



# The Courier

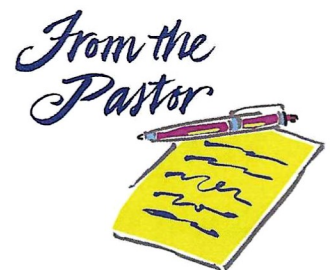
Dear Community Church family,

The past two months have gone by quite quickly. We are really enjoying getting to know all of you and I look forward to celebrating the Advent of Christ the Messiah in just a few short months. We have some exciting things we are considering as a church, but in the short term we have some events like a pumpkin-carving fall event for both the church and community. My two grade schoolers always enjoy carving up a few pumpkins, and please invite anyone to this event. It's mostly geared towards youngsters but anyone can come out and have a good time. I also look forward to worshipping together with our local churches in HP this November. It's very important for me personally to try and work with and worship together with our brothers and sisters in Christ, even if they are part of another local church, and I anticipate worshipping with you then.

For the next two months we'll be looking at one of my favorite Bible stories, the children's classic Jonah. We'll discover when we take a close look at this story that Yahweh God (for us God the "Father") has great love, concern, and mercy for people of all nations, and even animals. I hope you'll be challenged and inspired as we see God's grace laid out in this story; I personally enjoy learning more about and from God as we dive into Scripture. I hope you have a great fall; my family is thankful to be here and I am grateful to be your pastor.

Peace,

Pastor Zach



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**September has been a busy month.** Thank you to everyone who helped make September 8th a special worship service of welcome for Pastor Zach and his family. We are blessed to have him share the Word and Sacrament here at CCHP, helping us become the kind of people God wants us to be. During the month of September, Pastor Zach preached a series of sermons on the Gospel of Mark which focused on understanding the Scripture in Biblical context and applying what was learned to our lives.



**During October,** we volunteer liturgists have begun reading the Scripture passages. Please let us know if you would like to participate in that ministry. Pastor Zach began a new series on the book of Jonah. Each week there are a set of statements on the back of the bulletin and on the screens to help emphasize key sermon points. We hope you find these helpful. Pastor Zach has shared that he "really enjoys going through the Old Testament and passages which are difficult to live with, as wrestling with them sometimes yields a blessing". Please follow this series on Jonah and do your own wrestling and receiving of blessings.

**Make your calendar** for a Family Worship Service on Sunday, November 24 which will include the Chancel and Children's Choirs and the Puppet Club. The children will remain in the sanctuary and take an active role in parts of the service. Sunday School will not meet that day.

**The annual ecumenical Thanksgiving worship service** will be held at St. Andrew's church on Tuesday, November 26 at 7:30 PM. The three churches in town will participate including a combined choir. Please attend this gratitude-filled service, giving thanks for our many blessings, including family, friends and our communities.

**Worship Committee - Chris Novak & Chris Doyle**



Join us for  
Pumpkin Carving/Painting,  
Food, Games and more!



Where: Community Church in Harrington Park  
1 Spring Street  
Harrington Park, New Jersey  
When: October 20th, 2024  
Time: 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Call the church office with questions: 201-768-2457

## *Guild for Christian Service*

Fall is upon us and the Guild has many important events coming up!

The Deborah Circle meeting will be on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the Johnson Chapel. Rachel Circle will meet on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in Johnson Chapel. All women are welcome to attend any circle meeting!

The Annual Fall Soup Supper will be held on October 24<sup>th</sup> in Founders' Hall at 6:30pm. All are invited to attend!

The Autumn Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see everyone there! Please note: The Guild has helped to clean off the stage in Founders' Hall. We kindly ask everyone to refrain from dropping off their Bazaar donations for potpourri, pocket books, women's accessories and holiday items until Sunday, November 10!

Also, we are in need of someone to oversee the books for the Bazaar. We will not be able to have a book corner at the Bazaar without a volunteer! If you are interested, please reach out to Tracy Ciavaglia or Chris Novak.

A reminder that we need volunteers to help us staff the nursery each Sunday. If you are interested in helping out in the nursery, please lookout for the sign-up sheets in the Narthex or speak with Kayla Reilly or Tracy Ciavaglia.

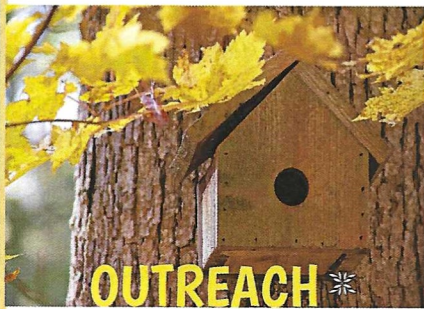
Also, please return any church flower vases that you may have. Please leave them by the coat rack at the Spring Street entrance. We recycle them back to the florist which helps keep the cost of our weekly flowers at \$25.



*We kicked off Sunday School this fall with our annual barbecue. Each Sunday, all children gather in the sanctuary for the children's message and prayer before being dismissed to their age-appropriate classes. We're excited for a wonderful year of learning about God's love and sharing that with the congregation through puppetry, holiday skits, and creative art projects*



**Women's Breakfast Ministry:** Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 2nd! That is the day for the November breakfast for our Women's Breakfast Ministry. We meet in Founders Hall at 9:30 for breakfast and fellowship, then we listen to a speaker share her faith Journey with us. A strength of this breakfast ministry is our gathering together as sisters in Christ, women from our church as well as from other churches and denominations. Bring along any others you would like to invite - friends, co-workers, neighbors... For all of us, it is a time of fellowship and spiritual enrichment!

