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## Presbyterian Women's Mitten Tree

Presbyterian women are expanding the mitten tree. The PWC have decided to fill the tree 3 times a year.

In June we will be filling it with bags of personal care items such as soap, shampoo, razors, deodorant, chapstick, sun block etc.

In September we will be filling it with socks and underwear for back to school.

In December we will go back to cold weather gear such as mittens, gloves, hats and scarves.

The tree will be set up at the Angel Connection for their patrons. We think the love of Christmas should be spread all year long.



## SPECIAL OFFERINGS ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

This offering is divided between Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self Development of People programs. Last year's total offering given through our PCUSA churches was \$6,378,418.

**Collected to date:**  
**\$1,160**

# Spring Cleaning

## SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

Mark your calendars for  
**Saturday, April 9 9 AM — 12 Noon** for our  
annual Spring Clean Up Day.

Lunch is provided once all the mulch is spread and other "chores" have been completed.



# Prime Timers

## Prime Timers ~ A Wheeler Surprise in April

Won't you please join us?  
**11:30 a.m. on April 19<sup>th</sup> at CPC**  
~ Catered lunch \$10 ~

Bill Wheeler has promised a **SURPRISE**  
program for this month!

Sign-up sheet in the  
Narthex for anyone  
not on the Prime  
Timers call list.



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### April

Sara Williams 4/2  
Sam Roeschlein 4/3  
Scott Fleshood 4/4  
Doug Burney 4/6  
Ron Chastain 4/7  
Elaina Henry 4/7  
Ron Fleshood 4/17  
Ross King 4/23  
Sylvia Schofield 4/27



**REMEMBER IN  
PRAYERS  
At Home:**  
John Long



**In Hospital, Nursing Home  
&**

**Assisted Living Centers:**

**Myrtle Fields**

@ Clearwater Commons

**Clara Nicholson**

@ Mill Run Assisted Living,  
Columbus, OH

**Ann McFate**

@ Brookdale of Castleton, Indpls.,  
IN

**Eleanor Moore**

@ Westminster Assisted Living



## Newsletter Articles needed

*The Courier* is only  
helpful if events  
and plans are submitted to  
the church office to be  
included. If your commission,  
or group is planning an  
activity and would like it  
broadcast to the membership  
via the newsletter — please  
submit articles (pictures too if  
you have them) to  
office@christpresby.org by the  
last Monday of the month.  
**Next deadline is Monday,  
May 30.**



# CPC Pavilion

Building Our Legacy. Growing Our Future.

April 5, 2016

Last fall the Council appointed a task force to study the feasibility of building a Pavilion for Christ Presbyterian Church; the task force members are Roy Levin (convener), Ron Fleshood, Roger Howard and Bill Schofield. If you were at church Sunday, April 3, you heard the initial report from the task force, if not . . . read on!

The study was to explore the feasibility of a Pavilion to augment our resources for outdoor ministries and community activities. A cross-section of our membership — Council, Council Commissions, Deacons, Presbyterian Women, Men of Christ and others — met to identify additional uses of a Pavilion in October 2015. The result was a significant list of activities including Sunday worship, outdoor Sunday School for our children, all-church picnics and Christian education activities like Vacation Bible School. Our Cub and Boy Scout troops will make good use of the structure; the pavilion can become a site for outdoor weddings and family reunions for church members and our community. CPC can sponsor fundraising events like concert or movie series, ice cream socials and other affordable and entertaining and inspirational programs that would have both church and community interest.

As mentioned above, following worship this past Sunday parishioners heard a presentation about this Special Project that included a Q&A session. Most of the questions asked and the answers given are captured on the next page. Once you have read and reviewed the contents of this 3-page packet you may also have questions. Each Sunday in April a 30-second update of the progress of the campaign will be made as an announcement; after each worship service, members of the Pavilion task force will "replay" the presentation made on April 3rd to folks who haven't heard it; weather permitting we'll go outdoors to the pavilion area.

