CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

530 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton, Ohio 44702

April 23, 2023

The Order for Morning Worship

Third Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023 Ten-Thirty O'Clock

**At these moments, we invite you to stand in body or spirit*

Please silence all electronic devices prior to the service

Nursery is available as needed, please text/call 234-262-0016.
Children's church (age 3-5th grade) is available after the Children's sermon

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "Variations on Noël Novelet" Philip Moore

Worship and Welcome Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: Followers of Jesus, by his cross we are redeemed from the futility of sin. *1 Pet. 1:17–19*
People: Alleluia!
Leader: By his rising we are free from the fear of death.
People: Alleluia!
Leader: By his love we are made new in the living and enduring Word of God. *1 Pet. 1:23*
People: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

***Hymn #14** "For the Beauty of the Earth" Dix

***Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God,
Jesus, our risen Lord,
was made known to the disciples
in the breaking of the bread.
Open the eyes of our hearts
that we may recognize his presence,
and with his disciples cry,
"The Lord has risen, indeed!" *Luke 24:34–35*
Through Christ, who lives and reigns with you
in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

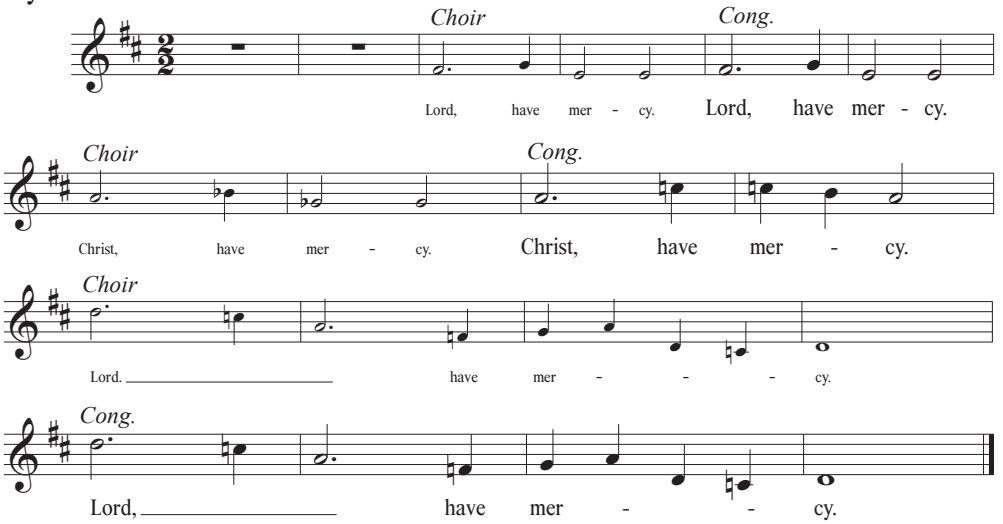
Call to Confession

God judges all people impartially according to their deeds. *1 Pet. 1:17*
Trusting in God's love in Jesus Christ,
let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

Almighty God,
our world is filled with corruption: *Acts 2:40*
power disguises itself as truth;
convenience masquerades as goodness;
selfish pleasure imitates love.
We confess to you, O God,
that we have been caught in the web of the world's sin.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
save us from these deceptions
and free us for glad obedience,
that we may see the joy of Jesus' resurrection
and receive the promise of everlasting life. Amen.

Kyrie A. Fedak



***Assurance of Pardon**

Followers of Jesus:
God has promised salvation to us, to our children,
and to all who are near and far. *Acts 2:39*
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Response to the Assurance of Pardon: Hymn #587** Celtic Alleluia

Anthem "Kol Han'shamah" Robert Applebaum
Christ Church Children's Choir

Kol han'shamah t'haleil Yah. Hal'lu Yah.
Let every living thing call out to Yah in song.
Let every living thing Yah's praises sing Hal'lu Yah.

Children are now invited to come forward.

Listen for God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Message for Children

Following the children's message, children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to follow the teachers out the pulpit-side door for Kids' Church. They can be picked up in the lower level following the service.

