Christ Presbyterian Church
530 West Tuscarawas St. Canton, OH
World Communion Sunday

October 6, 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.

REFLECTIONS & INSTRUCTIONS ON COMMUNION

†  Communion is a time for quiet celebration. Please refrain from talking with neighbors as others are in thankful prayer.

†  Holy Communion is a gift from God to all of God's people. It does not belong to one particular church or denomination. At Christ Presbyterian Church everyone who confesses Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is encouraged to come to the table.

†  Appropriate responses to receiving both bread and cup include:

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

†  You are encouraged to remember God’s call to be part of the covenant people and a citizen in the Kingdom of Heaven (your baptism) by dipping your hand in the baptismal font as you come forward.

†  You are welcome to receive Communion as a couple, family, and/or as friends gathered. If you have a family member who is in the choir, they can join you as you come forward.

†  You are encouraged to sing during Communion. Often the choir will lead in singing meditative hymns.

†  As you return to your seat you are encouraged to continue singing, devote yourself to prayer, or meditate on the cross.

†  Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the minister/server when you come forward.

*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
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Voluntary “Procesion y Saeta”
Jose Jesus Estrada
Edited by James Welch

Welcome & Worship Notes

Call to Worship
Leader: Destruction and violence are everywhere; strife and contention are all around.
Habakkuk 1:3, 4
People: The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.
Leader: The law is slack, and justice does not prevail.
Luke 17:5
People: The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.
Leader: How many threats surround us; warfare, homelessness, loneliness, loss.
People: The needs of the world are so great, but you, O God, are greater still—the One in whom all things are possible.
Luke 1:37
O Lord, increase our faith in you!
Luke 17:5

*Hymn in Procession No. 637
“O Sing to the Lord”

*Prayer of the Day (in unison)
Faithful Lord,
present in sorrow, present in hope,
give our lament space to seek you,
that we may not forget
that your steadfast love never ceases
and your Spirit forever flows. Amen.

Call to Confession
Leader: God answers those who seek mercy;
Lamentations 3:25-26
salvation comes to those who wait for the Lord.
People: Therefore, let us confess all we have done,
and what we have not done, trusting in God’s grace.
Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Merciful God, you have called us to live in sincere faith and to suffer for the gospel.
We confess that we do not come before you with a clear conscience.
Our faith is clouded by sin and uncertainty.
We shrink from your call to live sacrificially on behalf of others.
Too quickly, we seek our own ease and comfort first.
We confess that in our own lives, and in the church, we rely on our power rather than yours.
Forgive us, we pray.
Restore to us the spirit of power rightly used, of love unconditionally offered, and of self-discipline gracefully lived.
In new mercy, forgive us and increase our faith, that we may be faithful servants at your table.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Kyrie—No. 577 (Sung first in Greek, then in English)
**Assurance of Pardon**

The power of God has saved us:

*grace is given to us in Christ Jesus,*

*who abolished death and brought life*

*and immortality to light.*

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**Response—Hymn No. 456**

*“Listen, God is Calling”*

**All sing refrain, choir sings verses**

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**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

Faithful God,

we wait in hope for you to speak.

Come to us in Scripture read and proclaimed.

By the power of your Holy Spirit,

increase our faith

that we may do all we are commanded to do

according to your glory.  Amen.

Hebrew Scripture

A Lament for Jerusalem

Leader:  The Word of the Lord.  

Pew Bible page 666

People:   Thanks be to God.   

Large print Pew Bible page 933

*Hymn No. 817

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

Gospel Reading

The Nature of Faith


Pew Bible page 852

People:   Thanks be to God.   

Large print Pew Bible pages 97-98

Sermon

“Faith Talk”  

Rev. David de Vries

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!”

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed:  page 34

Invitation to the Offering

Exodus 35:5  “Take from among you an offering to the Lord; let whoever of a generous heart bring the Lord's offering: gold, silver, and bronze.”

