Christ Presbyterian Church
530 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton, Ohio 44702

March 17, 2019

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.

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
2nd Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2019

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Organ Voluntary
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Arr., Robert Hobby
Heather Cooper, organist

Welcome & Worship Notes

Call to Worship
Leader: The psalmist sings, Psalm 27:4
People: One thing I asked of the Lord, that I will seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord,
and to inquire in God's temple.
Leader: Sisters and brothers, God is good,
and in love and mercy greets us here.


*Prayer of the Day (in unison)
Loving God, Psalm 27:1, 5, 11, 14
you save all who seek refuge in you.
Grant that we who know your salvation
may walk always in your light,
take courage in your faithfulness,
and rejoice in your astounding goodness to us.
Through Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

Call to Confession
The Lord is our light and our salvation; Psalm 27:1
whom shall we fear?
With humble hearts,
let us confess our sins before God and one another.
Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, Philippians 3:20-21

you have made us citizens of heaven,
but we confess that we have set our minds on earthly things.
We have let our desire for security restrain
our commitment to serve the poor.
We have let our fear of danger curb
our obligation to love our enemies.
We have let our love of things dull
our generosity to the needy.
We have let our craving for public status
prevent our honesty about hidden sins.
Yet, you know the desires of our heart
and nothing is hidden from you.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
conform our sin-weakend bodies to the glory of Christ,
that we may be the body of Christ for the world. Amen.

Kyrie (Trisagion) From New Plainsong; David Hurd

Choir sings first line, then all join in on repeat:

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.

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(“Trisagion” is Greek for “thrice Holy”)

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God, our light and our salvation, Psalm 27:1
does not forsake us or leave us with our sin.

People: In Christ we are forgiven
and offered the gift of healing repentance.
Thanks be to God!

*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
Children come forward for the Children’s Message. After the prayer, children in Kindergarten—7th grade may go to the Chapel for Kids’ Church and children ages 3—5 may go downstairs for Kids’ Church. All children are to be picked up in the lower level.

Prayer for Illumination
Lord, open your Word by your Holy Spirit, so that we, like Abraham, may believe your promises to us. Genesis 15:4-6

Hebrew Scripture
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

God’s Covenant with Abram
Leader: The Word of the Lord. Pew Bible pages 10-11
People: Thanks be to God. Large print Pew Bible pages 14-15

*Hymn No. 772
“Live into Hope”

Gospel Reading

The Lament over Jerusalem
People: Thanks be to God. Large print Pew Bible pages 93-94

Sermon
Rev. David de Vries

“Here in This Place: Hope”
And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith
The Apostles’ Creed: page 35

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

 Invocation to the Offering
Malachi 3:10 Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.
Anthem  “The Nicene Creed” from Mass in G  
(Please see the next page for the Latin & English text)  
Franz Schubert

*Doxology—Hymn No. 708 (stanzas 1 & 2)  
SCHUMANN

We give thee but thine own, whate’er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.

*Prayer of Dedication (in unison)  
Psalm 27:13

O God,  
we have beheld your goodness to us.  
Accept the offering of the work of our hands,  
and use us for the sake of Christ,  
in whose name we pray. Amen.

REENTRY INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE THE LORD

Being Christ’s Church — Living Our Faith  
Minute for Mission—Spirit & Space  
Alice Bailey

( 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. 687  
“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

*Benediction

Choral Response—Hymn No. 549  
“May the Love of the Lord”

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.

Organ Voluntary  
Two Settings of Hymn No. 213  
Robert J. Powell & David Cherwien

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory” – Heather Cooper, organist

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

Credo in unum Deum, 
Patrem omnipotentem, 
factorem coeli et terrae, 
visibilium omnium, et invisibilium.

Et in unum Dominum Jesum Christum, 
Filium Dei unigenitum. 
Et ex Patre natum ante omni saecula. 
Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, 
Deum verum de Deo vero. 
Genitum, non factum, 
consubstantialem Patri: 
per quem omnia facta sunt. 
Qui propter nos homines, 
et propter nostram salutem 
descendit de caelis.

