AKRON PRESBYTERIAN ORGANIST IS INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION WINNER

Alcee Chriss, III, who began last fall as the new Organist and Director of Music at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Akron, is the winner of the 2017 Canadian International Organ Competition and Firmin Swinnen Silver Medalist at the 2016 Longwood Gardens International Organ Competition.

He has been celebrated for his “grace, skill and abundant proficiency” by the Journal Assist News, Albuquerque. And of his prize-winning performance at the Longwood Gardens Competition, Choir and Organ Magazine declared, “Chriss stole the show.” Mr. Chriss also won first prizes in the Miami International Organ Competition, the Fort Wayne National Organ Competition, the Albert Schweitzer National Organ Competition in Wethersfield, CT. In addition to his organ and harpsichord performances, Alcee is also active as a conductor and jazz pianist. In his “spare time” he is pursuing a doctoral degree at McGill University in Montreal.

More Than A Book Club
February 24

The 2nd Mile “More Than a Book Club” will gather to discuss A.J. Jacob’s book It’s All Relative: Adventures Up and Down the World’s Family Tree. While a lighter book than what we normally read, we intend to discuss the important topics of humanity’s interconnectedness and our international origins. To that end, everyone is invited to bring in a story, picture, or other family artifact to share something from their—and really all of our—family tree. A potluck dinner will begin at 5:00, with discussion to follow and we should be finished by 8:00. Please sign up online, in Cloister Hall, or by calling the church office.

ARTastic!
Saturday, February 23rd 11:00am-1:00pm

Families are invited for a fun afternoon where parents (or grandparents or aunts or uncles or cousins or special grown up) and kids create a special project TOGETHER.

Be sure to wear clothes that let you explore your artistic side without worry! Everyone will be participating! We’ll get creative for lunch too!

Registration is required to make sure we have the supplies needed for your families project. To confirm your attendance at this free event you MUST register by February 17th either online, www.cantoncpc.org event registration or by calling the church office at 330.456.8113.
Below this *Pastor’s Note* you will find the first of what I believe will be many insights I will glean from my recent trip to Egypt. Before I begin talking about that place, I first must speak of this place. I suspect the thought of travel excites most people. Time away nourishes our soul and spirit. The more exotic the place, the greater the anticipation and intrigue. Yet we travel with the sure knowledge that we will return to this place. We come home.

Truth be told, home is where meaningful life happens. Though we may dream of far-off places home is where we encounter love and loss, success and failure, purpose and meaning. Dorothy really was right; “There’s no place like home.” We have built our lives around this place.

You might find this a bit bizarre, but upon my second day in exotic Egypt, I began to long for “this place.” First I longed for Jeanne, and then for my friends, for the rooms that make up my house, the roads I travel, for my church people and space; for all the familiar people and places that lend deep and ongoing significance to my life. These thoughts did not take away from the wonder and mystery I was experiencing in Egypt, but they served to “re-ground” me, and the purposes of God to be found here, in this place...home.

In the 28th chapter of Genesis we read of the journeys of Jacob. One night, as he was traveling from Beer-sheba to Harran, he stopped “for the sun had set.” Using a rock for a pillow, he fell asleep. That night he had a dream. He dreamed that the Lord stood beside him and said, “I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring.” When Joseph awoke he remembered the dream and said: “Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it.” He was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven.”

This is how I’ve come to think of my own life and this place. God has put me here...in this land...in this place. God has put me here with my beloved. Our children were raised here. Here, in this place, God has given me friends. In this place God has lodged and nourished His purposes for my life. I have met God here day after day and time and time (Grace in my midst!). Like Moses at the burning bush, I have come to understand this place as sacred ground. How awesome is this place. The Lord is in this place. I am ever aware of it.

How about you?

