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.

May 26, 2019
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.

Christ Presbyterian Church Staff
Ministers: The People of Christ Church
Senior Pastor: Rev. David de Vries
Associate Pastor: Rev. Michael Wallace
Parish Associate: Rev. Dr. Eldon Trubee
Director of Music & Organist: David J. Kienzle
Interim Associate Organist: Heather Cooper
Director of Children’s and Family Ministries: Jennifer George
Pastor and Director of Camp Wakonda: Rev. Benjamin George
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Christ Presbyterian Church
Kevin Anderson
Shawn Campbell
Nancy Irving
Jerry Norton
Michael Ophardt
Carol Orin
Bert Smith
Byrdie Stocker

*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  
Sixth Sunday of Eastertide

May 26, 2019           Ten-Thirty O’Clock

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Organ Voluntary  “Christ the Lord is Risen Again”  Anton Wilhelm Leupold

Call to Worship

Leader:  Alleluia! Christ is risen.              
         Psalm 67:3

People: The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Leader:  Let the peoples praise you, O God.

People: Let all the peoples praise you.

*Hymn in Procession No. 12  “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

*Prayer of the Day

          you give us a vision of the heavenly city,   Psalm 67; Acts 16:9-15
          the new Jerusalem,                        
          your home among mortals on earth.

People: All people and nations will stream to your city
        where they will find nourishment, healing, and peace.

Leader:  Even now your blessing shines upon all the earth
        to help us see a larger vision
        of your loving care for all creation.

People: And so you call us to move beyond our comfortable circles,
        and into unfamiliar places,
        as we seek to share your dream

Call to Confession

Do not let your hearts be troubled,              John 14:27
but confess your sins and God will give you peace.
Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Loving God,          John 14:23, 24

we confess that we are an anxious people
who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word.
Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins,
that we might live in peace
and reflect your love in the world;
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Let your hearts be still,
For God loves you and forgives all your wrongdoing.
Beloved, receive the peace of Christ.          John 14:27

*Response—Hymn No. 587 (sung twice by all)   CELTIC ALLELUIA

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

Living God,          Acts 16:9-15

you sent your apostles to preach the gospel
to all people everywhere.
By the power of your Holy Spirit,
fling wide the doors of our hearts this day
as we hear your word of life,
that we too may open our lives to serve your world in love.
In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.
Hebrew Scripture

Psalm 67

The Nations are Called to Praise God

Leader: The Word of the Lord. Pew Bible page 460
People: Thanks be to God. Large print Pew Bible pages 650-651

*Hymn No. 27

“Sacred the Body”
Verse 1 sung by the choir, then all are invited to sing verses 1-4 together.

Epistle Reading


The New Jerusalem

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord. Pew Bible page 1008
People: Thanks be to God. Large print Pew Bible pages 315-316

Sermon

“We Built This City?” Rev. Benjamin George

“And the City has no need of sun or moon to shine on it,
for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb.”

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed: page 35

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Acts 20:35 “In all this I have given you an example that by such work
we must support the weak, remembering the words of the
Lord Jesus, for he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give
than to receive.’”

Anthem “If Ye Love Me” Philip Wilby

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
and He shall give you another Comforter, That He may abide with you forever;
E’en the Spirit of Truth. And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.
*Doxology—Hymn No. 709

ABUNDANT BLESSINGS

Sung twice by all; second time in canon, as directed.

God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.
God, we worship and adore you.
Take what we bring, offered to you.
Teach us to show your abundant blessings.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Giving God, as spring bursts forth its blossoms
in witness to your love,
you bless us from generation to generation
with the new life of Easter faith.
All that we have and all that we are come from you, O God,
so we gladly share this offering,
that others too may be blessed,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. 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. 81 “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

*Benediction

Choral Response – “Alleluia” K. Lee Scott

Eastertide Organ Toccata “Festival Toccata” Percy Fletcher

Worshipers are invited to sit in the chancel to listen to this festive organ toccata.

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 my Father, Wilbert Montie, by Linda, Jerry, & Katie Norton.

The Cathedral Hour today is made possible through the generous donations from members
and friends of Christ Presbyterian Church.
A homemade will could be worse than no will at all. Be sure your will is legal, and consider naming Christ Presbyterian Church as a beneficiary.

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019
Scripture Readings

Consider: How is your faith strengthened by knowing that we do not look for Jesus in only one place but find the Risen One everywhere, because he has ascended to the throne of God?

We’re trying something new this summer!
Beginning in June, and continuing through the summer, we’ll be making a small change in our worship space to better help us welcome the smallest of our congregation. At the back Lectern side corner we will be moving two of the short pews to create a Children’s area. It will house our worship resources for children and youth as well as make a small area for kids who might need a little extra wiggle room and parents who might need to stand with a child at some point during the service. We’re excited to be able to provide a welcoming Worship space for our families.

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:

Joan Lloyd
(Thinking of You)

Connie Aycock
(Thinking of You)
Scholarship Ministry Accepting 2019 Scholarship Applications

Scholarship applications are being accepted now for students who have graduated from high school and who are currently enrolled in a post-secondary school education or vocational program in the Fall of 2019.

All applicants must have:
- A high school diploma or equivalent certificate
- Proof of enrollment in a post-secondary school education or vocational program consistent with Christian values

Applicants who meet the above criteria will be considered for either an Endowment Earnings Scholarship, or the Vera/Elizabeth Yoder Scholarship depending on how they meet the additional eligibility criteria defined below.