Lets talk about timing and dollars. It is hoped that our funding campaign can be completed by April 30 and reported to the congregation on May 1. If fully subscribed, we will award the contract for the project to one of three contractors with whom we have received quotes for this special project in early May with the intention to dedicate the pavilion on Sunday, June 12 which coincides with our 2016 Vacation Bible School.

The cost of the pavilion will be \$25,000 since we have already received an in-kind donation for excavating/trenching. Our goal is significant and doable. To contribute to the Pavilion Fund, please complete the pledge card enclosed and make a generous one-time gift or a pledge payable between now and 12/31/2016. And if it's been "a few Sundays" since you were at church, we'd love to welcome you back.

— *the Pavilion Task Force*

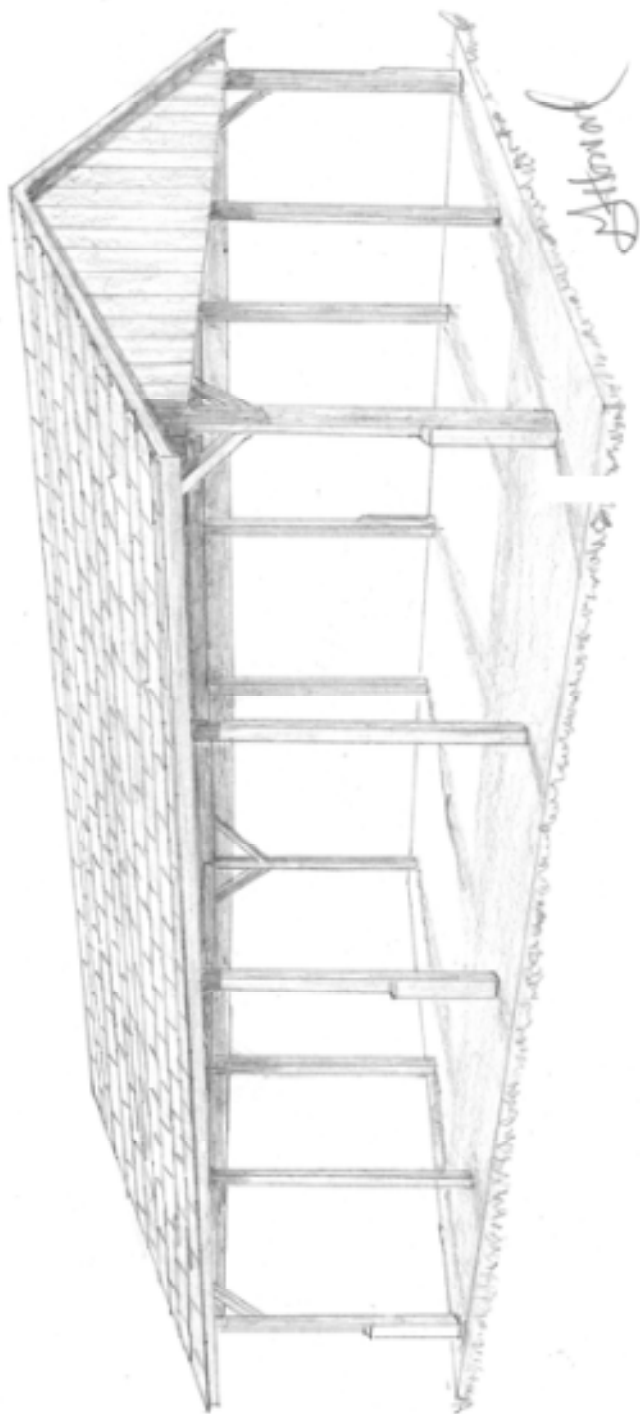
*The CPC Pavilion: Building a Legacy for Our Church and Growing a Future in Our Community*

