Maestro Hector Olivera: A Concert NOT to Miss!
Sunday, April 15th, 4:00pm

This great organist is favored EVEN by people who say they normally do NOT like organ concerts! Do you know someone who hasn't been to an organ concert but would like to give “organ music” another chance? Maestro Hector Olivera, concert organist, is coming to Christ Church! His name has been seen all over the world in various concert venues and churches. You will NOT want to miss this amazing opportunity to hear one of the greatest organists today play at our church.

One press quote is: Olivera performed on Garrison Keillor’s “A Prairie Home Companion,” and according to Keillor, he “literally stopped the show!” Come hear an amazing concert that you will be sure to remember.

Tickets can be purchased in the church office or online (cantoncpc.org/musicseries)

Hector Olivera at the grand Cavaillé-Coll organ
Saint-Sulpice, Paris, France

Sunday, April 22, 2018
Sign up to join in!
Picking-up Downtown

Immediately following worship we will break up into teams, pick a “territory,” gather up trash bags and rubber gloves, then head out to clean up downtown Canton.

Here’s some good, “clean” fun!

Christ Church is hosting this international cooking class and fellowship event.

We will welcome a cook from Central America who will teach us how to make several dishes native to their country. Then we’ll all gather around the table to eat and fellowship.

Space is limited to 12 on a first come, first served basis.

Register TODAY!

The Common Table
Sunday, April 29, 2018
3:00-6:00 p.m.

Suggested donation is $30 (covers supplies and honoraria; remaining funds will be donated to Canton’s “Welcoming the Stranger” Ministry)
An Earth Day Proposition
Sometimes I wish God had been a bit clearer as to divine intentions. For example, consider the Creation Story we find in the first chapters of Genesis. Consider, specifically verse 1:28:

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.”

What does God mean when using words like subdue, and dominion?
Humankind has struggled with two competing understandings of God’s intention for creation. On the one hand there has been the notion that creation was given to us to use as we might. To be given dominion is to be given power to rule over it. We are to subdue the earth; we are placed in a superior role and have command over the creation. We were set up as rulers of this world, and everything in it is subjugated to us; it is to be brought under our control.

But there are those who see God’s charge in Genesis 1:28 quite differently. With the authority to rule comes responsibility. If God expects us to practice dominion over creation and to “subdue it,” God would expect us to do it mimicking the ways of God. When God gave humanity dominion over creation, God intended us to rule over it as God would. When God gave humanity dominion over creation, it was in order to care for, tend to, and interact with creation as God cares for, tends to, and interacts with humankind. The question becomes: What is your understanding and experience as to how God cares for, tends to, and interacts with you, and how does that inform your understanding to earth-care?

As David Kienzle and I were talking the other day, he asked me if Micah 6:8 might not speak to the issue of stewardship and earth-care. You know the passage:

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

I find his question compelling! What does the stewardship of creation, what does earth-care, have to do with God’s justice? How might it reflect God’s loving kindness? Is there any connection between earth-care, the practices of justice, loving kindness, and humility, and walking “respectfully with your God”?

I suspect we can all agree with this: a clean Canton is better than a dirty Canton. (Can I get an “Amen!”?) Recently Jim and Cincy Camp stopped me in the hallway by the church office. This year, they reminded me, Earth Day (April 22nd) happens to fall on the Sabbath. They shared an idea: What if the congregation set itself up in teams and, following worship, took time to spread out across downtown Canton and pick up trash? A clean Canton IS a better Canton!

So...sign up! We’ll supply trash bags and rubber gloves. We’ll assign teams and define downtown locations. One group could circle the school across the street. Another group could tackle the courthouse block. Another group could do the church grounds, Heritage House, and the AEP parking lot.

Can our stewardship of Canton reflect God’s care of you and me? Can we “rule” over downtown as God rules over us? Can we practice God’s justice and God’s loving kindness as a sign of our own respect of God...and God’s creation?

