February Youth Events

Sunday, February 2—SUPER BOWL PARTY!!
6:00PM through the end of the halftime show
Watch party at Jennie George’s house
1809 Pinekroll NW
Massillon, OH 44646
Please bring a snack or appetizer to share.

Sunday, February 9—NO MEETING

Saturday, February 15—STRONGSVILLE TOBOGGAN CHUTES AND CHALET
12:00-4:00PM
Meet and pickup in the church parking lot
Please eat lunch in advance
Bring $6, full finger gloves/mittens are required to ride
RSVP by Sunday, February 9th

Sunday, February 23
YOUTH & FAMILY GAME NIGHT 5:00-7:00PM
Join us for dinner and games for all ages!

February 2020 Tydings

TAG
Tuesday, February 18, 11:30 am
Red Lobster

For February, we are going out to eat at Red Lobster while the TAG chefs take a well-deserved vacation. This will be easier to cancel in case of snow. Red Lobster is located at 4600 Belden Village Street NW in the Belden Village area (across from where the Jackson fire station used to be). You will be able to order anything you’d like and get an individual check. We will gather at 11:30 for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, with lunch at noon. 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 16. You can sign up in the kiosk area or call the church office. You can also sign up online. Thank you!

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES
Wednesday, February 26
5:15-5:45 pm & 7:00 p.m.

Join together to mark the beginning of Lent. We receive the sign of the cross as we enter into this season of prayer, fasting, and repentance. We gather in Christ Chapel and worship in the Taizé tradition as we focus on prayer, scripture, & silence preparing ourselves, finally, to receive Eucharist.

Chancel Choir in Concert
with chamber orchestra
Requiem by John Rutter
Sunday, March 29, 2020—4:00 pm

Come experience Lent with this profound contemporary work by English composer John Rutter. Written in 1985 on the occasion of his father’s death, the Requiem combines traditional Latin texts with Psalms and other
**Sunday Morning**  
9:15-10:15 a.m.

**Coffee & Conversations Classes** meets in the Pine Room.

**The Intergenerational Class** meets in the Upper Room. Every week is a unique discussion. Together we will seek to know God’s will and wisdom. Please speak with Mike Ophardt if you have any questions about this class.

**The Parlor Class** continues to study from the Present Word. 2/2—Single-minded Obedience, led by Karl Hershberger; 2/9—Piety That Honors God, led by Kari Martinez; 2/16—The Prayer of Jesus, led by Betsy Smith; 2/23—Perseverance in Prayer, led by Jim Smith.

**Westminster Class** continues to ask the questions of faith as we seek to understand God. 2/2—Confessing Jesus Christ in Context, led by Kathryn Ophardt; 2/9—The Person and Work of Jesus Christ (cont’d) and 2/16-23—The Holy Spirit and the Christian Life, led by Pastor Michael. See you at 9:15 am Sunday mornings!

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Have you ever considered being a Liturgist? Now is your chance! The Worship Ministry has moved to an online system for liturgists to sign up for Sundays on which they can serve in this important way.

The online sign up can be found on our website at www.cantoncpc.org. If you have never served as a liturgist before, once you sign up you will be contacted by a member of the Worship Ministry to guide you through all that you need to know. Thank you for considering being a part of this vital ministry. ~The Worship Ministry

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**In Sympathy**

December 15, 2019

Nancy W. Merrill  
December 28, 2019

Christian sympathy is extended to the Walker and Merrill families.

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**FINANCIAL NOTES**

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*This reporting reflects the General and Camp Funds from July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020. PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR PLEDGE CURRENT. THANK YOU!*

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**STEWARDSHIP—December**

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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REMINDER: The 2020 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 2020 apportionment.
February

CALENDAR

Sunday Morning Schedule
8:00 & 10:30 am Worship
9:00-9:15 am Children’s Choir Rehearsal—Chapel
9:15 am Children & Adult Classes

Monday Schedule
10:00 am Staff Meeting

Tuesday Schedule
9:30 am Bible Study—Parlor
11:15-12:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal

Wednesday Schedule
7:30 am Men’s Bible Study—West. Hall

Thursday Schedule
9:30 am Women’s Bible Study—Parlor
7:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 2/2—Communion
6:00 pm Youth Super Bowl Party—Jennie George’s

Wednesday, 2/5
6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor
7:00 pm Deacons’ Meeting—Pine Room

Thursday, 2/6
1:30 pm Alzheimer’s Support Group—Parlor

Friday, 2/7
10:30 am Small Group—Parlor

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

Monday, 2/10
9:15 am Endowment Meeting—Library
4:00 pm Property Meeting—Parlor

Wednesday, 2/12
8:00 am Food Ministry
12:00 pm Archives Committee—Library
4:30 pm Worship Ministry—Parlor