Peace to you...in this place,

_Pastor Doug_

**CONSIDERING EGYPT**

_The Lord said, “I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. Exodus 3:7_

_When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. “Get up,” he said, “take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him.” Matthew 2:13_

It is a mixed history the Judeo-Christian heritage shares with ancient Egypt. Moses knew it as a place of bondage and servitude. Joseph and Mary knew Egypt as a place of refuge. Today Egypt is 20% Christian and 80% Muslim. Like America, the degree to which faith forms and shapes the person varies with the individual. Like the Christian pastor, the Muslim Imam suffers the “Christmas/Easter only” adherent as well as the “cultural Muslim.”

All in all, I found the people of Egypt to be extremely friendly. They have, in so many ways, perfected the art of hospitality. City life is not dissimilar to city life in America; fast, grimy, congested, and loud. Rural life, however, is much different. The first thing you notice when driving into an Egyptian village for the first time is the obvious poverty. Many survive with only the bare necessities. The weather-beaten faces tell you village life is hard and sparse. So I set my expectations low as I entered my first village church to lead worship on Christmas Eve day. (Egyptians follow the Julian calendar, not the Gregorian calendar.)

The faces you see say it all. Perhaps children are the same everywhere. Christmas is coming. “Joy to the world.” In this, and every other village church I
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**Considering Egypt**

traveled to this Christmas Eve day, the feeling and expression of joy permeated everyone: children and adults, young and old, male and female. Even the teenagers were fully enmeshed in the delight of the moment. Everyone I met seemed filled with an indescribable gladness and generosity.

But why? Frankly, there would be no iPhone X or MacBook Pro waiting for any of them under the tree back home. Christmas vacation would amount to but one day. It goes without saying; there would be no “white Christmas.” So why this indescribable joy and generosity in the midst of such want and need...in the absence of excess? In the words of the Grinch, the village Christmas “came without ribbons. It came without tags. It came without packages, boxes or bags.” So why such elation and exultation? “What if Christmas, he thought, doesn’t come from a store? What if Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more?”

If we in the West celebrate the birth of love (“Love is God now asleep in the hay,” we sing) Christians in Egypt see the birth of Jesus as the birth of hope (“Hope of the world, God’s gift from highest heaven.” they sing.) Their faith in Jesus Christ, their life lived together in community as empowered of the Holy Spirit, their understanding that the world can change because the human heart can be transformed, gives them hope; hope for a better world now; for peace now; for justice now. So they live out their hopeful faith with joy and generosity.

There is much I still must ponder and pray on as I consider this trip to Egypt. But Paul’s words to the Romans seem to ring clearer and truer to me now more than ever.

*And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.* (Romans 5:2b-5)

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**This year 60th Anniversary of Camp Wakonda!**

You have lots of chances to join in the celebration: a Camp Sing-Along in memory of Dick Barnard, a special Taizé Retreat at camp, and our 60th Anniversary Camp event. Also, keep your eyes open for our special 60th Anniversary t-shirts that will come out later this year. We pray you’ll join us in making this anniversary special!

**Camp Sing-Along - February 24th, 11:30am-1:30pm**
(in memory of Dick Barnard)

By Donation (proceeds go toward sponsoring this summer’s staff)

Join us in Westminster Hall for a time of fellowship and snacks where we’ll sing songs reflecting 60 years of Wakonda as we remember beloved camp director, Dick Barnard.

**Taizé Retreat ($130—Adults only) - May 10th-12th**

Come away and rest in the style of the Taizé community. Enter into silence, Scripture study, simple meals, and meditative song. Join us for a weekend of worship.

(Register at [www.wakondacamp.org](http://www.wakondacamp.org))

**60th Anniversary Camp! - September 21st-22nd**

$80 (18 y.o.+), $25 (3 y.o.+), children under 3 are free

This is the weekend to celebrate the 60 year history of Wakonda! We’ll share stories, sing camp favorites, and catch up with other alumni around the campfire. The event will culminate in our annual Ox Roast! This overnight is for adults and families (Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian). Event officially begins Saturday at 10am, but guests are welcome to come Friday night (dinner and breakfast on your own).

