Christ Presbyterian Church exists to glorify God, lead people to a saving relationship with Jesus Christ, build one another up in spiritual maturity, and send out servants to share the Good News in word and deed.
Welcome to Christ Presbyterian Church

We’re so glad that you’re here. We hope that worshiping with us today nourishes your spirit and that you will come back to worship with us again. Please be sure to sign the guest pad located at the end of your pew so that we can follow up on your visit with us.

For our visitors with children: our Nursery (up to age 3) is open and available to you in our lower level where our caring volunteers are ready to watch over your child. You can worship with peace of mind as you will be given a pager so that you can be contacted immediately should you be needed.

Worship Activity Bags and activity sheets are located in the front of the Sanctuary for children to use.

An usher is able to help direct you if you need assistance.

All children are welcome to come forward for our Children’s Message.

As today is a Communion Sunday, following the message, children ages 3-5 are invited to follow our teachers out for Preschool Kids’ Church and can be picked up in the lower level following service.

Children kindergarten and older will remain in service today to participate in Communion.

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

REFLECTIONS & INSTRUCTIONS ON COMMUNION

Communion is a time for quiet celebration. Please refrain from talking with neighbors as others are in thankful prayer.

Holy Communion is a gift from God to all of God’s people. It does not belong to one particular church or denomination. At Christ Presbyterian Church everyone who confesses Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is encouraged to come to the table.

Appropriate responses to receiving both bread and cup include:

“Thanks be to God” \ “Amen” \ “Glory be to God”

You are encouraged to remember God’s call to be part of the covenant people and a citizen in the Kingdom of Heaven (your baptism) by dipping your hand in the baptismal font as you come forward.

You are welcome to receive Communion as a couple, family, and/or as friends gathered. If you have a family member who is in the choir, they can join you as you come forward.

You are encouraged to sing during Communion. Often the choir will lead in singing meditative hymns.

As you return to your seat you are encouraged to continue singing, devote yourself to prayer, or meditate on the cross.

Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the minister/server when you come forward.

*At these moments, we invite you to stand in body or spirit. Please silence all electronic devices prior to the service.

Large print copies of the hymns and orders of worship are available in the Narthex or from an usher.
Brass Prelude

“Amazing Grace”
Arr., B. Holcomb

*Hymn in Procession No. 264

“At the Name of Jesus”
Arr., John Ferguson

*Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Creator God,

you have formed us as your own,
so whether we are weeping or laughing,
dreaming or shouting for joy,
we are always coming home to you.

For all this and more, we thank you in Jesus’ name. Amen.
Call to Confession

_If we ask God to restore us to the way we have been_  
then we have not asked for as much as God intends to give.  
_Instead, God seeks to give the gift of resurrection—a new and abundant life._  
_With confidence in God’s generosity, we confess our sins_  
_and seek the new life offered in Jesus Christ._

Prayer of Confession _**(in unison)**_

_Purifying God,_  
_we grow comfortable with the way things are_  
in our lives, in the church, and in the world.  
_We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ,_  
_for you overturn our notions of power and protocol._  
_Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others._  
_Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us._  
_Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others._  
_Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice._  
_Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world,_  
_with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new._  
_In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen._

Kyrie (Trisagion)  
From New Plainsong; David Hurd

(*Assurance of Pardon*)

_Leader:_  
_The apostle Paul reminds us_  
_that we do not make ourselves righteous._  
_Galatians 3:9_

_People:_  
_Our righteousness comes through faith in Christ,_  
_who made us his own._

_Leader:_  
_Hear the good news!_  
_In Jesus Christ we are forgiven._  
_The old life has passed away—and a new life has begun._

_People:_  
_Forgetting what lies behind,_  
_and straining forward to what lies ahead,_  
_we press on toward the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus._
*Response—Hymn No. 439 (stanzas 1—3)  “O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer”

Children are now invited to walk to the chancel steps for the Message.

LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Message for Children
Following the message, children ages 3-5 are invited to follow our teachers out for *Preschool Kids’ Church* and can be picked up in the lower level following service. Children kindergarten and older will remain in service today to participate in Communion.

