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

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.

November 17, 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.

*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.

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
Interim Organist: Heather Cooper
Interim Director of Music: Britt Cooper
Director of Children's and Family Ministries: Jennifer George
Pastor and Director of Camp Wakonda: Rev. Benjamin George
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Sound Technician: Brian Ohler
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Elders of
Christ Presbyterian Church
Kevin Anderson
Shawn Campbell
Nancy Irving
Jerry Norton
Michael Ophardt
Carol Orin
Bert Smith
Lori Sproul
Byrdie Stocker
ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Organ Voluntary  “Jesus Loves Me”  Robert Hobby

Welcome & Worship Notes

Call to Worship
Leader:  Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
People:  Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things.

*Hymn in Procession No. 409  “God Is Here!”

*Prayer of the Day
Leader:  O God, our Redeemer,
       all creation sings your praise!
       You are justice and mercy,
       judgment and grace.
People:  Following our Lord Jesus Christ,
        we seek to be faithful,
        ever sustained by your Spirit,
        that we might stand blameless at the last
        with Christ, in whose name we pray.  Amen.

Call to Confession
Trusting in God’s goodness to us,
let us confess our sin before God and one another.
Prayer of Confession  (*in unison*)

Men: God of Mercy, 
we confess that we have not been obedient sons and daughters.  

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Women: We have grown idle in the work of discipleship  
and weary in doing what is right.  

Men: We have been selfish in our actions and insistent in claiming  
our rights.  

Women: We have not honored the tradition of the apostles,  
or imitated the example of your saints.  

Leader: Forgive us, we pray.  

All: Show us the way of repentance,  
free us from our idle ways,  
and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ,  
through whom we pray. Amen.

Kyrie—Hymn No. 579  (*sung in Greek*)  

“Lord, Have Mercy”

*Assurance of Pardon*

Hear the good news:  
Christ is merciful to all who turn to him in repentance.  

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
*Response—Gloria No. 583  
*Sung first by Children’s Choir, then joined by all.

**LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED**

**Anthem**  “God’s Love is Alive in Us”  
Mark Patterson  
Christ Church Children’s Choir; Marilou Berg, accompanist

Sing with joy, God has done great things among us. Sing with joy, Come give thanks for the goodness of God's love. Like all the saints who've gathered here before us, we come to pray and bless God's holy name; but on this sacred ground let glad new praise resound: God's love is alive in us today! We look with hope for all that still awaits us: a future claimed by trusting in God's grace. So let us, young and old, go forth with spirits bold. God's love is alive in us today! God's grace will guide us, God's word reminds us. God's love is alive in us: come sing with joy! Amen!

**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**
Almighty God,  
2 Thessalonians 3:13  
as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,  
reveal to us the way of salvation  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may not grow weary in doing what is right.  Amen.

**Hebrew Scripture**  
Isaiah 12  
Celebrating Salvation
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
Pew Bible pages 558-559  
People: Thanks be to God.  
Large print Pew Bible page 785

**Epistle Reading**  
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13  
Warning Against Idleness
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
Pew Bible page 96  
People: Thanks be to God.  
Large print Pew Bible page 252
*Hymn No. 65
“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Gospel Reading
Luke 21:5-19

Signs and Persecutions

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon
“The Words Remain”
Rev. David de Vries

“So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict.”

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—Dave de Vries

Invitation to the Offering

Hebrews 6:10 “For God is not unjust; he will not overlook your work and the love that you showed for his sake in serving the saints, as you still do.”

Anthem Beati pueri Charles V. Stanford

Beati quorum via integra est,
qui ambulant in lege Domini.
Blessed are the undefiled
who walk in the law of the Lord.

*Doxology—Hymn No. 606
OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Loving God,
before we give to you, you have given to us.
All we offer we have received from you.
We thank you for your goodness,
and we praise you for our bountiful works,
through Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. 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. 817 “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

*Benediction
Choral Response “Day by Day” Harold Friedell

Organ Voluntary “The People Respond—Amen!” Dan Locklair

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 Rose on the Communion Table is in celebration of the birth of Thomas Arthur Stocker, born on Nov. 7, 2019, in San Diego, California. Thomas is the son of Joshua and Lori Stocker; proud grandparents are Steve and Byrdie Stocker.