Anthem

Tom Trenney

For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread, 
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead.  
And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace.  
For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles, deciding the share,  
With wisdom and grace, dividing the power, a system that’s fair,  
And God will delight…  
For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song.  
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old, the right to belong.  
And God will delight.  
For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be,  
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free!  
And God will delight…
Doxology—Hymn No. 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Lord, your steadfast love never ceases;
your mercies never come to an end.
Use these gifts, we pray,
that through them
your compassion may be known. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Hymn No. 508

“Come to the Table”

*The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Leader: Blessed are you, strong and faithful God. All your works, the height and the depth, echo the silent music of your praise. In the beginning your Word summoned light, night withdrew, and creation dawned. As ages passed unseen, waters gathered on the face of the earth and life appeared.
People: When the times at last had ripened and the earth grown full in abundance, you created in your image man and woman, the stewards of all creation.
Leader: You gave us breath and speech, that all the living might find a voice to sing your praise, and to celebrate the creation you call good. So now, with all the powers of heaven and earth, we sing the ageless hymn of your glory:
Leader: All holy God, how wonderful is the work of your hands! When sin had scarred the world, you entered into covenant to renew the whole creation. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, as a father joyfully welcomes his own, you embraced a people as your own and filled them with longing for a peace that would last and for a justice that would never fail. Through countless generations your people hungered for the bread of freedom. From them you raised up Jesus, your Son, the living bread, in whom ancient hungers are satisfied.

People: He healed the sick, though he himself would suffer; he offered life to sinners, though death would hunt him down. But with a love stronger than death, he opened wide his arms and surrendered his spirit.

Leader: On the night before he met with death, Jesus came to the table with those he loved. He took bread and praised you, God of all creation. He broke the bread among his disciples and said: “Take this, all of you, and eat it. This is my body, given for you.” When the supper was ended, he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to you, God of all creation. He passed the cup among his disciples and said: “Take this, all of you, and drink from it. This is the cup of the new covenant sealed in my blood for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.”
Leader: Gracious God, as we offer you our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we commemorate Jesus, your Son. Death could not bind him, for you raised him up in the Spirit of holiness and exalted him as Lord of creation. Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: Eternal God, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us and over these earthly gifts of bread and cup, that they may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ, and that we may become one in him. May his coming in glory find us ever watchful in prayer, strong in truth and love, and faithful in the breaking of the bread.

People: Then, at last, all peoples will be free, all divisions healed, and with your whole creation, we will sing your praise, through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Leader: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, forever and ever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Communion Anthems
Hymn No. 602                        “Holy Lamb of God”
Hymn No. 538     “Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”

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. 295  “Go to the World!”
Prayer Chain:
Whenever there's a need for prayer, please call one of our Prayer Chain co-chairs:

Sandy Kohler ~ 330-575-5874
midnightingaletoo@gmail.com

Judy Smith ~ 330-771-0598
judithllsmith@gmail.com

Carol Orin ~ 330-833-2351
jlocao4638@gmail.com

*Benediction

Choral Response “May the Love of the Lord (Hymn No. 549)” Swee Hong Lim

Organ Voluntary Postlude on ‘SINE NOMINE” Charles Callahan

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 our Parents
and Grandparents from the families of Albert Smith Jr. and Mrs. Cynthia Minter.

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

Liturgist: Jon Peterson
Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of October 6, 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, October 13:
- Monday: Jeremiah 29:1
- Tuesday: Psalm 66:1-12
- Wednesday: 2 Timothy 2:8-15
- Friday: Jeremiah 29:4-7
- Saturday: Psalm 66:1-12

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 Nothing Can Separate Us From God’s Love (Romans 8).

“Can God spread a table in the wilderness?” —Psalm 78:19
When we come together in the peace of Christ, we find plenty of reconciliation and grace to share at God’s table. By giving to the Peace & Global Witness Offering, you support peacemaking and reconciliation work that brings people to this table of peace, even in the deepest conflict. The Peace & Global Witness offering will be received TODAY.
PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019

Scripture Readings
Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalm 66:1-12; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

Consider: In both the reading from Jeremiah and the reading from Luke, God is at work not only among the chosen people of Israel, but also among those considered enemies of Israel. God tells Israel to make its home among the Babylonians while in exile, seeking the welfare of the city to which they have been sent. Jesus heals a “double-outcast,” a man who is a Samaritan and a leper. Is there someone in your own life whom you feel is an “enemy” to you—or someone you would rather not be associated with for some reason? Who are enemies in a larger sphere (national, political, or social)? How can you “seek their welfare”? How may you, in faith, reach out to such a one?

