

Forerunners

CPC OMAK | SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



CHRIS' CORNER

Thoughts for the day:

“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?... Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp, and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it?” Luke 15:4 & 8. I was thinking how much Jesus cares about the lost. He came to us when we couldn't go to him. Jesus loved us when we couldn't love him. Jesus gave us life when we couldn't get it for ourselves.

It seems like we think about the loss only once in a while. But Jesus takes the state of the lost seriously...always. One time Michelangelo was asked to comment on a sculpture by his best student. He said, “It is magnificent, but it lacks only one thing...life.” There are a lot of people who lack one thing...life. There are dead people walking all around us who just haven't been buried yet. Dead people beautifully dressed, uttering sophisticated words, living in pretty houses, and doing nice things...with no sign of

life. There are two kinds of people in the world: the lost and the found.

Jesus said, “For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost” (Luke 19:10). That was what the incarnation was all about. So if you're lost and don't know Jesus, run to him. Jesus said, “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment but has passed from death to life.” John 5:24

Jesus is persistent in his pursuit. I love C.S. Lewis' comment that when he received Christ, he was the most reluctant convert in all of England. Lewis said that he was being chased. Every time Lewis sat down to write, he sensed a presence behind him: “To say that I was seeking God is like saying that a mouse was searching for a cat.” The Father, like the Son, is persistent in pursuit of us. If you are his, your running is to no avail; give up. You are simply wasting your time and energy. Surrendering is a good option.

A man once told me, “I don't like you very much, but I'm determined to like you until we're friends...if that's the last thing I do.” The Shepherd never gives up. That is why you feel

guilty, why you can't sleep at night, why you just can't turn your back. He will pursue you until you give up, and you are his. It's a good place to be as a lamb is being carried by our good Shepherd who values each one of us infinitely. You do know that you are deeply valued.

In his book *In Search of Dignity*, R.C. Sproul wrote about a student with cerebral palsy. He was difficult to understand. His speech was slurred, slow, and agonizing. His walk and movements were a struggle. The student was very upset when he came to see Sproul. Before they talked, Sproul prayed, "Oh, God, please help this man as he wrestles with his problem." When Sproul looked up from his prayer, the student was crying and said, "You called me a man. No one has ever called me a man before."

That student was valuable. We, too, are valuable. That is the good news of the Gospel. We are valuable, cherished, and loved. But we sell ourselves so cheaply. The only basis of value for an individual is God. If there is no God, there is no value. And if there is no value, then there is no difference between us and a turnip.

This is what the cross was all about. You are valuable, so valuable that it took the blood of God's own Son to meet the price.

YOUTH GROUP

Submitted by Chris and Becky Werner



Greetings Church Family,

The CPC Omak Youth Group is meeting Wednesday nights from 6–8 pm here at the church. We will be studying the Parables of Jesus for the

first three sessions. We will then transition into a

study written by Pastor Vance Pitman titled *Life of a Jesus Follower*. This study focuses on building relationships with believers, nonbelievers, and most importantly, with our Savior and allowing Him to overflow in our lives. We are very excited to start this study!

CPC Omak Youth Group is looking at hosting several events with dates to be determined, including but not limited to flag football and chili feed, Game Night, encouraging youth to do Trunk or Treat, and more. We are looking for volunteers who would like to help with these events and a weekly youth group. If you are interested, please contact either Becky or Chris. We are also looking at building relationships with our area youth directors and with our local Young Life chapter to find ways to have a greater outreach into our community. As always, please pray for the youth of our community and that the Lord uses His Church to spread the Gospel.

MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

Submitted by Dolores Edelman

Our first meeting of the 2022 – 2023 MOPS year will be Monday, September 12th! We meet the 2nd & 4th Mondays of each month from 10am – noon. We are excited to begin a new year. MOPS is a Christian based program where moms can meet other moms of preschool age children and develop meaningful relationships as they share a light breakfast, a devotion, and discussion topic and/or activity. All this while their children receive a Christian lesson in a preschool environment, free of charge.

This year's theme is "We Go Together."

Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. When they could not find a

way to do this because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on his mat through the tiles into the middle of the crowd, right in front of Jesus. When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven." (Luke 5:18-20, NIV)

A taste of MOPS

TOGETHER ...

We will be people who do things, not people who talk about how others are doing things. We'll offer help more readily than we offer criticism. When we feel judged or criticized, we'll assume the best. If we mess up, we'll ask for forgiveness. We'll learn from each other and surround ourselves with people who are different from us. Instead of dwelling on our insecurities that cause us to huddle together, we'll dismantle the cliques that make us feel unsafe and look for ways to make others feel included.

Everyone is in.

Everyone is welcome.

We'll be teachable.

Uniters instead of dividers.

WE GO TOGETHER 5-day Devo, MOPS
International

CPC SERVICE TEAM

Submitted by Dolores Edelman



THE LIBERTY QUARTET
(Southern Gospel Music) at
6:30 pm, FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 7th @CPC

This is a free concert sponsored by CPC. A love offering will be taken. Be sure to mark your calendars. Christians come from all over Okanogan County and beyond to hear this talented Southern Gospel Quartet. It has been 6

or 7 years since they visited Omak. We will be serving them dinner following the concert. Please contact the church office @ 826-1290 if you would like to help with dinner.

GETTING-TO-KNOW-YOU DINNER at
6:00 pm, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22nd
@ CPC

This dinner will serve both as an outreach event as well as an evening to get to know each other better, especially those who have just recently begun attending Community Presbyterian Church. We are planning an evening filled with food, fellowship, music, and fun. Tickets will be reasonably priced and will go on sale soon. Since we are not hosting a Fair Booth this year, we should have funds available for some full or partial scholarships. More specific details will be forthcoming. We hope that you will consider inviting your friends and/or neighbors.

CALL FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICE TEAM MEMBERS

Current service team members are Judy Bowling, Sandee Freese, Robin Colomb, Dolores Edelman, Fred Edelman, Mike Johnson, Ilene Johnson, and Rick Werner.

If you would like to join the CPC Service Team, you may contact Dolores Edelman @ (509) 429-8436 or the church office. Thank You.

CPC Service Team (Fred & Dolores Edelman, Mike & Ilene Johnson, Sandee Freese, Judy Bowling, and Robin Colomb)
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TREASURY REPORT

