

# Community Press

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## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



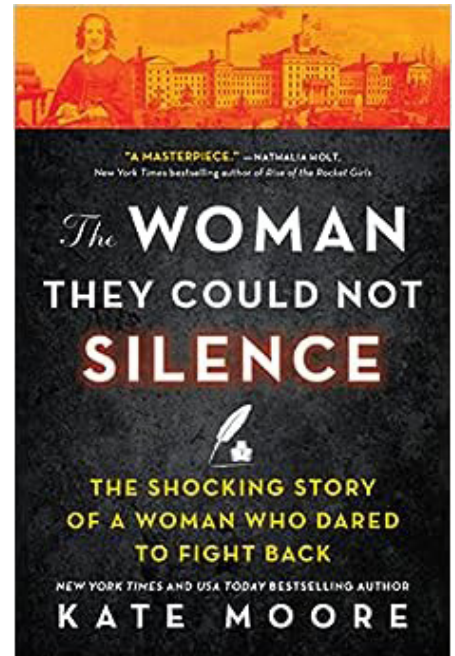
The Book Discussion Group meets on September 17, after worship. The group will discuss *The Woman Who Could Not Be Silenced*, by Kate Moore. The October selection, *All Creatures Great and Small*, by James Harriot, will be available on September 17.

From Amazon:

"From the New York Times, USA Today, and Wall Street Journal bestselling author of *The Radium Girls* comes another dark and dramatic but ultimately uplifting tale of a forgotten woman hero whose inspirational journey sparked lasting change for women's rights and exposed injustices that still resonate today.

"Discover the powerful and untold true story of resilience, advocacy, and the fight for women's rights in *The Woman They Could Not Silence* by acclaimed author Kate Moore. This gripping and meticulously researched narrative shines a light on the remarkable journey of Elizabeth Packard, a pioneering woman whose indomitable spirit challenged the confines of her time."

*The Woman They Could Not Silence* is a triumphant tale of resilience, challenging the status quo, and the enduring power of the human spirit. Moore's meticulous research and rich historical detail bring Elizabeth Packard's story to life, painting a vivid portrait of a woman who defied society's expectations and paved the way for future generations.



***Worship in the garden on September 10th! Brass, Etc! will join us again for this special worship service. (picture from September 2022). Bring your lawn chair and join in on the fun!***



SEPTEMBER 2023

# COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP

## Session

The Session is the governing board of the church. It consists of six ruling elders, elected for three years. Much of the business of the church is conducted through committees. Each ruling elder chairs one of the committees. The Pastor, who is a teaching elder and moderator of Session, is an ex-officio member of every committee.

<u>Class of 2023</u>	Ivy Pillers Kim Nickander Lyal Powell	Worship and Music Finance and Stewardship Building and Grounds
<u>Class of 2024</u>	Amanda Ross Sherrie Wilson	Personnel and Nominating Mission
<u>Class of 2025</u>	Sue Chipman	Christian Education
<u>Officers:</u>	Mary Meyer Mark Pillers Joanne Powell	Clerk (Non-voting) Financial Secretary Treasurer

### 2023 Nominating Committee

Mark Neville, Bruce Felger, Dave Copeland, and Mary Alice Richardson,  
Margie Petersen (Deacons)

Membership (a sub committee of Christian Education) Chairperson: Amanda Ross

## Deacons

The Board of Deacons is responsible for ministering to all those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to all those who may be in distress. Deacons provide meals and transportation, among other requested needs. They maintain the Prayer Chain. Deacons are elected in classes of two and serve a three year term.

<u>Class of 2023</u>	<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>
Margie Petersen Peggy McCarty	Dave Copeland Aaron Simms	Ron Murray Louis Bouchard

## Staff

Pianist  
Custodian  
Office Manager

Glenna Muir  
Nancy Sanford  
Stephanie Pasch

**Ministers to the world**

**Congregation Members**

It was with great gratitude that I received the \$1765 check plus a \$235 check that the CPC and the members donated to LifeGate Services towards this year's Open Your Heart (OYH) annual summer challenge.

This donation will allow LifeGate to continue to provide food to the vulnerable in our community. I am grateful to you for your continued support of the work of LifeGate Services.

I pray that God will reward your labor of love abundantly.

Thank you and have a blessed day!

Pastor Tope Dosumu

Update:

I will like to let you know that we were able to raise a total of \$3750 during the Open Your Heart's Summer Challenge.