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, you opened the meaning of the Scriptures
to the disciples on the road to Emmaus
and set their hearts ablaze.
By the power of your Spirit
kindle our hearts as we hear your word proclaimed,
that we may receive you with joy. **Amen**.

New Testament Reading Acts 2:14a, 36–41
"The First Converts"

Leader:	The Word of the Lord	Pew Bible pp. 885–86
People:	**Thanks be to God**	Large Print Bible pp. 144–45

***Hymn #252** "Day of Arising" Raabe

Epistle Reading 1 Peter 1:17–23
"The Blood of the Lamb"

Leader:	The Word of the Lord	Pew Bible pp. 983–84
People:	**Thanks be to God**	Large Print Bible p. 282

Gospel Reading Luke 24:13–35

"The Walk to Emmaus"

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord Pew Bible pp. 860–61
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible pp. 109–10

Sermon "Foolish!" Rev. Dave de Vries

"He said to them, 'How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken!"

Our Response to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed,* p. 35

Prayers of the People *and* the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem "Now the Green Blade Riseth" arr. Simon Lindley

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.
In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain,
Thinking that never he would wake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.
Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain,
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.
When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Thy touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

***Doxology** Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication *(in unison)

**Almighty God, by your grace,
accept the fruit of our labor
and the offering of our lives.
Let us be a sacrifice of thanksgiving** *Ps. 116:17*
**in union with our risen Lord,
who lives and reigns with you forever. Amen.**

Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

***Closing Hymn #257** "The Risen Christ" Woodlands

***Benediction**

Response: "Seven-fold Amen" Peter Lutkin

Voluntary "Toccata Giocosa" Ian Hunt

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of April 30, 2023

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 April 30, 2023

Mon: Acts 2:42–47	Thurs: John 10:1–10
Tues: Psalm 23:	Fri: Acts 2:42–47
Wed: 1 Peter 2:19–25	Sat: Psalm 23:

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)
The New Covenant is Predicted (Jeremiah 31)

Preparing for Sunday, April 30, 2023
Consider: Acts 2:42–47 describes what life was like in the early church. How do these words guide today's church?

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Activities for the Week of April 16, 2023

Today

8:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Chapel)
9:00–9:30 a.m.	Children's Choir (Choir Room)
9:00 a.m.	Children's Sunday School Classes
9:15–10:15 a.m.	Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes
9:30–10:15 a.m.	Chancel Choir rehearsal (Chancel)
10:30–11:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Monday

10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Parlor)
7:00 p.m.	Micah Ministry (Parlor)

Tuesday

9:30 a.m.	Pastor Dave's Bible Study (Parlor)
11:15–12:15 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
6:30 p.m.	Special Session Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday

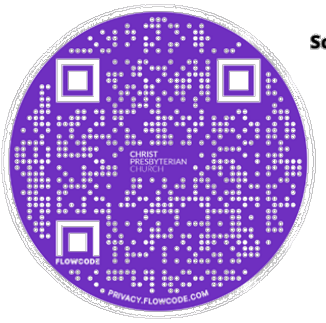
8:00–9:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
8:00 a.m.	Food, Clothing, and Prayer Ministry
1:00 p.m.	Faithful Friends Small Group (Parlor)
6:00 p.m.	The Open Table Small Group (Pine Room)
6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry (Zoom)

Thursday

9:30–11:00 a.m	Women's Bible Study (Parlor and Zoom)
7:15–9:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Chancel)

Sunday, April 30, 2023

9:00–9:30 a.m.	Children's Choir (Choir Room)
9:00 a.m.	Children and Youth Classes open
9:15–10:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School (Westminster Hall)
9:30–10:15 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Chancel)
10:30–11:30 a.m.	Combined Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m.	Youth Activity: Destination Unknown 2
2:00 p.m.	Downtown Canton Historical Church Tour



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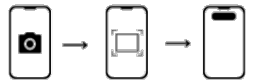

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