Join in on Sunday, April 22nd. Sign up today!
**2ND MILE APRIL EVENTS**

**PACIFIST LECTURE:** Here at Christ Church, we will welcome activist, author, and Nobel peace prize nominee Father John Dear to speak about his new book, *They Will Inherit the Earth Peace & Nonviolence in a Time of Climate Change* on Monday, April 9 7:00-9:00 PM.

**COMMUNITY HIKE:** In order to really inhabit the name of our ministry, we invite you to go the second mile by going on a two mile hike/walk on Saturday, April 14 at 10:00 AM. Given some construction, we have had to change out venue and we will now meet at the parking lot at 55th St NE and Firestone and walk the Middle Branch Trail together (near Gervasi). NB: We will only meet if it is warmer than 40 degrees and it is not raining.

**MORE THAN A BOOK CLUB:** After Fr. John Dear’s visit at the top of April we will gather on Sunday, April 22 from 5:00-8:00 PM for a potluck meal and time to discuss his book, *They Will Inherit the Earth Peace & Nonviolence in a Time of Climate Change.* Copies of the book will be available for purchase at his lecture on April 9 or you can purchase them from the church office in advance for $15.

**COOKING CLASS:** At Christ Church, we will host an international cooking class and fellowship event called “The Common Table” on Sunday, April 29 3:00-6:00 PM. We will welcome one cook from Central America who will teach us how to make several dishes native to their countries. Then we’ll all gather around the table to eat and fellowship. Space is very limited and it will be on a first come, first served basis. Please sign up online or in cloister hall. The suggested donation is $30 for this event, which will cover supplies, honoraria, and any remaining funds will be donated to Canton’s “Welcoming the Stranger” Ministry.

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**TAG - Tuesday Afternoon Group**

**Tuesday, April 17**

The TAG season continues on Tuesday, April 16 with a visit from President and Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant. The Grants will be portrayed by the talented local actress Janey McClelland Davis. Janey was among the first docents at the National First Ladies Library when it opened. She currently does one-woman programs bringing outstanding women of history to life. Janey has portrayed Ida McKinley and Edith Roosevelt in well-received TAG performances in recent years. Please plan to join us for this fascinating and entertaining program. It will be interesting to see how Janey pulls this off!!! You will also find out why Mrs. Grant was always photographed in profile.

The TAG chefs will be back and will prepare one of their delicious homemade meals. Plan to gather at 11:30 for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, followed by a meditation at 11:45, and lunch at noon. The program will begin at approximately 12:45 pm. The cost is only $7.00.

The TAG season concludes on Tuesday, May 15 with a musical program presented by Gibbs Music Intern Mario Buchanan.

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**Spirit & Space Update**

A few weeks ago the Pastor and Director of Camp Wakonda, Ben George preached on the Old Testament lesson from Numbers about the Israelites griping about everything on their long journey from Egypt to the Promised Land. In the scripture passage, God afflicted them with a plague of venomous snakes, and then gave Moses a way to cure the snake-bitten among them (once Moses appealed on their behalf). Ben made the point that God is not a God of removal (He did not take the snakes away), but instead a God of redemption (He gave the Israelites a way to deal with the snakes). So it is with Christ Presbyterian Church- we are not called to remove ourselves from our city and its travails, we are called to help redeem it.

Over the past several months, the Spirit and Space Team has been listening to the needs, dreams, and yes, even complaints of our community—Canton—and our congregation. The most recent time was the “Party with a Purpose” just before the start of Lent. To those of you who have contributed to these listening sessions, thank you! We are now compiling and categorizing all the ideas that have been offered. We expect to be presenting our results to Session and then the congregation this Easter tide season. You will see that we are blessed with opportunities to improve our building and property as well as enhance or start new ministries for our congregation and community.

As we celebrate Easter, the most potent example of our God as a redeeming savior, we pray that our team and the whole congregation will repent of the idea of God removing the challenges we face in our city and congregation, and turn instead to an awareness of our call to redemption.

