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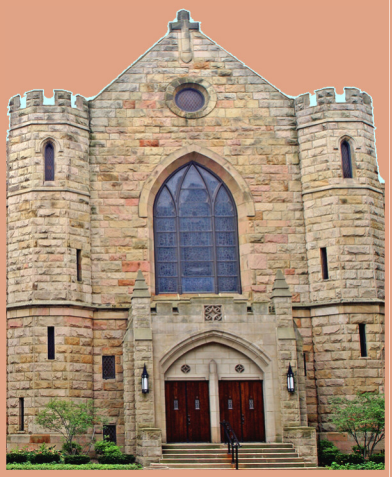


The 2021-22 Concert Series

Available in person and via Facebook and YouTube

Sunday, November 7, 2021 at 4 pm
A Concert of Solace and Assurance
CHRIST CHURCH CHANCEL CHOIR
Anthems, Scripture Readings, and Hymns will reflect on the events of the past year.
(This concert will take the place of the previously scheduled Duruflé *Requiem.)*

CAMP WAKONDA EST. 1959

THANK YOU!

THANK YOU ALL!! Many thanks to those who helped out with our Camp Closing event in October. We accomplished a ton! Your efforts and energy have prepared Wakonda for another year of great ministry. THANKS!

GIVING TUESDAY IS COMING!

Please remember Camp Wakonda on Giving Tuesday on Nov. 30th! Go to give.classy.org/SupportWakonda and give a gift that changes lives!

PRAYER CHAIN:
Whenever there's a need for prayer, please call one of our Prayer Chain co-chairs:
Judy Smith ~ 330-771-0598
judithllsmith@gmail.com
Carol Orin ~ 330-327-6543
jloca04638@gmail.com

FRIENDS HELPING FRENDS:
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:
Sue Nelson—330-832-2999

WORSHIP

Sundays—in Person
8:30 & 10:30 am

And Broadcast LIVE
Sunday mornings at 10:30 am
via:

News-Talk 1480 WHBC

YouTube
www.youtube.com/ChristPresbyterianChurchCanton

www.facebook.com/CantonCPC/live

PASTOR'S NOTE

Hard to believe that November has already fallen upon us. It means the end of daylight savings time. Days grow busy as afternoons grow dark. Weather changes grow more pronounced. For the faithful, November begins with All Saints' Day. Believers take time to remember the saints who have gone before us. Especially, we remember, with gratitude, those who have joined the church triumph within the recent year. A few weeks later we celebrate Christ the King Sunday, marking the end of the liturgical year as believers focus on our continuing experience of Christ leading us (the faithful) day by day. In the U.S., the Thanksgiving holiday will demand our time and energy, and the first Sunday in Advent usually falls on the last Sunday of the month. Can Christmas be far behind? Just the thought of that is likely to increase your heartrate and up your anxiety levels.

BUT WAIT! THERE'S MORE! It now seems likely that "supply chain issues" will impact our holiday shopping! I read a news headline recently that suggested Christmas is threatened by supply chain snarls. I mean, really: what is Christmas without shopping? This, of course, is one of the most ridiculous headlines of all history (no exaggeration!). Anyone who believes Christmas is at risk due to supply chain challenges doesn't really know the essence of Christmas! Christmas cannot be stopped. It cannot be hindered, delayed, marginalized, overlooked, or canceled. You cannot change divine history!

> *But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah the Lord.* (Luke 2:10-11)

I see an amazing opportunity to be had in this up-coming "supply chain chaos." I sense the possibility of a symmetry truly fitting the incarnation celebration. An old seminary professor writes of things that naturally go together:

> Acts and words belong together, clarifying and reinforcing each other. Sometimes word defines action. "Don't speak of love. Show me!" Or, frequently, actions deserve words. "You act as if you love me, but please tell me that you do. Please say it!" We somehow recognize that a simple "Hello!" and a fond embrace are mismatched. They don't suit each other. They are as incongruous as vowing "I love you!" while only shaking hands." (*Worship,* John Burkhart, Westminster, pg. 119)

Creating symmetry at Christmas means we pair worship with expressions of love. Presents under the tree make for a fond Hallmark, but frankly, we can do better!

