

ANNOUNCEMENTS • SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

September 28 - October 4

Sunday

- 9 a.m. - Children's Sunday School (Preschool-5th grade)
- 9 a.m. - "Over the Coffee" meets downstairs
- 10 a.m. - Worship Service

Tuesday

- 12:30 p.m. - Staff Meeting

Wednesday

- Noon - Bulletin Deadline
- 6 p.m. - Wednesday Nights at Cedar Heights

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY

- World Communion Sunday
- 10 a.m. - Worship Service
- Rev. David Feltman preaching
- CROP Walk at First Congregational UCC, Waterloo

PLEASE NOTE THESE UPCOMING DATES:

- Tuesday, October 14 - Theology Pub at Urban Pie
- Sunday, October 19 - Rev. Dr. Amy Wiles preaching
- Sunday, November 2 - Worship at Jubilee UMC, Dr. Dave Kivett preaching

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - (Preschool-5th grades)
We meet in the room across from the nursery at 9 a.m.

OVER THE COFFEE - Join us Sunday mornings at 9 a.m.
This group, while showing its "grey," welcomes all ages for intergenerational discussions and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you!

WORSHIP EXPLORERS! After the children's message and during the sermon, children **Preschool-5th grades** can follow a Worship Explorers leader to a classroom. This program is designed to help children grow as worshipers and to equip them to participate in worship. The children will be out of worship only during the sermon. 6th grade and up should stay in the sanctuary to listen to the sermon.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE FOR CHCPC is a mission project of the Outreach Committee for many years. The Outreach budget pays for Fair Trade Coffee for small and large congregation gatherings. The Fair Trade designation means the coffee product helps to eliminate poverty and sustain development for farmers, workers, and their families in communities around the world by responsible business practices and conscious consumerism. If you are serving coffee for a group, please use the Fair Trade Coffee provided. Thank You.

THE SUNDAY SUPPER Free Community Meal is served at First Presbyterian Church in downtown Waterloo at 5 p.m. every Sunday. Cedar Heights is scheduled to provide 4-5 people each week (2-3 to open at 3:30; 2-3 to close at 4:30). See the sign-up sheet in the Commons. Please sign up - we NEED YOU!

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Tiffany Mensing
Guitarist

At Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church, we believe in the centrality and power of prayer. You may put a request on our prayer list by emailing the church office at office@cedarheightspres.org. If you would like your name removed from the list, please inform the church office.

PRAYERS FOR the people of the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia, Bihembe, Rwanda & Makantakita, Nicaragua; for those currently serving in the military; and for all facing surgery, difficulty, or times of great challenges.

PASTOR OUT OF TOWN - Dave will be in GA and NC for continuing education from Sept. 26 through Oct. 5. He will be back in the office on Monday, October 6.

JOHNNY'S SABBATICAL - Pastor Johnny is taking a sabbatical this fall. From September through November, he will be resting, going to the WI Dells, as well as striving to finish his much-anticipated doctoral thesis. He is grateful for the guest preachers and those who are stepping up to fill the shoes of youth ministry during this time. He looks forward to returning just in time for the Advent season!

BAKERS WANTED: Funeral Reception – Baked Goods Needed! We want to put together a list of willing bakers. When there is a funeral reception at the church, we would contact you to donate baked goods (cookies, bars, cakes, etc.). If you are able and willing to contribute baked goods on an “as needed” basis, please sign up in the church commons or contact Sally Goodenbour, goodens@cedarnet.org, (319)277-6548. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated.

CEDAR VALLEY CROP WALK 2025 – CHCPC will participate on **Sun., October 5** at First Congregational UCC, 608 W. 4th St., Waterloo. Registration at 1:30 p.m. - walk at 2 p.m. We walk to support Church World Service and families who are struggling with hunger in our community and around the world. And it is one way to support our goal to be a Hunger Action Congregation. Please join us with your steps and/or donations. The website can be found on our Facebook page from July 28. The Outreach Committee is helping Rev. Johnny Janssen, who began a sabbatical September 1, to answer questions regarding your donations or becoming a team member. Contact Barb Dowd by email or phone.

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE NORTHEAST IOWA FOOD BANK – On behalf of the board, staff, and volunteers of the NEIFB, thank you for your contribution of \$2,165.98 to our Capacity Campaign. Over 40,000 northeast Iowans face food insecurity, including 1 in 6 children. As the need for our services continues to grow, we face a challenge: our current space and resources are stretched thin. That’s why we are launching our **Capacity Campaign: From Hunger to Hope – Building a Secure Tomorrow**. This campaign is not just about expanding our facility, it’s about creating a stronger, more sustainable foundation for the future. *With sincere gratitude, Barbara Prather, Executive Director*

RAISE THE ROOF! Did you know that our roof over the Christian Education wing is over 30 years old? Our insurance company will no longer give us coverage for the roof because of its age. Therefore, we need to replace it in the next three to five years. A new roof will cost \$65,000. **As of Sept. 2, we have raised \$40,442.**

- Do you know someone who deserves a thank you for what they have done for the church? **Make a Tribute Contribution to the “Roof Fund”.**
- Have you lost a loved one? **Make a Memorial Contribution to the “Roof Fund”.**
- Maybe you need an end of year tax deduction? **Make an undesignated gift to the “Roof Fund”.**

Make your check out to CHCPC and put **Roof Fund in the memo**. The Tribute, Memorial and Endowment Committee has allocated \$10,000 to the roof replacement.