Jerry Norton, Chair, Spirit and Space
Property Ministry Update

The Property Ministry of Christ Church would like to update the congregation on a few items this committee has been working on in the last few months and a major project expected to begin in the next few weeks:

1. The smoke alarm system has now been completely installed. You may have noticed smoke sensors located in the back and the front of the sanctuary. These sensors are also located throughout the attic as well.

2. A fire suppression system was recently installed in our kitchen. This system had not been updated since 1999 so this was a “must” to complete.

3. A doorbell has been installed at the courtyard door and this rings into the kitchen. Hopefully this will better serve those individuals who need to get in to Westminster Hall for activities and for any services. It will also help during the Saturday breakfasts.

4. The Chapel stained glass windows on the east side are in serious need of repair and have warped due to weather and sun exposure. These windows will be removed one at a time, transported to Studio Arts and Glass where they will be re-led in places and strengthened everywhere and then reinstalled. This treatment should give another good 50-75 years of service.

5. We continue to monitor our roof over the main sanctuary. This roof has almost reached its lifespan of 30 years and it may be time to consider an update to this very important structure as well.

And here is a little tidbit of information you may or may not realize:

The funding of the Property Ministry does not come out of our yearly church budget. This funding comes to us through the generous endowment funds established by past and present members of Christ Church. Intuitive foresight has enabled this church to maintain a beautiful historic building for almost 200 years and we are humbled as a committee to be a part of keeping these traditions alive for future generations at Christ Church.

Respectfully submitted by Jeannine Moss

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME?
Sunday, May 20 @ 6:00 pm
Tom Trenney with the Chancel Choir and YOU
Singing Great Hymns of Our Faith

In the last year of his life, our fellow sojourner, Jim Kettlewell, was researching and writing particularly about Methodist hymnody. He had a life-long love for the hymns of our faith and always sang with enthusiasm and sincerity. He took seriously every word of every poem-hymn sung in worship, and he would often discuss some of the theological details with his worshiping friends.

This Hymn Festival, presented in his memory, will have a theme inviting us to answer God’s call to “do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.” The bulk of the selections will be old favorites such as:

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” – “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”
“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” – “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”
“How Firm a Foundation”

Also included will be some of the new favorites of Christ Church worshipers:

“Canticle of the Turning” (“My Soul Cries Out”)
“For Everyone Born”
“Will You Come and Follow Me?” (“The Summons”)

You will be drawn into these hymns by the manner in which Tom Trenney shares his passion as a pastoral musician, composer, conductor, organist, pianist, and teacher. This will be an evening of great music and profound spiritual renewal.

We’re looking for babysitters!

In order to improve our outreach and engagement to parents with young children, we are looking to create a pool of older teens and adults to provide babysitting at our various church events, special worship services, and concerts.

Sitters must be at least 16 but we also very much need adults as well. Sitters over the age of 18 will be required to submit to a background check (if they have not already had one.)

The rate of pay for babysitting is $10 per hour and sitters are guaranteed payment of a minimum of 2 hours, even if the time required is less. It’s a great way to earn a little extra money while providing a much appreciated service to the church.

Those interested or wanting more information should contact Jennie George at the church office or through email at jgeorge@cantoncpc.org or sign up at the kiosk.
April Birthdays

1 Peg Stewart, Molly Utterback
2 John Haas, Cheryl Hamilton, Marian Henderson, Amanda Wise
3 Emmerich Burdeshaw, Jack Hazen, Mary Lou Reiman, Loren Souers
4 Erica Davison, Moriah Roberts
5 Mark Cooper, Nancy Converse, Laurel Kehl, Diane Klinger, Pam McCahan
6 Terri Bate, Alice Rauch
7 Parthena Halkides
8 Maggie DeLap, Phil Hamilton, Jack Milligan, Dave Morgan
9 Grady Shea
10 Sam Angeli
11 Elbert Magoon
12 Ginnie Davidson
13 Lucas Hon
14 Melinda Andrews, Jonathan McCahan, Leslie Walker, Lindsay Walters

FINANCIAL NOTES

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This reporting reflects the General and Camp Funds from July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR PLEDGE CURRENT. THANK YOU!

