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 under 3: our Nursery 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.

Our Children’s Area located at the back on the Lectern Side of the Sanctuary has many resources to help your child and youth stay engaged in Worship. An usher is able to help direct you if you need assistance.

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

*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.
The Order For Morning Worship
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 2, 2020

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Organ Voluntary  “Lord God, Now be Glorified” J. S. Bach
BWV 601

Welcome & Worship Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: What does the Lord require of you,

People: but to do justice,

love kindness,

and walk humbly with God?

*Micah 6:8

*Hymn in Procession No. 321 “The Church’s One Foundation”

*Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Redeeming God, you come to us in Christ

to rescue us from slavery

and lead us out of captivity.

Guide us by the wisdom of the cross,

and show us how to live a life of justice,

love and blessedness. Amen.

Micah 6:8; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:12

Call to Confession

Let us confess our sins,

for the Holy One delights in blessing

those who seek to walk with God.

Psalm 15:1-5
Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God, we have not done what is blameless and right, nor spoken truth from the heart with love.
We do not keep your word, and when we participate in gossip, our words and deeds cause pain.
Forgive us by the power of your mercy, that we might stand in the goodness of Christ and walk in the light of his love. Amen.

Kyrie

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Sisters and brothers, your sins are forgiven by the faith of Christ, who chose love over hatred and forgiveness over blame.
People: We rejoice and are glad, for God’s mercy is great. Amen.

*Response—Hymn No. 436 (verses 1 and 2)

“God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us”
LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Message for Children

All Children are invited to come forward for the Children’s Message. After the prayer, children First Grade and older return to their families; children Kindergarten and younger may go downstairs for Kids’ Church and can be picked up in the lower level. Children and families are welcome to use the many resources available in the Children’s Area during Worship.

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, your blessings are abundant, and your wisdom exceeds our grasp. Fill us with your Spirit as we hear your word this day, that we may be justice seekers and peacemakers, sharing your life among those who are forgotten, weak, or persecuted, and revealing to all your glory. Amen.

First Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

The Beatitudes

People: Thanks be to God.

Pew Bible pages 785-786
Large print Pew Bible pages 4-5

*Hymn No. 301

“Let Us Build a House”

Second Reading

Micah 6:1-8

God Challenges Israel

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Pew Bible page 757
Large print Pew Bible pages 1060-1061

Sermon

Rev. Benjamin George

“What Makes It Church?”

“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?” (Micah 6:8)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed: page 34
Invitation to the Offering

Proverbs 19:17  “Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and will be repaid in full.”

Anthem  “The Beatitudes”  Damijan Močnik

*Doxology—Hymn No. 70  “What Does the Lord Require of You?”

Prayer of Dedication  (in unison)
We thank you, God, that you have blessed us  Matthew 5:1-12
with an abundance of gifts for the flourishing of your world.
May this offering of our life and labor reveal your love
as we seek to share your promised reign with all creation.  Amen.

*Invitation to the Lord’s Table

*Communion Hymn No. 508  “Come to the Table”

*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 indeed right, our duty and highest joy, that we should at all times
and in all places give thanks to you, O holy Lord, Father almighty,
everlasting God.  You created the heavens and the earth and all that is
in them.
  People:  You made us in your own image; and in countless ways you
show us your mercy.
  Leader:  Therefore with angels and archangels and the whole company of
heaven, we worship and adore your glorious name, praising you
forevermore:
Leader: All glory and blessing are yours, O holy God, for in your great mercy you gave your only Son, Jesus Christ. He took our human nature, and suffered death on the cross for our redemption. There he made a perfect sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

People: We praise you that before he suffered and died, our Savior gave us this holy sacrament and commanded us to continue it as a lasting memorial of his death and sacrifice until he comes again.

Leader: 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.

Therefore, remembering his incarnation and holy life, his death and glorious resurrection, his ascension and continual intercession for us, and awaiting his coming again in power and great glory, we claim his eternal sacrifice and celebrate with these your holy gifts the memorial your Son commanded us to make. Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.
Leader: Merciful God, by your Holy Spirit bless and make holy both us and these your gifts of bread and cup, that the bread we break may be a communion in the body of Christ, and the cup we bless may be a communion in the blood of Christ.

People: Here we offer ourselves to be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to you.

Leader: In your mercy, accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, as, in communion with all the faithful in heaven and on earth, we ask you to fulfill, in us and in all creation, the purpose of your redeeming love.

People: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Communion Music
“Lamb of God”                    Alfred Fedak
“Ubi caritas”          Alan Bullard

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. 295 “Go to the World!”

*Benediction

Choral Response “The Peace of the Earth”                John Bell

Organ Voluntary “Festival Toccata”                    Percy Fletcher

For anyone wishing confidential individual prayer, immediately following the service a member of the Stephen Ministry will be available in the Chapel.
The flowers in the Chancel vases today are given to the Glory of God.

The Cathedral Hour today is made possible by the Mr. and Mrs. Alvin J. Gibbs Endowment.

Liturgist: Randy Bailey

Acolytes: Hannah Kemper, Jane Rice, Ava Skolnik, Nathan Skolnik

Youth Acolyte Master: Ty Ohlinger
Adult Acolyte Master: Vanessa Worley

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020
Scripture Readings:
Isaiah 58: 1-9a (9b-12); Psalm 112:1-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16),
Matthew 5:13-20

Consider: What does it mean to have the mind of Christ, and how do I live with the mind of Christ in my daily activities? If I let my light shine, what will others see in me? Will others see Jesus? Will they give glory to God?