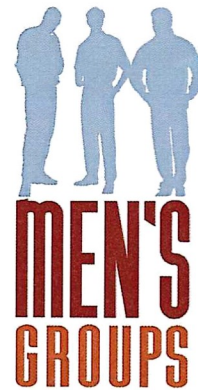


**The Friends-to-Friends BBQ** was a wonderful outreach event. The outreach team cooked hamburgers/cheeseburgers and provided potato and macaroni salad and coleslaw for about 120 guests. Toppings included onions and tomato. It was a beautiful day, and most folks enjoyed the outdoors with a band playing music. After the BBQ, a worship service was held and marked the 30th anniversary. The Friends-to-Friends choir and visiting choir performed wonderfully. Thank you to all who helped to make the event a success.

**Operation Christmas Child** will begin in a few weeks. Joan Hoerauf will be overseeing the project this year. Thank you, Joan!!! Consider filling a shoebox to help a child somewhere in the world know they are loved by Jesus. Watch for more details.

### Men's Group Meeting

The men of CCHP and friends are invited to attend the CCHP Men's Group Meeting which is held on the second Saturday of each month at 8:30 AM in the Johnson Chapel. Bible study covering numerous topics is discussed. Please join us for breakfast and fellowship.



There are updated church directories available in the Narthex. Please feel free to take one.

Directories

We have a software program that enables us to create our own pictorial directory. Rob and Craig Budinich took many of our pictures last year at the 125th anniversary celebration.

We need a volunteer or two to help put this together. If you think this might be something you'd like to do, please call Lori Anders at 201-768-2457 or email [cchp@verizon.net](mailto:cchp@verizon.net)



## Congratulations to Tom Lupfer, son of Jim and

Lynne Lupfer, on receiving the North Jersey's Amazing Teacher of the Month Award. Tom is a drama teacher at Glenfield Middle School and has made a significant impact on his students through his innovative approach to theatre education.

Tom began actively working in educational theatre in 2005 and started his current role at Glenfield in the fall of 2007. Alongside his teaching position, he co-directs and produces extracurricular theatre programs at Pascack Valley High School in Hillsdale, directing both a play and a musical annually.

Seeing his students succeed is a great source of pride for Lupfer, and he recalled the story of a former student who achieved great professional success as an actor and fight director. Lupfer secured a grant to bring this former student back to Glenfield to teach stage combat and create fight choreography for his production of "Fiddler on the Roof." "It was wonderful watching a former student teach my current students, and a great learning experience for the students involved," Lupfer said.

Coming from a family of educators, Lupfer was profoundly influenced by their commitment to teaching. During his formative years at Tenafly High School, he engaged deeply with advanced choral music and theatre programs, which sparked his passion for the arts.

I recently had gallbladder surgery and experienced the love of our God through all of the folks at CCHP. People called, cooked, followed through with me and most importantly prayed for me and my family and medical personnel. Zach and Mishona reached out to me several times. I thank you all and praise God for all His goodness and peace.

Sharon Brahs

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Thanks!

### Address Changes

Lori and Chuck Anders, 560 Lynn Street, Harrington Park, NJ 07640

Jocelyn and Tom Brueck, 72 Hunt Street, Dallas, PA 18612

Alison Campbell, 60 Blanch Avenue, # 107, Harrington Park, NJ 07640

Sanae Tomita, 1322 NW 132nd Blvd, Newberry, FL 32669



Remember  
in Prayer

Anonymous; Lynn Baker; Sharon Brahs; DeAnna and Roger Carman; Ernie Hepperle; Janet Kosack; Nancy Lanzalotto; Robin Schwarte; Ed Serrano; Craig Terjanian, Barry Wood.

# The Community Church



## October, 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7:30 Consistory	2 Feed Our Souls	3 Feed Our Souls 8:00 Chancel Choir	4	5 9:30 Women's Breakfast Ministry
6  9:00 Choir 10:00 Worship, Puppets & SS 11:15 Cong. Care Mtg.	7 7:45 Bell Choir	8 7:00 Outreach 7:30 Deborah Circle 7:30 Finance/ Facilities	9 1:00 Rachel Circle 7:30 RWS in FH	10 7:30 Christian Ed Meeting 7:30 Choir	11 11:00—3:00 Club 60 in FH	12 8:30 Men's Group
13 9:00 Choir 10:00 Worship, Puppets & SS	14 7:45 Bell Choir	15	16 10:00 Worship Committee Mtg.	17 7:30 Choir	18	19
20 9:00 Choir 10:00 Worship, Puppets & SS 4-6 Pumpkin Carving, FH	21 7:45 Bell Choir	22	23 7:30 RWS in FH	24 6:30 Soup Supper 7:30 Choir	25	26
27 9:00 Choir 10:00 Worship, Puppets & SS 11:15 Guild Executive Mtg.	28 7:45 Bell Choir	29	30	31 7:30 Choir	Nov. 1  ALL SAINTS' DAY	2

SS=Sunday School; FH=Founders' Hall; RWS=Ramsey Wind Symphony

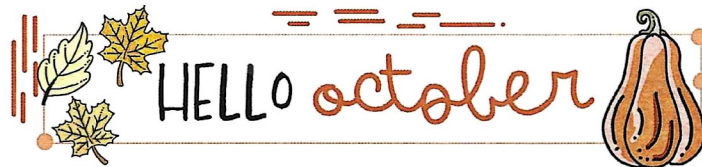


Come and join our Puppet Team!

The Puppet Club is busy working on a skit to present to the Congregation in the near future. We are writing our own story about Noah's Ark. Come join us each Sunday in Founders' Hall right after the Children's Message from Rev. Waldis. The Puppet Club is open to children of all ages. We have lots of puppets to share. Any questions,

please call Miss Joan (201) 519-1782 or email

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