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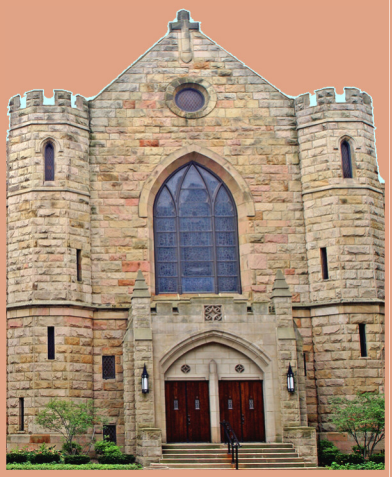


2021-2022 Concert Series
Friday, February 4 at 7:00 pm
Spencer Myer, piano

Lauded for "superb playing" and "poised, alert musicianship" by *The Boston Globe* and labeled "definitely a man to watch" by London's *The Independent*, American pianist **Spencer Myer** is one of the most respected and sought-after artists on today's concert stages. Myer presents a solo piano recital including works by Beethoven, Debussy, Chopin, and Libby Larsen on the Bösendorfer piano. This program is free and open to the public; it is also available as a live-streamed event.

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

The Church, The Nation, and the Dollar Bill

Several people, more this year than usual, have asked me about the announcement in the Order of Worship that speaks to 2022 Per Capita. "What is it?" is the question I hear. The answer must be linked to another question; What does it mean to be "Presbyterian?" Short of producing and unleashing a long and involved theological tome, allow me to address one simple aspect which ought to be of great importance to you. To be Presbyterian is to understand, accept, and live into the ideal best described as *democracy*. Presbyterians believe in the priesthood of all believers. We believe all the faithful must have a voice in life of the church. The leaders that founded our country adopted their governance ideals from Presbyterianism. The United States is a representative democracy which, if you think about it, is a simple variation of "the priesthood of all believers". Every person is important and should have a voice and a vote.

Some people call the Per Capita a "tax." Much like you and I pay taxes (I hear your groaning!) to ensure the maintenance and security of the nation, the per capita insures the maintenance and stability of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Each local church pays $30.59 per member per year to finance the on-going ministries of the denomination (Presbyteries, Synods, and the General Assembly).

What do you get for your money? The list of benefits is too extensive to enumerate here, so allow me to lift and summarize two that I believe are most important. First, being part of a denomination helps us all keep an eye on the larger picture. World mission, evangelism, relief work, and justice ministry are all easily lost to most of us in our day-to-day existence. Yet each is critical to the kingdom Jesus envisions and commands. Further, combining our resources and voices with other Christians (Presbyterians) allows for a much greater impact world-wide, especially when tragedy strikes at home or abroad.

Second, consider the needs of the local church. How do we best train pastors? How does the local church find a pastor faithful to the tradition? How does the local church train leaders, mission workers, hospital and military chaplains? How does the local church produce and acquire curriculum that teaches the mind, feeds the soul, and fuels the body in the ways of Christ in the tradition we value? How do we get faith-based information that touches on the relevant issues of our day? How do we settle internal congregational disputes, address and engage the perplexing legal, moral, and ethical realities of our day, and how do we connect with other congregations in our immediate area that believe as we believe? This is the work of our Presbyteries, Synods, and General Assembly.

I realize that denominations have, as of late, taken some hard hits. They take hard hits because they seek to do as we would want them to do; they represent the will of the majority while respecting the beliefs of the minority via a representative system of governing. And the fact is not lost on me that members that are part of healthy, representative denominations rarely have to read about sex scandals, thieving escapades, and/or leadership failures within their churches on the front page of the local newspapers or on the various social media sights. We are not perfect. But our system of governing keeps us accountable to the gospel and to one another.

You are NOT "required" to contribute to the per capita. We have it covered in the general budget. I just happen to believe it helps us each own the work of the larger church. It is true; we more deeply appreciate those things we contribute directly toward.

Peace be with you, brothers and sisters in Christ,
Pastor Dave

Camp Wakonda Brochures are out and REGISTRATION is OPEN! If you didn't get one in the mail, stop by the church or contact the office today.
Go to www.wakondacamp.org to register!