### **Q & A , CPC Pavillon Presentation Sunday, April 3**

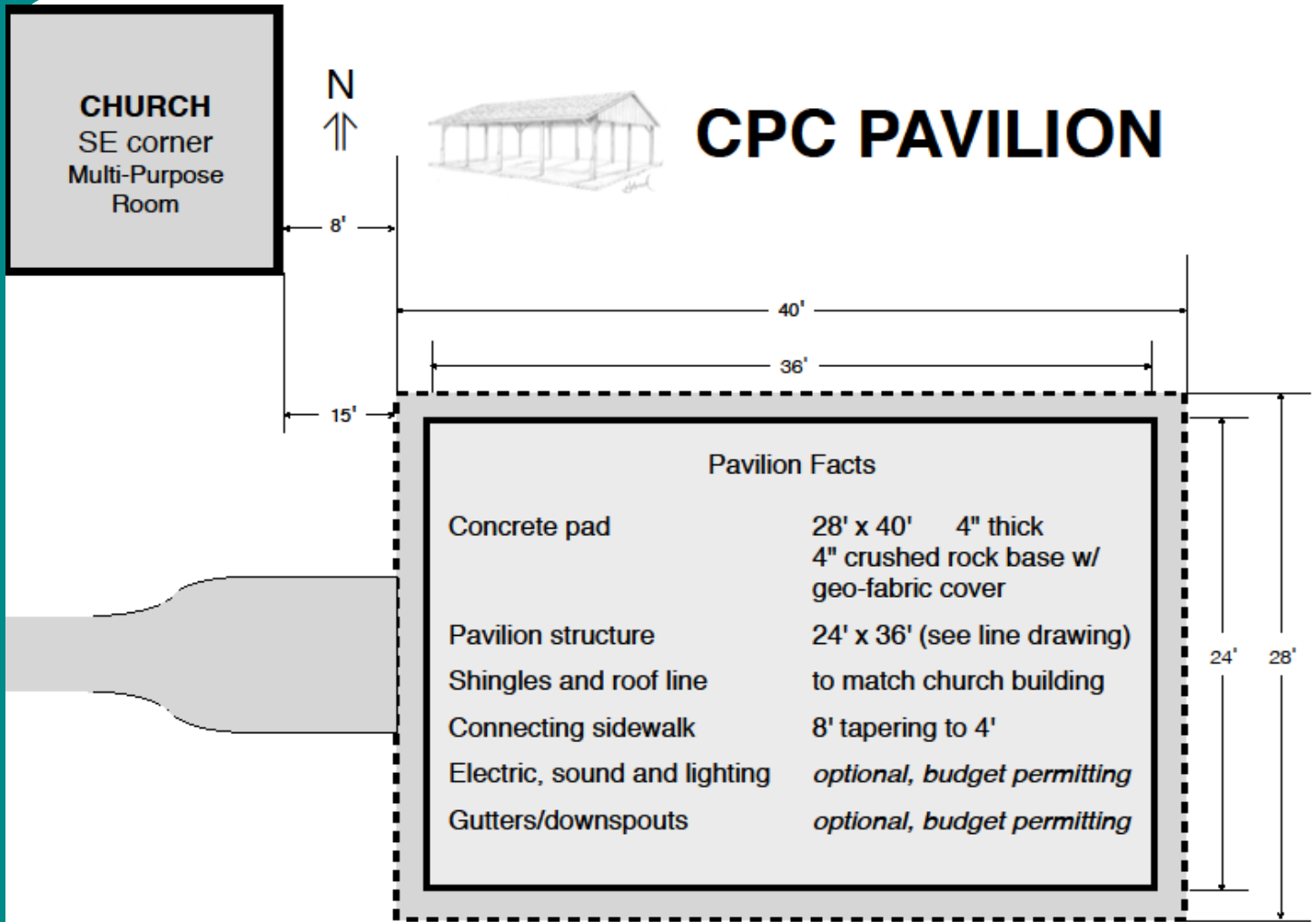
**Here are the major questions asked and the answers given on Sunday, April 3:**

