

Community Presbyterian Church

open hearted, open minded

Fruitful Stewards: Faithful with All God Has Given



Sunday, August 2, 2026

Welcome to worship this morning!

Bulletin Cues:

Bold indicates congregational response, * indicates please stand, if able
An offering plate is placed near the door to the church to receive your offerings.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.

The world and all who live in it belong to God.

Our lives, our gifts, our time, and our possessions come from God.

Everything we have is a gift of God's gracious hand.

Come, let us worship the One who gives us every good gift.

With grateful hearts, let us worship the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Creator and Giver of every good gift, you formed the earth and filled it with abundance.

You have given us life, breath, relationships, abilities, opportunities, and resources.

Gather us now in gratitude. Teach us to receive your blessings humbly, manage them faithfully, and share them generously. May our worship declare that everything we are and everything we have belongs to you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN GTG 2

Come, Thou Almighty King

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful,
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred
4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

name to sing; help us to praise:
might - y Lord, our prayer at - tend.
wit - ness bear in this glad hour.
prais - es be, hence ev - er - more!



Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 Come, and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy word suc - cess;
 Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,
 Thy sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,
 come, and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power.
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

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CONFESSION AND PARDON

Gracious God, you have given us more blessings than we can count, yet we often live as though everything belongs only to us.

We confess that we have treated your gifts as personal possessions.

We have sometimes wasted what you have provided,

held too tightly to what we have,

and forgotten the needs of others.

We have trusted our resources more than we trusted you.

Forgive us, Lord. Free us from pride, fear, and selfishness.

Teach us to receive with gratitude,

manage with wisdom,

give with joy,

and live as faithful stewards of all that belongs to you.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Hear the good news: The God who created all things is rich in mercy and steadfast in love. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

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

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Generous God, open our hearts and minds as your Word is read and proclaimed. Help us recognize every blessing as a gift from you, and teach us to live as trustworthy caretakers of all you have placed in our hands. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 24:1-2

*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it,
for he has founded it on the seas
and established it on the rivers.*

SPECIAL MUSIC

Beautiful Savior

Jennifer Taylor

Silesian Folk Melody, Arr. by Karen Kuehmann

SCRIPTURE READING

I Chronicles 29:10-14

Then David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly; David said, "Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our ancestor Israel, forever and ever. Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and it is in your hand to make great and to give strength to all. And now, our God, we give thanks to you and praise your glorious name.

"But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to make this freewill offering? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Everything Belongs to God

Pastor Paul

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 41

O Worship The King, All Glorious Above

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!
 2 O tell of God's might; O sing of God's grace,
 3 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
 4 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love:
 whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space,
 Al - might - y, your power has found - ed of old;
 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;

our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 whose char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form;
 es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 it streams from the hills; it de - scends to the plain,
 your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.
 and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
 our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / JOYS AND CONCERNS

God, who gives us every good gift, also invites us to bring our joys, concerns, burdens, and thanksgivings. Let us share with one another where we have seen God's goodness and where we need God's care. (*each sharing*)

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Joys and Concerns are Shared... after each petition:

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Generous and gracious God, we thank you for the abundance of your creation and for the blessings you place in our lives....

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Everything we have first came from the gracious hand of God. We do not give to make God generous; we give because God has already been generous to us. With gratitude and trust, let us return a portion of God's gifts for the ministry and mission of Christ's church.

DOXOLOGY GTG 710

We Are an Offering

**We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.**

**Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.**

**All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.**

**We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering;**

We are an offering.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Faithful God, all things come from you, and from your own gifts we now give back to you. Receive these offerings and receive our lives. Use them to strengthen your church, care for our neighbors, proclaim the gospel, and bring hope to those in need. Make us faithful stewards of everything you have entrusted to us. **Amen.***

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION WITH ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God:

In the covenant of your steadfast love for your people, you draw us into new and loving relationships, with you, and with one another. Therefore we praise you, joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

SANCTUS GTG 552

Holy, Holy, Holy

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAD AND CUP ARE SHARED

For communion, gluten free bread and grape juice are served for all who partake.

Please take and eat the bread as it is served, and then as a sign of unity, hold the cup until all are served so that we might partake together.

HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION GTG 498 Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken



1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the Gal - i -
 2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a qui - et
 3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in faith we
 4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your



le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of Life from heav - en, was their
 room one night. In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you
 gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the a - ges: "I am
 name to share bread for which the mil - lions hun - ger, words that



food for - ev - er - more.
 came as Light from Light. By your bod - y bro - ken
 with you; do not fear!"
 tell your love and care.



