CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

530 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton, Ohio 44702

"Jesus Walks on Water and Saves Peter"
by Ilyas Basim Khuri Bazzi Rahib, in Egypt, ca. 1684
Walters manuscript W.592, f. 41a

August 13, 2023

The Order for Morning Worship

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 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 330-309-7794.
Children's church (age 3-5th grade) is available after the Children's sermon

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary Prelude on Nun Danket Jeffrey Honoré

Worship and Welcome Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: God speaks peace to the faithful, *Ps. 85:8–13*
to those who turn to God in their hearts.
People: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God.
Leader: Where God dwells, steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.
People: Faithfulness springs up from the ground
and righteousness looks down from the sky.
God gives what is good
and we respond with abundant praise!

***Hymn #643** "Now Thank We All Our God" Nun Danket

***Prayer of the Day (*in unison*)**

Holy God, you speak to us in a voice unexpected *1 Kgs. 19:12c*
and come to us in ways we do not recognize. *Matt. 14:26*
Never leaving us to our own devices or defenses,
you are the ever-present, all-powerful God.
Call us out in faith again and again, *Matt. 14:29–30*
until we learn to walk with you
in steadfast love and faithfulness, and in peace. *Ps. 85:10*
In the name of him who comes to us upon the waters,
Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Call to Confession

The psalmist tells us that when we turn to God in our hearts, *Ps. 85:8*
God speaks peace to the faithful.
As we turn to God in true confession of our sin,
we trust in God, whose shalom makes us whole.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Gracious God, you call us to step out in faith,
trusting in you for all things. *Matt. 13:40*
We respond to your command, then sink in doubt and fear.
We hide from the challenges of bold discipleship. *1 Kgs. 19:9–10*
We are not able to fulfill your commandments, *Rom. 10:5*
for our purposes are never in full accord with yours.
Forgive us, we pray, when we confess with our lips *Rom. 10:9*

prayer continues on the next page

but do not believe in our hearts.
Help us to practice our faith in all circumstances.
We pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Kyrie: Hymn #551 LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Jesus is Lord! God raised him from the dead and we are saved through him. *Rom. 10:9*

People: **This is the good news we believe in our hearts** *Rom. 10:10, 15*
and confess with our mouths:
in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!
This is good news to share with all people!

***Gloria: Hymn #583** GLORIA (Taizé)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

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 (*in unison*)

Gracious God, your word is very near, *Rom. 10:8*
on our lips and in our hearts.
As this Word is read and proclaimed,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
make it become in us the word of faith.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hebrew Reading 1 Kings 19:9–18

"Elijah Meets God at Horeb"

Leader: The Word of the Lord — Pew Bible pp. 284–85
People: **Thanks be to God** — Large Print Bible pp. 404–5

Epistle Reading Romans 10:5–15

"Salvation Is for All"

Leader: The Word of the Lord — Pew Bible p. 921
People: **Thanks be to God** — Large Print Bible p. 194

Hymn "Christ Be My Leader" SLANE

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Gospel Reading Matthew 14:22–33

"Jesus Walks on Water"

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord — Pew Bible p. 796
People: **Thanks be to God** — Large Print Bible pp. 19–20

Sermon Rev. Dave de Vries

"Somewhere between Disbelief and Belief"

"And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea."

Our Response to the Word

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

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem "Blessing" Richard Proulx

May the grace of Christ our Savior, and the Father's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor, rest upon us from above.
Thus may we abide in union with each other and the Lord,
And possess, in sweet communion,
the joys which this world cannot afford.

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

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

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

Generous God,
we thank you for your call and claim upon our lives.
Because there is so much more we can become,
and so much more we can do,
we pray that our faith will increase;
that our practice of generosity will be enlarged;
and that our joy in believing will encourage others
as we share with them the good news of Jesus Christ; *Rom. 10:15*
in whose name we pray. Amen.

Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith
Minute for Mission: Chuck Ash

***Hymn #8** "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" Melita

***Benediction**

Voluntary Fantasy on Lobe den Herren Aaron David Miller

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of August 13, 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 August 20, 2023

Mon: Isaiah 56:1, 6–8
Tues: Psalm 67
Wed: Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32
Thurs: Matthew 15: (10–20) 21–28
Fri: Isaiah 56:1, 6–8
Sat: Psalm 67

Silent Meditation and Prayer (Listening for God's Voice in Scripture and Silence)
Prayers of the People (Lifting others before God)
Prayer of Dedication

Preparing for Sunday, August 20, 2023

Consider: Paul declares, "The gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable." How do the gifts and calling of God support us? How might they support us when we are not aware of them or even when we reject them?

The Cathedral Hour this morning is in loving memory of Erich Dominik from Karen.

The Chancel Flowers are given in memory of Cynthia Bartchy Hecht by her husband, Robert Hecht.

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Switch hearing aid to T-coil

Activities for the Week of August 13, 2023

Sunday, August 13, 2023

8:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Chapel)
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Monday

10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Parlor)
1:00 p.m.	Property Ministry (Parlor)
5:00–8:00 p.m.	Camp Fundraiser at Hills and Dales Dairy Qeen

Tuesday

9:15 a.m.	Endowment Meeting (Parlor)
6:00 p.m.	Session Meeting (Parlor)

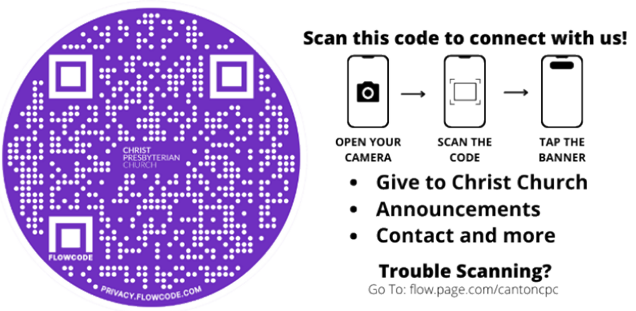
Wednesday—TYDINGS DEADLINE

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

Sunday, August 20, 2023

8:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Chapel)
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m.	Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
1:15 p.m.	Pool Party

The Food, Clothing, and Prayer Ministry is in desperate need of plastic grocery and shopping bags for patrons and would greatly appreciate donations