It is evident enough to everybody that this Christmas has the potential to be the Christmas of hate.

> *And in despair I bowed my head, "There is no peace on Earth, " I said*
> *For hate is strong and mocks the song of Peace on Earth, good will to men.*

We look around to see that the potential for hate to "rule" Christmas 2021 is considerable. Be that as it may, Christmas and hate don't really go together! There is no natural symmetry between the two (actually, for the Christian, hate has no real useful place at any time!). So we can wipe "Hate" right off our Christmas list.

Creating symmetry at Christmas will find us loving one another as Christ loves us. And this remains a challenge. Returning symmetry to Christmas (worship and love) will challenge Christians because it is becoming increasingly evident that people, including Christians, struggle to replicate the love of Christ. Like Christ, we are called to love those who seem most alien to us, those with whom we have profound disagreements, those we trust the least, and those who challenge our easy assumptions. It is a love that seeks not after the welfare of the self, but the welfare of the least, the last, and the alone. It is a love that loves the enemy (See Matthew 5:46).

> Love came down at Christmas; Love, a lovely love divine
> Love was born at Christmas; Stars and angels gave the sign
>
> Love will be our token; Love be yours, and love be mine
> Love from God to all of us; Love for plea and gift a sign

This makes for a Christmas of another kind. Here is a suitable Christmas of right symmetry. Here is a Christmas worthy of the baby Jesus…worthy of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Peace, hope, joy, and love to you all,

Pastor Dave

Friends of the Food Ministry:

As soon as the cool air hits Ohio I begin to think about the holidays. This is a particularly busy time for our Food and Clothing Ministry. We generally help our friends during both Thanksgiving and Christmas by providing some special extras.

This year for Thanksgiving- we would like to give each person a box of stuffing and a jar/ can of turkey gravy in addition to their normal food bag. These bags will be passed out on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, Nov. 24. We will begin taking donations now for these two foods if you are able to help us out. Items can be dropped off outside the Food Room in a bag marked Thanksgiving. We are also happy to do the shopping if you prefer to make a monetary donation.

We will be hosting a Holiday Gathering for our friends on December 8. We are collecting items such as hats, scarves, jewelry, men's cologne, shaving tools, body lotions, new coffee mugs, and personal care items which will be on display for our friends to take as gifts. If you have any new or gently used items to donate, please put them in a bag noted for FCP Christmas.

As always, thank you in advance for your support and love for this wonderful Ministry. Please don't hesitate to call me with any questions. Blessings- Lorraine

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30-9:15 am	Gathered Worship Service—Chapel
9:00-9:30 am	Children's Choir – Choir Room
9:00-9:15 am	Kids' Chapel Time—via ZOOM
10:30 am	Gathered Worship Service—Sanctuary Also on Facebook, YouTube, and WHBC
11:45am-1:30pm	Confirmation Class
11:45am-1:30pm	Youth

