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

November 24, 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 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.

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
Financial Assistant/Secretary: Diane Nave
Administrative Assistant to the Senior Pastor/Secretary: Caryn Smith
Custodians: Kurt A. Gottschick & Ron Pelger
Sound Technician: Brian Ohler
Mission Co-Worker in Thailand: Esther Wakeman

Elders of Christ Presbyterian Church
Kevin Anderson
Shawn Campbell
Nancy Irving
Jerry Norton
Michael Ophardt
Carol Orin
Bert Smith
Lori Sproul
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
Christ the King/Reign of Christ

November 24, 2019
Ten-Thirty O’Clock

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Organ Voluntary  “Gather Us In”  Jeffrey Honoré

Welcome & Worship Notes

Call to Worship

Leader:  Worship Christ, Eternal Son of God;
honor Christ, Incarnate Son of Mary;
serve Christ, Glorious Ruler of creation;
for to Christ belong the power and the glory of the Almighty.

People:  Praise be to God.

*Hymn in Procession No. 268  “Crown Him With Many Crowns”

*Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Almighty God,  Colossians 1:16-17

through the Lordship of your Son, Jesus Christ,
the powers and dominions of the world obtain
their purpose, and creation finds its meaning.
Reveal to the world the gracious rule of Christ,
end all enmity among the nations,
and bring us soon to his glorious, peaceable kingdom;
through Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.  Amen.

Call to Confession

With humble hearts, trusting in grace,
let us confess our sins before God and one another.
Prayer of Confession

Leader: Almighty God, you brought forth the world for the love of Christ, yet you have lived in rebellion and turned away from our created purpose.

Women: We have acknowledged the Lordship of Christ with our lips, but we have not honored him with our lives.

Men: We have served the idols of wealth and privilege;

Women: we have sought the protection of violence to oppose violence; we have lived in fear of death and loss;

Men: we have not loved our neighbors, nor sought reconciliation with our enemies.

Leader: Therefore we pray:

Break our rebellious will.

Women: Instruct our hearts in the ways of peace.

Men: Expose our insincere thoughts.

Women: Give us integrity in our quest for truth.

Men: Release us from the fear of death.

Women: Grant us courage in the face of evil.

Men: Free us for joyful service in Christ our Lord.

All: Empower us to live as citizens of your kingdom.

For the sake of the world, in the name of Christ. Amen.

Kyrie—Hymn No. 576

“Lord, Have Mercy”

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.
**Assurance of Pardon**

*God has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Through Christ our Lord, we are forgiven.*

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**Response—Hymn No. 273**

“All sing refrain; Choir sings verses 1 & 3

*He Is King of Kings*

Children are now invited to walk to the chancel steps for the Message.

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**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**

*Lord, open our hearts to receive your Word; by your Spirit free us from the power of darkness and show to us the inheritance of the saints of light. Amen.*

**Hebrew Scripture**

*Jeremiah 23:1-6

*Restoration*

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

*Pew Bible page 633

*Large print Pew Bible page 887*

**Epistle Reading**

*The Supremacy of Christ*

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

*Pew Bible page 956

*Large print Pew Bible page 244*

**Hymn No. 264**

“At the Name of Jesus”
Gospel Reading

*The Crucifixion of Jesus Christ*

People: Thanks be to God. Large print Pew Bible pages 107-109

Sermon

**“Humiliation”**
Rev. David de Vries

And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!”

**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

Luke 18:22-25 When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “There is still one thing lacking. Sell all that you own and distribute the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” But when he heard this, he became sad; for he was very rich. Jesus looked at him and said, “How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”

Anthem

**“Christus Paradox”**
PICARDY, arr. Alfred Fedak

Please refer to Hymn No. 274 for text

*Doxology—Hymn No. 606*
OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Almighty God, receive our offering for the sake of Christ our Lord.

Make us worthy stewards of your gifts and generous citizens of the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ, through whom 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. 336  “We Gather Together”

*Benediction
Choral Response  “Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing” No. 546

Organ Voluntary  “Now Thank We All Our God”  Egil Hovland

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 Eva A. Gibbs by the Gibbs Trust Investment Fund.

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

Liturgist: Sarah Pozderac-Chenevey

Acolytes: Jordan Miller (Crucifer), Avery Miller, (Acolyte), Megan Cooper (Acolyte), Jace Anderson (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.