Endowment Earnings Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:
- Applicant must be a member of Christ Presbyterian Church (CPC) or be a relative of a member of CPC
  - Relatives of church members will be limited to the siblings, children and grandchildren of CPC church members
- Applicant may be a non-member child of a current CPC employee or CPC Pastor.
- Applicant may be considered for an Endowment Earnings Scholarship if there are sufficient endowment earnings available.

Vera and Elizabeth Yoder Education Scholarship Fund Eligibility Requirements:
- Applicant must be a member of CPC or a relative of a member of CPC and be pursuing education or nursing as a career, including an advanced degree in those fields
  - Relatives of CPC church members will be limited to the siblings, children and grandchildren of church members
- If sufficient income is available, then CPC church members or relatives of CPC church members seeking careers other than education or nursing may also be eligible.

Deadline to apply is May 31, 2019.

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of May 26, 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, June 2:
- Tuesday: Psalm 47
- Wednesday: Ephesians 1:15-23
- Friday: John 17:20-26
- Saturday: Psalm 47

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 Psalms of Worship and Praise (Psalms 93-100).
REGISTER FOR WAKONDA!
It is time to register your favorite camper for this summer at Wakonda! This summer, in addition to camper favorites like “Escape Wakonda” and “Wakonda's Got Talent,” we have some brand new programs: “Lego Masters” (for kids who love to build, grades 3-5), and “Treasurer Hunters” (an adventure camp using orienteering and map skills for kids grades 3-5 & 6-8). Sign up today at www.wakondacamp.org.

Wakonda is still looking for talented staff members! Specifically, we are looking to hire kitchen and maintenance crew members (16+ y.o.) and male counselors (18+ y.o.). If you or someone you know is interested, please fill out a crew application at www.wakondacamp.org/join-our-crew or contact Pastor Ben at bgeorge@cantoncpc.org.

Wakonda Wish List:
Camp Wakonda is gearing up this summer! So how can you help? Check out our Wish List on Amazon: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/EI3P3DR693VV?ref_=wl_share
**Sunday Morning Adult Classes  9:15—10:15am**

The Westminster Class continues its year-long survey: “Getting the Big Picture of the Bible.” Through June 2, Rev. Linda Leon will do a review of our year and talk about reading the Bible devotionally. 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. 5/26—Called to New Life in Christ, led by Dottie Rasnick.

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.

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**May Youth/Confirmation Events**

**Sunday, May 26:**  No Youth Memorial Day Weekend

**Friday, May 31:**  Late Night Party!

6:00—12:00pm

Celebrate with snacks, church wide games, and competitions!

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**For Our Children & Youth in Worship:**

For our older children and youth, we now have available Worship Note Pages to use to help follow along and focus in worship. You can grab a clipboard from the basket located at the front Lectern side door. Also located there are our Worship Activity Bags, as well as weekly children’s bulletins and coloring pages that follow each week’s Scripture. Please encourage your children to take advantage of these resources to better help them engage in Scripture and in Worship with the congregation.
ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF May 26

**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

**Monday**
Memorial Day!  Church Building & Office closed.

**Tuesday**
9:30 am  Bible Study—Parlor
5:30 pm  Music Ministry Meeting—Parlor

**Wednesday**
7:00 am  Men’s Bible Study—Westminster Hall
9:00 am  Spirit & Space Communications Committee Meeting—Library
9:30-11:00 am  Women’s Bible Study—Parlor
7:15 pm  Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Friday**
6:00-12:00 pm  Youth Group Late Night Party @ CPC

**Sunday, June 2**
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
4:30 pm  Mission West Meeting—Parlor
6:00 pm  Watoto Children’s Choir—Sanctuary

Get ready to Celebrate!

Did you realize that we, the members of Christ Presbyterian Church, will be celebrating our 200th birthday in 2021? In preparation, the Archives Committee is asking YOU to help. We are looking for pictures of our congregation and grounds from your archives. Of most interest are photos of weddings and special events of our church life together from the past 100 years. And we need a few good men and women to help us display them. One of our projects will include a documentary film including interviews of our congregants. So please, please help us. You may contact Dale Davis at davis73@kent.edu, Don Montgomery at donmonty61@gmail.com, or Beth Pansino at bpansino@aol.com or see us after a worship service.
Watoto, an NGO in Uganda, East Africa, brings you the Watoto Children’s Choir performing their brand new album, “We Will Go”. The 6-month tour presents the story of abandoned African children and vulnerable women, who’ve been empowered to rise above their circumstances, and answer the call to be part of the new Africa - ready to make a difference in the world.

Watoto Children’s Choirs have traveled extensively since 1994, sharing a message of hope for Africa’s most vulnerable children and women. On almost every day of the year, the choir is performing somewhere in the world. Hundreds of thousands of people get to meet some of Africa’s future leaders. People see their smiles and are embraced by their hugs. The children have the distinct privilege of telling people, “It’s possible to have joy, to laugh and to have hope, no matter what you’re going through.”

Like Africa, the production is vibrant and colorful, taking you on an emotional journey from utter despair to joyous celebration, as the children and women share their personal stories of triumph in story and song. For a short “teaser” please check them out @ https://vimeo.com/278270882 and @ https://www.watoto.com/about.

Other than going to Africa yourself, what better way to learn about all the good things happening in Uganda than through this stirring, musical experience. The front of our sanctuary and our chancel are not large enough for this amazing production, but we will be amazed at how skillfully these kids can adapt to our space and bring our whole building alive!