(Register at [www.wakondacamp.org](http://www.wakondacamp.org))

**Get ready to have a ball at Camp Wakonda this summer!**

Here’s what to look forward to in 2019:

- Lego Masters
- Explorer Superheroes
- Escape Wakonda
- Treasure Hunters
- Discovery
- The Great Wakonda Cooking Challenge
- You Can’t Do THAT at Camp!
- Wakonda’s Got Talent
- Roughin’ It - Last Tent in the Woods

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Thank you for the prayers, food, cards, and calls. We are so blessed to have such a caring Church family.

Miriam Carter
Dejà vu all over again! For February, TAG is going to revisit Bender’s Tavern. Our lunch in January was such a success that we decided to go back again in February. Bender’s is located at 137 Court Avenue SW downtown just a couple of blocks from the church. You can park in the lot directly across from the restaurant, and bring your parking receipt inside to be validated by Bender’s, making your parking free with a minimum purchase of $22. Carpooling is strongly encouraged! Better yet, walk over from the church.

We will gather at 11:15 for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, with lunch at 11:30. Because they are so busy at lunch time, we’ve been asked to get our food orders in at 11:30, so please come a little earlier than you usually do for TAG.

In the event of bad weather, TAG will be cancelled if the Canton City Schools are closed for the day. Because we will need to give the restaurant a headcount, please sign up for February TAG no later than Sunday, February 17. You can sign up in the kiosk area, or call the church office. You can also sign up online. Thank you!

Box Tops for Education
Please remember to watch for and cut out Box Tops for Education. Please put your unexpired box tops in a marked envelope in the collection plate.

Thank you!
Hello friends and family,

Being away for the holidays has been bitter sweet. Nothing beats being home to help with Thanksgiving preparations. And a Christmas without decorating a tree, having snow, or making Orange Julius doesn’t even seem like Christmas. However, this year, I had to let go of those traditions and embrace those of my host family here in Mexico. Thanksgiving isn’t observed here for obvious reasons, but we celebrated in the mountains of Tlaxcala with the other YAGM volunteers where we made our own feast and climbed La Malinche. I experienced my first completely uncommercialized Christmas with no tree, no gift exchange, just singing in the choir and celebrating Emmanuel. On New Year’s Eve, we ate, danced, and set off fireworks. None of these holidays were like any I had experienced before—not better or worse, but different, and certainly culturally enlightening.

But my favorite new tradition was experiencing my first-ever Posada at our church, Buen Pastor! The Posada is a big community event that happens every year about two weeks before Christmas which follows the Christmas story through the eyes of the people traveling—the Wise Men, the Shepherds, and especially Mary and Joseph. Posadas means “inn or shelter” in Spanish, and part of the tradition is that there are people inside the house where a party is taking place and there are people outside pleading with them to let them in. These two groups of people sing back and forth asking to be let into the “inn” and being told that there is no room in the inn.” The group inside plays the innkeeper, putting words to human nature as they sing of fear, scarcity, judgement, skepticism, and a longing to protect their own comfort and security, while the group outside sing from the perspective of Mary and Joseph, pleading for compassion and hospitality, and sing of the Good News. In the end, the community is welcomed into the party and together they sing, “Enter holy pilgrims, pilgrims receive this corner, not this poor dwelling, but my heart. Tonight is for joy, for pleasure and rejoicing, for tonight we will give lodging to the Mother of God the Son.” (You can see the full song here: https://www.tripsavvy.com/posada-song-lyrics-and-translation-1588672). This song reminds me that it is natural to be afraid and to turn people away, but that God calls us to act with compassion and hospitality. Especially as I heard the community singing the words of Joseph and Mary, it reminded me of the passage when Jesus says in the parable of the sheep and the goats, “I was a stranger and you welcomed me in...Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me” (Matthew 25:35, 40).

