The Transfiguration
Sanzio de Urbino Raffaello, 1483-1520
Known as “Raphael,” an Italian painter and architect of the High Renaissance. His work is admired for its clarity of form and ease of composition. Together with Michelangelo and Leonardo da Vinci, he forms the traditional trinity of great masters of that period.
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.

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Christ Presbyterian Church Staff

Ministers: The People of Christ Church
Senior Pastor: Rev. David de Vries
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*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
Transfiguration of the Lord

February 23, 2020
Ten-Thirty O’Clock

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Instrumental Voluntary
“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”         Derek Hakes
Christ Church Ringers

Welcome & Worship Notes

Choral Introit
“Offertory for the Transfiguration of Our Lord”    Robert Hobby

Beloved, we are God’s children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be,
but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is,
And all who thus hope in him purify themselves as he is pure.

Call to Worship

Leader: The glory of God shines
        like a consuming fire.             Psalm 50:1, 3; 2 Corinthians 4:6
        Mark 9:7
People: We have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
Leader: The voice of God thunders like a mighty storm.
People: Out of the cloud, God speaks:
        This is my beloved Son; listen to him!

*Hymn in Procession No. 189
“O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair”

*Prayer of the Day (in unison)
God of majesty and might,
you have blessed us with revelations of your glory.
Give us the gift of faith,
that we may hear your voice for ourselves
and see Jesus Christ revealed to us
that we may stand on our own without fear. Amen.        Psalm 99:4
        2 Peter 1:18
        Matthew 17:7

Call to Confession

T精致 in God’s steadfast love,
let us confess our sin.
Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

Glorious God, you are all wisdom
and a lamp to our feet,
yet we fail to listen to you
and neglect to follow your guidance.

Forgive us, heal us, and lead us on,
that we may walk in your ways
and be happy in your refuge;
in Jesus our Christ we pray. Amen.

Psalm 2:12

Kyrie—Hymn No. 579 *(sung in Greek)*

“Lord, Have Mercy”

1 Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
2 Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.
3 Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.


Assurance of Pardon

The good news of our faith is this:
if we call upon God we will be answered and forgiven.

That promise gives us peace and joy;
let us share that peace and joy with one another.

Psalm 99:8
*Response

Mark Schweizer

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Glo - ry to God in the high - est And
peace to His peo - ple on earth. Lord God, Hea - n'y King, Al -
mighty God and Fath - er, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, We praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fath - er,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. You are se - ated
at the right hand of the Fath - er; re - ceive our
prayer. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the
Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the
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

God our light, make us attentive to your Word as a lamp shining in a dark place, that seeing your truth we may live faithful lives until that great day dawns and the morning star rises in our hearts. Amen.

Hebrew Scripture

Moses Goes Up the Mountain
Leader: The Word of the Lord. Pew Bible page 62
People: Thanks be to God. Large print Pew Bible pages 87-88

Epistle Reading

Eyewitnesses of Christ’s Glory
Leader: The Word of the Lord. Pew Bible page 987
People: Thanks be to God. Large print Pew Bible page 287

*Hymn No. 845

“To the Hills I Lift My Eyes”

Gospel Reading

The Transfiguration of Jesus
People: Thanks be to God. Large print Pew Bible pages 22-23

Sermon
Rev. David de Vries

“Transfigured, Transformed, Then Thwarted”

But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.
OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed: page 35

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Grace In Our Midst—Kevin Anderson

Invitation to the Offering

Hebrews 13:16 “Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.”

Anthem  “A Canticle of Transfiguration” Franklin Ashdown

O Wondrous sight! O vision fair of glory that the church shall share, which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun He glows!
From age to age the tale declares How with the three disciples there where Moses and Elijah meet, the Lord holds converse high and sweet.
The law and prophets there have place, two chosen witnesses of race;
The Father’s voice from out the cloud proclaims His only Son aloud.
With shining face and bright array, Christ deigns to manifest that day what glory shall be theirs above who joy in God with perfect love.
And faithful hearts are raised on high by this great vision’s mystery;
for which in joyful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

*Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia . . . Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

God of mountaintops and valleys,
be our vision of you clouded or brilliantly clear,
we faithfully add our gifts
to those being given all around us.

Bless these offerings that they may be transfigured
into your presence in the world. Amen.
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. 193 “Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”

*Benediction

Choral Response “Alleluia” K. Lee Scott

Organ Voluntary “Fanfare” Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens

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 in loving memory of Louis C. Kopf and in honor of David Rauch’s 19th Birthday from Alice Rauch.

The flowers in the Pedestal vases today are given in loving memory of Robert Schlabach from Kathy.

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

Liturgist: Terri Bate

Acolytes: Tommy Rice, Jane Rice, Megan Cooper, Jace Anderson

Youth Acolyte Master: Ty Ohlinger

Adult Acolyte Master: Vanessa Worley
PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2020

Scripture Readings:
Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

Consider: How might you grow in faith and draw near to Jesus through the forty days of Lent? Let Jesus' three responses to the devil be your guide: (1) study Scripture (live by the Word of God; Matthew 4:4); (2) seek reconciliation with God and others (do not put God to the test; Matthew 4:7); and (3) be active and intentional about participating in the worship of your congregation (worship the Lord your God; Matthew 4:10).

