CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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June 18, 2023

The Order for Morning Worship
Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 18, 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 724-992-9667.
Children's church (age 3-5th grade) is available after the Children's sermon

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "Fanfare" William Mathias

Worship and Welcome Notes

Call to Worship ***(in unison)***

Jesus Christ summons us to answer God's call of mercy. *Matt. 10:1, 7*
Christ gathers us and gives us power to be healed and to heal,
to be forgiven and to forgive,
to be freed from sin and to set others free,
to tell one another and the world: God's presence is at hand!
Let us worship God.

***Hymn #32** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" Ellacombe

***Prayer of the Day**

Leader: God of wonder,
you appeared to Abraham as three persons; *Gen. 18:1, 2*
you reveal your fullness in your Son Jesus Christ. *Col. 1:19*
Your Spirit fills your people with hope *Rom. 5:1, 5, 9*
through the peacemaking cross of Jesus.

People: Gather us as Christ's faithful disciples
and empower us with his good news,
in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Call to Confession

The mystery of God brings the promise of life, *Gen. 18:9–15;*
but we doubt the Spirit's power to overcome death. *21:1*
Let us confess our sin and receive new life.

Prayer of Confession ***(in unison)***

Holy God, we confess that we do not know how to look for you.
We do not sense your nearness,
and if there are angels among us, we are unaware.
We do not show the hospitality to strangers.
We do not trust that our hardships *Rom. 5:3–5*
can be transformed by your Spirit.
In the name of Jesus, forgive us. Amen

Kyrie: Hymn #576 Singapura

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Christ gave his life to save us from the wrath of God. *Rom. 5:9*
Trust the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven. Amen.

***Gloria: Hymn #583** Gloria (Berthier)

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

God of redemption,
through the word and work of the Good Shepherd, *Matt. 9:36;*
Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. **Amen**. *John 10:11*

Hebrew Reading Genesis 18:1–15

"A Son is Promised to Abraham and Sarah"

Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible p. 12
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible p. 17

Epistle Reading Romans 5:1–8

"Results of Justification"

Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible p. 917
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible pp. 188–89

Anthem Ralph Vaughan Williams

"Let All the World in Every Corner Sing"

Chancel Choir and Performance Choir

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.
The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly:
The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.
The Church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out:
But above all, the heart must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.

Gospel Reading Matthew 9:35–38

"The Harvest is Great, the Laborers Few"

Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible p. 790
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible p. 11

Sermon "Preparing for Hard Times" Rev. Dave de Vries

"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known."

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 Bob Chilcott

"Angel Voices Ever Singing"

Chancel Choir and Performance Choir

Angel voices ever singing, singing round thy throne of light,
Angel harps for ever ringing, rest not day, not day nor night;
Thousands only live to bless thee, and confess thee Lord of might.
Yea, we know that thou rejoicest o'er each work of thine;
Thou didst ears and hands and voices for thy praise design;
Craftsman's art and music's measure for thy pleasure all combine.
In thy house, great God, we offer of thine own to thee;
And for thine acceptance proffer, all unworthily,
Hearts and minds and hands and voices in our choicest psalmody.
Honour, glory, might and merit thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Holy, blessed Trinity!
Of the best that thou hast given earth and heaven render thee,
Angel voices ever singing.

Doxology Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia…Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication** ***(in unison)

Gracious God,
Thank you for keeping your promises to our ancestors and to us.
Thank you for coming near to us in your Son, Jesus Christ.
Thank you for hope that brings life
through the inpouring of your Holy Spirit.
Even our offerings come from the fruits of your blessings.
Glory be to you, O God Most High! Amen.

Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

***Hymn #450** "Be Thou My Vision" Slane

***Benediction**

Response: "May the Road Rise to Meet You" Katie Moran Bart

Voluntary "Hyfrydol" Ralph Vaughan Williams

Following the Voluntary, Performance Choir will present a brief concert; all are invited to attend.

Performance Choir is the flagship children's choir of Summit Choral Society. Based in Akron, this choir is directed by Heather Cooper.

Next week, the choir travels to New Orleans to participate in the Crescent City Choral Festival.

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of June 18, 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 June 25, 2023

Mon: Genesis 21:8–21	Thurs: Matthew 10:24–39
Tues: Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17	Fri: Genesis 21:8–21
Wed: Romans 6:1b–11	Sat: Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17

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, June 25, 2023

Consider: What does the story of Sarah and Hagar (Gen. 21:8–21) say about God? What does the story suggest about how we might treat one another more justly?

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Activities for the Week of June 18, 2023

Sunday, June 18, 2023

8:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Chapel)
9:30–10:15 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Chancel)
10:30–11:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Tuesday

6:00 p.m.	Session Ministry (Parlor)

Wednesday—TYDINGS DEADLINE

8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
9:00 a.m.	Old Office Clean Out (Old Office)

Thursday

6:00 p.m.	Be the Bridge (First Christian Church, N. Canton)

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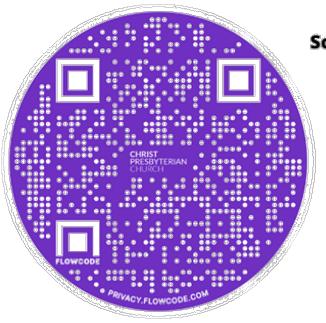

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