While these past two months have been beautiful in many ways, they have also been plagued with homesickness, heart wrenching discernment, and doubt of why I’m here. One of the greatest joys has been to be with the asylum seekers at Casa Refugiados who are also struggling to be away from their families and homelands, to sit with each other in our loneliness and believe that we have both been called to come to Mexico for a reason. In this discernment and doubt, I decided to write out why I’m here and what my understanding of my calling is now that I’m half way through this year of service. I wanted to share it with you all, as my friends, family, and supportive sending community:

I am here because the ELCA was looking for people to go and my gut reaction was to say, “lead me where you need me.” I am here because I prayed about it and reflected on it, and felt that I could learn a lot from a year abroad in intentional community. I am here to give and receive radical hospitality. I am here to meet people that I would never have met otherwise, and to be a part of a global community, proving that it is more than just a humanitarian ideal. I am here because I believe that Christianity calls us to community—locally, nationally, and globally. I am here because “I am Moana”—aggressively seeking my calling in this world and believe that right now, that calling is to live in Mexico, to improve my Spanish, and to love the people with whom I interact. I am here because I not only want to read about asylum seeking, but I want to know the faces of people seeking asylum. I want to give them my undivided attention and listen to whatever they want to share with me. I am here because there is a very large family here in the outskirts of Mexico City that believes they are called to welcome a foreigner into their home each year. I am here to be present, to play games, have conversations, hold babies, build relationships, cook, and support other people as they do their job. I am here to pray with people when asked and laugh with people when the moment is right. I am here to accompany a few of the 23 million people that live in Mexico City. I am here to live a reality other than the one I was born into, and I am here to learn from it, grow in it, and see God with new eyes. I am here to join a new congregation and hear God’s voice in a language other than my own. I am here to remember and testify that God is so much bigger than Canton, than Ohio, than the United States—that God is here and God is everywhere.

Peace be with you,
Kathryn

For more stories and information, check out Kathryn’s blog:
https://kathryninmexico.weebly.com/

Prayer Requests:
Please pray for those who are in the process of seeking asylum
and for those who are beginning to establish their homes in a new country,
that they feel safe and loved and whole.
Please pray for the world to act with more compassion and hospitality.
Please pray for my fellow YAGMS.
Please pray for wisdom in my continued discernment.
Session Notes - December 18, 2018

Session met at 6:00 PM on December 18th, beginning with a delicious meal provided by Kevin Anderson. During dinner, TJ Hon reported that contributions are up and people are meeting their pledges. We then moved to the Chapel for worship led by Pastor Dave, that focused on “How may we delight the Lord”, which was well received by everyone. Our meeting continued with the approval of our previous Session Meeting minutes as well as the Clerk’s report which were both received unanimously.

Bert Smith made a motion, seconded by Jerry Norton to approve the baptism of Joshua Jai Wiggins on December 23rd 2018. We continued our meeting with discussion about Pastor Dave’s upcoming continuing educational trip to Egypt in early January 2019.

Pastor Ben George reported that he already has 5 female staff members for the upcoming 2019 camp season as well as several other positions filled. In 2019 Camp Wakonda will adapt a liturgical calendar as well as provide many new exciting themed camps. Several group camps, new and returning have already committed to the 2019 Wakonda season.

Pastor Michael reported that through generous donations a new keyboard has been donated to Christ Presbyterian Church that has already been tested with the confirmation class and over the summer will be utilized at Camp Wakonda. Christmas caroling went well, with a large group providing some Christmas cheer that was well received by many. A choir touring from Grove City College will be visiting CPC on March 3rd, an invitation to host the students was put out for the congregation, watch for more information on how you can help in the near future.

Pastor Dave was happy to report that over 365 pounds of candy was made and sold with a profit of over $5000.00 that will benefit future Mission West projects. A huge thank you to the 45 volunteers who gave of their time and talents. A truck load of gifts was also collected for the people of the Pine Ridge reservation, our congregation’s generosity knows no end. Pastor Dave also gave some more insight on his upcoming trip to Egypt and what he hopes to learn about church planting abroad. In his absence, Pastor Ben will speak on Jan 6th and Fred Gibbs will be speaking on the 13th of January.

Jerry Norton and Nancy Irving, representing Spirit and Space, reported that the Charette was a success and well attended. We continued our discussion on Program Outreach and how we as the body of Christ may respond to the call of who CPC wants to “Be.”

