Report to the Shareholders of Mission West 2015
Lunch and Short Program
October 4, 2015 after worship in Westminster Hall

Everyone invited
Donation only

Come hear about our mission adventure, see some of the slides and get a feeling for what Christ Presbyterian Church is doing in fellowship with Porcupine Presbyterian Church.

This luncheon is a way to say “Thank You”!

October 4—Day at Wakonda
Leave after Church to spend the day enjoying the camp. We will play games, hike, and then eat dinner cooked over a fire, followed by worship and devotions. Return time is 9:00 p.m.

October 11, October 18, October 25
Youth Group—6:00-8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 27—6:00-8:00 p.m.
Christmas Play Practice begins

Wakonda fall picnic
Sunday, October 11
Food will be served starting at 12:30

Hay Rides
Crafts & Games for the kids
Hike around and tour the site

There is no cost for this event. However, a free will donation will be accepted to cover food costs.

Please Join us!

CREATING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

AN INVITATION TO WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP LUNCHES
(following 10:30 a.m. Worship)

October 18—Seeking and Growing in Faith
October 25—Foundations: What We Believe
November 1—The Purpose of Our Life Together
November 8—The Rhythm of Our Life Together
November 15—Questions That Help Us Reflect on Our Life of Faith

EVERYONE IS INVITED—EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

CHILD CARE PROVIDED EVERY WEEK

Fall Work Day at Wakonda
Saturday, October 24—9:00 a.m.
Lunch Provided
All ages welcome
Tasks for all skills and abilities
Plan Now:  
Tickets are Available online  
for Christmas Festivities  

**Wednesday, December 9, at 7:00 pm**  

**Apollos Fire**  
Many Stark County citizens have been very disappointed when trying to purchase tickets over the past several years for “Celtic Christmas” in Cleveland and Akron, because they are always sold out at all of their venues! Great news: this famed and popular **Apollos Fire** program is coming to Christ Church in Canton, after which these world famous musicians will fly to NYC to perform the same music at the Metropolitan Museum.  

This concert on December 9th will be a tapestry of mystical Scottish Gregorian chant, ancient pagan carols, Celtic fiddle tunes, and joyous dances, with Jeannette Sorrell as conductor. Jeannette has told us how eager they are to perform the program “in your excellent acoustics” and beautiful sanctuary. We bring you this news, just recently after their triumphant concerts at Tanglewood and the BBC Proms in London.  

For more information about the #11 ranking on the Billboard Classical Chart for “A Celtic Christmas” CD when it debuted in 2011, go to: [http://apollosfire.org/touring/touring-programs/sacrum-mysterium-a-celtic-christmas/](http://apollosfire.org/touring/touring-programs/sacrum-mysterium-a-celtic-christmas/)  

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**Pastor’s Notes**  
An eight-month old child grabs hold of the lamp table and pulls herself up for the first time. She risks a first step. She falls. She starts again. Over and over again this process repeats itself. Finally a first successful step. Still, the first step remains inconsequential if she never risks a second step. She will not get anywhere unless she can take a first step, followed by a second step. Risk this, and the child begins to walk; the child begins to get somewhere! Now, consider Christ Presbyterian Church.  

Three years ago, after 18 months of intentional scripture study and deep prayer, Christ Presbyterian Church adopted a plan forward. The immediate impact of it all, our first step, involved reforming how our Session and ministries (then called “committees”) functioned and to what end. A renewed and focused attention to creating a spiritually alive congregation lay at the center of the plan. We took this course knowing that moving away from a corporate model of ministry toward a biblically-grounded community of faith model would take time, energy, patience and faith. As we took this first step we knew there would be some failure along the way. We would fall down! We also knew there would be significant and encouraging successes. And so it has been. Now, however, it is time for us to take our second step.  

**We will continue to work on building an appropriate administrative structure and environment designed for the sole purpose of supporting our commitment to an individual and corporate spiritual growth that will cultivate a deeper passion and skill in reflecting the way of Christ outward into the larger community.** Our “second step” calls for each of us to consider how we, as individuals and as a congregation, respond to the call of Christ to seek and grow in Christ.  

Many people have been busy creating solid ground on which we might, all together, take this second step. And it seems right that they would wish to encourage you to join in this **plan to get somewhere meaningful** by way of worship and fellowship. In other words, through five worship services and five fellowship luncheons, you will experience your invitation to take your next step.  

**Beginning on Sunday, October 18th, and continuing on through Sunday, November 15th,** you are invited to join in worship and fellowship that will introduce you to **Christ Church Responding to the Call of Christ: Seeking and Growing in Faith.** On that first Sunday, everyone will receive a copy of the manuscript and workbook. Each successive Sunday we will delve deeper into the meaning and opportunity that lives within the front and back cover. Upon it is built the path Christ Church will take to respond to the **Call of Christ.** Each week—and this is no small matter—lunch will be provided for us in Westminster Hall giving us time to talk, ask questions, offer ideas and enjoy one another’s company. Each week we will finish no later than 12:50 because **IT IS FOOTBALL SEASON,** and the football season is too short as it is! Plus, everyone will need time to digest both the food and the content of the morning.  

I pray you are interested in taking this second step. I hope your faith is such that you would be willing to take a risk that is, in fact, no risk at all. Stepping out in faith is never risky. It is always filled with possibility, blessing and purpose. Such is the grace of God.  

Pastor Dave  

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**TAG**  

**Tuesday, October 20—**History of Music in America, Presented by Rich McElroy  

**Tuesday, November 17—**Advent Wreath made with Biblical Herbs, demonstration presented by Nancy Quinn Simon, Canton Garden Center  

**Tuesday, December 15—**Tis the Season, presented by Bob Morrison  

Delicious homemade meal prepared by the TAG chefs. We gather at 11:30 a.m. for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, followed by a meditation at 11:45 a.m., and lunch at Noon. The program begins at approximately 12:45 p.m. and concludes by about 1:30 p.m. The cost is still only $7.00. Call the church office or register online.
Get Connected at Christ Church

Many in the congregation are already using the online church membership program, Access ACS. This allows members to view online Membership Information/Directory; Give online; sign up for events; email ministry/groups you are involved in, etc. If you have never logged in, check it out! Visit the Church website: www.cantonpc.org and click on CPC Members/Member Login. If you have never logged in, click on need a login below the blue sign in box.

Once you have created a login on the membership program, you can download a free mobile app to stay connect on the go! Search for ACS Church Life with the icon pictured.

This app allows you to contribute from your mobile device, look up phone numbers, addresses, and emails, send text or call, pull up directions and a map for home visits, and view calendar events. You simply use the same username/password you use for Access ACS.

If you have questions or need help, please call Diane in the church office (330-456-8113).

Like and share our Church facebook page—where we share upcoming church and fellowship events. Go to the Church website: www.cantonpc.org and click on the “Find Us On facebook” icon at the bottom of the home page.

Food, Clothing & Prayer Ministry Update

The Food Ministry has always been blessed with an abundance of helpers—whether they are members of our congregation, or recently, volunteers that also come to us for help. As we move into the fall and winter, however, we have a need for more support. I am asking a couple of people to help us out moving forward.

We order food and toiletries from Marc’s on 30th Street and from Sam’s Club. The order is placed twice a month. We need volunteers who can go to the stores to purchase the items and deliver them to the church. The beauty of this “ask” is that you can do it according to your own schedule. If you would like to know more details, please call Lorraine at 330-495-8963. As always, we are blessed by the generosity of Christ Church!

Just a reminder:
The Food, Clothing, and Prayer Ministry is always in need of items such as Guideposts, travel size toiletries, diapers, and baby wipes.

THANK YOU!

Dear Faith Family,
Thank you for remembering me with a wonderful card. I have it on my kitchen table and I keep reading it.
Thank you, too, for bringing Terry Everett into my life.
We’re having a good time.

Love, Lorna Kraft

Dear Christ Presbyterian Church,
Words of thanks cannot begin to express my appreciation for all the many acts of kindness shown to me during my recent illness. My church family is a great gift from God.

Kris Piekarski

Muchas Gracias (Thank You)
Dear Christ Presbyterian Church,
I thought that this goofy card was a fitting expression of my enthusiasm for studying Spanish Education, but even more so, for my gratitude for your spiritual and financial support as I continue my education at Wittenberg University. Thank you so much! I am honored to be chosen to receive this scholarship and I look forward to representing our congregation in the Wittenberg and Springfield Community. Thank you gain for your generosity. It is truly a blessing!

Kathryn Ophardt

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MOMENT

The Hat and Mitten Tree will make its appearance on November 8. Last year there were so many donations that the tree was cleared four times! Can you do that again this year? Knitters, watch for kits of yarn and instructions in Cloister Hall. Shoppers, watch for hat and mitten sales. All of the donations go to Pine Ridge and our own Food, Clothing, and Prayer Ministry.

Box Tops for Education continue to come in and are given to Allen School. Each box top is worth a dime. Be aware that both Hefty and Zip Lock have box tops printed on their products as well as Betty Crocker. Please put them in a pew envelope and mark it “box tops” and put them in the collection plate.

Sunday Morning Adult Classes
9:15-10:15 a.m.

Contemporary Issues and Biblical Thought Adult Class
meets in the Quilting Room Sunday mornings 9:15-10:15 a.m. and is studying King David, First and Second Samuel.