- Q. How big is 24' x 36'? How big is 28' x 40'?**  
**A. Ron paced off the approximate dimensions in the sanctuary but we invited/ encouraged folks to go outside and look at the stakes driven in the ground and the yellow paint we used to outline the area.**
- Q. How many people will the structure accommodate?**  
**A. Depends on the event and whether we use only chairs or we set-up for a meal (no numbers given).**
- Q. Why start this project/financial campaign before we pay off the mortgage?**  
**A. The Mortgage & More campaign officially ends in June 2016 and the mortgage will be paid off in March 2017.**
- Q. How will the pavilion impact our insurance costs?**  
**A. Bill Schofield, church treasurer, is a member of the task force and is tracking any related costs.**
- Q. How will we handle security issues, e.g., will someone have to be present during each event?/Unauthorized use?/Vandalism?**  
**A. At present when we permit authorized users to be in the building we do not staff the event, e.g., Scouts, reunions, birthday parties, etc./We will post a notice indicating that use requires a permit./Construction and electrical elements will be designed to minimize vandalism and/or unauthorized use and McCordsville PD frequently uses our parking lot as a "sub-station."**
- Q. Will we have to purchase chairs, tables and other event accessories?**  
**A. Not likely in that most event venues recommend rental vendors for these items.**
- Q. Will the Scouts be approached for contributions to the Pavilion Fund?**  
**A. Yes.**
- Q. If the Pavilion Fund is not fully subscribed what happens to the payments we've already made?**  
**A. A careful accounting will be maintained, so that payments received can be returned and future pledge payments cancelled.**

Christ Presbyterian Church  
Pavilion Line Drawing





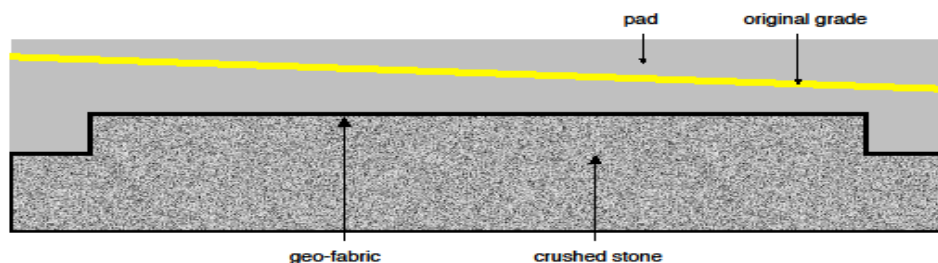


### Brief description of construction detail

Site Prep, Pad and Walkway

**Site preparation:** the location of the pavilion slopes gently away to the South and East of the church building. The excavation for the concrete pad, the walkway and the trenching for running electrical conduit has been donated. The church will provide crushed stone for the pad and walkway areas and the compaction of that stone has been donated. Before pouring the pad a geo-fabric material will cover the excavated areas to minimize damage due to vegetation; we will hire a cement contractor to install reinforcing materials as part of pouring the concrete. The crushed stone will be on undisturbed ground

**NOTE:** the outside 12 inches of the pad is thicker than other areas to strengthen the edges from accidental damage. The walkway will be the same thickness throughout its length and width.



## Brief description of construction detail structural elements

### Vertical Posts

Posted will be 6 x 6 x 9' treated wood.

### Fascia

Posted will be 4 x 8 treated wood.

### Rafters

Rafters will be engineered units providing sufficient wind and snow support.

### Shingles

Shingles will match the existing church building shingles as closely as possible.

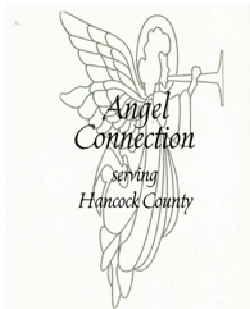
### Electric

Electricity can be added after construction but will limit the uses of the pavilion.  
Light fixtures and switched, conduit and other electrical parts will be selected.

### Gutters/Downspouts

Gutters and downspouts can be added after construction if funds are not available.

Negotiations with contractors will continue through the 3rd week of April  
to insure that work order changes will be kept to a minimum and that the pavilion  
will meet or exceed the specifications set forth by the Pavilion Task Force.



## Angel Connection Coalition

Since 2005 Angel Connection has been operated almost single-handedly by Donna Foster who started the food pantry to help feed children at Thanksgiving and Christmas in our community.

