CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

530 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton, Ohio 44702

Jesus Healing the Lame in the Temple (early sixteenth century)
Relief sculpture in the north transept of the Cathédrale d'Amiens

February 4, 2024

The Order for Morning Worship

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 4, 2024 — 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 in the Children's area on the lower level.
Children's church (age 3–5th grade) is available after the Children's sermon

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "Fanfare" William Mathias

Welcome and Worship Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: Have we not known?
Have we not heard? *Isa. 40:21*
People: Has it not been told to us since the beginning?
Leader: Those who wait for the Lord
shall renew their strength; *Isa. 40:31*
People: they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
Leader: they shall run and not be weary;
People: they shall walk and not faint.

***Hymn #645** "Sing Praise to God " Mit Freuden Zart

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

Gracious God,
you call us to follow Christ
and spread the good news of your love for all people.
Help us to become all things to all people *1 Cor. 9:22*
that we might reach many with your good news. Amen.

Call to Confession

We fool ourselves
if we think that our ways are hidden from God.
Therefore let us confess our sin,
trusting in the mercy of God our Maker.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

God, you are everlasting,
the creator of all that is.
Your understanding is beyond measure. *Ps. 147:5*
We confess to you
that we have sinned against you and our neighbors.
In your compassion, forgive us,
for we place our hope in your steadfast love. *Ps. 147:11*

Kyrie: Hymn #579 Kyrie Eleison (Orthodox)

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison. Christe eleison. Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Praise the Lord!
Our God heals the brokenhearted *Ps. 147:3*
and binds up our wounds.
God takes pleasure in those who place their trust
in God's grace.
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***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

Holy God,
speak to us what has been told from the beginning,
your Word that is the foundation of the world. **Amen**. *Isa. 40:21*

Hebrew Reading Isaiah 40:21–31

"God's People Are Comforted"

Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible pp. 582–83
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible pp. 817–18

Gospel Reading Mark 1:29–39

"Jesus Heals Many"

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord Pew Bible p. 813
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible p. 43

Sermon "The Acts of the Lord" Rev. Ben George
"Have you not known? Have you not heard? & Rev. Michael Wallace
Has it not been told to you from the beginning?" (Isaiah 40:21)

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 Nunc Dimittis in D Major George Dyson

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace
according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
to be a light to lighten the Gentiles;
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

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

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

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

We sing to you, God, with thanksgiving,
making melody to you with our praise. *Ps. 147:7*
Use these gifts to spread your gospel near and far,
for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

***Hymn #797** "We Cannot Measure How You Heal" Ye Banks and Braes

***Benediction Response:** "Go My Children, Fed and Nourished" Ar Hyd y Nos

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of February 4, 2024

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 February 11, 2024

Mon: 2 Kings 5:1–14	Thurs: Mark 1:40–45
Tues: Psalm 30	Fri: 2 Kings 5:1–14
Wed: 1 Corinthians 9:24–27	Sat: Psalm 30

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, February 11, 2024

Consider: What simple kindness each day this week has shown you a glimpse of God's everlasting, steadfast love?

The Cathedral Hour this morning is made by the Mr. and Mrs. Alvin J. Gibbs Endowment.

The Chancel Flowers are given by Jim & Cincy Camp in celebration of 55 years of marriage.

Errata
Last week's flowers were erroneously attributed to the floral arts ministry. They were gifted in memory of Mr. Alvin J. Gibbs from the Gibbs Trust Investment Fund.

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Activities for the Week of February 4, 2024

Sunday, February 4, 2024

8:30 AM	Worship Service (Chapel)
9:00 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:15 AM	Sunday School (Multiple Locations)
9:15 AM	Confirmation Class (Youth Room)
9:30 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:30 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:30 AM	Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
11:45 AM	Youth Group

Monday

10:00 AM	Staff Meeting (Parlor)

Tuesday

9:30 AM	Pastor Dave's Bible Study (Parlor)
10:30 AM	Grant Meeting (Westminster Hall)
11:15 AM	Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
6:00 PM	Special Session Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday

8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
7:00 PM	Pastor Dave's Bible Study (Zoom)

Thursday

9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study (Parlor)
7:15 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday