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

Liturgist: Rachel Shaffer

Acolytes: Tommy Rice (Crucifer), Jane Rice, (Acolyte), Eva Skolnik (Acolyte), Nathan Skolnik (Bible Bearer)

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

Next Sunday, November 24
Following the 10:30 am Worship Service

It’s that time of year again. We are calling on all of you to help decorate God’s house in preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus.

We are finished in about 2½ hours. If you can help this year, please sign up in Cloister Hall or online. Free lunch for all decorators.
Bicentennial Ministry
Last month, the large Bicentennial Ministry met and discussed our developing schedule of events for our celebrations starting in September 2020, leading up to our bicentennial in September 2021. Each of the subcommittees is working in their own areas of interest to prepare for the celebration year. To that end, you may have noticed that the church library has some new tables in it. This is because the archival ministry needs significant space to organize and digitize our many, many church records. We also need people like you, who love the church and have a slice of our shared history, to help us to celebrate! If you’re a reader, would you consider reading through some old Tydings newsletters or Session minutes? If you’re a talker, would you consider becoming a volunteer docent and leading tours of our building and sharing our story with the community? If you’re a pray-er, would you consider keeping our whole ministry team in your prayers, as we seek to celebrate all that God has done in our midst and give God glory for our past, present, and future? If you want to get involved in any way, talk to Pastor Michael!

The Hat and Mitten Tree will be up through December 8. We accept all sizes of hats and mittens. All hands, both big and small, male and female get cold. Let’s have a “warm hands winter.” All of the donations go to the Pine Ridge and our own Food, Clothing and Prayer Ministry.

CPC goes to Israel! Again!!!
Maybe you’ve seen the poster in the hallway near the kiosk area. Maybe you’ve heard rumors. Yes, CPC is going to Israel again in 2021 (Feb 21-March 2, with two optional extensions). The first meeting to discuss the itinerary and answer your questions will be held in January. In the meantime, you can view the photos from our 2016 pilgrimage by going to www.facebook.com/cpc.holyland/ -- you do not need a Facebook account to view the photos. Please email Nancy Irving with questions: nibirving@gmail.com
PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2019

Scripture Readings
Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

Consider: Jesus asks God to forgive those who crucified him, saying, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” What does it mean to offer forgiveness to others before they are aware of their offense?

2019 Poinsettia Program
Order your poinsettia now to decorate the Chancel for our Christmas services. The cost is $10.00 per plant or you may give a gift of any amount, large or small, proceeds to benefit the Food, Clothing and Prayer Ministry. Deadline for ordering poinsettias is TODAY. Order forms are available in the Narthex, at the Kiosk, and in your Sunday Order of Worship.

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of November 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, November 24:
Tuesday: Psalm 46  Friday: Jeremiah 23:1-6
Wednesday: Colossians 1:11-20  Saturday: Psalm 46

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 Our Future in Heaven (Revelation 21-22).
Ruth Mains Memorial Candy
To Support Mission West

ORDER FORM

Mission West will be offering Ruth Mains’ special Dark Chocolate Pecan Candies again this holiday season. Please support Mission West 2020 by ordering candies for your Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Name: _____________________________ Phone: ________________

How Many Boxes Would You Like:

- ½ lb Box - $10 _______
- 1 lb Box - $20 _______

The Date You Want To Pick Up Your Order:

- Sunday Nov 24th _______
- Sunday Dec 1st _______
- Sunday Dec 8th _______

Ruth Mains Memorial Candy

It takes many hands to make these delicious treats. Last year 45 volunteers ranging in age from 14 to 80 helped make over 360 lbs. of candy. We worked hard while having great fun and fellowship. This enabled us to add a good portion of Ruth’s secret ingredient – LOVE! Please let us know the dates and times you would like to assist us this year.

- Saturday, Nov. 23rd 9-12pm _______
- Saturday, Nov. 23rd 12-2pm _______
- Saturday, Dec. 7th 9-12pm _______
- Saturday, Dec. 7th 12-2pm _______

Name: _____________________________ Phone: ________________
**Sunday Morning Adult Classes 9:15—10:15 a.m.**

**Westminster Sunday School 2019-2020**

**Westminster Class** continues to ask the questions of faith as we seek to understand God. We welcome some new teachers in the coming months, as we tackle a variety of topics. See you at 9:15 am Sunday mornings!