Want to stay connected to info about Wakonda? Get Camp Wakonda's quarterly e-newsletter, The Beam, by contacting Pastor Ben at bgeorge@cantoncpc.org.

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30-9:15 am	Gathered Worship Service—Chapel
9:00-9:30 am	Children's Choir – Choir Room
9:00 am	Children and Youth Classes open
9:45-10:15 am	Children Sunday School (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

Wednesday 2/2
7:00 pm Deacon's - Parlor
Thursday, 2/3
1:30-3:30pm Alzheimer's Support Group – Parlor
Friday, 2/4
7:00 pm Spencer Myer Concert—Sanctuary
Tuesday 2/8
9:15 am Endowment Meeting—Parlor
12:00-2:00pm Personnel Meeting - Parlor
Wednesday, 2/9
7:45-11:00am Food Ministry
1:00-3:00pm Small Group - Parlor
4:00 pm Worship Ministry – Parlor

Saturday, 2/12
8:00-10:00 am Food Ministry breakfast – Westminster Hall
Monday, 2/14
1:00pm Property Meeting - Parlor
Tuesday 2/15
11:15am-2:15pm TAG – Hartville Kitchen
6:30 pm Session - Parlor
Wednesday, 2/16-TYDINGS DEADLINE
Wednesday, 2/23
7:45-11:00am Food Ministry
1:00-3:00pm Small Group - Parlor

1 Nancy Baker, Don Hart
2 Rick Angeli, Louise Serban, Randy Snow
3 Mary Jane Ebie
5 Wayne Wallace
6 Judy Douglass, Donald Koch, Peggy Johnston
8 Emmett O'Wesney
9 Jim Camp, Amanda Roberts
11 Mary Angeli, Lisa Campbell, Drew DeLap
14 Peggy Griffith, Gloria Marks, Ruthie Sampson, Kathy Schlabach, Robin Shanower
15 Joan Clarke
16 Les Morgan
17 Don Rossbach
18 Heather Dominik, Andrea Doria, Lori Wulff
19 Lori Sproul, Yvonne Lee
20 Barbara Kroft, Gigi Somerville
21 Rafael Rodriguez
22 Madelyn Davison, Nancy Montgomery, David Rauch, Sharon Tuersley
23 Becky Banfield, Byrdie Stocker
24 Kathy Kettlewell, Merle Smith
25 Ellen Purchase
26 DeDe Bailey, Julia Dawson
27 Grace Snavely
28 Emily Hudson
29 April Daniska

Christ Church celebrates birthdays of members who are 95 years or more:

Wayne Wallace (101) February 5

Julia Dawson (97) February 26

TIQVAH Hands of HOPE

Happy New Year!
As we roll into the school year we are excited about the goals that we have for our students, on the academic basis. We have dedicated a large portion of our day to helping the kids push to thrive in their reading skills. Our THRIVE TIME is how we encourage our students to stay interested in learning! We are currently holding Lexia Wars in order to make learning fun for our students and allow for some competition between classes. Winners will be able to participate in a fun excursion for completing the most amount of units in a time period.
While our 100 Days 100 Donors campaign may be over, we still are pushing to reach our goal of getting as many donors as possible. If you are interested in learning more about our program, if you have any questions or want to know how you can help please reach out to our email at tiqvah@tiqvah.org! We look forward to partnering with as many people in our Church community as possible!

Blessings,
Your Tiqvah Hands of Hope Family.

The Parlor Class — The Present Word
February 6—Nathan Condemns David led by Jack Ketterer
February 13– Ezra Seeks God's Law led by Les Morgan
February 20—Bildad Misunderstands God's Justice led by Wanda Young
February 27– Serving a Just God led by Steve Schott

SESSION NOTES - JANUARY 18, 2022

We began our January Session meeting with prayer at 6:30PM, on Zoom.

The minutes for the November meeting and the Clerk's report for the same were both approved. The financial report was received by Session but is waiting approval until next month when TJ Hon will return.