8:00 AM	Food Ministry Breakfast (Westminster Hall

Sunday, February 11, 2024 ✠ Transfiguration Sunday

8:30 AM	Worship Service (Chapel)
9:00 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:15 AM	Sunday School (Multiple Locations)
9:15 AM	Confirmation Class (Youth Room)
9:30 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
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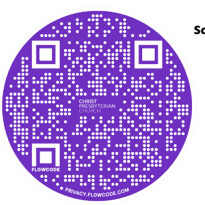

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The Great Thanksgiving

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

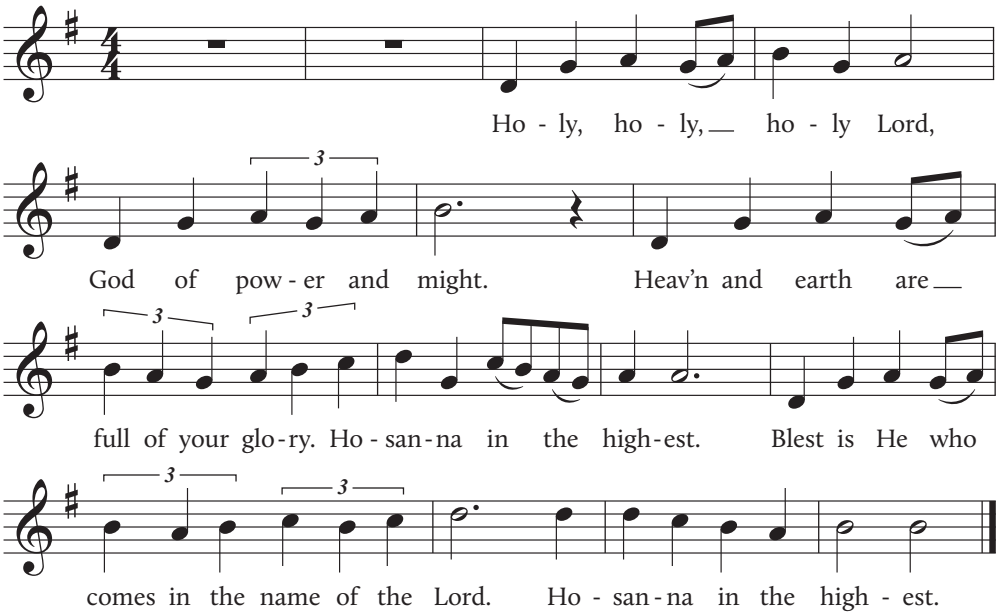
Invitation to the Lord's Table

***Hymn #503** "Lord, We Have Come" O Quanta Qualia
verses 1 and 2 only

***The Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is a right and joyful thing to offer thanks to you, O God,
the source of all creation.
Your holy energy flows in animals and plants,
makes them move,
and gives them desire to live.
You brought forth the world in love,
and in your great love creation finds at last its proper end.
And so with the hosts of heaven
we join the everlasting hymn of praise:

Sanctus Thomas Pavlechko

Leader: You fill our world with glory and light,
and yet our mortal eyes cannot behold so bright a truth.
Therefore in time you sent us Jesus Christ,
your truth made flesh.
He lived among us, teaching, healing,
and revealing the boundless riches of your grace,
that everyone might see
and know the power of your love for us. *Eph. 3:8–9*

For on the night he was betrayed the Lord took bread,
and giving thanks and breaking it, he said,
"This is my body, given for you."
And after supper he took the cup,
and giving thanks, he said,
"This is my blood of the covenant,
which is poured out for many." *Mark 14:22–24*

Remembering the life and work of Christ,
his ministry among the poor and lost,
his death upon the cross of human shame,
and the victory revealed by the empty tomb,
we offer you our lives in thanks and praise,
in unity with Christ our friend and Lord.
Send your Holy Spirit on us here
and on the gifts of bread and wine we share.
Make us, gathered here in love for you,
members of the body of our Lord,
that we may share the promise of the gospel, *Eph. 3:6*
one with Christ, and one in ministry to all the world.
Through Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours,
Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen**.

Music During Communion

"Andante Sostenuto" from *Symphony Gothique* Charles-Marie Widor