Online Giving with a Credit/Debit Card or directly from your Checking or Savings Account.
Designate amount, general fund (or choose other fund), one time or recurring gift, credit card or debit bank.

Text CANTONCPC to 73256 to give using your text messaging. Standard text messaging rates may apply.

Need help or have questions? Contact Diane in the Church Office 330-456-8113.

Have you remembered your church in your will?

Christ Church urges you to make a plan for yourself and when you do, to please remember your church in it. You can leave a set amount or a tithe (for example, 10% of your estate). If you already have a will, you can amend it with a call to your attorney. For questions about making a bequest to CPC, feel free to contact any member of the Endowment Ministry (Jack Burnquist, Roger Gray, Teresa Houston, Linda Norton, or Steve Stocker).

STEWARDSHIP—February

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7, NIV

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We continue our collection of Box Tops for Education to help Allen School. Please examine your purchases, especially from the grocery store, for the little coupons and cut them out and turn them in to the collection plate. You are welcome to put them into a pew envelope marked Box Tops. It doesn’t take much of your time to bring joy to an Allen School student.
Camp Wakonda has had a record setting March for registrations! As we are gearing up for this summer, we are looking for a variety of staff members, including a Head Cook, counselors, lifeguards, kitchen, and maintenance staff. Please have anyone interested in applying contact Pastor Ben or go to wakondacamp.org.

Also, don’t forget we have a fundraiser for camp coming up on April 5th at Smoke the Burger Joint in Massillon. Join us for a meal and support your favorite camp!

Show this flyer to benefit Camp Wakonda!

Sunday, April 1st—Happy Easter! - No youth
Sunday, April 8th—3:00-5:00 pm—$3 per person
Massillon Recreation Center
Pool, water slides, lazy river, and gym will be open

Sunday, April 15th—6:00-7:30 pm
Youth Easter Egg Hunt and Camp Wakonda Sunday
(Bring your friends!)

Sunday, April 22nd—6:00-7:30 pm—Service Project Sunday
The 2nd Mile Book Club is meeting at 5pm for a potluck, youth are welcome to join them for dinner before the service project.

Sunday, April 29th—5:00-7:00 pm—Common Table
We will help out at the Common Table Cooking Class. Youth will eat dinner and then help with clean up and tear down.

Session Notes - March 20, 2018
Session gathered in the Parlor for a delicious dinner provided by Byrdie Stocker. We then proceeded to the Chapel for worship led by Elder Shawn Campbell. The meeting continued in the Parlor. Minutes of February meeting were read and approved as was the Clerk’s Report. Prayers of the People were offered.
Rev. Ben George reported on progress at Camp Wakonda: 85 campers are registered via early registration. Hiring of staff continues with need for head cook crucial.
Pastor Michael reported on his ministry, including Rally for our Lives led by youth of Canton, leading Stephen Ministry, teaching class on stained glass windows during August, and Second Mile Ministry.
Pastor Dave’s report: Spirit and Space is taking off. Thanks to Edith Ophardt for finding the book for Lent—Jesus Journey. It has been very well received. Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 am with Crossroads Methodist Church in Courthouse Plaza, Labyrinth in Westminster Hall will be available every day of Holy Week. Plans to collaborate Earth Day (4/22) and Cleanup downtown Canton are moving forward. Ben’s installation will be during late service 5/6.
Old Business: Discussion on an Alcohol policy with motion to be voted on in April. Other topics: Fr. John Dear at CPC 4/9; Mental Health First Aid training.
Motions: Property Committee—complete upgrade of Chapel passed. Mission West—Session to contribute $2,000 passed.
The meeting closed with prayer and The Apostles’ Creed.