Pastor Ben reported a full Camp season coming up. The Camp brochures will be going out soon and registration for the summer of 2022 will open on February 1st. Pastor Ben and Brian Husted continue to work on camp facilities over the winter and have worked with Scott Sproul on a plan to renovate the Activity Building. Ben has been working on creating sustainable systems for the camp by writing up workflows for how to do various things around the camp (turning water on and off seasonally, creating an online registration system, etc.). The camp had a very successful Giving Tuesday and end of the year giving push, raising nearly 10,000. Staffing is looking good for 2022. There are several international staff members who will be returning. There are also a variety of possible staff members from the U.S.

Pastor Ben has preached at several Presbyterian churches recently, which gives him a great opportunity to advertise Wakonda and recruit potential staff. The Wakonda task force has completed the 5 year goal plan and has begun creating the new Camp Wakonda Board. Please continue to pray for the ministry of Camp Wakonda!

Miss Jennie reported that Christmas Eve Family service was a success. People were very positive about the time change. Pajama Jam Sunday went well despite the fact that Sunday School was on Zoom. All the youth seem to be adjusting well to having to change back to Zoom for a time. They are looking forward to the upcoming Family Skate in downtown Canton on January 23.

Jennie is hoping to do a Spring/Easter program with the Youth.

Pastor Michael reports that Dr. Jay Case from Malone College is teaching for a number of weeks on church history, after Michael taught for 12 weeks in the fall on Saints and Sinners. Starting in March there will be a variety of teachers who will teach on various figures from church history. Michael is still seeking more folks who will adopt books of the OT and chapters of the NT. The hope is to have it finished this year.

Deacons have started Saturday morning breakfasts again with Kari Hershberger spearheading, if anyone would like to help.

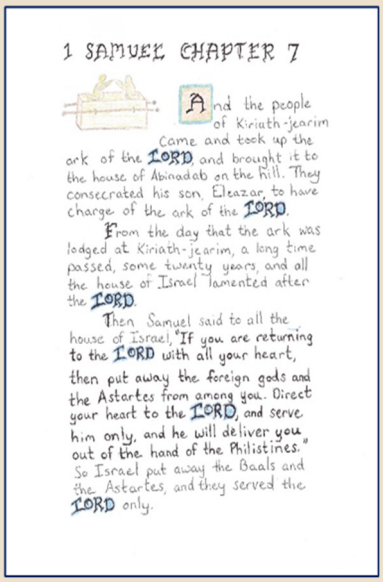
Paster Dave reported that a new group Ministry has been formed and is called the Worship Liturgical Art Ministry. You may have remembered that Paster Dave mentioned that there was a new set of vestments in the chancel now that the Christmas season is over. This ministry will be in working on things of this nature.

The starting of the Bridge Program has been postponed until March 3. Pastor Dave is encouraging people to sign up for this 9 week program.

Pastor Dave formally introduced Brian Ohler to the Session as the new Director of Communications, Media and Technology. Brian is going to be a very valuable member of our church staff, and also a very busy one as he has taken on many new responsibilities. Please be sure to welcome him when you get a chance. Our meeting closed with prayers for members and extended church family as well as for our community.

Until next month…

Byrdie Stocker



1 SAMUEL CHAPTER 7

And the people of Kiriath-jearim came and took up the ark of the LORD and brought it to the house of Abinadab on the hill. They consecrated his son, Eleazar, to have charge of the ark of the LORD.

From the day that the ark was lodged at Kiriath-jearim, a long time passed, some twenty years, and all the house of Israel lamented after the LORD.

Then Samuel said to all the house of Israel, "If you are returning to the LORD with all your heart, then put away the foreign gods and the Astartes from among you. Direct your heart to the LORD, and serve him only, and he will deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines." So Israel put away the Baals and the Astartes, and they served the LORD only.

Canton Corona Bible Project

Many have asked and so I wanted to provide an update to the Canton Corona Bible Project. We are still receiving chapters and even whole books from various individuals, small groups, and churches in the area. Initially, I had hoped that we might be finished by Christmas 2021; however, there is so much more that needs to be written! Our new goal is Christmas 2022. Can we do it?

There are around 25% of the chapters of the New Testament that still need to be claimed and around 60% of the Hebrew Bible that needs to be adopted. As a reminder, this is a great devotional practice and way to slow down and ponder each and every word of the scriptures. For more information, please visit the website or contact me by email mwallace@cantoncpc.org. Thanks!