Saturday, 2/15
12:00-4:00 pm Youth—
Strongsville Tobaggen Chutes & Chalet

Tuesday, 2/18
11:30 am TAG Luncheon at Red Lobster
8:00-11:30 am GRACE Ministries—Pine Room
6:00 pm Session Dinner/Meeting—Parlor

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

Friday, 2/21
10:30 am Small Group—Parlor

Sunday, 2/23
5:00-7:00 pm Youth & Family Game Night—West. Hall

Tuesday, 2/25
10:00 am—3:00 pm Storied Churches

Wednesday, 2/26
8:00 am Food Ministry
5:15 pm Ash Wednesday Communion Service—Chapel
7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Communion Service—Chapel

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, Peggy Johnston, Donald Koch
8  Emmett O’Wesney
9  Jim Camp, Amanda Roberts, Megan Tibbits
11  Mary Angeli, Lisa Campbell, Drew DeLap
14  Peggy Griffith, Gloria Marks, Kathy Schlabach, Robin Shanower
15  Joan Clarke
16  Les Morgan
17  Don Rossbach
18  Heather Dominik, Andrea Doria, Lori Wulff
19  Lori Sproul, Yvonne Lee
20  Barbara Kroft, Gigi Somerville
21  Rafael Rodriguez
22  Madelyn Davison, Nancy Montgomery, David Rauch, Sharon Tuersley
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 (99)
February 26—Julia Dawson (95)

Join the Journey

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

Sundays March 8, 15, 22, 29
following the 10:30am Worship in the Parlor. Light lunch provided.
Questions? Talk to the Pastor Michael. Please sign-up online or in Cloister Hall.

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Are you dreaming of summer yet?
At Camp Wakonda, we are! Mark your calendars for the camp events below. Pick up a brochure of the Adult Offerings at church, and be on the lookout for the brochure of the Children's Offerings in the coming weeks!

**Adult Offerings:**
- 4/30 - 5/3: Men's Retreat (adults only)
- 5/15-17: Women's Retreat (adults only)
- 5/29-31: Taize Retreat (adults only)
- 6/25-27: Parent & Me (adult with kids aged 4-7)
- 7/8-10: Family Camp
- 10/2-4: Presbyterian Women Retreat (adults only)

**Children's Offerings:**
- 6/14-19 & 7/19-24: Roughing It (grades 6-8)
- 6/14-19: Around the Campfire (grades 9-12)
- 6/21-24: The Great Wakonda Cook-off (grades 6-8)
- 6/21-26: Just Games (grades 6-8)
- 6/25-27: Discovery (grades K-2)
- 6/28 - 7/3: Created to Create (grades 3-5)
- 6/28 - 7/3: Escape Wakonda: Design Squad (grades 3-5, 6-8)
- 7/5-7: The Great Wakonda Cook-off (grades 3-5)
- 7/19-24: Treasure Hunters (grades 3-5)

Wakonda Takes the Plunge—February 8
On February 8, a team from Camp Wakonda, led by Pastor Ben, will take the Jackson Polar Bear Plunge into Lake Cable. You can help support camp: either "Pay or Plunge" go to www.jacksonpolarbearplunge.org. If you choose to donate, select the team "Camp Wakonda Ice Cubes."

You are invited to attend SoulShop, a one-day workshop which equips leaders to minister to those impacted by suicidal desperation. After providing a Biblical framework for understanding and preventing suicide, our specialist, Ed Sutter, will develop greater suicide awareness and basic conversation skills, as well as make space, inviting those who have been suicidal in the past to share their stories. This workshop is open to everyone and anyone, but you must register online or by calling the church office 330-456-8113.

There are two opportunities to attend this workshop. The first will be on Saturday, March 7, 9am-4pm at church. The second will be Monday, June 8, 9am-4pm at Camp Wakonda. The workshop at Camp Wakonda focuses on youth and camp ministry, but is open to everyone. We believe so strongly in the importance of this program that it is being offered free of charge, but we might suggest a donation of $20/person. Lunch is included. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Michael.

Our SoulShop specialist will be Ed Sutter. Ed is the Director of Middle School Ministry and Family Counseling at Westminster Presbyterian Church in the South Hills of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and has served the communities of Pittsburgh in ministry for more than 10 years. Ed is a Nationally Certified Counselor, holds a Coaching Certification through the Center for Advanced Coaching, and is enrolled as a PhD student with Waynesburg University's Counselor Education and Supervision program. Ed provides therapy, counseling and consulting services to adolescents, families and adults as well as churches and schools in both Western Pennsylvania and nationally. Ed is experienced in working with issues surrounding social development, including self-injury and suicide, and has developed retreat series and counseling programs that promote the development of resilience and coping skills. Ed's passion is to see healthy growth and challenge in the lives of those he lives and works with. Ed lives in Pittsburgh with his wife and their three daughters. If he's not with his family or students, you'll likely find Ed and his dog in the woods!

