

**Christ Presbyterian Church**  
**Announcements - December 23**  
**Attendance: 9:00am - 164 11:00am - 94**

Childcare (ages 0-5), available 8:45am to 12:15pm  
Faith-Conversation-Friendship, 10:15am, Lake Room



**Christmas Eve Worship at CPC**



4pm Contemporary Family Worship

This Christmas Eve service will feature our beloved traditions: favorite Christmas carols, candle lighting during *Silent Night*, and a focus on the young leading us in through the Christmas story; as well as including new traditions: liturgical dancers, modern worship music, and a special way for all children to participate (including first time visitors).

Alleluia! Christ is born!

9pm Classical Candlelight Worship

Come and hear the story of Christ's birth retold, sing your favorite classic Christmas carols, enjoy music sung by the Chancel Choir and soloists, and share the light of Christ during the singing of *Silent Night*. Welcome Christmas with your family and friends in the candle-lit beauty of the CPC Sanctuary.

**The Perfect Gift - Christmas Joy Offering 2018**

For those of us gathered together in Advent expectation, we know that the only perfect gift ever given was the one we received in Jesus Christ – a perfect gift from a gracious God. Although we cannot give the perfect gift, we can give generously, knowing, as the New Testament letter of James says, “every generous act of giving ... is from above.” 50% of your gifts go to students at Presbyterian related schools and colleges and the other 50% provides assistance for current and retired church workers and their families. Please give generously through CPC, or Text JOY to 56512 to learn more or donate or go directly to [Presbyterianmission.org](http://Presbyterianmission.org).

**The Giving Tree for Mendota School & Fairhaven School**

The gifts for Mendota Elementary School children and their families were delivered this past Wednesday. The staff oohed and ahed over the generosity of CPC members and friends. We'll have more to report later when we hear how the children enjoyed their gifts! Three gifts were missing at delivery time – if you by chance have not brought your gift in to CPC yet, please call Mary at 334-3167 – we might still be able to get the gifts to the families before Christmas.

There is still time to purchase warm waterproof gloves and mittens for the teachers to give to cold-handed Mendota students. And there is still time to make a donation for the Fairhaven School for Special Needs in Alexandria, Egypt. We'll continue to collect donations for both of these through Sunday, December 30.

## Small Group Leader Training Saturday, January 12 • 9am-noon

Small groups are great places to connect, grow, worship and serve.

We are offering training for current and potential future small group leaders as well as for ministry leaders who want to enhance their teams by learning how to more mindfully incorporate small group components.

If you plan to attend please RSVP by email to rich@cpcmadison.org.

## CPC Scholarship Application Deadline - January 14, 2019

Thanks to the generosity of Minnie Morrison and other members throughout the years, scholarships are awarded each year to students who are applying or in college. Members and their children attending a college or university in the fall of 2019 and through the spring of 2020, are invited to apply. Applications are available by contacting Shannon in the office, (608) 257-4845 x.201, or email shannon@cpcmadison.org.

The deadline is January 14, 2019.



## Book Discussion on *Between the World and Me* Sunday, January 20 • 6:30pm

The book is the author's compelling and beautifully written letter to his son on what it is like to be a black man in the USA. Geoff Thompson, former Assistant Dean of the UW College of Letters and Science, will lead us. You can purchase the book for \$10 at the servery.

### Financial Spotlight

December 1 - December 21, 2018

	Dec.	Year to Date
Pledges Received	\$60,192	\$680,473
Pledges Budgeted	\$69,281	\$706,781
Amount over budget		
Amount under budget	(\$9,089)	(\$26,308)

**The CPC office will be closed on Tuesday, December 25, in observance of Christmas Day, and Tuesday, January 1, in observance of the New Year.**

**PRAY ...** Please pray for Richard Fallis, Jeanette Osborn, Phil Rosten  
Susan Becker, Sally Jamieson, Ron Wiecki & Sara Lubbers,  
Lu Ann O'Connor, Sally MacDonald, and Alexander McMiller

### December Deacon on Call

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Envelope = Invite a friend!