Madrigal—January 4, 2020 @ 5:00pm

Tickets are now available online or in the church office for our annual benefit evening for the Christ Church Food, Clothing & Prayer Ministry: Saturday, January 4, 2020 @ 5:00 pm—The Akron Firestone High School Madrigal Singers and a feast of great food and music capping the close of the Christmas season.
**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: nbirving@gmail.com
PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019—First Sunday of Advent

Scripture Readings
Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44

Consider: What does it mean to “get your house in order” for the coming of the Lord? Can we ever be perfectly ready for Christ’s return? Why is the coming of the Lord compared to a thief in the night? Is there grace in God’s surprising advent, God’s unexpected arrival?

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of November 24, 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, December 1:

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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 Creation, Eden and the Fall (Genesis 1—3).
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 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, 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!

♦ 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, motivated, 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.

Christ Presbyterian Church has a long standing tradition of providing Christmas gifts to the children of the Porcupine Presbyterian Church on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. If you are interested in purchasing a gift this year, names are now available in Cloister Hall before or after service. We are suggesting the gift to be a warm item of clothing (sweater, hoodie, sweatshirt or jacket) and a small toy or book. Due to the rising shipping costs we request that you try to keep the gifts light in weight, and packaged as compactly as possible. If you are able, we would appreciate a donation to help defray shipping costs. Gifts need to be brought to our church no later than Sunday, December 8th. Please know these gifts will be greatly appreciated.
**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!

**TAG – Tuesday Afternoon Group**

**Tuesday, December 17**

Ham Balls and Handbells, with a side of Pipes!

The TAG program for this month features Christmas music played by organist Heather Cooper. As a special bonus, the newly formed Christ Church Ringers will ring the handbells on the beloved carol "Ding Dong Merrily On High."

We will gather at 11:30am for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, followed by carol singing at 11:45am, and lunch at 12:00noon. The program begins at approximately 12:45pm and concludes by about 1:30pm. Despite the special meal and program, the cost is still only $7.00. Please sign up no later than Sunday, December 15 to help make sure we make enough food for this very popular event.

So you can plan ahead for TAG, here are upcoming dates and programs. Plan to join us!

**Tuesday, 1/21/20** – Group lunch at a restaurant - TBD
**Tuesday, 2/18** – Group lunch at a restaurant - TBD
**Tuesday, 3/17** – Doug Pugh, Chick-fil-A owner
**Tuesday, 4/21** – Commissioner Janet Creighton: White House behind the Scenes
**Tuesday, 5/19** – Carolyn Hess: Questions to ask when selecting a long-term care facility
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

Please see a few examples below:

Check Amount $500.00
   Check Memo: $100 for GF, $400 GUI

Check Amount $1,000.00
   Check Memo: $1,000 GUI

Check Amount $1,500.00
   Check Memo: $500 GF, $500 GUI,
   $500 FCPM

GF = General Fund
GUI = Gather Us In
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.

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:

Paula Guiler & Family
   (Sympathy)

Miriam Hinterleiter
   (Sympathy)

Sallie Starrett
   (Happy Birthday)
## Activities for the Week of November 24

### 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
- 12:00 noon: Hanging of the Greens
  - NO Youth Group

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

### Tuesday
- 9:30 am: Bible Study—Parlor
- 7:00 pm: Interfaith Thanksgiving Service @ St. George Byzantine Catholic Cathedral (1121 44th St NE)

### Wednesday
- 7:30 am: Men's Bible Study—Westminster Hall
- 8:00-9:30 am: Food Ministry

### Thursday
- Happy Thanksgiving!
- Church building & office closed

### Friday
- Church building & office closed

### Sunday, December 1
- 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
- 5:00-7:30 pm: Family Event—Westminster Hall

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**Youth Events December**

**Sunday, Dec. 1:** Wonders of His Love: An Advent Family Night Event—5-7:00pm in Westminster Hall. Activities for all ages, including a scavenger hunt and hang out time in the youth room, especially for our 6-12th graders. Bring a side dish to share.

**Saturday, Dec. 7:** Mission West Candy Making
- 12:00 PM-2:00 PM in the kitchen
  - Your help will support Mission West trip.

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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, Dec. 18.

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.