Angel Connection has grown significantly since 2005: dollars placed in a tip jar at Donna's beauty shop are still collected but the organization now has 501(c)3 status -- a nonprofit approved by the

Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt, charitable organization. There are now 3 regular volunteers and a few others who show up on occasion -- but as the Angel Connection grows, they will need more helpers.

Taking nothing away from Donna's leadership part of the growth can be attributed to CPC and the Angel Connection Coalition. In December the Mission Commission proposed to the CPC Council that we provide the leadership for the creation of a group of churches in the McCordsville area to support the Angel Connection Food Pantry. Doug Burney coined the Angel Connection Coalition name and since the first of the year Mark Angellotti, Doug and Roger Howard have worked on putting the coalition together.

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## Angel Connection Coalition

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Names, addresses, emails and phone numbers were researched, letters were sent out, phone calls were made and on February 20, CPC hosted the organizational meeting of the Angel Connection Coalition (ACC). Six churches of the seventeen that were invited were able to attend that day though one of the pastors was called away. The CPC contingent at the organizational meeting was well-represented by Men of Christ.

A steering committee was formed to guide the work of the coalition. We all want to help Angel Connection but we agreed that Donna's vision has been and should remain the focus of how the organization will develop and grow. Donna is an *ex officio* member of the steering committee and Brian King functions as the CPC rep and *ad hoc* convener of the steering committee.

The key element of the Angel Connection is that it is so much more than a food pantry. Angel Connection is a faith-based ministry that cares for the people it serves. The food we and other churches provide is the obvious activity but what sets Angel Connection apart is why it exists. Read Matt 25 and rejoice in who we feed when we feed the hungry.

Watch for more information from the Deacons who are heading up our food collection efforts. Thanks to the Marsh grocery store on 82nd Street near Allisonville Road who gave us \$343.30 worth of ground beef and chicken breasts plus a case of PB&J and a case of paper towels for just \$213 on March 30. When you buy items for Angel Connection and all items are welcome, look for smaller portions as opposed to the "large economy size." That helps AC serve more people more efficiently.

## Grelle Boys Volunteer at Angel Connection

Prepared and submitted by Alex, Vincent and Victor

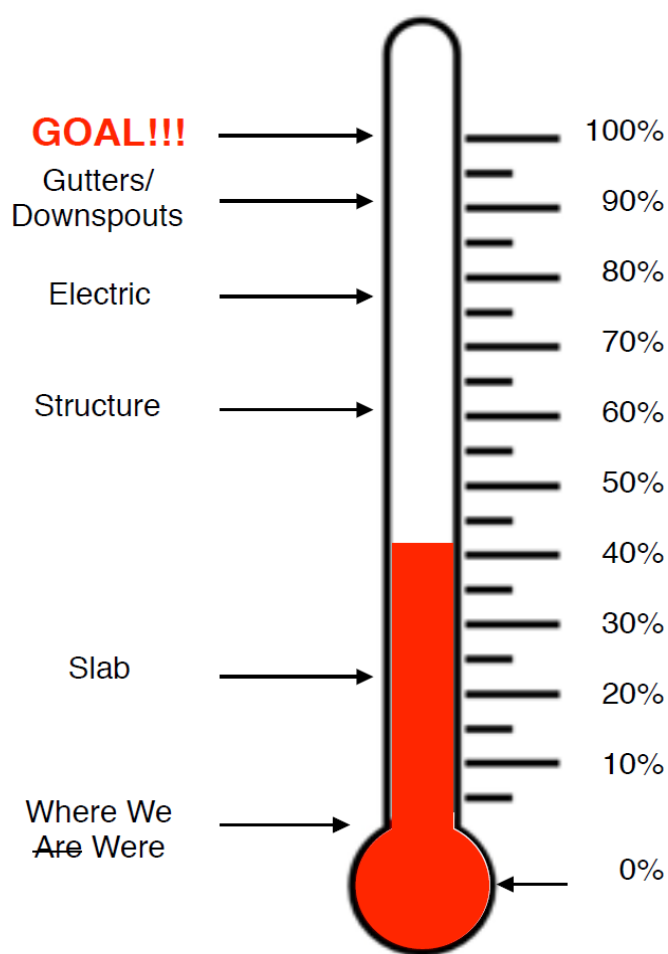
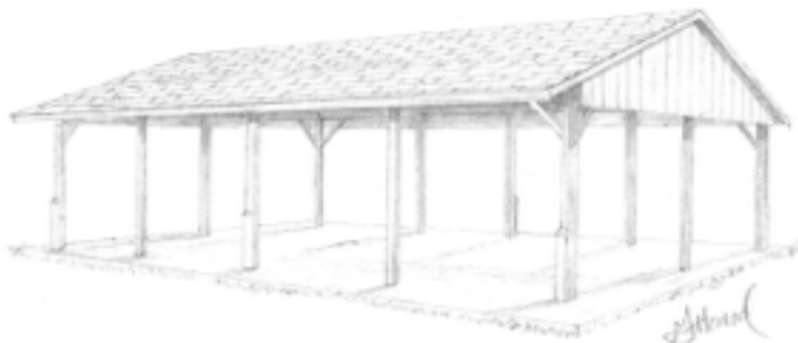
**Alex:** The Angel Connection was very fun. I couldn't wait to go. We got to help out about 15 people. One lady's daughter had cancer. She was a really nice lady. When I got home I started to pray for God to help her daughter heal from the cancer. This week we are bringing them the left over flowers from Easter Sunday to brighten the building

