

THE CP POST



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This Is Christmas

This year, as many of you know... members of our choir will be making the trek back up to New York City once again to sing at Carnegie Hall! When we started this endeavor the first time, we had to go through a rigorous audition process in order to be selected for performance.

But since we are returning DCINY (Distinguished Concerts International New York) veterans, we were not required to audition but rather invited back to once again since under the baton of the illustrious Mary McDonald in her new Christmas Cantata "This is Christmas". We have the honor of sharing the stage with 250 singers for our portion of the performance. There will be a total of 600 people from all over the world crossing the stage for the whole performance!

Thank you all for your continued love and support of our choir and the musical dreams we aren't just aiming for but achieving! It is because of YOU that we have these opportunities.

We will be performing our rendition of this Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 14th. We really hope to see you there! Bring your friends and family to enjoy some wonderful music both old and new!

Farina Zaremba

Congregational Meeting

January 25, 2026

Immediately Following Service



New member Classes

Thank you for those who joined Rev. Rick for our New Member Interest Class! We are SO excited to have you join the CPC family.

Our upcoming class schedule is as follows:

- December 7 immediately following service (final class)
- December 21 at the Session Meeting (Introduction to the session)

We will do our New Member Welcome during the service on January 18, 2026. We look forward to seeing you there!

Christmas Caroling

Please consider joining the Cocoa Presbyterian Choir over at Westminster Asbury on December 21st @ 12:30 pm for some fun Christmas Caroling to bring joy and cheer this Christmas Season.

There will be a light lunch provided by the church before we walk over.



Cancelled!

Busy Fingers and Priscilla Circle are cancelled for the month of December.

Thank you!

A huge thank you to all those who brought food or helped our nurturing crew make the luncheon a huge success!

Ruth Circle

Circle will meet Thursday, **December 11 @ 11 am** at Laurie's house for a Christmas Covered Dish Lunch.

For more info, please call Laurie King: 321-543-3654

Property Committee

Although we may not witness the day-to-day efforts, the property committee has remained diligent in maintaining our 10 HVAC units and 31 filters.

A special thanks to Jefferey for his hard work in tidying up the grounds!

Poinsettia Coupons

Keep an Eye Out for Our Poinsettia order forms!

Every year, we transform the sanctuary the Sunday before Christmas Eve with a stunning display of Poinsettia flowers!

Be sure to take them home after service 12/28!

Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast will be **cancelled** for the month of December.

Please enjoy your Christmas time with family and friends and we will see you next year!



Auld Lang Syne Sunday

Cocoa Presbyterian Church initiated a delightful new tradition last year, and we are excited to continue it this year!

Our Auld Lang Syne Sunday focuses on celebrating and remembering CPC throughout the year.

If you have a cherished hymn you would love to hear, please reach out to Sarina!

Pulpit Supply

December 7: Rev. David Lindemer

December 14: No Pulpit Supply

December 21: Catherine Heffner

December 28: No Pulpit Supply

Rick's Ramblings....

Dear CPC friends,

This is one of those years when the first Sunday of Advent falls on Thanksgiving weekend. I much prefer those years when we have that extra week to decorate the church for Advent and get ourselves in more of an Advent mindset. It feels a little strange eating Thanksgiving leftovers the same weekend we might be singing "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" in worship (my favorite Advent hymn, by the way!).

On the other hand, what better spirit or mindset to approach the season of Advent and all the hustle and bustle that accompanies it than with a grateful heart for all of God's blessings and for the special gifts that Christmas represents? Surely being a "thankful people" is the best way to navigate this year-end holiday season.

As you receive this I will be in (or on my way) to Myrtle Beach for a much-needed family reunion. Our kids and grandkids are spread out between Georgia, PA, and Washington State and even getting us all together on Zoom or FaceTime is challenging. We will spend precious days getting caught up, no doubt eating too much, walking the beach and boardwalk, and celebrating my 70th birthday. Of all the blessings for which I am thankful, the family with which God has blest me is uppermost in my mind at this moment.

As we enter the final month of the year, I'm also grateful for the opportunity you are giving me to be part of your congregation's ministry for a time. I am truly enjoying making the rounds to visit as many as I can within the limits of my contract. While I am stepping back from Sunday pulpit supply until the New Year, I will still be out and about and being available as needed during the week. When I show up again in January, eight new members will be joining the CPC family. A wonderful way to begin a New Year.

And I have a hunch 2026 will bring more surprises! Let's keep an eye out for them!

Wishing each of you a Happy Thanksgiving and a blessed Advent/Christmas season!

Rev. Rick

2025

December

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Office Closed	2 Office Closed Choir Returns from NYC 	3 Decorating the Sanctuary Day  Ashlyn Friend Mark Radler	4	5	6 Kitty Gell  Brevard Chorale Concert @ 7:30 PM
7 Second Sunday in Advent Communion Sunday New Member Class #3 @ 11:30	8 Office Closed	9  Sarina at Cocoa Citizens Academy Office Closed	10 Ron Henderson Choir @ 6 PM	11 Ruth Cir - Laurie Kings House @ 11 AM Joanne Smith	12	13 Christmas Cantata Rehearsal @ 10 AM
14 Cantata Sunday! Third Sunday in Advent Marcia Helms	15	16 Day of Reconciliation 	17 Choir @ 6 PM	18	19 Jack Kelley Poinsettia Order Forms Final Day 	20 David Anderson
21 Session Sunday Fourth Sunday in Advent Dan and Robyn Clark Christmas Caroling Westminster Asbury @ 12:30 PM	22 Bud Timmons	23 National Pfeffernusse Day 	24 Jim Helms Christmas Eve Service @ 5:30 PM 	25 Christmas Day  Office Closed	26	27 Bud and Beth Timmons June and Bob Hartley
28 Auld Lang Syne Sunday 	29	30 Kim Thompson	31 New Years Eve  Office Closed		<p>Legend Church Events Holidays Birthdays Anniversaries</p>	