Submitted by Elder Carol Orin
Sunday, 4/1—Resurrection Sunday
7:00 am Sunrise Service—Courthouse Plaza
10:30 am Easter Festival Service—Sanctuary

Tuesday, 4/3
6:00 pm 2nd Mile Meeting—Parlor
7:30 pm Discipleship Meeting—Parlor

Wednesday, 4/4
6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor
7:00 pm Deacons Meeting—Pine Room

Wednesday, 4/5
5:00-9:00 pm Wakonda Fundraiser—Smoke the Burger Joint (Massillon)

Sunday, 4/8—Communion
3:00-5:00 pm Youth—Massillon Rec Center

Monday, 4/9
4:00 pm Property Ministry—Parlor
7:00-9:00 pm—Fr. John Dear—Westminster Hall

Tuesday, 4/10
1:00 pm Personnel Ministry—Parlor
7:00 pm Spirit & Space—Parlor

Wednesday, 4/11
8:00 am Food Ministry
4:30 pm Worship Ministry—Upper Room

Saturday, 4/14
8:30-10:00 am Food Ministry Breakfast—West. Hall
10:00 am—2nd Mile Walk - 55th Street NE & Firestone (Middle Branch Trail)

Sunday, 4/15
12:00-1:30 pm New Member Class—Parlor
4:00 pm Hector Olivera Concert—Sanctuary
6:00-7:30 pm Youth Easter Egg Hunt & Wakonda Sunday

Tuesday, 4/17
11:30 am TAG Luncheon/Program—Westminster Hall
4:00-8:00 pm Mission West Fundraiser—Old Carolina BBQ
(Everhard Road)
6:00 pm Session Dinner/Meeting—Parlor/Chapel

Wednesday, 4/18—TDYINGS DEADLINE
6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor

Saturday, 4/21
Presbytery Meeting—Central Presbyterian in Zanesville

Sunday, 4/22—Earth Day Festival
11:30 am Earth Day—Picking up Downtown
12:00-1:30 pm New Member Class—Parlor
5:00-8:00 pm 2nd Mile Book Club—Westminster Hall
6:00-7:30 pm Youth Service Project

Tuesday, 4/24
7:00 pm Spirit & Space—Parlor

Wednesday, 4/25
8:00 am Food Ministry

Sunday, 4/29
12:00-1:30 pm New Member Class—Parlor
3:00-6:00 pm—Common Table—Westminster Hall/Kitchen
5:00-7:00 pm—Youth Group (clean up/tear down)

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To be added to the Tydings email list or to submit an article for Tydings, please email dnave@cantoncpc.org no later than Wednesday, April 18, 2018.

Worship with Us

Sunday Mornings
8:00 & 10:30 am
Listen to the Cathedral Hour on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am on 640AM WHLO, or log on your computer to www.640whlo.com for live streaming.

Office Hours:
Monday-Friday
8:00 am—5:00 pm

Prayer Chain:
Whenever there’s a need for prayer, please call one of our Prayer Chain co-chairs:
Miriam Hinterleiter ~ 330-966-5846
Miriam Carter ~ 330-832-5120
Alice Bailey ~ 330-456-6290
or email AliceB1519@aol.com

Friends Helping Friends:
If you are in need of temporary assistance or medical equipment, we want you to know that we care. God has His hand in this ministry, sees your need, and wants you to receive this assistance through Friends Helping Friends. Please do not hesitate to call co-coordinator:
Heather Dominik—330-459-4590
Alice Rauch—330-494-2997

Join Us for a Fundraiser and Experience True Q

One taste and you’ll agree Old Carolina is the closest thing to authentic barbecue this side of the Mason-Dixon line. Bring this flyer or show it on your smartphone and 50% of proceeds will be donated to your organization.

Location: 4710 Everhard RD NW
Date: April 17, 2018
Time: 4:00pm - 8:00pm

oldcarolina.com
Sales tax, beer and gift card sales are not eligible.