MLK'S "LETTER FROM A BIRMINGHAM JAIL" The CVIC (Cedar Valley Interfaith Council) with permission, printed copies of Dr. King's letter for the Juneteenth Service of Repentance. His words addressed to white church leaders then ring true in our day and time as well. Copies are available in the church commons. Please take one for yourself and for a friend. We have made copies available to other houses of worship as well.



Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church

A place for everyone.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 - 10:00 AM
ThreeHouse Sunday



Stories & Testimonies

Psalm 139:1-18
1 John 4:7-21

ThreeHouse Students

WELCOME

Child care is provided in our nursery at the end of the hall on the second floor. The nursery is for infants and children through four years old. Brinkerhoff Lounge is also open for parents with children.

Welcome and Announcements

Jordyn Beranek

Gathering Music

Hugh Brown

*Call to Worship

Karen Newcomb

One: We worship the living God, who welcomes all.

All: Our praise is yours, O God.

One: We worship Jesus Christ, who revealed true love to us.

All: Our love is yours, O Christ.

One: We worship the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth.

All: Our lives are yours, O Spirit.

All: Let us worship the Lord—the God of radical embrace!

*Opening Hymn - 301

"Let Us Build a House"

Our Shortcomings

Creator God, with each breath of life you breathe, you give gifts to your creation, calling us to use your gifts to build up your kin-dom on earth. We confess that sometimes we don’t see your gifts for the treasures they are. We either take credit for them ourselves, or we dismiss them outright. We privilege some gifts over others, forgetting that you care about tiny things as much as big things. And when we’re called upon to use our gifts for your glory, we find ourselves distracted by our own desire and uncertain of your direction. Forgive us, O God. Open us up to discern your will. Open our hearts to embrace your purpose.
[Brief moment of silent reflection]

In Christ’s holy name, we pray. **Amen.**

God’s Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news, siblings in Christ! You are loved—loved beyond measure—forever and always. And there is nothing in all Creation that can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Sharing God’s Peace

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Dave Glenn-Burns

Old Testament Lesson

Psalms 139:1-18

New Testament Lesson

1 John 4:7-21

Message for Children *[and children at heart]*

Jennifer Garrett

(Preschool-5th grades are welcome to go to Worship Explorers following the message)

Anthem

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"

Arr. Lloyd Larson

Sanctuary Choir

Stories & Testimonies

ThreeHouse Students

*Hymn of Reflection - 769 v. 1-3, 5

"For Everyone Born"

Prayers of the People

Rev. Dave Glenn-Burns

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.**

Offering Ourselves to God

Offering in Song

Jordyn Beranek

*Response - 591 [refrain only]

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!"

*Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn - 700

"I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

*Blessing and Sending

Rev. Dave Glenn-Burns

*Sending Music

"The Lord Bless You"

Arr. Earl F. Morris

Sanctuary Choir

**Please Rise, in Body or in Spirit*



OUR MISSION

Grounded in grace, we are called by God into fellowship as disciples of Jesus Christ and sent into the world to love and serve our neighbors.

Greeters & Ushers
Andy & Joan Ackerman

Camera & Soundboard
Randy Darst

PowerPoint
Darst Family



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A place for everyone.

We are so glad you chose to worship with us!
If this is your first visit, we look forward to meeting you and getting to know you. Please be sure to sign in on this Bulletin Stub and leave your contact information so we can welcome you! ***(Please tear off this stub and place in offering plate.)*** We can also add you to our weekly eNEWS list so you know what is coming up in worship and in the life of the church.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____

Zip_____ Phone (____) ____-_____

E-mail _____

☐ First Time Guest ☐ Return Guest ☐ Member

☐ Regular Attendee [Non-member]

☐ Here for Special Occasion Only

☐ This is a change in my contact information

☐ I'd like to receive the weekly eNewsletter

I heard about CHCPC from:

☐ Driving by ☐ Friend/Family ☐ New Resident

☐ Other _____

I wish...

☐ I were a member

☐ A Pastor would call on me

☐ I was on the e-mail list

☐ We'd sing hymn #_____

or the song _____

☐ A Pastor would call on...

(name) _____

who is ☐ ill, ☐ a prospective member, ☐ other

☐ Pastor/congregation would pray for:
