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 3, 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.

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**Procedures for Receiving Communion**

A gluten-free station (an Elder and Acolyte) is available to you on the pulpit side of the sanctuary.

**Reflections on Communion**

At Christ Presbyterian Church everyone who confesses Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is encouraged and welcomed to the table. You need not be a member of the congregation.

Communion is a time for quiet celebration. Please refrain from talking with neighbors as a way of honoring the silence needed for prayer.

Moving forward, you are welcome to remember and celebrate your baptism into God’s Kingdom by dipping your fingers in the baptismal font.

Receive the bread when offered, then dip the bread into the chalice. Appropriate responses to receiving bread and cup include:

- “Thanks be to God”
- “Amen”
- “Glory be to God”

You are also welcome to receive Communion as a couple, family, and/or as friends gathered.

As you return to your seat, you are encouraged to continue meditative singing (as directed by the choir), devote yourself to prayer, or meditate on the cross.

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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.
ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Organ Voluntary  “Elegy”                     G. T. Thalben-Bell

Welcome & Worship Notes

Call to Worship
     Leader:      Sing to the Lord a new song!
     People:     Rejoice and give thanks,
                  for the Lord takes pleasure in the people.
                  Hallelujah!

*Hymn in Procession No. 730                    “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

*Prayer of the Day (in unison)
     Holy God, who calls your people into one beloved community,
        who teaches us the way of peace through life together,
        who fills us with visions of your eternal reign:
        as we now celebrate the communion of saints,
        pour into our hearts the power of Christ,
        who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
        one God, now and forever.  Amen.

Call to Confession
     For the peace and unity of the saints,
        trusting in the promise of grace,
        let us confess our sin to God and to one another.
Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

God of the covenant,
    who calls all people to reconciliation,
    you have made us members of the very body of Christ;
    yet we persist in wounding that body
    with our divisions, our suspicions, and our neglect.
Forgive us, and teach us to nurture unity and peace.
For the sake of Jesus Christ
    and the world he came to save. Amen.

Kyrie—Hymn No. 579 *(sung in Greek)*

“Lord, Have Mercy”

*Assurance of Pardon*

*In the great compassion of our God,*
the death and resurrection of Christ Jesus has shown us
God’s forgiveness for our sins.
Therefore, I declare to you
the entire forgiveness for all our sins.
*Response—Hymn No. 485 (Stanzas 1—2)  “We Know That Christ Is Raised”

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

**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**

*Pour out your Spirit upon us, O God; with your Word enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we might live in hope; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

**Epistle Reading**

*Paul’s Prayer*  
_Ephesians 1:15-23_

*Leader:* The Word of the Lord.  
*People:* Thanks be to God.

*Large print Pew Bible pages 234-235*

**Instrumental Response**

*“Aria”*  
Christ Church Ringers  
G. F. Handel

**Gospel Reading**

*Blessings and Curses*  
_Luke 6:20-31_

*Leader:* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People:* Thanks be to God.

*Large print Pew Bible page 78*

**Sermon**

*“Redeeming Memory”*  
Rev. David de Vries

*Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

*Affirmation of Faith*  
_The Nicene Creed:* page 34
Invitation to the Offering

_Deuteronomy 16:17_ “All shall give as they are able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you.”

**Anthem** “O Thou the Central Orb” Charles Wood

O Thou the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most high,
Eternal light of this our wintry world,
Thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith,
Hope soars above, above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine.

Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
of God’s ordaining counsel, as Thy sight
gives measur’d grace to each, Thy power to prove.

Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day,
In fellowship with Thee,
Transforming day to souls while ere unclean,
now pure within, now pure within. Amen.

*Doxology—Hymn No. 606*  
*OLD HUNDREDTH*

**Prayer of Dedication** (in unison)

Holy One, all that we have comes from you.
You bless our lives with the companionship of your people,
the freedom that comes from forgiveness of sin,
the joy of thanksgiving for Earth and all its bounty.

Turn us toward those in need,
in the name of the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

**Invitation to the Lord’s Table**

_Leader: This is the joyful feast of the people of God._

_Children: We have come from east and west._

_We have come from north and south._

_All: to feast at our Lord’s table._

_Children: Who can come to this table?_  
_Leader: Our Savior invites all those who trust him to come to this table._

*Hymn No. 513* (stanzas 1—3)  
“This Is the Feast of Victory”
*The Great Thanksgiving

Children: Why do we give thanks and praise before this table?  
Leader: Because it is our greatest joy to give thanks and praise to God.  
God made the heavens and the earth and all this is in them;  
Children: sun, moon, stars.  
All: mountains, rivers, and trees.  
Children: all the animals and people.  
Leader: God made us in His image to love and serve all people in the name of Jesus. That is why we join all people and all creation when we sing our praise:

*Sanctus (sung by all)  
Thomas Pavlechko  
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(Please be seated.)

Children: Is there another reason we give thanks and praise before his table?  
Child: All glory and honor belong to God. In his mercy he gave us Christ, his Son, who was born a child, like us. He grew up to be God’s perfect servant. Jesus taught God’s truth. He welcomed, healed, forgave and loved people. He blessed the children. In the end, he suffered and died to save us from our sin. And God raised him up, to give us a new life. We praise God because before he died Jesus gave us this holy meal, to share together until he comes again.
Children: Why do we eat bread at this table?
   Child: On the night before he died, Jesus took bread. After giving thanks, he broke
   it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: “Take eat. This is my body, given for you. Do
   this in remembrance of me.”

Children: Why do we drink from the cup at this table?
   Child: That same night, Jesus took the cup, saying: “This cup is for the new
   covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
   Do this in remembrance of me.”

Children: What do we remember at this table?
   Child: Christ’s death and resurrection for us, and the Spirit’s tender care for us.
   And in our remembering, we offer ourselves and our gifts for the world.

Children: What are we looking for as we share this meal?
   Leader: That is best answered in a prayer. Let us pray:
   Merciful God, pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these your gifts of bread and
   cup, that in eating and drinking together we may be made one with Christ and with
   one another, through Christ.

All: All glory and honor are yours, almighty God, with the Holy Spirit in
   the holy church, now and forever. Amen.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Communion Anthems
   “O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world”                        Alfred V. Fedak
   “Adagio for Strings”                                                                          Samuel Barber

The Closing Prayer

**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. 326 (stanzas 1 & 2)                                    “For All the Saints”
Remembering Those Who Have Gone Before Us (November 2018-September 2019)

Geraldine Abernethy    Martha Morgan
Abby Jo Clark          Jack Morris
Corine Cornish        Kristula Piekarski
H. Michael Crowl      Lillian Rotilie
Gordon Effinger       Danielle Drumm
Lillian Halkides      Donald Schneider
Barbara Koenig        Carl Slackford
Richard Koons         Ryan Snyder
Robert McKinney      Stanley Wood
John Meeks

*Hymn in Procession No. 326 *(stanza 3, choir only) “O blest communion”

*Hymn in Procession No. 326*(stanzas 4—5) “And when the strife”

*Benediction

Choral Response “Rejoice in God’s Saints” – Hymn 732  Old 104th

Organ Voluntary “For All the Saints” David Cherwien

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

Participants in the Communion Class today are:

Megan Cooper    Breckie Johnson
Ezekiel George  Lily Roberts
Levi George     Grady Shea

The flowers in the Chancel vases today are given in loving memory of Harry E. Fife and Mildred Fife Beck from Mary Ann Beck.

The flowers in the Pedestal vases are given in loving memory of Martha Morgan from Virginia Dodd.

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

Liturgist: Dave Hudson
PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2019

Scripture Readings

Consider: We each have our own ideas and visions of what happens to us after we die. When the opponents of Jesus tried to trick him by asking a convoluted question about what heaven is like after we die, Jesus replied by saying that God is not the God of the dead but of the living because we are always alive to God (Luke 20:38). How does that inform our sense of Christian community, of the communion of saints, and of life everlasting?

