

ANNOUNCEMENTS • SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

September 6 - September 12

Sunday

- 9 a.m. - "Over the Coffee" meets downstairs
- 10 a.m. - Worship Service
- 11:10 a.m. - Board of Deacons Meeting

Monday

Office Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday

- 12:30 p.m. - Staff Meeting
- 7 p.m. - Theology Pub at Urban Pie, CF. Topic: Faith & Disaster Preparedness

Wednesday

Noon - Bulletin Deadline

- 5:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal Begin
- 6 p.m. - Wednesday Nights @ Cedar Heights Begins

Thursday

- 9:30 a.m. - Women's Book Group

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY

- 9 a.m. - Children's Sunday School Begins
[Preschool-5th grades]
- 10 a.m. - Worship Service
[Worship Explorers begins]
- 3-4:30 p.m. - Strangers No More at First Baptist, W'loo

THANK YOU SO MUCH for your generous donation to *Feed My Starving Children*. Because of your support, 11 kids will receive a daily meal for an entire year, that's 4,137 meals. Food is a small key that opens big doors! Thank you once again for providing hope to so many. *Until all are fed, Jenna MacLennan, Development Advisor, Feed My Starving Children*

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!

SUNDAY SUPPER continues to be held weekly with Presbyterian churches staffing and serving the 2nd through 5th Sundays [Gift of Life Church, with First Pres Waterloo, is staffing and serving the 1st Sunday of each month]. Meals continue to be served for over 100 and protein foods are harder to obtain at the NEIFB. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Commons if you can volunteer. Lesley Johnson is the Coordinator of Sunday Supper.

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.

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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 Dela Agbagba & Derreck Asiamah as they search for employment here in the United States; for the people of the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia, Bihembe, Iran, Rwanda & Makantakita, Nicaragua; for those currently serving in the military; and for all facing surgery, difficulty, or times of great challenges.

PLEASE WELCOME Rev. Christine Kaplunas to CHCPC today while Rev. Johnny Janssen is preaching at Unity Presbyterian Church.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT CEDAR HEIGHTS KICKOFF! Get ready to kick off Wednesday Nights at Cedar Heights on **Wed., September 9, starting at 6 p.m.!** We're starting the year with a FOAM PARTY, plus pizza, popsicles, music, and plenty of fun! What's a foam party? Think mountains of foam, upbeat music, and nonstop fun! The foam uses a biodegradable, hypoallergenic, organic, non-toxic solution, so it's safe on clothes, skin, or eyes. **AND bring your own light-colored, blank T-shirt!** Kate and John Hall will lead a screen-printing activity where you can make your very own shirt featuring the CHCPC logo.

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP will meet **Thursday, September 10 at 9:30 a.m.** in Brinkerhoff. We will be discussing "Wild Dark Shore" by Charlotte McConaghy.

THE "VEGE-TABLE" has been set up in the Commons at the top of the stairs. If you have excess summer or fall produce to share, please place it on the table. Members are encouraged to take produce home they will use after the service. Any leftovers will be donated to Sunday Suppers or the Food bank. Plastic strawberry containers, clean large yogurt containers, and plastic grocery bags can also be left on the table for people to carry produce.

"STRANGERS NO MORE" is a six-session Bible study on migration led by Rev. Leah Elrod and Rita Waggoner. **Sep 13–Nov 22 (2nd and 4th Sundays) 3-4:30 p.m.** The program combines Biblical reflection, current news, and guest speakers with discussions on immigration. Each session concludes with self pay dinner at immigrant-owned restaurants at 5 pm. **September 13 at First Baptist Church, Waterloo:**
God Who Sees the Stranger –

- Communities are wrestling with how to respond to immigrants and refugees in their midst.
- Explore why this topic matters to you.
- Discover God's compassion through Hagar, the first person in Scripture to name God. Genesis 16:1-14
- Dinner at La Cava Mexican Restaurant.

JOIN US! Pastor Christine invites you to be part of a brief musical presentation: *A Ceremony of Women's Songs*, which tells the story of several women of the Bible. It involves a choir, soprano and alto soloists, and readers. The solos are sung by women, but men may join the choir. In a time when women's voices are facing a new [old] marginalization, we are proud of the opportunity to lift up the voices of Biblical women who have taught the faith for centuries. Let us know before Sept. 3 if you'd like to sing: christine.kaplunas@cedarheightspres.org

Rehearsal Schedule: Unity Presbyterian Church, 1149 Hammond Ave, Waterloo
Thursdays: 6-7:15 p.m. - September 3, 10, 17, 24, October 1

Dress Rehearsal: October 10 at 6 p.m.

Performance Schedule:
October 11 at 10 a.m. - Unity Presbyterian Church, Waterloo
October 18 at 4 p.m. - First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, 1302 West 11th St, CF



Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church

A place for everyone.

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 - 10:00 AM
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



“The Traditional Cave of Job”
Photo by Christine Kaplunas, 2016

"New Lessons: Exercises in Exorcism"

Job 1:6-12
Mark 1:21-39

Rev. Christine Kaplunas