Monday - 10:00 am - Staff Meeting—Parlor

Tuesday

9:30-11am Dave's Bible Study – Zoom
11:30am-12:30pm Handbell Rehearsal

Wednesday

8:00-9:00am Men's Bible Study – Zoom
7:30-9:00pm Dave's Bible Study – Zoom

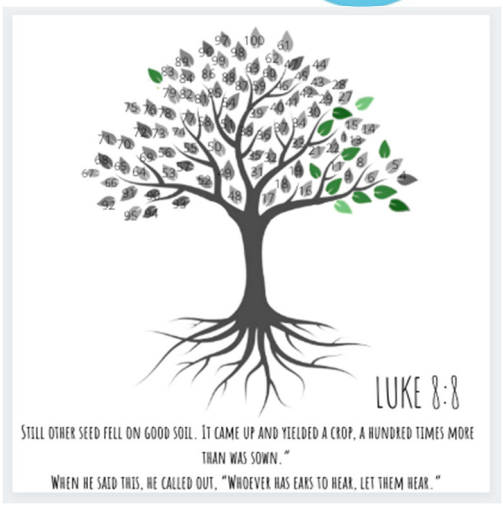
Thursday

9:30-11:00am Women's Bible Study – Zoom
7:15pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Monday, 11/1
7:00pm Racial Reconciliation - ZOOM
Tuesday, 11/2
9:30am Endowment Meeting - West. Hall
Wednesday, 11/3
7:00pm Deacon's - Parlor
Thursday, 11/4
1:30-3:30pm Alzheimer's Support Group – West. Hall
Sunday, 11/7
2:00am Daylight Saving time ends "Fall Back 1 Hour"
4:00pm A Concert of Solace and Assurance - Sanctuary
Monday, 11/8
1:00pm Property Meeting - Parlor
Tuesday, 11/9
12:00-2:00pm Personnel Meeting - Parlor
Wednesday, 11/10
7:45-11:00am Food Ministry
1:00-3:00pm Small Group - Parlor
Monday, 11/15
7:00pm Race & the body of Christ - Zoom
Tuesday, 11/16
11:15am-2:15pm TAG - West. Hall
6:30 pm Session Meeting – Parlor
Wednesday, 11/17 – TYDINGS DEADLINE
Sunday, 11/21
11:45am Hanging of the Greens
Tuesday, 11/23
Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - **ONLINE ONLY**
Wednesday, 11/24
7:45-11:00am Food Ministry
1:00-3:00pm Small Group - Parlor
Thursday, 11/25 - Thanksgiving
Church Closed
Friday, 11/26
Church Closed

1 Gary Stewart
3 Mark Amundsen
4 Elaine Alecusan, Carolyn Kortkamp
5 Tad Clark
6 Thomas Tuersley
7 Breckie Johnson, Doreen Hund, Evelyn Olmstead, Vashti Ramsaroop
8 Kent Berg, Katie Norton, Kathie Zwick
9 Nancy Hannon, Azelynn Repasky
11 Jane Rice, Lila Tibbits
13 Larry Linn
14 Scott McCahan
15 Ella Daniska, William Hannon, Cyndy Lucas
16 Steve Rauch, Emmeline Smith-Penzel, Judy Smith
17 Sylvia Hildebrand, Carolyn Smith
18 Justin Airhart, Kevin Anderson, Karsten Burdeshaw, Luke Simon, Bert Smith, Sally Sorenson, Carol Vaughn
19 Judy Provo, Andrew Williams, Audrey Wilson, Phyllis Wilson
20 Phyllis Milligan
22 Debra Kraft
23 Dinah Ward
24 Tracy Smith, Peter Snavely
26 Ellie Ohlinger
27 Heather Cooper, Christine Testa, MacKenzie Walker
28 Julia Frankland, Kate George
29 Eva Burdeshaw, Becky Fort, Heath Frankland, Emily Linn, Joel Maze, Pam Ray
30 Joe Angeli, Judi Krew, Tommy Rice

TIQVAH
Hands of HOPE



100 Days/100 Donors Campaign: We are about a quarter of the way through our campaign and VERY excited about our progress! As more and more monthly donors are added to our team, our vision for Tiqvah's future gets more exciting and within reach. We are thankful for all that Christ Presbyterian does for our organization. You allow us to create a home for so many students in Canton, while simultaneously supporting our mission to reach all the kids of the City with the love of Jesus Christ. Your Hospitality does not go unnoticed. We are still asking and encouraging our community to join in our mission to spread the word of God and enhance the lives of these kids. Below is the information on how to get started as a Champion of Hope. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Miss Abby, personally, at her email: abigail.komar@tiqvah.org
We look forward to partnering with you!

