CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

530 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton, Ohio 44702

Sacrifice of Isaac, Khatchatur of Khizan (artist), 1455
Armenian Gospel Book, Walters Art Museum W.543, fol. 4r

July 2, 2023

The Order for Morning Worship

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 2, 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 330-280-1605.
Children's church (age 3-5th grade) is available after the Children's sermon

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "Blessed Assurance" Charles Callahan

Worship and Welcome Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: God calls us by name into the presence of holiness as God's holy people.

People: We answer this call by the grace of God through the power of the Holy Spirit in the name of God's own Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

***Hymn #34** "Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being" Rustington

Prayer of the Day *(in unison)

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who gives us birth by water and Holy Spirit, *John 1:12, 13; 3:5, 6*
teach us how to live always
in integrity of body, mind, and spirit,
in obedience to your love,
in the name of Jesus Christ,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

Call to Confession

How costly is our broken relationship with God!
The price of sin is a spiritless life, which is no life at all.
Jesus lived, died, and was resurrected
that we might live again.
Let us confess, repent, and trust God to forgive us our sin.

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

O God, on lonely Mount Moriah
you put your servant Abraham to the test.
We confess that we have failed
much lesser tests of our faith.
We have allowed sin to run our lives,
to shape how we act toward others,
and to kill our relationship with you.
In your great mercy, forgive us.
With the grace of Jesus Christ, renew us.
In his name we pray. Amen.

Kyrie: Hymn #576 SINGAPURA

***Assurance of Pardon**
God provides for our weakness.
Jesus Christ gave himself for our salvation.
The gift is eternal life.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***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
Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the Scriptures are read
and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with joy
what you say to us today. **Amen**.

Hebrew Reading Genesis 22:1–14
"The Command to Sacrifice Isaac"
Leader: The Word of the Lord — Pew Bible pp. 15–16
People: Thanks be to God — Large Print Bible pp. 21–22

Epistle Reading Romans 6:12–19
"Servants of Righteousness"
Leader: The Word of the Lord — Pew Bible pp. 917–18
People: Thanks be to God — Large Print Bible p. 190

Gospel Reading Matthew 10:40–42
"Rewards"
Leader: The Gospel of the Lord — Pew Bible pp. 791–92
People: Thanks be to God — Large Print Bible p. 13

Sermon "Could You Offer Your Only Child?" Rev. Dave de Vries
"He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.'"

Our Response to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Nicene Creed,* p. 34

Holy Communion—See Insert

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

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem "The Stranger's Guise" Karen Marrolli

We saw a stranger, we saw a stranger yesterday.
We put food in the eating place, drink in the drinking place,
music in the list'ning place
And with the sacred name, the sacred name of the Triune God,
he blessed us and our house, and our cattle and our dear ones.
As the lark says in her song: often goes the Christ in the stranger's guise.

***Doxology: Hymn #606** Old Hundredth

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

Lord God,
we offer to you
what you have given to us in joy
with love for the common good.
Bless gifts, givers, and receivers
so that we can give you our richest praise
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

***Hymn #402** "How Lovely, Lord" Merle's Tune

***Benediction**

Voluntary "Finale" from *Symphony no. 1* Louis Vierne

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of July 2, 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 July 4, 2023

Mon: Genesis 24:34–38, 42–49
Tues: Psalm 45:10–17
Wed: Romans 7:15–25a
Thurs: Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30
Fri: Genesis 24:34–38, 42–49
Sat: Psalm 45:10–17

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, July 9, 2023
Consider: What misplaced burdens are you carrying? Where might God be offering you a more well-fitted yoke? Where are your expectations of God and the church unmet? Where do you sense God moving in hidden ways?

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Activities for the Week of July 2, 2023

Sunday, July 2, 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—Church and Church office CLOSED
6:00 p.m. Special Session Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday
8:00–9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Zoom)

Thursday
1:30 p.m. Alzheimer Caregiver Support Group (Parlor)
7:15–9:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Chancel)

Saturday
8:00 a.m. Food Ministry (Westminster Hall)

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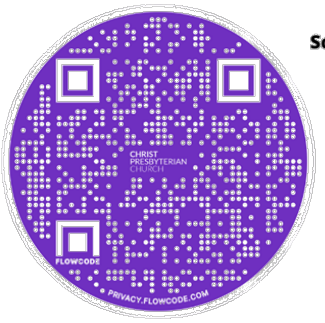

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The Great Thanksgiving

The bread used for Holy Communion
is free of nuts, gluten, egg, dairy, and preservatives

***Invitation to the Lord's Table**

***The Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: God is here.
People: God's Spirit is with us.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to God.
Leader: Let us give thanks to God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise
Leader: We give thanks to you, creating God,
breath of all being;
the earth is yours and all that is in it,
and all who dwell therein.
You founded it upon the seas
and made it firm upon the deep.
You planted seeds in fertile ground,
to rise and sing your praise.
People: Glory to you forever.
Leader: You formed us from the earth
and planted goodness in our souls,
that we might love like you.
You called us to live your law of harmony
and to long for your commands.
People: Yet, when our disordered cravings bowed down our spirit,
you did not leave us low,
but bent down to meet us and grow us up again.
Therefore we lift our voices in thanksgiving,
for you have wondrously made us.
Leader: By water and your life-giving Spirit,
you have more wondrously remade us
to join the song of all creation
and forever sing your praise:

Sanctus: Hymn #562 Sanctus (Schubert)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest

Leader: We give you thanks, O God,
that you sowed your Word in Jesus,
to grow your kingdom here on earth
and draw us ever near.
Jesus planted mercy wherever he went,
to reap a greater righteousness.
He shared bread with outcasts and sinners
and healed the brokenhearted.
People: Glory to you forever.
Leader: We thank you that on the night before he died for us
Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you,

he broke it, gave to his friends, and said,
Take, eat, this is my body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing,
gave it to his friends, and said,
Drink this, all of you:
this cup is the new covenant in my blood,
poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

People: **Remembering his dying and rising,**
we offer you this bread and wine,
and ourselves in grateful service.

Leader: Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
and all your people here today.
Breathe your Spirit over all creation
that together we may cultivate peace
in every corner of the world.
Then bring us to that blessed mountain
where with the meek and pure in heart
we will live forever in blessedness
as we taste the fruits of heaven.

People: **Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,**
by the inspiration of your Life-giving Spirit,
we worship you, Creating God,
in songs of endless praise.
Blessed are you, now and forever. Amen.

Music during Communion

"Pastorale," BWV 590 J.S. Bach