Prayer for Illumination
* Break open the Scripture through the power of your Spirit, O God.*  
  *John 12:3*
  *Let your word, read and proclaimed,*
  *pour out until its fragrance fills this house and our lives.*
  *Then, anointed with your word,*
  *send us out to share the good news we have received.*
  *We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who is with us always.  Amen.*

Hebrew Scripture
* Isaiah 43:16-21
  *God is doing a “new thing”*
  *Leader:*  The Word of the Lord. 
  *People:*  Thanks be to God.

*Hymn No. 440
  “Jesus, Lover of My Soul”
  Stanza two is sung by choir alone.  
  *Arr., Carl Schalk*

Gospel Reading
* John 12:1-8
  *Mary Anoints Jesus*
  *Leader:*  The Gospel of the Lord. 
  *People:*  Thanks be to God.

Sermon
“I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?”

Rev. David de Vries

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith
  The Nicene Creed:  page 34

Invitation to the Offering
* 2 Chronicles 31:12  
  *Faithfully they brought in the contributions, the tithes and the dedicated things.*
**Anthem**  “Cantique de Jean Racine”  Gabriel Fauré

O Redeemer divine, our sole hope of salvation, Eternal Light of the earth and the sky, we kneel in adoration, O Savior, turn on us Thy loving eye! Send down on us the fire of Thy grace all consuming, whose wondrous might, dispersed the powers of hell, And rouse our slumbering souls with Thy radiance, that they may waken Thy mercy to tell! O Christ bestow Thy blessing on us, we implore Thee, who here are gathered on penitent knee, Accept thy hymns we chant to Thine eternal glory and these Thy gifts we return unto thee! And these Thy gifts we return unto Thee!

—Harold Heiberg

*Doxology—Hymn No. 711 (stanza 1)*

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;
use them your holy purpose to fulfill,
tokens of love and pledges brought anew,
that our whole life is offered to your will.

*Prayer of Dedication* (in unison)

Abundant God:
your generosity astounds and humbles us.
We bow before you in gratitude and awe,
asking you to receive what we have brought in response.
May these gifts be a pleasing and fragrant offering,
for the sake of the world you came to save.
We pray in your holy name. Amen.

*Invitation to the Lord’s Table*

*Communion Hymn No. 500  “Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread”*

*The Great Thanksgiving*

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.
**People:** And also with you.
**Leader:** Lift up your hearts.
**People:** We lift them to the Lord.
**Leader:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
**People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.
**Leader:** It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God our creator and redeemer. In your wisdom, you made all things and sustain them by your power. You formed us in your image to love and serve you, but we forgot your promises and abandoned your commandments. In your mercy, you did not reject us but still claimed us as your own. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:
Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, our Son, our Lord. He took upon himself the weight of our sin and carried the burden of our guilt. He shared our life in every way, and though tempted, was sinless to the end. Baptized as your own, he went willingly to his death and by your power was raised to new life.

We give you thanks that the Lord Jesus, on the night before he died, took bread, and after giving thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying. "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way he took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this cup from the gifts you have given us, and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:
People:  
Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.

Leader:  Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your 
gifts of bread and cup, that the bread we break and the cup we bless 
may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit 
unite us with the living Christ, and with all who are baptized in his 
name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is 
Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world. 
Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of 
resurrection, when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with 
you at your table in glory. Through Christ, all glory and honor are 
yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now 
and forever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Communion Anthem  
James R. K. Freeman  
Blest Feast of Love Divine! 'Tis grace that makes us free  
To feed upon this bread and wine, In memory, Lord, of Thee.  
But if this glimpse of love Is so divinely sweet,  
What will it be, O Lord, above, Thy gladdening smile to meet.  
To see Thee face to face, Thy perfect likeness wear,  
And all Thy ways of wondrous grace Through endless years declare!

Brass Voluntaries  
Johannes Brahms; arr., K. Turner  
“Ach, Arme Welt!” & “Im Herbst”

The Closing Prayer, Prayers of the People, and the Lord’s Prayer

REENTRY INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE THE LORD

Being Christ's Church — Living Our Faith

(Please sign the Friendship Pad found in your pew and return it 
toward the center aisle, noting names of those with whom you are worshiping.)