We concluded our meeting lifting up our congregation with prayers and praise led by Pastor Ben.

Respectfully submitted by Shawn Campbell.

Session Notes - January 15, 2019

During a tasty and satisfying dinner provided by Byrdie Stocker, Session received the report of Treasurer TJ Hon. The church’s finances are good, thanks to the response to the request for additional giving made in the fall. The Clerk’s report was next followed by Pastor Ben’s report on Camp Wakonda. This year is the 60th anniversary of the Camp, and there will be a number of special activities to commemorate that and support the Camp. Session then moved to the Chapel for worship led by Kevin Anderson, who offered his meaningful thoughts on how we are all members of Christ’s family. Reports from Pastor Michael and Pastor Dave covered their recent activities and plans for the coming month (more to come on Dave’s Egypt trip). Spirit and Space activities, which include work on fund raising and design, were reported by Jerry Norton and Nancy Irving. Session spent time considering approaches to the Ministry call issued by Spirit and Space last year. It appears the Holy Spirit is moving and we may start to see some tangible results of that Ministry call soon. Carol Orin and Byrdie Stocker were elected to be Session members of the Nominating Ministry for this coming year. There were discussions about the planning for the Church’s 200th anniversary celebration, which comes in 2021. The meeting was closed with prayers for members of our congregation and others in particular need of God’s care.

Respectfully submitted by Jerry Norton

Have you remembered your church in your will?

What should we do with the treasurers God has given us? You have an opportunity to further Christ’s work in the world by remembering Christ Church in your will. Please give consideration to this request. Call your attorney to amend your will. 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).

Weather/Building Related Closings

In the event of church services/activities being cancelled due to inclement weather, the closing will be announced on the local television stations, WKYC-TV3; NewsChannel 5. You may also check the websites: www.wkyc.com; www.fox8.com; or www.newsnet5.com.

REMINDER: The 2019 Per Capita Communicant Apportionment is set at $30.56 per member, with the General Assembly receiving 8.95, Synod $3.25, and the Presbytery $18.36. Your assistance in donating to help defray the cost to the church will be greatly appreciated. Please indicate on your check for the 2019 apportionment.
Grove City College Touring Choir
Sunday, March 3
7:00 pm

We are excited to welcome the Grove City College Touring Choir to Christ Church on Sunday, March 3rd at 7:00 pm. They will amaze us with musical works by such composers as Mozart, Poulenc, Bernstein, Gjeilo, Rutter, and Moses Hogan. Mark your calendars and join us for this free event!

In anticipation of welcoming the choir, we are seeking overnight hosts, with at least two students staying in each home. Housing is needed Sunday, March 3 after the concert, with transportation to your home and back to the church on Monday morning. We are still looking for several more host families. If you are interested in hosting, or have any questions, please contact Pastor Michael.

Our Coffee & Donut Time of Fellowship, on Sunday between Worship Services needs Volunteer Hosts. Hosting is scheduled for one time during the year. Serving on a Sunday during the Hosts Celebration Month, the Month in which our Birthdays Occur.

Please contact Jack Ketterer for details if you feel that you would like to be a part of this ministry.

The Property Committee was contacted by a member of our congregation regarding adding 2 more handicapped spaces where the old dumpster sat along W. Tusc. We hope to move quickly to get these new spaces marked and the other handicapped spaces restenciled so they are clearer to see....weather permitting!!

Peace,
Jeannine Moss Co-chair Property

Kristula (Kris) K. Piekarski
December 23, 2018

Abby Jo Clark
January 18, 2019

Christian sympathy is extended to the Piekarski and Clark Families.

Kevin Walker was baptized Sunday, November 4, 2018, at Christ Presbyterian Church.

Joshua Jai Wiggins, son of Adam & Bonnie (Smith) Wiggins, was baptized Sunday, December 30, 2018, at Christ Presbyterian Church.