Spirit and Space Lunch—Learn About our Decision Process
Please plan to join the Spirit & Space Team for a light luncheon after the 10:30am church service next Sunday, October 13th. We will provide an update and discuss the challenges (opportunities) we now face matching our Gather Us In budget with desired Spirit & Space design and construction outcomes. Please sign up for the luncheon in Cloister Hall or call the church office so that we have an idea of how much food to prepare.
Sunday Morning Adult Classes  
9:15-10:15 a.m.

Westminster Sunday School 2019-2020
This year Westminster Hall Class is asking the questions of faith, as we seek to understand God. Our primary guide throughout our class is *Faith Seeking Understanding: An Introduction to Christian Theology*, by Dr. Daniel L. Migliore. In the next several weeks, we welcome Pastor Michael who will teach on the meaning of revelation (how God reveals himself—not the book of Revelation), Dr. Keith Lloyd who will talk about the authority of Scripture, and both Rabbi Adland and Spitzer who will share the Jewish perspective of Creation. See you at 9:15 AM Sunday mornings!

The Parlor Class continues to study from the Present Word. October 13—Blessed for Faithfulness, led by Les Morgan; October 20—Faith Can Heal, led by Wanda Young; October 27—Faith Saves, led by Dottie Rasnick.

♦ 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 Class meets in the Pine Room.

Ruth Mains Memorial Candy
Mission West is bringing back Ruth Mains' famous Dark Chocolate Pecan Candies again this holiday season. Order forms will be available soon.
As we prepare to celebrate 60 years of changing lives at this year’s 28th annual Camp Wakonda Benefit Auction on Saturday, November 16th we would be grateful if you would consider donating to this vibrant mission.

With the generous support and contributions of donors like you, the funds raised provide scholarships and promote program development. Below is a form for you to fill out if you choose to make a donation. It can

Questions? Contact Jennifer George

be mailed or faxed (330.456.8115) to the church. (330.456.8113/jgeorge@cantoncpc.org).

Thank you in advance for your continued support of our campers through our benefit auction.

Form and items should be sent to:

Camp Auction c/o Christ Presbyterian Church, 530 Tuscarawas St. West, Canton, OH 44702

Yes! I would like to help support Camp Wakonda. I would like to make the following donation:

Monetary Donation: $__________ Gift Certificate: ___________________________

Item or service: (description) ______________________________________________________

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Estimated Retail Value: $_______________ check if anonymous donation_______

We reserve the right to establish the minimum bid and final sale price on all donated items.

Please pick up donation at the address listed below

Donor Name: _________________________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

Email: _______________________________ Phone: __________________________
Open to children in first grade through middle school, Children's Choir will begin today and will meet each Sunday from 9:00am-9:15am in the Chapel. Led by Heather Cooper, the children will learn anthems, hymns, and other liturgical music for them to sing in Worship throughout the year.

Come sing with us!

A note from the Food and Clothing Ministry:  
Friends—This has certainly been a busy last several months for our Ministry. We can never predict how many folks we will serve each month, and we are seeing a steady increase in the number of people that are visiting us for distribution. Many are new and seeking temporary help to get them through a tough time. We allow these new visitors the opportunity to take more than the normal 4 items from the community pantry so that we can help their immediate needs. As a result, we are very low on stock after each distribution.

If you are able, please think of us when you're out shopping. Things like paper towels, dish liquid, body wash, Clorox wipes and cream soups go very quickly.

Also—We use over 500 plastic grocery bags a month! Please consider bringing us your bags as we are running very low. Larger size department store bags are also great for the clothing room.

You are a blessing to our Ministry and every day we thank you for your support—Lorraine
October
Youth Events

Saturday, October 12—Camp Closing-Volunteer Day at Wakonda
More details to follow

Sunday, October 13—CPC Family Day at Maize Valley
Directly after church
$10 for adults, $5 for children 12 and under
(if you sign up through church)
Lots of activities for all, including our own campfire for s’mores

Sunday, October 20—Controllers, Carvings, and Campfires
Hang at the home of the Wiggins family for hotdogs,
VR and Wii games, and pumpkin carving
632 Knoll St. SE, North Canton, OH 44709
6-7:30PM

Sunday, October 27—No Youth

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
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. The financial office does their best, however, we are not mind readers, and will appreciate letting us know so we can apply your contributions properly.

Thank You for helping us help you,
Donald Wellich, 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

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 co-coordinator:
Alice Rauch—330-494-2997
Sue Nelson—330-832-2999

Spiritual Aging
An Intentional Journey

One Day Workshop
Saturday, November 2, 2019
9:00 am—2:00 pm

Aging brings on a lot of new challenges in life, but even at any age, life can be lived full of genuine joy and new discoveries. No matter what your age, come spend a day searching how you might experience a richer sense of God’s presence in your life!
Register online by October 19.
CPC is participating in supporting Thanksgiving Baskets Downtown project. Christ Church has been asked to collect and donate boxes of *macaroni and cheese* throughout September and October to be included in the 1200 bags of thanksgiving meals they will be giving out this coming November. Donations can be dropped off in the church office or in the large box marked "Thanksgiving Baskets Mac-N-Cheese" located near the Lectern side door in the Sanctuary. Thank you!

**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:

- **Barbara Bartchy**
  *(Happy Birthday)*

- **Marna Holcomb**
  *(Thinking of You)*

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**TAG – Tuesday Afternoon Group**

**Tuesday, October 15**

To open the TAG season, we welcome back Rich McElroy. He will be speaking about his new book, “Buckeye Bias: Footprints to Greatness”. It contains short biographies of 20 Ohioans including Rev. George Parkinson. The book will be available for $20 and will be personally signed. We will learn some fascinating new things about significant Ohioans, and Rich’s book will make a wonderful Christmas gift.

As always, you are sure to enjoy the wonderful meal and the entertaining and informative program. You will want to plan to gather in Westminster Hall at 11:30 for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, and lunch at noon. The program will begin at approximately 12:45 pm. The cost is $7.00.

**TAG schedule for 2019-2020.** Please mark your calendars now for these entertaining and interesting programs (programs subject to change).

- **Tuesday, 11/19** – Bob Morrison – Jerome Kern: The Man & His Music
- **Tuesday, 12/17** – Christmas music program presented by Heather Cooper
- **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
ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF October 6

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
11:45 am Bicentennial Committee Meeting—Westminster Hall
11:45 am Acolyte Training—Sanctuary
6:00-7:30 pm Youth Group—Sanctuary

Monday
10:00 am Staff Meeting

Tuesday
11:15 am-12:15 pm Handbell Reh.—Sanctuary
7:00 pm Spirit & Space Meeting—Parlor

Wednesday
7:30 am Men’s Bible Study—Westminster Hall
8:00-10:45 am Food Ministry
4:30 pm Worship Ministry Meeting—Parlor

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

Saturday
8:30-10:00 am Food Ministry Breakfast—Westminster Hall
9:00 am-3:00 pm Camp Wakonda Closing
12:00-4:00 pm Candy Making—Kitchen

Sunday, October 13
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
11:45 am Spirit & Space Luncheon—Westminster Hall
12:00 pm Family Event @ Maize Valley

Your will/trust/annuity can benefit your family and your church.
The Food, Clothing & Prayer Ministry is now accepting fall and light winter clothing. We will need men’s, women’s and children’s clothing in all sizes as we start looking at cooler days. We have had several requests for men’s socks and underwear as well, and will accept them in good condition. Lorraine.

Directories Are Here!!!!

For those who had photos taken for the directory, your free directory is available at the table in Cloister Hall. If you did not have your picture taken, directories are available to purchase for $20 weekdays in the church office.

October 13th
CPC Family Day at Maize Valley
$10 Adults/$5 for children 12 and under
If paid to the church before the event.
(It’s regularly $12 per person if you pay there.)

We will meet after church and head out as a group for an afternoon of fall fun at Maize Valley. There is so much to do there! We’ll also have our very own campfire there to enjoy with plenty of s’mores supplies for us all!

Sign up online or at the kiosk
by Monday, October 7.

James Welch
Organist in Concert
Sunday, 20 October, 2019
4:00 pm
“A Return to Paris”

Our First Event This Fall
In the Christ Church Music Series