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 Sunday, November 17. 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 3, 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 10:
Tuesday: Psalm 17:1-7 Friday: 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5 Saturday: Psalm 17:1-7

Silent Meditation and Prayer
(Listening for God’s voice in Scripture and silence)
Prayers of the People
(Lifting others before God)

Becoming Familiar With Holy Scripture
If you wish to become more familiar with the Bible and the best known stories of scripture, read The Hall of Fame of Faith (Hebrews 11).
60 Years of Changing Lives

CAMP WAKONDA BENEFIT AUCTION
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH
DOORS OPEN AT 5:00PM

How YOU can HELP!
It takes many hands to make the auction a successful event! We need help before the event collecting donations, organizing items, making baskets, and set up. We also need help at the auction itself, in the kitchen attending to the auction and check-in/check-out. You can sign up to help at the info kiosk or by contacting Jennifer George (jgeorge@cantoncpc.org). Thank you for your support of Camp Wakonda!

TICKETS to the AUCTION
Presale reservations are $15 each (children 5-12 $5, age 4 and under free) and are available for purchase online at www.WakondaCamp.org or in the church office until Thursday, November 14. Seats purchased at the event are $20. It will be a wonderful evening of great food, fun, and memories you won't want to miss!

APPLE WATCH RAFFLE
It’s TIME to purchase your tickets for this years RAFFLE at the Camp Wakonda Benefit auction!

Apple Watch Series 5
Space Gray
Aluminum Case w/Black Sport Band
A $400 value!

Raffle tickets are $10 per ticket and can be purchased Sunday mornings in Cloister Hall, in the church office during regular business hours, on the church website, or at the auction on Saturday, November 16th! Take a chance on winning a great tech item while helping send kids to camp!

Only 100 raffle tickets will be sold for this item.
**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 10—The Good Creation, Gen. 1 & 2 Text Study, led by Rabbi Adland
- November 17—The Good Creation, Midrash, led by Rabbi Spitzer
- 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 10—Be An Example of Faith, led by Don Bowers; November 17—Live Holy Lives, led by Karl Hershberger; 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.

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**When you need a will, it will be too late to write one.**

*Don’t wait.*

*And don’t forget* Christ Presbyterian Church.

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**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.
With a spirit of Thanksgiving, the Chancel Choir sings Evensong on Sunday, November 17 at 4:00 pm, 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 7:00 pm, 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 3
Finals Care Package Project: 6-7:30 PM in the youth room

Sunday, November 10 — CPC Family Event
Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat
2:00 PM at the Canton Players Guild

Sunday, November 17
Stark County Humane Society Volunteering: 12:30-2:00 PM
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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GF = General Fund  
GUI = Gather Us In  
FCPM = Food, Clothing, Prayer, Ministry

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 the Pine Ridge and our own Food, Clothing and Prayer Ministry.

The 2019-2020 TAG season continues with an entertaining program entitled "Jerome Kern: The Man and His Music" with Songbird Jeanie Burnquist, Basso Joe Orin, 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.

You will want to 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.

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:

Carolyn Kortkamp  
(Happy Birthday)

Jack Dawson  
(Happy Birthday)
ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF November 3

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
6:00-7:30 pm  Youth Group (Finals Care Package Project)

Monday
10:00 am  Staff Meeting
1:30 pm  Discipleship Ministry Meeting @ the Montgomery’s

Tuesday
9:30 am  Bible Study—Parlor
11:15 am-12:15 pm  Handbell Reh.—Choir Room

Wednesday
7:30 am  Men’s Bible Study—Westminster Hall
6:30 pm  Mission Ministry Meeting—Library
6:30 pm  Stephen Ministry Supervision—Parlor
7:00 pm  Deacons Meeting—Pine Room

Thursday
9:30-11:00 am  Women’s Bible Study—Parlor
1:30 pm  Alzheimer's Care Giver Support Group—Parlor
7:15 pm  Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday
8:00-10:00 am  Food Ministry Breakfast—Westminster Hall
12:00-4:00 pm  Candy Making—Kitchen/Westminster Hall

Sunday, November 10
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
12:00-1:00 pm  Children's Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
2:00 pm  Family Event @ The Player's Guild

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat at the Players Guild (our very own Joey Anderson is in the cast!)

To join our group and get our special pricing, purchase your seat(s) on the church website.
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 ReStored 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.