*Hymn in Procession No. 209  
“My Song Is Love Unknown”  
Stanza 3 is sung by choir alone.  
Arr., James Engle

*Benediction  
Choral Response  
“Amen”  
K. Lee Scott
Planning ahead is part of effective stewardship. Plan your will or trust now . . . and include a bequest to Christ Presbyterian Church.

Tolling of the Tower Bell

*Worshipers are invited to move to the chancel to listen to Lenten organ meditations which begin each week about three minutes after the service.*

Brass Postlude

Franz Joseph Haydn; arr., Lowell Shaw

“Achieved Is Thy Glorious Work” from *Creation*

*For anyone wishing confidential individual prayer, immediately following the service a member of the Stephen Ministry will be available in the Chapel.*

The *Alloy Horn Quartet*: Liz Deitemyer, Anna Jacobson, Kelly Langenberg, and Dana Sherman; are based in Chicago, Illinois. Their participation in our liturgy this morning is made possible by the *Gibbs Music Fund*. The quartet was featured last evening in concert with the Tuscarawas Philharmonic; they perform throughout the Midwest and have been featured with the Dubuque (Iowa), Kenosha (Wisconsin), and Fox Valley (Illinois) symphonies, and were Featured Artists at the 2018 International Horn Society Symposium. Individually, the Alloy women teach horn and freelance as orchestral horn players. [www.alloyhornquartet.com](http://www.alloyhornquartet.com)

The flowers in the Chancel vases are given in loving memory of Rebecca (Bailey) Nowicki from the Bailey and Nowicki Families.

The Cathedral Hour today is made possible through the generous donations from members and friends of Christ Presbyterian Church.

Liturgist: Emma George

Acolytes: Romy Anderson (Crucifer), Ty Ohlinger, (Acolyte), Karsten Burdeshaw (Acolyte), Jace Anderson (Bible Bearer)

Congregational Greeting Cards: As an outreach to our congregational family, we will have cards each week in Cloister Hall on a podium for the “family” to sign. Please stop in Cloister Hall and sign the cards this week for:

- **Elbert Magoon** (Happy Birthday)
- **Ginnie Davidson** (Happy Birthday)
PREPARING FOR PALM/PASSION SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019

Scripture Readings

Liturgy of the Palms

Liturgy of the Passion
Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11; Psalm 31:9-16; Luke 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

Consider: The events of Holy Week make up the central story of our faith. Can we see the suffering of others in our world in the passion of Jesus? What are some ways that the daughters and sons of humanity are crucified today? How are we called to respond?

Sunday Morning Adult Classes 9:15—10:15am

The Westminster Sunday School Class continues on its year-long survey: “Getting the Big Picture of the Bible.” During the rest of this month, Pastor Michael will conclude a study on the Gospels and then will start a study on Revelation. Following that, we will welcome Rev. Linda Leon, who will teach about reading the Scriptures devotionally. Join us on Sundays in Westminster Hall at 9:15 AM. If you ever miss a class, don’t forget that you can listen to the podcast at <www.cpc.podbean.com>.

The Parlor Class is studying from the Present Word. 4/14—Call to Remember, led by Jim Smith; 4/21—Called to Proclaim the Resurrection, led by Steve Patterson; 4/28—Call and Commissioning, led by Fred Bohse.

The Intergenerational Bible Study discusses the Christian faith in an open and interactive way where everyone is invited to discuss the Christian faith, but nothing is required of anyone. Each week, we will discuss a different topic or question and the class follows no curriculum, so people can come and go from the class as they like and they will not feel lost in any discussion, because we will not intentionally build on previous weeks’ discussions. Every week will be different. Class meets @ 9:15am in the Upper Room.

Coffee & Conversation in the Pine Room
Enjoy coffee and conversation in the Pine Room during the 9:15 hour as we talk about what’s happening in our lives and our faith. Over these next several weeks, our conversation will center around spiritual development and how our faith in God changes over time.