HOW IT WORKS: on the tree there are 100 leaves. Each leaf represents a dollar amount, ranging from $1-$100. As you prayerfully consider donating, head to our website http://www.tiqvah.org/championofhope to create a Champion of Hope profile where you will specify which dollar amount you would like to represent on a monthly basis. At the end of each week, we will update our Tiqvah family on the progress of our tree. In hopes that we can color in each leaf to create a beautiful representation of the growth we will have!

Thanksgiving
BASKETS
Downtown
Sharing the Feast

Normally this time of year we, as a congregation, begin collecting items to help our friends at the Thanksgiving Baskets Downtown project provide all the fixings for a thanksgiving meal to over one thousand Stark County families. With COVID numbers again at a high level, the TGB project is once again asking for monetary donations instead of individual item donations from participating churches to reduce the number of volunteers needed to be in close contact for sorting and organizing. If you would like to make a donation to help this year you can go online to www.thanksgivingbasketscanton.org or can mail a check to: Thanksgiving Baskets Downtown P. O. Box 8032 Canton, OH 44711

Care Package Project

Extra Halloween Candy???
Donate it to our project!

The youth group will be creating care packages to send to recent high -school graduates (within the last 4 years), college students, military, and Camp Wakonda staff. If you have an updated address for someone who would benefit from receiving one of these packages, contact bwiggins@cantoncpc.org.

We are collecting snack donations for approximately 37 care packages.
Instant foods: oatmeal packets, instant macaroni and cheese, ramen, microwave popcorn, hot chocolate packets
Individually wrapped snacks: granola bars, trail mixes, fruit cups, cheese crackers, chips, candy, gluten free and dairy free options

Donations may be placed in the box in the church office until Nov. 7th. Monetary donations may also be made to assist in the cost of shipping. Please mark as Finals Care Package Project. Thank you for your support!

The Christmas Shop

This Christmas, Christ Church is excited to be partnering with The Martin Center, Tiqvah, and 3rd Street Community Church for this year's Community Christmas Shop that helps provide low income families an opportunity to shop for their families affordably and with dignity. To help support this project, we are collecting NEW items from the below list from now until Sunday, December 5th. Items can be dropped off right here at the church in the collection box located by the office. If you would prefer to donate money, 3rd street church has set up an online link to give at: 3rdstreet.churchcenter.com/giving. Select "christmas shop" in the drop down menu. If you are using your phone, this QR code will get you right to the page. Items should not be wrapped and should remain in their packaging. Thank you for helping to support this great project. If you have any questions, please contact Jennie George.

THE MARTIN CENTER

THE Christmas SHOP

3RD STREET COMMUNITY CHURCH

The Christmas Shop 2021 Toy List

All Ages	Teenager 12-14	School Age 9-11	School Age 5-8	Pre-K/Infant-Toddler
• Board/Card Games • Legos • Movies • Video Games (Madden 21, NBA 2k21, FIFA 21, Games rated teen or lower for PS4 and Xbox One) • Craft Sets (Art sets, beads, bracelet sets, etc.) • Nerf Guns • Sports Balls (Football, Basketball, Kickball) • Large Toys: Art Easel, Basketball Hoop, Playhouse • Bikes/ Big Wheels/ Scooters	• Tablets • Books/Diary /Journals • Purses/ Wallets • Backpack/ Tote/ Bags • Mp3/iPod • Baseball Hats • Jewelry • Makeup • Hair Accessories	• Dolls • Action Figures • Purses • Toy Cars/ Trucks/ Matchbox • Train Set • Nerf Guns • Stuffed Animals • Board Games • Watches • Instruments • Makeup/ Nail Polish • Easy Bake Oven • Sewing Kits • Dress Up	• Dolls • Action Figures • Tool Kits/ Doctor Sets • Purses • Scooters • Toy Cars/ Trucks/ Matchbox • Train Set • Stuffed Animals • Instruments • Makeup/ Nail Polish • Easy Bake Oven • Dress Up • Kitchen Toys (play dishes, play food)	• Barbie Dolls/ Play Dolls • Game Kits/ Dream House • Play Dough Kits • Action Figures • Books • Dinosaurs • Stuffed Animals • Toy Cars/ Trucks/ Matchbox • Mr. Potato Head • Puzzles • Dress Up • Plastic Toys • Builder Sets • Cash Register • Educational Toys

Helpers Needed for Confirmation and Youth Group Meals

Thank you! We are so grateful to all who have donated financially to cover the cost of meals. Your support is so encouraging.

If you would like to assist by preparing simple meals, setting up, or cleaning up for the Youth Group/ Confirmation Meals after church, please contact Bonnie at bwiggins@cantoncpc.org or 234-262-0016. Thank you for your support!

We need a few helpers for each of the following dates:
Sunday, Nov. 7th
Sunday, Dec. 5th
Sunday, Dec. 12th
Sunday, Dec. 19th

The Chapel is open Monday—Friday, 9:00am—3:00 pm daily for quiet prayer and meditation.

What's New with Youth/Confirmation?

Sunday, Nov. 7th Care Package Project
Sunday, Nov. 14th Wakonda Mini Retreat-Departing after church and returning at 5:15pm
Sunday, Nov. 21st Friendsgiving-Bring a favorite food or snack to share
Sunday, Nov. 28th Happy Thanksgiving (No Meeting)

Youth Group and Confirmation meet directly after church until 1:30. All 6th-12th graders are welcome. Lunch is provided.

Please contact Bonnie at bwiggins@cantoncpc.org or @cantoncpcyouth on Instagram for any questions.

Be a Greeter!

Have you ever considered becoming a greeter, a warm welcoming presence to those on Sunday? The Deacons are reaching out to the congregation for volunteers to serve as greeters before the 10:30 service. Our wish is for the church to be a welcoming place for all who enter and a resource for visitors. If you feel you can give approximately 30 minutes before the 10:30 service to welcome worshipers, please choose a Sunday and sign up at the kiosk. Greeters are needed at the Main Entrance and the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Tracy Smith at 330-906-0353 or tsmith1124@yahoo.com.

Kitchen Coordinator needed for FCP Ministry

Since we have returned to full programming at our Food, Clothing and Prayer Ministry, serving breakfast to our friends who come has been a most welcome inclusion to what we offer. In addition to coffee, fruit, cheese, and a sweet breakfast item, we have been trying to offer a simple hot item each week as well. What is desperately needed for the breakfast to continue is a coordinator to oversee picking up the needed items and making (or arranging the making of) the hot item. It's far less daunting than it sounds! We've offered simple breakfast casseroles that you can make quickly the day ahead, or premade sausage and gravy that just needs heated up over premade biscuits. Or sausage muffins that just need to be heated. It doesn't require much work ahead of time but you would need to be available on Food Ministry days to work with our kitchen helpers (2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month) to set up, heat up, and put out the food. Jennie George will be happy to show you the ropes and assist you in getting started and there are already volunteers willing to help in the kitchen on FCP days. If you are interested or want more information, contact Jennie George or Lorraine Murphy. Thank you!

FINANCIAL NOTES

		YTD 9/30/21	YTD 9/30/20
Beginning Balance Operating Funds as of 7/1		$ 190,018	$ 125,138
Revenue	Pledges	140,545	140,910
	Other	231,380	23,786
	Trusts & Endowments	22,325	20,391
	Total Income	$ 394,249	$185,086
Expenses	Operating Expenses	(282,647)	(201,256)
Ending Balance Operating Funds as of 6/30/21		$301,620	$108,967

This reporting reflects the General and Camp Funds from July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR PLEDGE CURRENT. THANK YOU!

Gifts can be given online at www.cantoncpc.org or mailed to the Church office.

STEWARDSHIP—September		
Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7, NIV		
Average Monthly	**Sept—21**	**Sept—20**
Attendance	129	0*
General Fund Income	$198,329	$44,916
G/F Budget Needed	$60,657	$61,033
Monthly Net + / -	137,672	(16,117)

*ONLINE STREAMING OF SERVICES DUE TO COVID-19
**Limited Capacity Due to Covid Restrictions

TAG is BACK!!!!