Et incarnates est de Spiritu Sancto 
ex Maria Virgine. Et homo factus est. 
Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato: 
passus, et sepultus est. 
Et resurrexit tertia die, 
Secundum Scripturas. 
Et ascendit in caelum: 
sedet ad dexteram Patris. 
Et iterum venturus est cum gloria, 
judicare vivos et mortuos: 
cujus regni non erit finis.

Et in Spiritum Sanctum 
Dominum, et vivificantem: 
qui ex Patre Filioque procedit. 
Qui cum Patre, et Filio 
simul adoratur et conglorificatur: 
qui locutus est per Prophetas.

Et unam, sanctam catholicam, 
et apostolicam Ecclesiam. 
Confiteor unum baptisma 
In remissionem peccatorum. 
Et expecto resurrectionem mortuorum. 
Et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen.
This month we welcome to our church’s part-time staff, Heather Cooper, now serving as Assistant Organist. Mrs. Cooper holds Bachelor of Music degrees in Piano Performance and Choral Music Education from the University of South Carolina. Her Masters degree from Capital University is in Music Education with an emphasis on the Kodály teaching philosophy. She is Principal Conductor of the Summit Choral Society Children’s Choir Program, and teaches general music and choir at Canton Country Day School. Heather is indeed busy, along with husband/musician, Britt Cooper, as proud parents of two children, Megan and Mark.

The flowers in the Chancel vases are given to the Glory of God.

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

Liturgist: Molly Hudson

Acolytes: Jordan Miller (Crucifer), Mya Miller, (Acolyte), Avery Miller (Acolyte), Hannah Kemper (Bible Bearer)
Acolyte Master: Ty Ohlinger

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019
Scripture Readings:

Consider: Luke 13:1-9 tells the story of a fruitless fig tree that the owner is ready to cut down. The gardener, however, asks for a little more time. The gardener wants to tend and cultivate the soil in the hope that figs may yet grow. The gardener is open to a different future for this tree, in spite of its present condition. Think about my own life, or the life of someone I love, in relationship to this story: What needs special tending? What will cultivate the “soil” of daily life so that new growth, new possibilities, might emerge? And what can I learn from this gardener about allowing for a different outcome, a new possibility?

“Gather Us In: Imagine” Meeting Reminder
You are all invited to “Gather Us In: Imagine” meetings to learn more about, consider, and pray about our ministry vision as it pertains to the church building and grounds. The meetings will provide you with opportunities to imagine such a vision that capitalizes on our already strong sense of community and mission, and expresses the future for our church. Today is the final “Imagine” meeting, immediately following the 10:30 worship service.
Sunday Morning Adult Classes  9:15—10:15am

Westminster Hall Sunday School:
The Westminster Sunday School Class is studying the Gospels, with Pastor Michael teaching (with Pastor Ben stepping in one week). Following the Gospels class, we will welcome Rev. Kerry Stewman (spouse of teacher, Zev Rosenberg), who will teach on John’s Revelation. Following that, we will welcome Rev. Linda Leon, who will teach about reading the Scriptures devotionaly. 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 9:15am. If you ever miss a class, don’t forget that you can listen to the podcast at http://cpc.podbean.com.

The Parlor Class is studying from the Present Word.

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.

TAG – Tuesday Afternoon Group
Tuesday, March 19, 11:30 am

For March, TAG returns to Westminster Hall with a luncheon and program. We will enjoy a delicious meal catered by Buehler’s, and will be enlightened and entertained by Christopher Kenney, Director of Education at the McKinley Presidential Library and Museum. Chris has delivered many fascinating programs at TAG over the years. This time he will present a talk on Music in the White House. Chris will explore the different types of music enjoyed by our presidents. Using audio and video clips, the program will also provide a sampling of the thousands of musicians who have performed at the White House over the last two centuries. PLEASE sign up no later than TODAY so we can give an accurate count to the caterer. You can sign up online, in the kiosk area, or by calling the office. You will want to plan to gather in Westminster Hall 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 $7.00.
Food, Clothing, & Prayer Ministry Update:
Thanks to all of you who have offered support for our Food Ministry and Community Pantry. Most of our families have now become regulars and stop by the Pantry at every distribution. Our most needed items are the things that can’t be purchased with food stamps—essentials such as paper towels, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and Clorox wipes. Many of you have asked what else we need—these items as well as any baby products, canned soups, and boxed rice and potatoes are important things for us to stock. Please consider joining us for a distribution. You will surely see God’s work being done at Christ Church. **Blessings—Lorraine**