For Our Children & Youth in Worship:
For our older children and youth, we now have available Worship Note Pages to use to help follow along and focus in worship. You can grab a clipboard from the basket located at the front Lectern side door. Also located there are our Worship Activity Bags, as well as weekly children’s bulletins and coloring pages that follow each week’s Scripture. Please encourage your children to take advantage of these resources to better help them engage in Scripture and in Worship with the congregation.
WALKING THE LABYRINTH
TODAY from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

As we continue on our Lenten journey, we will gather to worship in the style of Taize TODAY at 6:00 pm in Westminster Hall. During and following the service, you are encouraged and invited to take advantage of our labyrinth for walking prayer and meditation; this can be especially enriching as a Lenten discipline. There are candles and music creating a worshipful atmosphere. Reading and drawing materials, and guided reflections provide additional spiritual aids.

The Christ Presbyterian Church Prayer Vigil
will begin following the Good Friday service. We need CPC members to spend an hour in prayer during this special time. The prayer chain is passed from one member to another until the glorious Easter Sunday. You do not have to come to the church. You can participate from home, on vacation, or any place you can steal away with the Lord. Please sign up for your time(s) on the chart in Cloister Hall. Devotional materials are available at the kiosk when you sign up. May your vigil be a time of personal reflection and growth with our Lord. The Peace of Christ be with You!

The Worship Ministry

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of April 7, 2019

Using Sunday’s Order of Worship, we enter into worship and prayer every day of the week. We worship together . . . separately.

The Call to Worship
The Prayer of Adoration (Followed by silence)
The Prayer of Confession (Followed by silence)
The Assurance of Pardon

Scripture Readings — Worship texts for Sunday, April 14:

Monday: Isaiah 50:4-9a
Tuesday: Philippians 2:5-11
Wednesday: Psalm 31:9-16
Friday: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Silent Meditation and Prayer
(Listening for God’s voice in Scripture and silence)
Prayers of the People
(Lifting others before God)
Prayer of Dedication

Becoming Familiar With Holy Scripture
If you wish to become more familiar with the Bible and the best known stories of scripture, read Joshua Confronts the Walls of Jericho (Joshua 1-6).
Passion/Palm Sunday, April 14
8:00 & 10:30 am Worship/Communion
Children process with Palms
(meet in Westminster Hall at 10:20 am)

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Received
Since 1949 Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through OGHS to share God's love with those in need. Your generous gifts assist those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and assist in helping to empower the poor and oppressed. Please consider giving generously to this offering.

SPRING CHILDREN'S PROGRAM
As we head into Holy Week, our young actors learn about God’s assignment for them in ASSIGNMENT LIFE!
Sunday, April 14 at 5:00pm in Westminster Hall
Will you choose to accept the assignment?

Maundy Thursday, April 18
Dinner—6:00 p.m.
Communion Service—7:00 p.m.

Maundy Means Commandment
Maundy Thursday is the Thursday before Easter. Christians remember it as the day of the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples and then gave them a new commandment to follow. “. . . love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.” (John 13:34)

The program staff and church leaders invite you to
Congregational Dinner & Worship—Thursday, April 18
Dinner will be served at 6:00pm; Worship begins at 7:00pm in Westminster Hall before moving to the Sanctuary.

Children are welcome and encouraged to attend the dinner and the service. So that we know how many to expect, please reserve your place by signing up at the information kiosk, or online at www.cantoncpc.org by Sunday, April 14.
Good Friday, April 19
(Church Office Closed All Day)
7:00 pm Tenebrae Service—Sanctuary
(from light to darkness with scripture, hymns, and anthems)

Saturday, April 20
Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 21
The Day of Resurrection
8:00 am Worship
10:30 am Festival Service led by the Chancel Choir in the Sanctuary
Scholarship Ministry accepting 2019 Scholarship Applications

Scholarship applications are being accepted now for students who have graduated from high school and who are currently enrolled in a post-secondary school education or vocational program in the Fall of 2019.

All applicants must have:
- A high school diploma or equivalent certificate
- Proof of enrollment in a post-secondary school education or vocational program consistent with Christian values

Applicants who meet the above criteria will be considered for either an Endowment Earnings Scholarship, or the Vera/Elizabeth Yoder Scholarship depending on how they meet the additional eligibility criteria defined below.