** Tuesday, November 16 **

The Tuesday Afternoon Group is coming back! In consultation with Pastor Dave, we have decided to proceed with our November and December luncheons and programs. Guests will be seated 4 per table to allow plenty of physical distancing. Please be prepared to wear a mask except when you are eating.

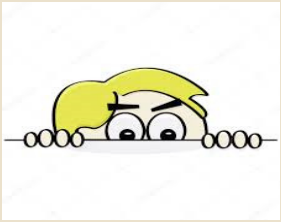
As always, you can look forward to a delicious homemade meal prepared by the TAG chefs. We will gather at 11:30 for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, followed by a meditation at 11:45, and lunch at noon. To celebrate our first TAG event following all the recent challenges, and to observe the church's 200th anniversary, we are planning to waive the normal $7 cost this time. Please sign up in the kiosk area or by calling the church office no later than Sunday, November 14.

For November's program, we will have a very special guest. Canton native and ESPN college football broadcaster Todd Blackledge will give us an update on the 2021 season. Be sure to come with your questions about your favorite team!

For December's TAG (Tuesday, December 14), Heather Cooper and the Christ Church Ringers will entertain us with Christmas music.

The Parlor Class
The Present Word

November 7 - All People Praise God led by Betsy Smith
November 14 - Praise for God's Eternal Reign led by Jim Smith
November 21 - Rejoicing in Heaven led by Jack Ketterer
November 28 - Good News for All led by Les Morgan



Camp Wakonda 2022
SNEAK PEAK!

Shhh! Want to get an advance look at next summer? Go to www.wakondacamp.org/2022-camp-events.html

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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 tschmolt@cantoncpc.org no later than **Wednesday, November 17.**

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November TYDINGS

In Christian Sympathy

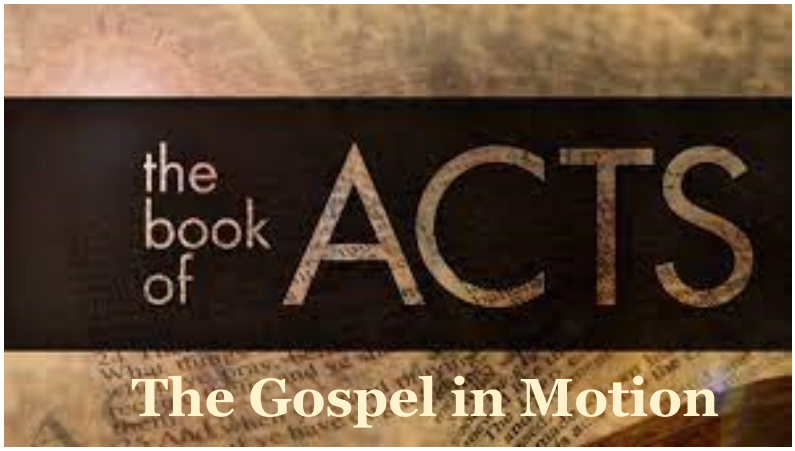
G. David Rausch

10/3/2021

Christian sympathy is extended to the Rausch Family.

NEW PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINS

How did the first generation of Christians practice the faith, worship, share the good news, and live together as "Jesus people?" The Book of Acts tells the story of those first Christians.



The Book of Acts will be the focus of the newest Bible Study led by Pastor Dave. The class is offered twice each week; Tuesday mornings (9:30-11:00) and Wednesday evenings (7:30-9:00). The class is designed to engage both the biblical novice and those with great familiarity with the scriptures. The fact is, we always learn from one another.

We will continue to gather via ZOOM, a decision we will reconsider after the holidays. Perhaps there can then be an option to offer the class both gathered in person and ZOOMed. If you are interested in joining this study, please email Pastor Dave (ddevries@cantoncpc.org) or the church office (cpcoffice@cantoncpc.org). EVERYONE IS WELCOME!