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Daily Grace

**CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship**

**The Week of March 17, 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, **March 24:**

- **Monday:** Isaiah 55:1-9
- **Tuesday:** Psalm 63:1-8
- **Wednesday:** 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
- **Thursday:** Luke 13:1-9
- **Friday:** Isaiah 55:1-9
- **Saturday:** Psalm 63:1-8

Silent Meditation and Prayer

(Listing 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 **Moses in the Nile and at the Burning Bush (Exodus 1-4).**

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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:

**Herman Gillette**  
*(Happy Birthday)*

**Wanda Frease**  
*(Happy Birthday)*

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Honor a loved one with a memorial gift to Christ Presbyterian Church provided for in your will.
ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF March 17

**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
12:00-1:00 pm  Gather Us In: Imagine—Westminster Hall
3:40-5:30 pm  Family Event @ Laser Quest

**Monday**
10:00 am  Staff Meeting

**Tuesday**
9:30 am  Bible Study—Parlor
11:30 am  TAG Luncheon & Program—Westminster Hall
6:00 pm  Session Dinner
7:00 pm  Session Meeting

**Wednesday**  *Tydings Deadline*
6:30 pm  Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor

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

**Sunday, March 24:**
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

Early Birds, REGISTER NOW for Camp Wakonda!
Get registered for camp before March 16th to receive our "Early Bird Discount" - $15 off fees for any camp event (this includes the 60th Anniversary Camp!).
Sign up now at www.wakondacamp.org.

Camp Wakonda is collecting LEGOS for our Lego Master camp event this summer. Please drop off new and used Legos to the church office for Pastor Ben by May 15th.

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A reminder . . .
either at home or on the road, you can listen to the 10:30 service on WHLO 640 AM, or log on your computer to www.640whlo.com

To be added to the Tydings email list or to submit an article for Tydings, please email dnave@cantonepc.org no later than Wednesday, March 20.

The deadline for submitting articles for the weekly Order of Worship is Tuesday. Please submit your articles to Caryn no later than 5:00pm. Thank you!
Chancel Choir in Concert  
featuring Heather Cooper, organist

Magnificat by Francesco Durante with a Strings Chamber orchestra and a  
Tour of Choral Mass Settings of the Romantic Era

Sunday, March 31, 2019, 4:00pm

The Chancel Choir of Christ Church is working diligently with extra  
rehearsals to prepare an inspiring program of great choral music for our  
congregation and for the wider Stark County public. Please show  
support of your fellow church members by attending this edifying  
afternoon concert.

The delightful setting of the Evening Canticle, Magnificat, was formerly attributed to Giovanni  
Battista Pergolesi, but now we know it was composed by his teacher, the lesser-known,  
Francesco Durante. With the light textures of the string ensemble, one might think this is like  
Vivaldi with still more expressive freedom. The Mass settings are Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus,  
and Agnus Dei from the Romantic era in England, France, and Austria: the music of Vaughan  
Williams, Louis Vierne, Franz Schubert, Maurice Duruflé, and Charles-Marie Widor. In  
addition, Heather Cooper will play two tour de force organ solos which demonstrate the  
characteristics of the French Romantic organ repertoire.

March Youth/Confirmation Events

Sunday March 17th  Laser Quest: A Family Event  
3:40-5:30 PM  
**$8 for 2 games, bring a snack to share**  
RSVP to bonnie.smith.wiggins@gmail.com by March 10th

Sunday, March 24th  No Meeting, Happy Spring Break!

Sunday, March 31st  Family Bowling CPC  
12:30-2:30 PM at the Strike Zone  
$5 per person ($15 max per family)  
Sign up at the kiosk or email  
jgeorge@cantoncpc.org by March 24th

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