Update: Spirit & Space
Many of you are curious as to the progress toward reaching the $150,000 anonymous gift that was offered in December. I am pleased to say that at this time we have received $103,526. We are over half way to our goal! Thank you to those who have pledged for your generosity and to all of those who are continuing to consider a gift or added pledge. —Jerry Norton

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
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 Taize tradition as we focus on prayer, scripture, & silence preparing ourselves, finally, to receive Eucharist.

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**Daily Grace**

**CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship**

**The Week of February 2, 2020**

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, February 9:**

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**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 **David vs. Goliath (1 Samuel 17)**.
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."
Making Contributions: When making your Gather Us In contributions, PLEASE make sure that you indicate on the memo line of your check that the contribution is for Gather Us In. If you do not indicate this, then your contribution will be applied to your General Fund Pledge. It is VERY important that you indicate your intent in the memo line of your check or attach a note along with your check as to how you wish it applied. This will help to resolve conflicts when you receive your contribution statements and find that your gifts were not applied as you had intended. Thank You for helping us help you, Donald Weltlich, Assistant Treasurer

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GF = General Fund  
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FCPM = Food, Clothing, Prayer, Ministry

Pay Your Pledge From Our Website: Remember CPC is able to accept your taxable contributions, for your pledges, Gather Us In, and other favorite ministries, securely online from the church website. Simply go to www.cantoncpc.org, and you will see the Green Online Giving button in the left column, simply click on the button and this will take you to the secure donation page.

Bicentennial Logo Contest
As a part of our bicentennial preparation, we invite one and all to participate in designing a new logo that will be identified with all of our celebrations. The winning logo will appear on all publications and will be used for all official purposes regarding the bicentennial anniversary. Each entry should be submitted electronically to Pastor Michael <mwallace@cantoncpc.org> on or before February 3, 2020. You may submit multiple entries but each must be submitted individually. Entries must conform to the Submission Guidelines set out below.

Submission Guidelines
The purpose of the contest is to design a logo for the materials associated with Christ Presbyterian Church’s 200th Anniversary Celebration. The logo will be used online, in print, and on any merchandise. Flexibility is a key requirement, including the need to resize easily and to look good in black and white as well as color. The final version of the logo will need to be suitable for high quality printing.

Take care to ensure that your entry is an original work, and does not contain, nor look similar to, existing logos or other copyrighted images. The logo must contain the words, Christ Presbyterian Church, Christ Church, or CPC and should make it clear that it is for the 200th Anniversary and include the years 1821 to 2021. The logo could incorporate elements from the PCUSA logo, stained glass windows/mosaics of the sanctuary, the façade of the building, or something representative of Canton or the church.

Judging and Selection of Winner
The winning design will be selected by the congregation and the Bicentennial Committee in February 2020. The winner will be announced in March 2020. The winner will receive a $50 prize.
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

Help needed with archives!
Do you love old handwriting or calligraphy? Would you like to put your skills to the test and help the archives ministry to transcribe old Session minutes? Below is a fairly neat example of minutes from 1922, but there are another hundred years of minutes prior to that in various styles of handwriting. We are particularly looking for someone who could transcribe these minutes by typing them on the computer. This work could be done at the church or at home! If you’re interested, please contact Pastor Michael. Thanks!

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

Please save the date of Saturday, March 7 for a one-day training here at CPC to equip faith community leaders to minister to those impacted by suicidal desperation. More details will be coming soon, but please mark your calendars now. If you have questions, talk to Pastor Michael.


**Sunday Morning Adult Classes 9:15—10:15 a.m.**

**Coffee & Conversations Class** 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

**Westminster Class** continues to ask the questions of faith as we seek to understand God.
- Feb. 2: Confessing Jesus Christ in Context, led by Kathryn Ophardt
- Feb. 9: The Person and Work of Jesus Christ (cont’d) led by Pastor Michael
- March 1, 8, 15: The New Community, led by Pastor Matt Skolnik
- March 22, 29: Proclamation, Sacraments, and Ministry, led by Pastor Matt Skolnik

See you at 9:15 am Sunday mornings!

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**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:

**Nancy Baker**  
*(Happy Birthday)*

**Wayne Wallace**  
*(Happy Birthday)*

Your will speaks for you after death. Have you included a bequest to further your faith?
## Activities for the Week of February 2

### Today
- **8:00 am** Worship Service—Chapel
- **9:00-9:15 am** Children’s Choir Reh.—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
- **12:00 pm** Lunch Bunch
- **6:00 pm** Youth Super Bowl Party @ Jennie George’s

### Monday
- **10:00 am** Staff Meeting

### Tuesday
- **9:30 am** Bible Study—Parlor
- **11:15 am-12:15 pm** Handbell Reh.—Choir Room

### Wednesday
- **7:30 am** Men’s Bible Study—Westminster Hall
- **6:30 pm** Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor
- **7:00 pm** Deacons Meeting—Pine Room

### Thursday
- **9:30 am** Women’s Bible Study—Parlor
- **1:30 pm** Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group—Parlor
- **7:15 pm** Chancel Choir Reh.

### Friday
- **10:30 am** Small Group—Parlor

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

### Sunday, February 9
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**REMEMBER:** 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.
January/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
Please bring a snack or appetizer to share.
1809 Pineknoll NW, Massillon, OH 44646

**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 9

**Sunday, February 23**  Youth and Family Game Night
5:00-7:00pm
Join us for dinner and games for all ages!

All are invited to a fun night of games, food, and fun! We’ll have pizza and other easy to eat foods while we get our GAME ON!

We’ll have plenty of games to choose from or you can bring one to share. Play with your family or form teams to challenge others! There will be games for adults and kids to enjoy at any skill level so don't miss out on the fun!

Sign up online or at the kiosk so we know how much food to prepare.