Endowment Earnings Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:
- Applicant must be a member of Christ Presbyterian Church (CPC) or be a relative of a member of CPC
  - Relatives of church members will be limited to the siblings, children and grandchildren of CPC church members
- Applicant may be a non-member child of a current CPC employee or CPC Pastor.
- Applicant may be considered for an Endowment Earnings Scholarship if there are sufficient endowment earnings available.

Vera and Elizabeth Yoder Education Scholarship Fund Eligibility Requirements:
- Applicant must be a member of CPC or a relative of a member of CPC and be pursuing education or nursing as a career, including an advanced degree in those fields
  - Relatives of CPC church members will be limited to the siblings, children and grandchildren of church members
- If sufficient income is available, then CPC church members or relatives of CPC church members seeking careers other than education or nursing may also be eligible

Deadline to apply is May 31, 2019.

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### ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF April 7

#### Today
- **8:00 am** Worship Service—Chapel
- **9:15 am** Sunday School Classes
- **10:15 am-11:30 am** Infant Nursery (ages 0-2) – Room L4
- **10:30 am** Worship Service – Sanctuary
- **10:45 am** Kids’ Church
- **12:00-2:00 pm** Children’s Musical Rehearsal—Westminster Hall
- **12:00-1:00 pm** Gather Us In (The Vision) - Sanctuary
- **6:00-8:00 pm** Labyrinth—Westminster Hall
- **6:00 pm** Taize Service—Westminster Hall

#### Monday
- **10:00 am** Staff Meeting
- **12:00 pm** Personnel Ministry Meeting—Parlor
- **4:00 pm** Property Ministry Meeting—Parlor
- **5:30 pm** Camp Ministry

#### Tuesday
- **9:30 am** Bible Study—Parlor
- **6:00 pm** Discipleship Meeting @ Edith Ophardt’s
- **6:00-9:00 pm** Session Dinner/Session Meeting

#### Wednesday
- **8:00-10:45 am** Food Ministry
- **4:30 pm** Worship Ministry Meeting—Parlor

#### Thursday
- **7:00 am** Men’s Bible Study—Westminster Hall
- **9:30-11:00 am** Women’s Bible Study—Parlor
- **6:30-8:30 pm** Children’s Musical Rehearsal—Westminster Hall
- **7:15 pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### Saturday
- **8:30-10:00 am** Food Ministry Breakfast—Westminster Hall

#### Sunday, April 14:
- **8:00 am** Worship Service—Chapel
- **9:15 am** Sunday School Classes
- **10:15 am-11:30 am** Infant Nursery (ages 0-2) – Room L4
- **10:30 am** Worship Service – Sanctuary
- **10:45 am** Kids’ Church
- **4:00-5:00 pm** Confirmation Class

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Have you checked out the new *mini* library yet? It's NOT just for little ones! The new library bookcase near the Welcome Desk highlights great new releases, seasonal favorites, and important topics for children, youth, parents, grandparents, and more! You can check out books right at the case or head down to the full library downstairs to borrow a book from our large selection there!
“Gather Us In: Imagine” Meeting Reminder Notice
Spirit & Space Team

Today immediately following the 10:30 AM worship service in the Sanctuary, come hear about specific plans, ideas, and construction costs that will enable CPC to better serve its ministries and its congregation members. There will be time allotted in the meetings to answer your questions and share insights. Even if you weren’t able to attend one of the previously held “Gather Us In: Imagine” meetings, it is our hope that you will join us for today’s “Gather Us In: The Vision” meeting! The Spirit & Space Team
http://www.cantoncpc.org/spiritandspace

CANDY DONATIONS AND EGG HUNT HELP NEEDED

The Egg Hunt is fast approaching and lots of candy is needed to fill the over 1500 eggs we'll be putting out. Candy must be individually wrapped and small enough to fit in a plastic egg. Candy can be dropped off in the office or in any of the downstairs classrooms/Nursery. We'll be stuffing eggs after church on April 14th and many hands make the stuffing go fast! We also need help the day of the hunt, preparing the brunch and helping at the activity tables. Sign up at the kiosk if you can help! Thanks for supporting this annual tradition!

TAG
Tuesday Afternoon Group
Tuesday, April 16

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. 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. 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 21 with a musical program presented by a special guest.