Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill



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2019 FALL NEWS FROM CPC IN THE HILL

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Our Annual Fall Sidewalk Neighborhood BBQ—Each Fall CPC in The Hill holds a sidewalk neighborhood cookout after the Summer and just after school begins. Serving about 120 people, this year many new families from the neighborhood joined us. Events like this keep us in touch with our Hill neighbors and allows us to show the love of Jesus in a concrete way. This event gives us a chance to tell people about our church. Food is always a good thing, especially to families with little available funds. This year we had many of our teens help us out and our newer church folk get a chance to see firsthand our desire to be a community church. Your gifts to our ministry budget enables us to hold events like this.

SATURDAY SIDEWALK BREAKFAST ON CARLISLE STREET—Lisa and I felt we needed a good follow-up to the Summer Park BBQ ministry. A weekly breakfast in front of our Hill apartment for our neighbors seemed like a good idea. "Who does this?" has been said by more than one of our neighbors. This breakfast gives us venue and means to meet our neighbors and a chance to talk about our church. Lisa even joins the first number of people that stop by for in a moment of prayer for the food, for our street, and for our neighbors. We have been doing this each Saturday since the beginning of September, serving between 20 & 30 with fruit, yogurt, breakfast bars, turkey bacon, coffee and orange juice, and hot oatmeal. This past week we put out a basket of soap, toothbrushes, and toothpaste (which many appreciated).





TOTAL CHRIST CLASS, OUR FIRST STEP IN LEADERSHIP TRAINING—

Our congregation needs to create a pathway to church leadership. One of these is a course called *Total Christ: Our Church Spirituality and Church Leadership*. Sixteen people showed up for the first class (amazing—and I was so humbled and honored they did). For



those that attend all the sessions, there is a course certificate. Plus, from this group, we will begin a *Hill Servant Leadership Board* to help learn, further, how to own the events and activities of our church. *They don't take this course to become leaders; they take the course because they are leaders.*

OUR ANNUAL HARVEST PARTY—At Halloween time, we throw a Harvest Party for our CPC in The Hill kids and their neighborhood friends. We had over 40 kids join us this year. This allows us to meet some parents and engage those outside our church family



in hopes that some will join us. We had a lot of middle-schoolers attend this year (some of whom Lisa and I have watched grow up over the past 5½ years). This reminds us how important reaching our pre-high-schoolers is *before* they enter into the teen years and discover way too many distractions (some that are harmful to them). *Please pray God raises up someone to reach and disciple our young people (now!)*.



We have a number of videos that you will enjoy @ http://www.wastedevangelism.com/hill-ministry-newsletters.html. Also, here is a link to our 2019 Summer Park BBQ ministry (here) and a link to an interview a church planting podcast did with me earlier this fall: Interview

Update on our Financial Resources—We are grateful for all who give out of their abundance to support our Hill church plant and ministry. Our total responsibility this year is roughly \$47,400, which means that we'll need \$3,950 a month from outside sources to meet our budget and have the available resources for the CPC in The Hill ministry. We are currently at 51% (or \$24,174) pledged or given for FY20. This leaves us to raise \$23,226. Will you consider partnering with us. *Please help us meet our ministry needs for FY20!*

Monthly	Annual	Supporters	Totals	
\$30	\$360	5	\$150	\$1,800
\$50	\$600	10	\$500	\$6,000
\$75	\$900	8	\$600	\$7,200
\$100	\$1,200	8	\$800	\$9,600
\$200	\$2,400	5	\$1000	\$12,0 00
\$300	\$3,600	3	\$900	\$10,800
			Monthly \$3,950	FY20 \$47,400



The grid to the left helps to visualize how partnering can help each month. Please consider where you might be able to fit in for a one-time or monthly donation.

Serving in the Hill Community—Lisa & I are honored to be the pastor and wife of CPC in The Hill—and we are so glad to be living in the Hill. Living here is significant (for many pastors of churches like ours don't live in the community where they pastor). We are part of the neighborhood. I am often referred to as "the Pastor of the Hill." What an honor. Your support and partnership make this possible.

Thank you.

OUR HILL MINISTRY PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for conversion growth for our church and that God will help me, Lisa, and others from our congregation to lead others to Christ.
- Pray for Lisa and I as we use our apartment (and even the sidewalk, i.e., our Sat morning sidewalk breakfast) to reach our neighbors.
- Pray that God will move some of our members, especially our men, to step up and be leaders for CPC in The Hill.
- Pray God continues to move people into our church fellowship whom Lisa and I have befriended and have been working with over the past years, many who would call me their pastor—pray God opens their hearts to the importance of church.
- Pray God moves more individuals and churches to become financial partners with us so we may have the resources necessary for our ministry needs here in the Hill.

Ways to donate—monthly payments or as one annual sum

- Checks: "CPC New Haven" in memo "FY20 Hill/CA"/mail: CPC New Haven, 135 Whitney Ave, New Haven, CT 06510
- Online at http://www.cpcinthehill.org/ > Donate > Donation Applied > "Hill Church Planter–Rev. Chip Anderson"



Each Sunday service I give a children's message (which is also the sermon 1st point for the adults!). We have an abundance of kids as you can see—many who come without their parents, getting up, getting, ready, and getting to church on their own! Some help set up for the service; a few help with the PowerPoint slides and pack up at the end. We are so thankful for our kids!



The ladies are enjoying their last painting & art time with Sharon Varrone. Sharon and her husband, Rick, have been with us the last 3 years, but have now retired and moved to SC. They will be missed!



Each Sunday a number of our young ladies help Nigeria and Maxine set up. Mostly these kids come without their parents. They are amazing. May God grab a hold of them while they are young!