♦ November 24—The Good Creation, Creation and environment, led by Rabbis Spitzer & Adland
♦ December 1 & 8—The Triune God, led by Pastor Michael
♦ December 15 & 22—The Providence of God and the Mystery of Evil, led by Pastor Michael.

**The Parlor Class** continues to study from the Present Word. November 24—Stick to Your Faith, led by Betsy Smith.

♦ Twelve class members with different teaching styles serve as teachers/discussion leaders.
♦ Emphasis on Bible study with contemporary applications.
♦ Class sessions are characterized as informative, challenging, revealing, inspiring, and, most important, Christ-centered.
♦ Class members are characterized as fun-loving, welcoming, motived, inquisitive, accepting, appreciative, and, most important, disciples of Jesus Christ.
♦ Please join us on Sunday morning at 9:15 am in the Parlor. Everyone is Welcome.

**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.

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

*** TAG ***

**Tuesday Afternoon Group**

Tuesday, November 19

The 2019-2020 TAG season continues with an entertaining program entitled "Jerome Kern: The Man and His Music" with Jean Burnquist and Presenter Bob Morrison. With 1000 songs and 43 musical plays to his credit, including (with Oscar Hammerstein) the perennial favorite "Show Boat," Jerome Kern was a major force in American music-making. Bob has done several wonderful programs for TAG in the past and we are delighted to welcome him again.

Plan to gather in Westminster Hall at 11:30am for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, followed by lunch at noon. The program will begin at approximately 12:45pm. The cost is still only $7.00. Sign up at the Kiosk TODAY.
With a spirit of Thanksgiving, the Chancel Choir sings Evensong this afternoon at 4:00pm, featuring the music of several English composers. The prelude features Benjamin Britten’s brilliant and creative *Rejoice in the Lamb*, written for chorus and four soloists: Jean Burnquist, Sarah Pozderac-Chenevey, Michael Wallace, and guest Michael Roemer.

**Interfaith Thanksgiving Service**

On Tuesday, November 26, at 7:00pm, St. George Byzantine Catholic Cathedral (1121 44th St NE) will host the 40th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. With pastors, rabbis, and other religious leaders from over a dozen different communities, we gather together to give thanks and to pray for peace. This year, Pastor Michael will be preaching. As always, singers are welcome to join in the interfaith choir. I look forward to seeing you there!

**November Youth Events**

**Sunday, November 17**
Stark County Humane Society Volunteering: 12:30-2:00PM
Meet at the Humane Society
5100 Peach St NE, Louisville, OH 44641

*Parents please fill out the release form in advance:
http://www.starkhumane.org/_pdf/HSVolunteerRelease06.pdf

**Sunday, November 24**
No Youth-Happy Thanksgiving!
**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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**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.

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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:

**The David Gardner Family**
(*Sympathy*)

**Louise Walker**
(*Happy Birthday*)
ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF November 17

**Today**
8:00 am  Worship Service—Chapel
9:00-9:15 am Children's Choir—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
12:30-2:00 pm Youth Group Volunteering @ Stark Co. Humane Society
4:00 pm  Choral Evensong—Sanctuary

**Monday**
10:00 am  Staff Meeting

**Tuesday**
9:30 am  Bible Study—Parlor
11:15 am-12:15 pm  Handbell Reh.—Choir Room
11:30 am  TAG Luncheon & Program—Westminster Hall
6:00 pm  Session Dinner
7:00 pm  Session Meeting

**Wednesday**
7:30 am  Men’s Bible Study—Westminster Hall
6:30 pm  Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor

**Thursday**
9:30-11:00 am Women’s Bible Study—Parlor
7:15 pm  Chancel Choir Rehearsal

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

**Saturday**
9:00 am-2:00 pm  Candy Making—Kitchen & Westminster Hall

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8:00 am  Worship Service—Chapel
9:00-9:15 am Children’s Choir—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 noon  Hanging of the Greens
NO Youth Group

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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@cantoncpc.org no later than Wednesday, Nov. 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!
We are excited to participate in this program with Habitat for Humanity. Over 30 of our FCP friends have already used these Vouchers to help them with household items or furniture. Hope ReStore needs our donations to stock their warehouse— I hope that you will consider our partnership with them when you have unwanted items. If you have questions, please call Lorraine Murphy at 330-495-8963.

The Church office and building will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29. Regular office hours will resume Monday, December 2 @ 8:00am.