Thank you to individuals and the CPC church for the generous donations.



***Upcoming Events for Lifegate Services...***  
***September 30 - Community Health Fair (see page 5)***  
***October 16 - Mobile Food Shelf***



## AROUND CPC

### BIRTHDAY WISHES

*Birthdays and Anniversaries are available in the print edition of the newsletter. Pick one up at church, next time you are here!*

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



## AROUND THE PRESBYTERY

### Presbyterians for Earth Care 2023 Hybrid Conference September 20-23

Registration is now open for the Presbyterians for Earth Care 2023 Hybrid Conference

<https://presbyearthcare.org/2023-conference/>. There

are two primary attendance options -- in-person at Massanetta Springs Conference Center in North

Carolina; or access the entire conference Sep 20-23 online from your location via Zoom.

The third option is to attend the Minneapolis hybrid 'conference hub' at Westminster Presbyterian Church all day 9am-4:30pm on Sep 21st. Area Presbyterians will get together to view and discuss the conference sessions, and share with each other the various earth care actions they are working on or planning. If you plan to join us on Sep 21st, please register at <https://presbyearthcare.org/2023-conference-registration-minneapolis/>.

Please pass this along to other area congregations and any others who may be interested in attending. For more information contact Rick Person, Westminster Eco-Justice Ministry Team, [2persons@comcast.net](mailto:2persons@comcast.net).





**LifeGate Services**  
"Touching Lives, Restoring Hope"



## A FREE COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR



*A healthy lifestyle is essential to a productive and prosperous community. Rochester residents can learn more about healthy choices at the LifeGate Services Health Fair, which focuses on lifestyle changes, addresses health concerns and provides complimentary screening.*

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**\* FREE HEALTH SCREENING**

- \* COVID-19 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
- \* COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR ALL AGES
- \* WELLNESS INFORMATION   \* ECHOCARDIOGRAM
- \* FOOD DISTRIBUTION   \* PODIATRY (NAIL TRIMMING)
- \* HAIRCUT   \* IMMUNITY LEVELS CHECK   \* VITAL SIGNS CHECKS
- \* CONSULTATIONS WITH PHYSICIANS & PHARMACISTS
- \* DEMENTIA INFORMATION   \* NECK CANCER SCREENING
- \* BOUNCER/SLIDES FOR KIDS & AND MANY MORE...



**10:00am-  
2:00pm**

*venue:* Jefferson Elementary School  
1201 10th Ave NE Rochester MN 55906.  
Phone no: 5072063174



**Sat.  
Sept.  
30,  
2023.**



**For sign up call:**

**Podiatric**  
507-457-2891

**Haircut**  
507-206-3174

**PARTNERS  
& SPONSORS:**



**Walmart**



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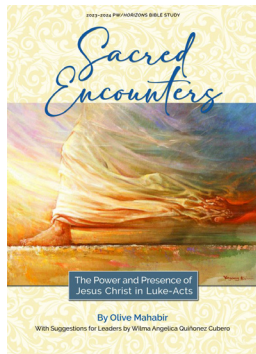


**Kwik Trip**





# PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



**PW Bible study  
coming this fall!**



**Lesson One**  
**Elizabeth's Sacred Encounter**  
Scripture: Luke 1:1–24; 39–45



**Lesson Two**  
**The Exorcism in Gerasa**  
Scripture: Luke 8:26–39



**Lesson Three**  
**A Bleeding Woman Encounters Christ**  
Scripture: Luke 8:43–48



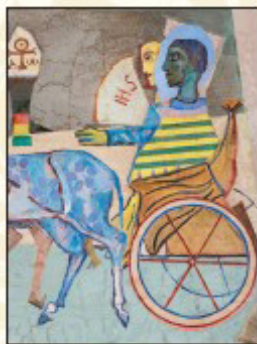
**Lesson Four**  
**Mary and Martha Encounter Jesus**  
Scripture: Luke 10:38–42



**Lesson Five**  
**A Person with Leprosy Encounters Jesus**  
Scripture: Luke 17:11–21



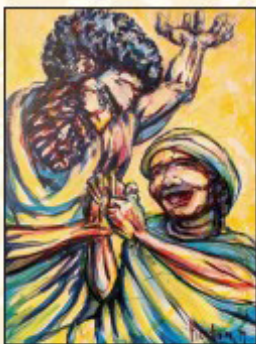
**Lesson Six**  
**A Person with a Physical Disability Encounters Jesus**  
Scripture: Acts 3:1–10