The Parlor Class is studying from the Present Word.
10/4—The Spirit Is Not for Sale, led by Jack Ketterer
10/11—Saul Earns Credibility, led by Les Morgan
10/18—Peter Takes a Risk, led by Wanda Young
10/25—Trust the Spirit, led by Dottie Rasnick

The Upper Room Class, led by Mike Ophardt, meets on the second floor above the Parlor.
**October**

**Sunday, 10/4—Communion**  
9:15 a.m. New Members  
Meet with Session  
12:00 p.m. MW Stock Holder Luncheon—West. Hall  
12:00-9:00 p.m. Youth Day at Wakonda  

**Wednesday, 10/7**  
7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting—Westminster Hall  
7:00 p.m. SM Supervision—Parlor  

**Saturday, 10/10**  
8:30 a.m. Food Ministry Breakfast—West. Hall  

**Sunday, 10/11**  
12:30 p.m. Fall Picnic at Wakonda  
6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Group  

**Monday, 10/12**  
3:00 p.m. Property Ministry—Parlor  

**Wednesday, 10/14**  
8:00 a.m. Food Ministry  
7:00 p.m. Worship Ministry—Upper Room  

**Sunday, 10/18**  
11:45 a.m. Congregational Luncheon—Westminster Hall  
6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Group  

**Tuesday, 10/20**  
11:30 a.m. TAG Luncheon and Program—West. Hall  
6:00 p.m. Session Dinner/Meeting—Westminster Hall  

**Wednesday, 10/21—Tydings Deadline**  
5:30 p.m. Israel Trip Meeting—Westminster Hall  
7:00 p.m. SM Supervision—Parlor  

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**Financial Notes**  

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| Expenses                |             |             |
| Operating Expenses      | ($191,211)  | ($197,877)  |
| **Total Expense**       | ($191,211)  | ($197,877)  |

**Ending Balance Operating Funds as of 8/31/15**  
$73,798 $99,435

*This reporting reflects the General and Camp Funds from July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016.  
PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR PLEDGE CURRENT. THANK YOU!*

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**Sunday Morning Schedule**  
8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School Classes—All Ages  
10:45 a.m. Kids’ Church  

**Tuesday Schedule**  
9:30 a.m. Bible Study—Parlor  
1:00-3:00 p.m. Staff Meeting—Library  

**Wednesday Schedule**  
4:30-6:15 p.m. Boy Choir Rehearsal  
5:30-7:00 p.m. Girls’ Choir Rehearsal  

**Thursday Schedule**  
7:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study—West. Hall  
7:15-9:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal  

**Saturday, 10/24**  
9:00 a.m. Fall Work Day—Camp Wakonda  

**Sunday, 10/25**  
11:45 a.m. Congregational Luncheon—Westminster Hall  
6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Group  

**Tuesday, 10/27**  
6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Christmas Play Practice  

**Wednesday, 10/28**  
8:00 a.m. Food Ministry  
6:45 p.m. Wakonda Operational Council—Parlor  

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**Carolyn E. Greenham**  
September 17, 2015  
Robert V. Wade  
September 23, 2015  
Christian sympathy is extended to the Greenham and Wade Families.

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“For Everything There Is a Season: A Time To . . .”

**Christ Church Hymn Festival**
Sunday, 8 November, 5:00 pm

Choirs, organ, instruments, readings, scriptures, prayers.

This event is a precious hour for us to be “off-line,” to be apart from the busy digital world, to be engaged physically, mentally, spiritually, and vocally in the beauty of holiness. We sing our prayers and pray our songs through the amazing poetry and scriptures of great hymn writers. Each hymn is a succinct and poignant sermon about how our lives can be richer in the many seasons of this complicated world. We will get lost “in wonder, love, and praise” with the themes of contrast in **Ecclesiastes 3**. We will allow ourselves to be challenged by the extremes of birth and death, of weeping and laughing, of tearing and mending, of silence and speaking. For everything there is a season: a time for connecting to the digital world, and a time to refrain from being online. Let’s revel in our freedoms to make choices for these seasons. Come to the hymn festival; we may discover a time for healing.

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**Session Notes—September 15, 2015**

Our meeting began with dinner and prayer. Kevin Anderson led worship based on John 14.

Pastor Dave reported that employee reviews were completed. The Pulpit Nominating Committee is continuing to screen applicants for the Associate Pastor position. Camp attendance was up by 5%. Worship attendance has been down this summer. The Responding to the Call of Christ document has been printed and is ready for distribution October 18, when Pastor Dave begins his sermon series on discipleship.

The clerk’s report and minutes from the ministries were received and approved.

