



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

530 Tuscarawas Street W, Canton, Ohio 44702



February 8, 2026

The Order for Morning Worship

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

February 8, 2026

Ten-Thirty in the Morning

**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

Toccata in C Major, BWV 564

J.S. Bach

Welcome and Worship Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus proclaims, "You are the light of the world."
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***Hymn 394**

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

WESTMINSTER
ABBEY

*Prayer of the Day (*in unison*)

Holy God,
you gave the law to show your people the way of righteousness.
Help us receive your commandments as grace
and live as your obedient children
that your goodness may shine through us,
to the glory of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call to Confession

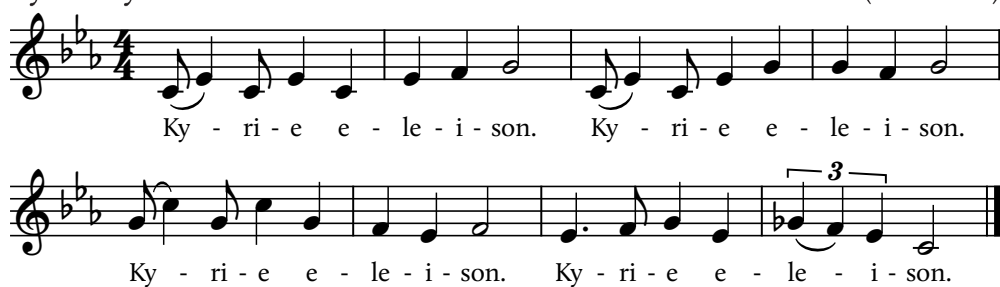
Let us confess our sins before God,
our help in times of trouble.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Almighty God,
we have asked for your righteous judgment against others,
but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives.
We have worshiped you with our lips,
but have dishonored you with our actions.
We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world,
yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others.
Our religion has become the source of quarreling
rather than a testimony to your grace.
Forgive our self-righteousness
and give us integrity of heart,
that we may shine forth the light of your salvation,
through Christ our Lord.

Kyrie: Hymn 577

KYRIE ELEISON (Reindorf)



*Assurance of Pardon

In mercy God forgives us our sin
and grants us genuine repentance
through the grace and power of the Holy Spirit.

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

*Response to the Assurance of Pardon: Hymn 583

GLORIA (Taizé)

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

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Message for Children

Following the Children's sermon, children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to follow the teachers out for children's church. Nursery continues to be available starting at 9:00 AM until the conclusion of worship.

Leader: Now let us bless each other.
Adults: God be with you as you go.
Children: God be with you as you stay.

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our understanding by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that as the Word is proclaimed we may receive holy wisdom
to understand the gifts you have bestowed on us.
In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Hebrew Reading

"The Fast that God Chooses"

Isaiah 58:1–12

Leader: The Word of the Lord

Pew Bible, pp. 600–601

People: **Thanks be to God**

Large Print Bible, pp. 841–42

Epistle Reading

"God's Wisdom Revealed through the Spirit" 1 Cor. 2:1–12

Leader: The Word of the Lord

Pew Bible, p. 927

People: **Thanks be to God**

Large Print Bible, pp. 202–3

*Hymn 70

"What Does the Lord Require?"
led by the choir director

MOON

Gospel Reading

"The Teaching of Christ: Salt and Light"

Matt. 5:13–20

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord

Pew Bible, p. 786

People: **Thanks be to God**

Large Print Bible, p. 5

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed, p. 35

The Rite of Christian Baptism

Rebekah Michelle Milnes (Koi Aventino) *and*
Persephone Marie Riggins

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

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem

“True Light”

Keith Hampton

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Almighty God is light! He lives in us as True Light.

In the beginning, out of the darkness, God created True Light.

Almighty God is light! He lives in us as True Light.

Don't let the light that You've given me die, and don't desert my mind,
but let the one who serves You praise you again and again!

You are the one who judges right from wrong. Your glory excites no envy!
but let the one who serves You praise you again and again!

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I want the world to know

God gave the world True Light.

Hold on to the true light! I'm gonna let it shine.

God's love! God's grace! I'm gonna let it shine!

Everywhere I go, I want the world to know

God gave the world True Light.

*Doxology: Hymn 582

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free!

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, amen.

World without end, without end, amen.

World without end, without end, amen.

World without end, without end, amen!

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, amen.

*Prayer of Dedication (*in unison*)

Loving God,

we give thanks for all you have given to us

and praise you for your astounding goodness.

Receive the dedication of our hearts, minds, and bodies
for the ministry of your church.

Bless our offering for the work of your kingdom,
and give us wisdom for the right use

of all you have provided,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

RE-ENTRY INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE THE LORD

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

*Hymn 314

"Christ, Be Our Light"

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

verse 1 all • verse 2 upper voices • verse 3 lower voices • verses 4–5 all

*Benediction

Response

"All Our Knowledge, Sense, and Sight"

LIEBSTER JESU

Voluntary

Fugue in C Major, BWV 564

J.S. Bach

The Chancel Flowers are given in loving memory of Lillian Lopez
by her daughter Peg Stewart

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

Daily Grace

Using the liturgy from this Sunday's Order of Worship,
we enter into worship and prayer every day of the week.

We worship together...separately.

Scripture Readings: Worship texts for February 15, 2026

Mon: Deuteronomy 30:15–20

Thurs: Matthew 5:21–37

Tues: Psalm 119:1–8

Fri: Deuteronomy 30:15–20

Wed: 1 Corinthians 3:1–9

Sat: Psalm 119:1–8

Activities for the Week of February 8, 2026

Sunday, February 8, 2026

- 8:30 AM Worship Service (Chapel)
- 9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 9:15 AM Sunday School (Various)
- 9:30 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 11:45 AM A/V Training for Youth

Monday

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Parlor)
- 6:30 PM G.I.F.T.S. Small Group (Offsite)

Tuesday

- 9:30 AM Pastors' Bible Study (Parlor)
- 11:15 AM Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 PM Property Meeting (Parlor)
- 6:00 PM Personnel Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday

- 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Online)
- 8:00 AM Food, Clothing, and Prayer Ministry
- 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Meeting (Parlor)
- 8:00 PM Young Adult Cluster (Offsite)

Thursday

- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday

- 8:00 AM Food Ministry Breakfast (Westminster Hall)

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- 9:15 AM Sunday School (Various)
- 9:30 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 11:45 AM Mission Luncheon: Habitat for Humanity

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