You give life; you are love, you bring light to the darkness. You give hope, you restore every heart that is broken. Great are you, Lord." I find myself praising God through words such as these. Other songs like "Lord I Lift Your Name on High," "Above All," "Lead Me to the Cross," "10,000 Reasons," and "In Christ Alone" all help me stay strong in my faith.

Music itself is healing, but the ability to play the guitar and sing these songs reminds me that God loves us no matter where we are in life's realm. Sharing my faith through music is a calling for me personally, and I appreciate the gift that God has blessed me with. Every time I pick up my guitar and sing a praise song at CPC, I share my faith with you.



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April

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>Legend Church Events <i>Holidays</i> <i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i></p>		<p>1 <i>April Fools Day</i> </p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 <i>Find a Rainbow Day</i> </p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6 Communion Sunday</p>	<p>7 <i>Carol Petersen</i> World Health Day </p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 <i>MaryBeth & David Alexander</i> Choir Rehearsal @ 6:00 pm</p>	<p>10 Ruth Circle @ 11 am</p>	<p>11 <i>National Pet Day</i> </p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 Palm Sunday</p>	<p>14 <i>Holy Week</i> </p>	<p>15 <i>Mark Rainwater</i></p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 Maundy Thursday Service @ 5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal @ 6:00 pm</p>	<p>18 <i>Good Friday</i> </p>	<p>19 Busy Fingers @ 9 am <i>Priscilla Circle @ 10 am</i> <i>Delaney Schumacher</i></p>
<p>20 Easter Sunrise Service @ 7:30 am Easter Sunday <i>Mona Haydamous</i></p>	<p>21 <i>Marilyn Creel</i></p>	<p>22 <i>Earth Day</i> </p>	<p>23 Choir Rehearsal @ 6:00 pm</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 <i>Arbor Day</i> </p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 <i>Sarina Zaremba</i></p>	<p>28 <i>International Astronomy Day</i> </p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 Choir Rehearsal @ 6:00 pm</p>	<p>1 National Day of Prayer @ 11-1 PM </p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>