Motions approved: 1. To reimburse Tom Okonak for publicity concerning the Associate Pastor position. It was recommended that a budget be established and approved for the remainder of the search. 2. To participate with Habitat for Humanity of East Central Ohio in a Canton Interfaith Build beginning in the Spring of 2016. Funding for $8,000 toward the project was approved. The approval is contingent on identifying leadership for the project. 3. To terminate the 403b program for staff and assist in transitioning into the Presbyterian Pension program, roll over into a personal IRA, or a payout. 4. To pay up to $1,000 for the legal work associated with the termination and transition of the 403b plan. 5. To pay up to $500 to cover the cost of an annual audit.

A motion from the Deacons concerning a proposal to increase the Rahal Trust was tabled for further clarification.

The motion to move the investment account at Huntington National Bank to a fund within the Stark Community Foundation was defeated.

An elder’s retreat will take place September 25-26 to continue discussing the issue of same sex marriage.

We closed with prayers for the people of the congregation and the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Edith Ophardt

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**GET IN LINE FOR CHRISTMAS!**

Do you know a child who likes to sing and act? Rehearsals for this year’s Christmas Program, “Get in Line for Christmas,” will be beginning October 25. Children, grandchildren, neighbors, and friends ages 5 through 5th grade are welcome to be a part of this wonderful, faith-filled adventure.

Rehearsals begin Sunday, October 25, during 10:30 a.m. Kids’ Church and will be held every Sunday during that time until the program on Sunday, December 20 at 5:00 p.m. There will also be three after church rehearsals (Noon-2:00 p.m.; lunch provided) on November 15 & 29 and December 13 and a dress rehearsal on Thursday, December 17 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. If you know a child who would like to be a part of this wonderful program, please contact Jennie George.

Information and details will be mailed out soon; let us know if we can add someone you know to the list!
The Church is charged for every returned Newsletter. If you have moved, or changed a seasonal address, please notify the church office. Thank you.

To be added to the Tydings email list or to submit an article for Tydings, please email dnave@cantonpcc.org no later than Wednesday, October 21, 2015.

Sunday Mornings 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Listen to the Cathedral Hour on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. on 640AM WHLO, or log on your computer to www.640whlo.com for live streaming.

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Prayer Chain: Whenever there’s a need for prayer, please call one of our Prayer Chain co-chairs:
Miriam Hinterleiter ~ 330-966-5846
Miriam Carter ~ 330-832-5120
Alice Bailey ~ 330-456-6290
or email AliceB1519@aol.com

Friends Helping Friends:
If you are in need of temporary assistance or medical equipment, we want you to know that we care. God has His hand in this ministry, sees your need, and wants you to receive this assistance through Friends Helping Friends. Please do not hesitate to call coordinator:
Barb Gheen - 330-837-4378
Carol Burt ~ 330-492-8261

October Birthdays

2 Bob Daane, Danielle Drumm, Helen Gilmore, Sue Ellyn Haas, Nicole Morgan, Sue Nelson, Lily Roberts, Halle Speelman
3 Mike Crowl, Sue McCarty, Kevin Edwards
4 Katherine DeLap, Kalina Kling, Deanne Kornacki, Dottie Rasnick, Doris Walters
5 Tod Schneider, Maxine Snyder
6 Paul Burnett, Judith Peters, Adam Wiggins
7 Charles Dhyanand
8 Barb Bartchy, Chris Harmsen, Rachel Helton, Carolyn Hess, Jessica Jacob
9 Joan Meeks, David Snyder
10 Clarence Anderson, Gregg McCreery, Marilyn Stults, Ted Stults
12 Ashley Kellicker, Bob Richards
13 Seth Brown, Scott Cook, Terry Moore, Leslee Snow, Jayne Sterner
14 Kayleigh Bondor, Cynthia Schneider
15 Mark Roberts, Karen Speelman
16 Isabella Andrews, Lynda Aquilo, Kathryn Ophardt
17 Magnus Andrews, Leah Barnhart, Wes Webber
18 Geraldine Abernathy, Francis Campbell, Robert DeLap, Carol Gravilla, Kelsi Hulit, Carson White
19 David Everett, Lucas Jeffries, William Lamb, Joyce Stanforth
20 Myra Belcher, Dick Campbell, Preston Engler, Jacques Hewit, Jean Oppermann
22 Dottie McGrew, Grayson White
23 Brian DeLap
24 Nancy Irving, Andrea McFerren, Katie Miller, Darlene Rownd
25 Jonathan Jacob, Todd Witham
26 Kirk Spillman, Kristi Wood
27 Vickie Motts, Coleen Wimer
28 Joshua Long, Bruce Schorsten
29 Dianne Diana, Victoria Engler, Bob Hecht, Pam Moretta
30 Elizabeth Broad, Donna Carter, Jackson Chance, Steve Schott, David Tuesday