**Lesson Seven**  
**An Ethiopian Eunuch Encounters the Good News of Jesus**  
Scripture: Acts 8:26–40



**Lesson Eight**  
**Lydia Encounters Jesus in Worship**  
Scripture: Acts 16:11–15



**Lesson Nine**  
**People Encounter Jesus Through the Work of the Disciples**  
Scripture: Acts 9:36–43

## Working for Justice and Peace 2023 SEPTEMBER

- National Hispanic Heritage Month [Sep 15–Oct 15]; [hispanicheritagemonth.gov](https://hispanicheritagemonth.gov)
- 1 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation; [creationjustice.org/world-day-of-prayer-for-the-care-of-creation.html](https://creationjustice.org/world-day-of-prayer-for-the-care-of-creation.html)
- 3 Season of Peace begins; [presbyterianmission.org/ministries/peace-making/season-peace](https://presbyterianmission.org/ministries/peace-making/season-peace)
- 4 Labor Day; [iwj.org/resources/plan-labor-day-service](https://iwj.org/resources/plan-labor-day-service)
- 8 International Literacy Day; [en.unesco.org/commemorations/literacy-day](https://en.unesco.org/commemorations/literacy-day)
- 11 J&P Book Discussion Group online, 6:30–8:30 PM (Eastern) on Violence Against Women: What Everyone Needs to Know by Jacqui True (New York: Oxford, 2021). Register at [presbyterianwomen.org/justice](https://presbyterianwomen.org/justice)
- 17 Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence begins
- 21 International Day of Peace; [presbyterian.typepad.com/peacemaking/2010/08/celebrate-the-international-day-of-peace.html](https://presbyterian.typepad.com/peacemaking/2010/08/celebrate-the-international-day-of-peace.html)
- 22 Native American Day; [pcusa.org/site\\_media/media/uploads/nativeamerican/pdf/celebratingnativeamericanaday.pdf](https://pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/nativeamerican/pdf/celebratingnativeamericanaday.pdf) and [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native\\_American\\_Day](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native_American_Day)



# Community Presbyterian's Calendar

September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27</b> <b>9:30am Online and Onsite Worship</b> 2:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 12:00pm Bulletin info due 7:00pm Building Use: Mission Aid Network	<b>30</b> 6:30am Prayer Group at CPC	<b>31</b> 5:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 11:00am Building Use: Labranza de Dios
<b>3</b> <b>9:30am Online and Onsite Worship with Communion</b> 2:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>4</b> <b>Labor Day</b>	<b>5</b> 12:00pm Bulletin info due 7:00pm Building Use: Mission Aid Network	<b>6</b> 6:30am Prayer Group at CPC	<b>7</b> 5:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> <b>Outdoor Worship with special guest: Brass, Etc! Bring your lawn chair!</b> <b>9:30am Onsite and Online Worship</b> 2:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 12:00pm Bulletin info due 6:30pm Building and Grounds Meeting 7:00pm Building Use: Mission Aid Network	<b>13</b> 6:30am Prayer Group at CPC	<b>14</b> 5:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> <b>9:30am Online and Onsite Worship</b> 10:45am Book Discussion Group 2:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 12:00pm Bulletin info due 7:00pm Building Use: Mission Aid Network	<b>20</b> 6:30am Prayer Group at CPC 12:00pm Newsletter articles due	<b>21</b> 5:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> <b>9:30am Online and Onsite Worship</b> 2:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 12:00pm Bulletin info due 6:30pm Session Meeting (v) 7:00pm Building Use: Mission Aid Network	<b>27</b> 6:30am Prayer Group at CPC	<b>28</b> 5:30pm Building Use: Labranza de Dios	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

*Community* Presbyterian Church  
3705 Fairway Place NW  
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**CPC worships at 9:30 each Sunday  
Both onsite and online!**

**Online Worship, Sundays 9:30 am  
<https://meet.google.com/vao-wjef-cbe>  
+1 575-305-4527 PIN: 652 821 468 #**

**Bulletins for worship can be found  
on the homepage of our website.  
[www.cpcrochester.org](http://www.cpcrochester.org)**

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Church office: [office@cpcrochester.org](mailto:office@cpcrochester.org)**