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Session Notes - January 21, 2020

Session began with a delicious meal provided by Nancy Irving. Pastor Dave offered a blessing. The minutes of our previous meeting and Clerk’s Report were approved. There was also discussion held concerning submitted reports and minutes by other committees for 2019. Jerry Norton reviewed the financial report and found that we are in good standing even though attendance was slightly lower through the Holidays. He let us know that Endowment is up due to the stock market being strong. The Financial Report was approved.

Nancy Irving reported on the Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group. She noted that she and Judy Smith will be receiving formal training so that Christ Church can achieve the status of an official support group and help others receive the support and training, they need. They are hoping the training will be completed by February to keep things moving along.

We continued our meeting with the listing of those we need to hold up in prayer. Session then moved to the Chapel to be led in Worship by Kevin Anderson who spoke on Authenticity and Grace which was very well received by everyone.

Pastor Michael reported that the Bicentennial Archive group continues to sift through an enormous amount of material and the need to add additional manpower and time is needed as the time of Bicentennial celebration grows closer. Pastor Michael continues to teach Sunday school as well as pursue his PhD. The Church’s website will soon be getting a facelift, a local company will be doing the updating. Soul Shop will be holding two events, one at CPC, March 7th from 9-4, the other at Camp Wakonda on June 8th from 9-4, focusing on suicide and how to minister to those impacted by it. Michael also distributed the book “Prayer – Forty Days of Practice”, by Justin McRoberts & Scott Erickson that will be used by the church during the upcoming Lent season.

Pastor Dave reported that the Advent and Christmas season were again successful. Discussion to change the time of the services to accommodate more families is something that may happen in the future. The new church sign should be up and running soon, the sign will be constructed of materials that will compliment our current church façade. Lenten planning is going well. There was also some discussion on funding for the upcoming Egypt trip as well as our own Youth Group. Session had a lengthy discussion on how we can best serve the church in Egypt as well as continuing to train leaders in that country so that new churches can continue to be planted in that region. The Pastor’s Bible study continues to meet and they are currently studying the book of Job, Dave is encouraged by the number of new people who are attending.

Pastor Ben was happy to report that the first camp brochures should be on their way soon. There will also be several offerings for adult camps in May as well. Ben will be preaching in 5 different churches in the next few months as well as visiting 7 different colleges promoting Camp Wakonda as well as looking for staff. Lifeguards, Maintenance Staff as well as a head cook are already in place for the upcoming season, some of the counselor slots have been filled as well. Ben continues to seek a year-round part-time maintenance person to keep camp running smoothly. The camp board restructuring continues to move forward. Contributions to the 60/60 campaign are over $43,000.00 for future camp endowments.

Elder Jerry Norton reported that Spirit & Space continues to review and plan for the upcoming work here at Christ Church. The construction company continues to receive and review estimates for various stages and elements of the renovation. The Gather us in Campaign has been a huge success and all parties involved are working tirelessly to keep the project moving forward.

Our meeting concluded with Session gathering together and reciting the Lord’s prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Shawn Campbell.

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The music of
Billy Joel and Elton John
Face to Face

One Night Only!

FRIDAY, JUNE 12TH AT 7:00PM
CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Billy and Elton, brought to life by Britt and Heather Cooper, play their greatest hits.
Hear a musical duel between the Piano Man and the Rocket (wo)Man!
Tickets $100
to benefit Camp Wakonda
on sale now at
www.cantoncpc.org
Includes appetizers and beverages.

from the
Deacons’ Bench

The Deacons would like to send a heartfelt thank you to all who participated in the Epiphany Madrigal Feast that took place on January 4th. It was a wonderful celebration! To all who volunteered, bought tickets or gave an Oscar winning performance as the Kings and Queens, we thank you. The Firestone High School Choir provided the music for the evening. They were absolutely outstanding! It was a great success for the Food, Clothing and Prayer Ministry.

Also Pastor Michael will be providing more information soon regarding the” SOUL SHOP” training for the ministry in suicide desperation workshop taking place on March 7th. If you have any questions please ask Pastor Michael.

This new year is a Leap year........
“Let this be the year you LEAP into the life you’re meant to live”

Submitted by Tracy Smith
Return Service Requested

The Church is charged for every returned Newsletter. If you have moved, or changed a seasonal address, please notify the church office. Thank you.

To be added to the Tydings email list or to submit an article for Tydings, please email dnave@cantoncpc.org no later than Wednesday, February 19, 2020.

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:
Sandy Kohler ~ 330-575-5874
midnightingaletoo@gmail.com
Judy Smith ~ 330-771-0598
judithllsmith@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 Nelson—330-832-2999

S & S Challenge
Do you know...
How many stair steps are in the public areas inside Christ Presbyterian Church?

One lucky winner will receive a FUN PRIZE by submitting the correct answer to the receptacle in Cloister Hall before February 29, 2020!

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).