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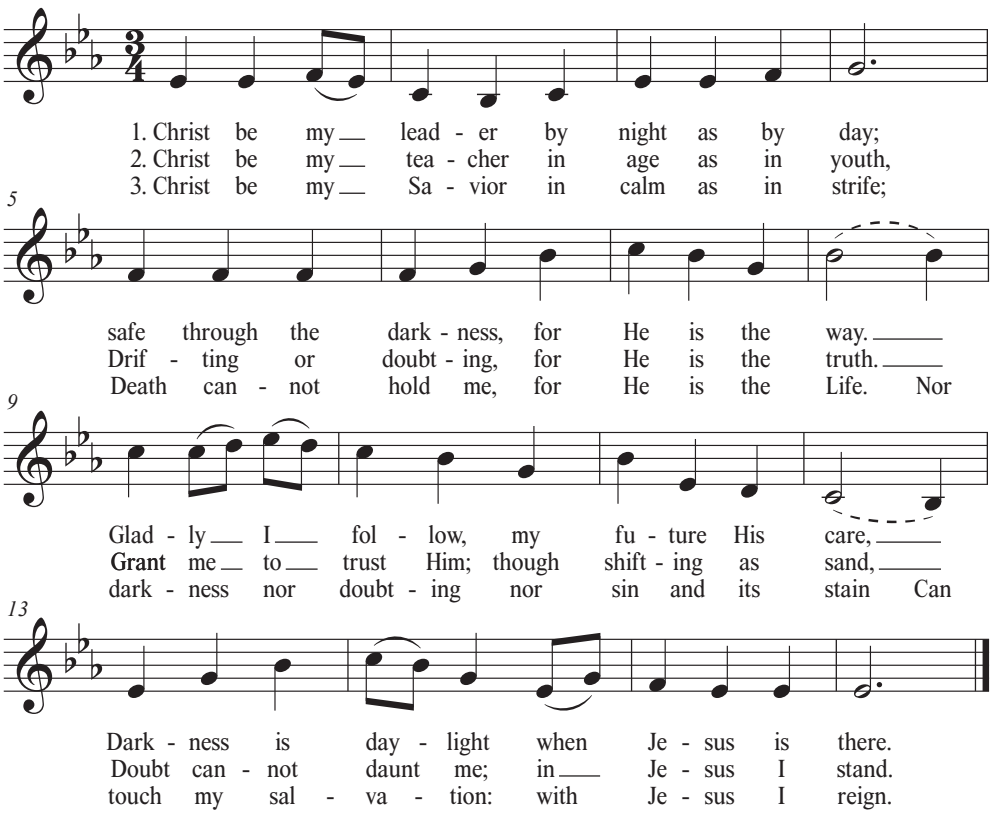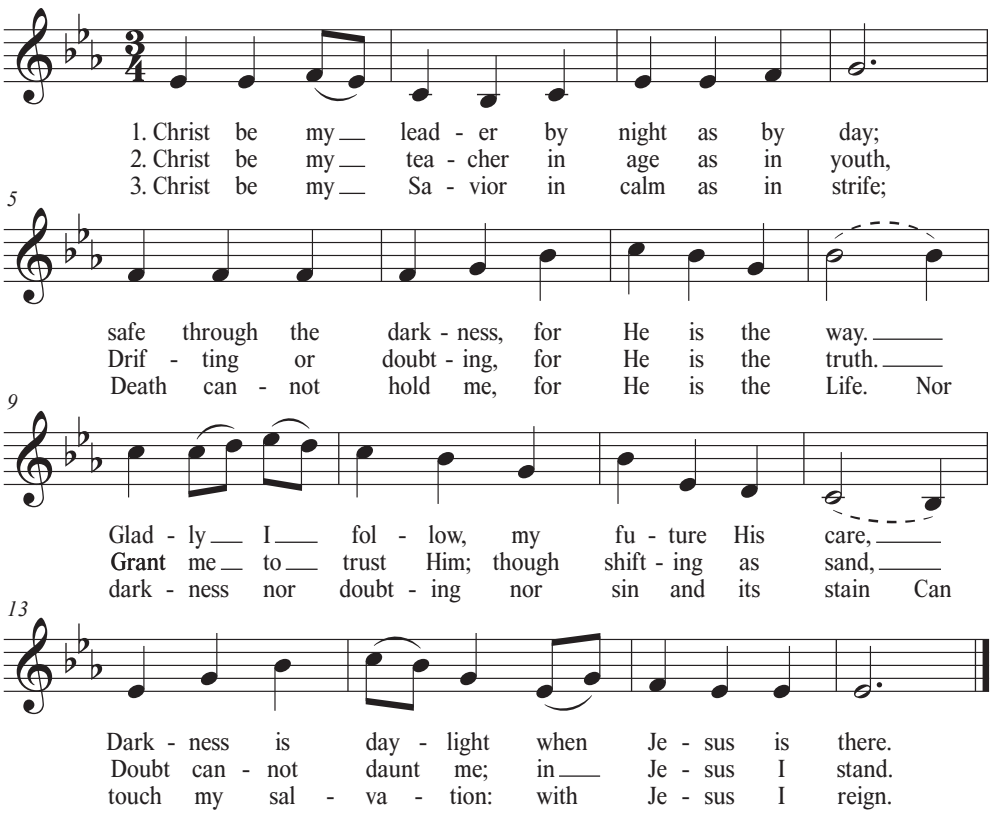
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