**Vincent:** We helped people take their food out and store it in their cars. After that we restored food on the shelves for next week. We restored lots of things. We put a lot of Mac and Cheese on the shelves because every one likes it. We put hamburger helper on shelves for them to eat next time.

**Victor:** Here we are helping the poor people. We stood in a circle with one very nice lady to hold hands and pray for her daughter. Her daughter had cancer and I was really sad. Once we were done helping the people we restocked. We restocked deodorant, Mac and cheese, Ragu spaghetti sauce, and peanut butter.



## Pavilion Campaign Update



As of 5 p.m. Tue, Apr 5 we have received gifts and pledges totaling \$10,300 or 41.2% of the Pavilion Fund goal.

This translates to the slab and walkway and ½ the structure.

## Kudos for the Month

**Ron Chastain** for repairing the concrete "bumper" in the handicap area of the parking lot. **AND** for painting the window ledge where the door 'key' was kept (thrown) at the office entrance and 'installing' a new key holder as well!

**Bill & Arlene Wheeler, Sandy Robbins, Margie Gilliland and Pastor Nancy** for arranging the flowers and making the Sanctuary come alive on Easter Sunday.

**Becky Floetker, Elaina Henry and the Men of Christ** for the great breakfast fellowship that preceded the Easter Service.

**The Brass Choir** that added their talents to make the Easter Service extra special.

**The Grelle's** for instilling the idea of service as they volunteer at the Angel Connection. [see article]

**Ross King** for 'stepping up' to oversee the clean up day and provide breakfast for the Men of Christ AND lunch for those who helped with the clean up!



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## Graduation Sunday



**May 15**

Help us celebrate on May 15<sup>th</sup>! We are having a Recognition Sunday for our graduating Seniors — **Hannah Strebing and Jordan Williams.**

***Shhhhhhh — we're giving you  
ADVANCE NOTICE!***

Presbyterian Women will be having their Rummage Sale on Friday, June 3 and Saturday, June 4. Start thinking of items you may want to donate to this great event and then plan to come and shop in June.

More details in the next *Courier*



**PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN**



April 2016							
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April 2016							
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**THANK  
YOU ALL**

**A special  
thank you to my church  
family for the love and  
generosity you gave in  
helping me deal with the  
loss of my daughter, Jac'ee.  
You all are very special to  
me.**

**Sincerely,  
Karyl Sprague**

Christ Presbyterian Church wants God to be a vital part of our lives as we reach out to our community and we embrace the following Vision Statement:

**We believe that God is calling us to be  
the open arms,  
the healing hands,  
and the loving hearts of the body of  
Christ in our community.**



**To those who  
sent birthday cards,  
or signed the church  
card, Thank You!**

**They were very much  
appreciated.  
Joy Knowles**