Alzheimer’s Care-Giver Support Group Beginning

Caring for somebody suffering from dementia or Alzheimer’s disease is an all-consuming task. The stress placed on a spouse, family members, and other loved ones can take a toll. For these reasons, a support group designed for those caring for dementia or Alzheimer’s disease is being formed and will hold an informational meeting on Thursday, February 7th at 1:30 p.m. This group will meet in the Church Parlor. Elders Barb Barchy and Les Morgan are organizing the group. For more information, please call the church office.

Camp Wakonda is collecting your used K-Cups (please clean them out) for an upcoming art project. Please turn in your CLEANED K-Cups to Pastor Ben at the church office by February 17th.

Thank you!
**Sunday Morning Adult Classes—9:15-10:15 a.m.**

**Westminster Class:** Starting on Sunday, February 10, the Westminster Class will start studying the New Testament. We will go through the Gospels, Epistles, and Revelation, considering each genre in turn. We will welcome some new teachers and have some old ones back. As always, we are confident that you will learn something new as we continue our year-long class on “Getting the Big Picture of the Bible.” 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. 2/3—Renounce Everything for Christ, led by Steve Patterson; 2/10—Ponduring God’s Steadfast Love, led by Fred Bohse; 2/17—Praising God’s Mighty Works, led by Jack Ketterer; 2/24—Living With God’s Love Assurance, led by Les Morgan.

**The Intergenerational Sunday School** 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 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. This class meets in the Upper Room.

**Coffee & Conversation for Parents in the Pine Room:** Join the Coffee & Conversation class at 9:15 in the Pine Room as we discuss how to enact family spiritual formation. We’ll explore the challenges and benefits of setting this time apart as Greg & Jane Linville lead us through a discussion based on the book “Family Worship” by Donald Whitney.

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**NEW MEMBERS**

The following were received into membership at Christ Presbyterian Church on Sunday, November 4, 2018:

Andrea Brown—Reaffirmation of Faith
Moriah Howes—Reaffirmation of Faith
Kate George—Letter of Transfer
Sandra (Sandy) Kohler—Reaffirmation of Faith
Kari Martinez—Reaffirmation of Faith
Charles (Chuck) Truescher—Reaffirmation of Faith
Kevin Walker—Profession of Faith
Vanessa Worley—Letter of Transfer

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**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

Dear Christ Presbyterian Church Family,

Thank you for taking time to go Christmas caroling—and for visiting and serenading my mom, Joan Clarke. She absolutely loved the visit, the music, and the beautiful poinsettia. God’s timing was perfect, as I called Mom right when the carolers were present—and even got to talk to Joe Orin! Christmas caroling at CPC is a memory I cherish from my years at youth fellowship so many years ago. Please know how much this ministry of music and presence is the greatest Christmas present ever! Thank you for being a blessing and spreading the joy of Christ’s birth!

Shalom,
Sioux Clarke Finney

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**From the Food and Clothing Ministry:**

Thanks to all of you who have generously considered our Ministry last year. We are overwhelmed by your kindness. Just a reminder- We will continue to accept winter clothes through March. Please remember that they should be in- season items only, and in good condition. Items that are torn or stained must be thrown away and that puts a burden on the dumpster! We are also thrilled to receive gently worn blankets and towels.

With much love and gratitude- Lorraine and the FCP team

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Please remember to keep your pledge current. Thank you!

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**STEWARDSHIP—December**

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9:15 am Adult Classes
10:45 am Kids’ Church

Monday Schedule
10:00 am Staff Meeting

Tuesday Schedule
9:30 am Bible Study—Parlor

Thursday Schedule
7:00 am Men’s Bible Study
9:30 am Women’s Bible Study—Parlor
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, 2/1
10:30 am Small Group Meeting—Parlor

Saturday, 2/2
10:00 am—12:00 pm Youth Souper Bowl Sub Prep

Sunday, 2/3—Communion
Soup Bowl Subs Fundraiser
9:00 am Youth Souper Bowl Sub Prep