Prayer: Forty Days of Practice
by Justin McRoberts & Scott Erickson

The Discipleship ministry is very excited to announce the book for our All Church Read for this Lenten season. Understanding that not everyone likes to read, we have intentionally chosen a book with 40 short meaningful prayers, with evocative images to accompany each one. Interspersed there are some short reflections and other spiritual practices that you are invited to engage in. We hope that you would savor the prayers in this book daily throughout Lent and that through them, you might meditate on how the Spirit is calling and shaping you.

We have already purchased copies of the book, which are now available to pick up in Cloister Hall or throughout the week in the church office. The books are offered to the congregation for free, but you are welcome to donate to offset the costs (suggested donation of $10).

Invitation to Women's Bible Study

Looking for some encouragement and fellowship with the All Church Read? During Lent the women's Bible study will be discussing Prayer: Forty Days of Practice by Justin McRoberts and Scott Erickson. This is a "come as you are, come when you can" sort of group; all are welcome! We meet in the Parlor on Thursdays from 9:30-11:00am. Childcare is provided. Please contact Courtney Wallace with any questions.
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, the specialist 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.

The workshop at Camp Wakonda has a youth ministry focus, but is open to everyone. We believe so strongly in this important program, that we are freely offering it, but we might suggest a donation of $20/ person. Lunch will be included. (Additional support and resources provided by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Ohio Chapter.)

Register online at www.cantoncpc.org or call 330-456-8113.

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.

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 Bible verses in English.
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.

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.

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of February 23, 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, March 1:
Monday: Genesis 2:15-17 Thursday: Matthew 4:1-11
Tuesday: Psalm 32 Friday: Genesis 3:1-7
Wednesday: Romans 5:12-19 Saturday: Psalm 32
Silent Meditation and Prayer
(Listening for God's voice in Scripture and silence)
Prayers of the People
(Listing 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's Personal Confession (Psalm 51).
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.  
2/23—Perseverance in Prayer, led by Jim Smith.

Westminster Class continues to ask the questions of faith as we seek to understand God.  
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!

FCP Ministry Reminder:  
In preparation for our upcoming construction, the architect's have walked the building and identified some areas that need to be addressed before a building code review. One such space is our current Clothing Room. We try to accept only clothing that is "in season" but often find that, when cleaning out closets, people give us more than the current season. We have been boxing and storing these items, and the back of the Clothing Room is now stacked with these out of season clothes which must now be removed.

I ask your help so that we don't get to this point again. We still need your support with clothing because there is a significant need for clothes, coats, towels and blankets. However, we receive bags and bags of donations every week that can't be used. Please consider the items that are being donated to our church. If the items are out-of-season, in disrepair, stained or too dressy for the client's we serve then please consider donating them to the Salvation Army or Goodwill. They have larger facilities and are better able to accept them.

We should be more aware of the bags of clothes that pile up in the hallways and in the Clothing room and I hope that this policy will help us achieve this. Please call me and I'm happy to answer any questions before you bring down your donations. With all God's love- Lorraine Murphy 330.495.8963
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Be a WILLing Christian. Remember Christ Presbyterian Church in your will.
For March, TAG comes back to the church. We will have a special lunch catered by Chick-fil-A. Following the meal, Dr. Don Bartlette, ambassador for Chick-fil-A, will talk with us about their legendary customer service and how they train their employees.

Dr. Don is a full-time public speaker who travels across North America and other countries to share his story of perseverance and the power of intervention by one adult who cares. “Macaroni at Midnight” chronicles his life as a Native American child growing up in the face of disability, poverty, rejection by his community, family and school violence, racism, abuse, and family alcoholism. We may have to have him come back to hear more from this fascinating man.

Please be aware that this catered meal will be $10. Because we will need to give Chick-fil-A a headcount, you must sign up for March TAG no later than Friday, March 13. You can sign up in the kiosk area or call the church office. You can also sign up online. Thank you!

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
Lent is a special time of the year for spiritual reflection as we prepare for Holy Week. We have an entertaining way to enter into Lent and reflect on our identities. Rachel Pollock will be presenting her one woman show “Journey to Long Nose” in Westminster Hall at Christ Presbyterian Church at 4:00pm on March 22. The play is an amusing exploration of how we see ourselves and others see us. There will be a forum for discussion afterwards. A free will offering will be collected.

Rachel who is a professor at Muskingum College and her husband Tim, pastor at Bloomfield Presbyterian Church, together founded BiGFiSH FOLKLiFE, a religious non-profit. Their mission is to bring together artists and audiences in a cultural exchange of folklife stories and to provide retreat, education, and worship opportunities for and by artists.
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 at the kiosk so we know how much food to prepare.

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!

TODAY

GAME NIGHT

5:00 – 7:00 pm