By Liz Verbeck

Quarter 1 Summary

Giving for QTR 1 was \$49,456.56

Down 18% when compared to QTR 1 of 2021

Expenses for QTR 1 were \$43,639.95

Up 42% when compared to QTR 1 of 2021

QTR 1 had a positive balance of \$5,815.61

QTR 1 of 2021 had a positive balance of \$29,622.54

Quarter 2 Summary

Giving for QTR 2 was \$58,207.97

Up 17% when compared to QTR 2 of 2021

Expenses for QTR 2 were \$44,135.05

Down 12% when compared to QTR 2 of 2021

QTR 2 had a positive balance of \$14,072.92

QTR 2 of 2021 had a negative balance of \$745.40

August Summary

Giving for AUG was \$12,644.75

Down 74% when compared to AUG of 2021

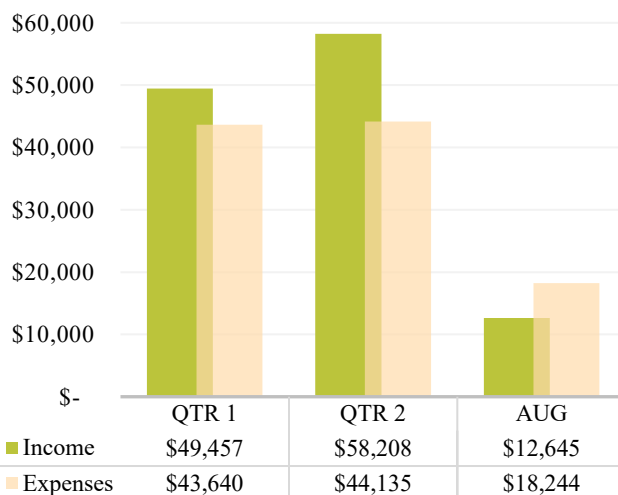
Expenses for AUG were \$18,244.42

Down 59% when compared to AUG of 2021

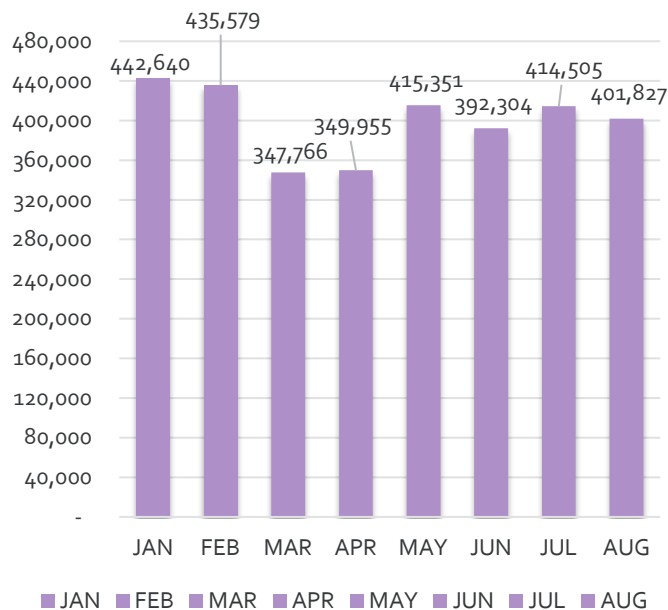
AUG had a negative balance of \$5,599.67

AUG of 2021 had a positive balance of \$3,366.65

2022 Income & Expenses



Vanguard investment account



This investment account is for major repairs of our building or equipment; however, funds are also available to cover operational expenses should we have shortages in income.



All men of all ages are invited to join us for a time of prayer, breakfast, devotions, and fellowship. Always meeting on the “Second Saturday” of each month starting at 6 am. The next two Men’s Breakfast will be on Sept. 10th and Oct. 8th. For more info, contact Jim Freese at 322-4113.

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Women’s Ministry is hosting an event here at CPC on September 30th and October 1st. The “Iron Sharpening Iron” event will provide food, games, crafts, and worship. Please sign up at the Welcome Table and leave your

registration form in the church office.

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You are invited to attend the Liberty Quartet concert here at CPC Omak on October 7th at 6:30 pm. Free admission. Hope to see you there.

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On October 31st, the church will host the Halloween Trunk-or-Treat event. Please consider donating prepackaged

candy to the church to help with the event.

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The Cornerstone church will be hosting a prayer summit from September 16th-18th. It will be a time of prayer, worship, fellowship, and teaching. Everyone is invited to attend. There are times and sign-ups for meals on their website. More information at:

<https://mailchi.mp/19757a05af50/cornerstone-connection-pointjune-12-9049021>

CONTACT

**Regular
Schedule
of Events**

EVERY SUNDAY:
9:00 AM - ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE
10:25 AM - CHILDREN'S CHURCH

2ND & 4TH MONDAY:
10:00 AM - MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

2ND SATURDAY:
6:00 AM - MEN'S BREAKFAST
2:30 PM - WOMEN'S MINISTRY EVENTS



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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
FOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

Prepackaged snacks are needed, either store-bought or homemade. Coffee will at least be served on dates with no volunteers or snacks.

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Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

9:00am – 12:00pm

PRAYER CHAIN

Please call the church during office hours for prayer requests or by contact by email at office@cpcmak.org during or after hours.

SUPPORTED MISSIONS

1. Positive Life Radio
2. The Father's Ranch
3. Care Net Pregnancy Center
4. Omak Food Bank
5. Child Evangelism Fellowship
6. Christians in Action
7. EPC World Outreach
8. EPC Church Plant
9. Manfisher Ministries
10. Operations Christmas Child
11. Compassion Sunday
12. EPC Missionaries M&T and A&S

ASSISTED LIVING/ NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Janice Jess