for us, by your wine of life out-poured, Je - sus, feed a -



gain your peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

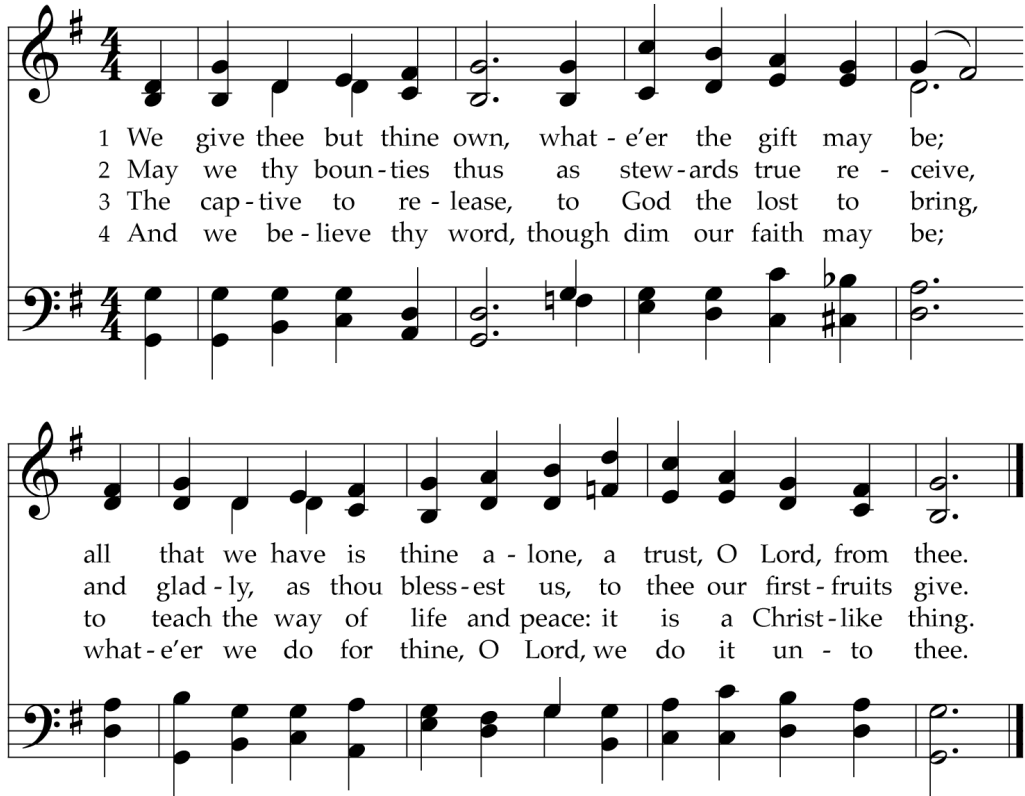
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.

SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN GTG 708

We Give Thee But Thine Own



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun-ties thus as stew-ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap-tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be;

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ - like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

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*BENEDICTION

Go now as grateful stewards of God's abundant gifts.

May the God who created you,

the Christ who redeemed you,

and the Holy Spirit who empowers you

teach you to receive thankfully,

manage wisely,

give generously,

and serve faithfully.

Go to peace to love and serve the Lord. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

AUGUST 2026 SERMON SERIES

Fruitful Stewards: Faithful with All God Has Given

Series Scripture:

“Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy.”

1 Corinthians 4:2

August Sermon Series: Fruitful Stewards

God has entrusted Community Presbyterian Church of Rochester with many treasures: faithful people, a rich history, spiritual gifts, a church building, financial resources, and opportunities to serve our neighbors.

During August, Pastor Paul will lead us through a five-week sermon series entitled

“Fruitful Stewards: Faithful with All God Has Given.”

Together, we will explore what the Bible teaches about money, possessions, generosity, tithing, wise financial management, and the responsibility to use God’s gifts for Christ’s mission.

This series is not simply about raising money. It is an invitation to grow in gratitude, trust, generosity, wisdom, and faithfulness.

August 2: Everything Belongs to God

August 9: Where Your Treasure Is

August 16: Honoring God with the First-fruits

August 23: Faithful in Little, Faithful in Much

August 30: God Provides Enough for Every Good Work

Come and discover how God’s blessings can flow through us to bless Rochester and beyond.

August 2, 2026

“Everything Belongs to God”

We begin our August sermon series, **“Fruitful Stewards,”** by remembering that everything belongs to God. Our money, possessions, abilities, time, church property, and opportunities are gifts entrusted to our care. Join us as we consider what it means to live not merely as owners, but as grateful and faithful stewards.

Scriptures: Psalm 24:1–2 and 1 Chronicles 29:10–14

Volunteer Opportunity!

The Village Cooperative (the folks that use the garden space out front) could use volunteers to help with set-up and take-down of their **weekly farmers' markets**. The time commitment is roughly 30-40 minutes, and doesn't require any special skills. It's a great way to meet some of the farmers who have been hard at work in farms like the one in Community Presbyterian's front yard.



Times:

Sunday, set-up from 1-1:45, take-down 5:45-6:30 (MLK Park)

Tuesday, set-up from 3-3:45, take-down from 6:45-7:30 (Cascade Lake Park)

Sign up as a volunteer online at
<https://www.rochvillage.org/donate>

Joint Worship with CPC-Plainview

Sunday, August 16, CPC-Rochester will travel to CPC- Plainview for a Joint Worship Service. The service will begin at 9:30 am. To carpool to Plainview, please gather at CPC at 8:30 am. We will plan to leave CPC-Rochester by 8:45 to get to CPC-Plainview in plenty of time!

There is a potluck brunch afterwards, all you can eat corn begins at 11:00 am, and a parade goes past the church beginning at 1:30 pm.



Sign up to drive or to ride in the narthex!

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Sunday, August 2

**11:00 am Worship with Communion -
Onsite and Online**

Monday-Friday

8:00 am Great Room Use: Med City Driving

Tuesday, August 4

9:00 am Bulletin Items Due

7:00 pm Great Room Use: Mission Aid Net.

Wednesday, August 5

8:00 am Prayer Group

Sunday, August 9

11:00 am Worship - Onsite and Online



Judy Leal

Jane and Ed Burgstaler and family

Sherrie Wilson

Jennifer Taylor

Kristy Giere

Sue Chipman

Dolly Gillen

Cal Ward and family

**To be added to the prayer list, please
contact the office: 507-280-9291 or via
email: office@cpcrochester.org.**

In Worship Today

Pastor	Rev. Paul Banchasawan
Liturgist	Bruce Felger
Guest Pianist	Judy Kereakos
Special Music	Jennifer Taylor
IT Support	Louis Bouchard & Bruce Felger

Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Paul Banchasawan
Music Director	Jennifer Taylor
Pianist	Tianyao Xie
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