# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

530 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton, Ohio 44702

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Marshall M Fredericks
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May 12, 2024

# The Order for Morning Worship

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 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** Variations on "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" — Proulx

**Welcome and Worship Notes**

**Call to Worship**

Happy are those who do not ridicule and scoff — *Ps. 1:1–3*
but who delight in God's teachings
and meditate on them day and night.
They are like trees planted by streams of water.
They yield fruit in due season,
and their leaves do not wither.

***Hymn #267** "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" — Madrid

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

**Holy One,**
**open us to the possibility that we are being chosen**
**to be new disciples with new ministries**
**in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**Call to Confession**

The Lord watches over our ways. — *Ps. 1:6*
Let us put our trust in God's grace
and confess our sins.

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

**God, though you call us to delight in your teachings,**
**we can become cynical and full of doubt.**
**Do not judge us, we pray, but heal us and restore us to you.**
**Guard us and protect us from evil,** — *John 17:15, 17*
**and sanctify us in truth;**
**in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**Kyrie: Hymn #575** — Kyrie Eleison (Pardini)

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

***Assurance of Pardon**

In Christ Jesus, God has promised
to forgive us and reconcile us to God and each other.
With joy, let us share that peace with one another.

***Passing of the Peace**

***Gloria: Hymn #583** GLORIA (Taizé)

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

**Anthem** "Bonse Aba" Zambia, Africa

*Children's Choir and Chancel Choir*

*Bonse aba mu pokelela Ba lipele maka akuba bana bakwa lesa*
*Muyayaya bakwa lesa*
All who sing have the right to be called Children of God

*We ask that all fifth graders come stand up in front*
*and all of the other children come forward.*

## Listen for God's Word Read and Proclaimed

**Message for Children *and* Fifth Grade Recognition**

*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**

May the reading of your Word
sanctify us in the truth and *John 17:17*
bring us to perfect joy. **Amen**. *John 17:13*

**First Reading** *"The Lord Knows Your Heart"* Acts 1:15–17, 21–26
Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible p. 885
**People: Thanks be to God** Large Print Bible pp. 143–44

**Hymn #731** "Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm" REPTON

**Gospel Reading** *"Sanctify Them in the Truth; Your Word Is Truth"* John 17:6–19
Leader: The Gospel of the Lord Pew Bible pp. 879–80
**People: Thanks be to God** Large Print Bible p. 136

**Sermon** "Thank You" Rev. Dave de Vries

*"I am not asking you to take them out of the world,*
*but I ask you to protect them from the evil one"*

## 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**

**Anthem** "God Is Gone Up" Gerald Finzi

God is gone up with a triumphant shout:
the Lord with sounding trumpets' melodies:
sing praise, sing praises out, unto our king sing praise seraphicwise!
Lift up your heads, ye lasting doors, they sing,
and let the King of Glory enter in.

Methinks I see heaven's sparkling courtiers fly,
in flakes of glory down him to attend,
and hear heartcramping notes of melody
surround his chariot as it did ascend;
mixing their music, making every string more to enravish
as they this tune sing.

***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!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia…alleluia!

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

**Jesus has made God known to us.** *John 17:6*
**We already belong to God.**
**And so we dedicate these gifts to God's service**
**and to the glory of God's name. Amen.**

## RE-ENTRY INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE THE LORD

**Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith**
**Senior Recognition**

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| ***Hymn #643** | "Now Thank We All Our God" | NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT |
| ***Benediction** | | |
| ***Response** | "Hava Nashira" | Traditional |
| **Voluntary** | Toccata in F Major | Dietrich Buxtehude |

## Daily Grace
## CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
### *The Week of May 12, 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 May 19, 2024

Mon: 2 Kings 2:1–15
Tues: Acts 2:1–21
Wed: Psalm 104:24–34, 35b
Thurs: Romans 8:22–27
Fri: John 15:26–27, 16:4b–15
Sat: Psalm 104:24–34, 35b

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, May 19, 2024

**Consider:** In this coming week consider how many ways and through which persons you are shown a new path for your life. Watch for startling nudges or sudden epiphanies; listen for sighs that signal letting go of something pressing so that you can hear the Spirit's guidance. What have you learned? How can you give thanks?

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Prayers adapted from *Feasting on the Word* and *The Book of Common Worship*

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Switch hearing aid to T-coil

## Activities for the Week of May 12, 2024

**Sunday, May 12, 2024**

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| 8:30 AM | Worship Service (Chapel) |
| 9:00 AM | Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) |
| 9:15 AM | Sunday School (Multiple Locations) |
| 9:30 AM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| 10:30 AM | Worship Service (Sanctuary) |

**Monday**

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| 10:00 AM | Staff Meeting (Parlor) |
| 4:00 PM | Property Ministry Meeting (Parlor) |
| 6:00 PM | Open Table Small Group (Children's Library) |

**Tuesday**

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| 11:15 AM | Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| 6:00 PM | Personnel Meeting (Pine Room) |
| 7:00 PM | Mission Ministry Meeting (Parlor) |

**Wednesday • Tydings Deadline**

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| 8:00 AM | Men's Bible Study (Zoom) |
| 7:00 PM | Deacons' Meeting (Parlor) |

**Thursday**

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

**Friday**

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| 5:00 PM | Dave's Retirement Reception (Westminster Hall) |
| 6:00 PM | Concert in the Courtyard (Courtyard) |

**Sunday, May 19, 2024 ✢ Wear red for Pentecost**

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| 9:15 AM | Sunday School (Multiple Locations) |
| 9:15 AM | Confirmation Class (Youth Room) |
| 9:30 AM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| 10:30 AM | Combined Worship Service (Sanctuary) |
| 11:45 AM | Dave's Farewell Luncheon* (Westminster Hall) |
| | **Registration Required* |

# Honoring Our Seniors

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."
(Matthew 5:16)

## Karsten Burdeshaw

*Green High School*

**Favorite High School memory**: Going to a concert with friends

**Future Plans**: I am attending The University of Akron for data analysis

## Emily Hudson

*Lake High School*

**Favorite High School memory**: My time on the Lake Golf team

**Future Plans**: I plan on attending The University of Akron with a major in criminal justice

**Special Honors/Recognitions**: I am graduating *summa cum laude* and I will also be graduating with the Lake Diploma of Distinction and Honors