Tuesday, 2/5
7:00 pm Discipleship Meeting—Parlor

Wednesday, 2/6
4:30 pm Worship Ministry—Parlor
6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor
7:00 pm Deacons Meeting—Pine Room

Thursday, 2/7
1:30 pm Alzheimer Care Giver Support Group—Parlor

Saturday, 2/8
8:30-10:00 am Food Ministry Breakfast

Sunday, 2/10
4:00-6:15 pm Confirmation
5:45-7:30 pm Youth Group

Monday, 2/11
9:15 am Endowment Meeting—Library
12:00 pm Personnel Ministry—Parlor
4:00 pm Property Meeting—Parlor

Tuesday, 2/12
6:00-8:00 pm 200th Anniversary Planning—West. Hall
7:00 pm Spirit & Space Meeting—Parlor

Wednesday, 2/13
8:00 am Food Ministry

Friday, 2/15
10:30 am Small Group Meeting—Parlor

Sunday, 2/17
12:00 pm Youth Sledding & Pizza (at church if no snow)
4:00 pm Alcee Chriss Organ Concert—Sanctuary

Tuesday, 2/18
11:15 am TAG Luncheon—Bender’s Tavern
6:00 pm Session Dinner/Meeting—Parlor

Wednesday, 2/19—TYDINGS DEADLINE
6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor

Saturday, 2/23
11:00 am—1:00 pm ARTastic! Family Art Event

Sunday, 2/24
11:30 am—1:30 pm Camp Sing-a-long—Westminster Hall
5:00-8:00 pm Book Club Potluck—Westminster Hall

Tuesday, 2/26
7:00 pm Spirit & Space Meeting—Parlor

Wednesday, 2/27
8:00 am Food Ministry

February Birthdays

1 Nancy Baker, Don Hart, Rollin Reiter
2 Rick Angeli, Louise Sherban, Randy Snow
3 Mary Jane Ebie
5 Wayne Wallace
6 Judy Douglass, Donald Koch, Peggy Johnston
9 Jim Camp, Amanda Roberts, Megan Tibbits
11 Mary Angeli, Lisa Campbell, Drew DeLap
12 Brett Kemper
14 Peggy Griffith, Gloria Marks, Kathy Schlabach, Robin Shanower
15 Joan Clarke
16 Les Morgan
17 Don Rossbach
18 Andrea Doria, Heather Dominik, Lori Wulff
19 Yvonne Lee, Lori Sproul
20 Barbara Kroft, Gigi Somerville
21 Rafael Rodriguez
22 Madelyn Davison, Nancy Montgomery, David Rauch, Sharon Tuesley
23 Becky Banfield, Byrdie Stocker
24 Kathy Kettlewell, Merle Smith
25 Ellen Purchase
26 DeDe Bailey, Julia Dawson
27 Grace Snavely
28 Emily Hudson
29 April Daniska

Christ Church celebrates birthdays of members who are 95 years or more:
February 5—Wayne Wallace (98)
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To be added to the Tydings email list or to submit an article for Tydings, please email dnavc@cantonpc.org no later than Wednesday, February 20, 2019.

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Sunday Worship

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:
Sandy Kohler ~ 330-575-5874
midnightingaletoo@gmail.com
Judy Smith ~ 330-771-0598
judithsllsmith@gmail.com
Carol Orin ~ 330-833-2351
jlocao4638@gmail.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:
Alice Rauch—330-494-2997
Sue McCarty—330-323-0934

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February Youth/Confirmation Events

Saturday, February 2nd
Souper Bowl Subday Prep
10am-12pm

Sunday, February 3rd
Souper Bowl Subday Fundraiser
9:00am for prep, stay after church 30 minutes

Sunday, February 10th
Pizza, Devo, and Tiqvah Mission Project
4-6:15pm Confirmation
5:45-7:30pm Youth Group

Sunday, February 17th
Sledding and Pizza
(@ church if no snow!) Directly following church

Sunday, February 24th
Camp Sing-Along 60th Anniversary Event
11:30 am—1:30 pm in Westminster Hall