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

THE CATHEDRAL HOUR
Sunday Morning Broadcast
on WHBC-1480

The Cathedral Hour's value to shut-ins, those unable to attend Church for various reasons, and also those without a Church home, has been invaluable over the years. Your continued support is needed, to sponsor a complete program at a cost of $300.00 per Sunday. However, partial contributions are extremely important to the continued existence of this program, and it is to this end that we encourage you to consider contributions to the Cathedral Hour as part of your "above and beyond" support of our Church. Please contact the Church Office for available dates.

TAG – Tuesday Afternoon Group

Tuesday, February 15, 11:45 am

Hartville Kitchen

February's TAG will be held at the **Hartville Kitchen**. The Hartville Kitchen is in the vast Hartville shopping complex at 1015 Edison St. NW in Hartville. We will be seated in the main dining room. You will be able to order anything you'd like and get an individual check. We will gather at 11:45 for a time of fellowship and greeting friends, and we will order at noon. Please be aware that our group can't be seated until everyone arrives, so please be prompt!

Please note: In the event of bad weather, TAG will be cancelled if the Canton City Schools are closed for the day.

Because we will need to give the restaurant a headcount, **please** sign up for February TAG no later than Sunday, February 13. You can sign up in the kiosk area or call the church office. You can also sign up online. Thank you!

So you can plan ahead, here are the dates and programs for the upcoming TAGs back at the church.

Tuesday, March 15	Malone students led by Professor Jay Case will reprise their fascinating Sunday School talk about the history of our church.
Tuesday, April 19	Pastor Michael will present an abbreviated version of his earlier multi-week Sunday School program about our stained-glass windows.
Tuesday, May 17	County Commissioner Janet Creighton will present "Dining with the Presidents" and she will bring along samples of White House china.

FINANCIAL NOTES

		YTD 12/31/21	YTD 12/31/20
Beginning Balance Operating Funds as of 7/1		$ 190,018	$ 125,138
Revenue	Pledges	362,162	300,360
	Other	296,819	63,710
	Trusts & Endowments	43,451	39,561
	Total Income	$ 702,431	$403,632
Expenses	Operating Expenses	(495,805)	(406,735)
Ending Balance Operating Funds as of 6/30/22		$396,644	$122,035

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—December		
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	**Dec—21**	**Dec—20**
Attendance	176	0*
General Fund Income	$154,135	$117,358
G/F Budget Needed	$60,657	$61,033
Monthly Net + / -	93,478	56,325

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

Sunday Morning Chancel Flowers

If you would like to sponsor flowers for a Sunday morning, please contact the Church office at: cpcoffice@cantoncpc.org or by calling 330-456-8113.

2022 Per Capita Communicant Apportionment
Total Per Capita for 2022 is $30.59
MVP—$18.36
GA—$8.98
Synod—$3.25
2022 Total—$30.59
Your assistance in donating to help defray the cost to the church will be greatly appreciated. Please indicate on your check for the 2022 apportionment.

Thank you all for the gift card that was given to us. You were "Peace makers" for God. We always tell the children that there is a present under the tree and Jesus is that gift. We keep ourselves focused on what the Lord Jesus said. There were four of us in our parish Jesus is our unseen guest standing by our side. This world lost sight of God sadly, we talked about how Jesus touched the lepers with his bare hands and healed all those lepers. We all need to pray for those that are uncertain of their life, there's healing from Jesus Christ, not these vaccines, I think Jesus is testing our Faith. May the "Peace makers" of your church be Blessed with good health, Love and Prayers.

In Christ's Love: Martha Puttigrew & Family

(Porcupine, SD)

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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, February 16**

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February TYDINGS

Dottie McGrew
January 2, 2022

Harry Osborne
January 16, 2022

Christian sympathy is extended to the McGrew and Osborne Families

What's New with Youth/ Confirmation?

Sunday, Feb. 6th	Fellowship Time
Sunday, Feb. 13th	Prince of Egypt Movie
Sunday, Feb. 20th	No Meeting (President's Day Weekend)
Sunday, Feb. 27th	Food, Clothing, and Prayer Ministry Service Project

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.

Thank you for your generous donations to support our meals after church. We still need help with prepping and cleaning up meals. Please contact Bonnie if you are interested in helping!