



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

530 Tuscarawas Street W, Canton, Ohio 44702



Woman of Canaan (1964)

Sadao Watanabe

Smithsonian American Art Museum, 1965.25.17

August 16, 2026

The Order for Morning Worship

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

August 16, 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

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

Welcome and Worship Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: God has forgiven us and drawn us close,
reconciling us through Jesus Christ,

People: **who has lavished upon us the fullness
of the blessed Holy Spirit.**

Leader: With glad and grateful hearts, praise the Lord!

***Hymn 634**

“To God Be the Glory”

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

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

Lord Jesus, Son of God,

your blessings know no boundaries that faith cannot cross.

**Strengthen us to trust in your mercy, reach out for your healing,
and receive your reconciliation. Amen.**

Call to Confession

Let us confess our sins without fear to the One who yearns
to embrace us, forgive us, protect us, and bless us.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus; we are tormented!

Our lives have been disrupted by the devil

and by our own devilish desires and evil exploits.

We are dismayed at your presence,

anguished by the awful fallout of our own failures.

We cannot take back what we have said or undo what we have done

or atone for the agony we have caused.

We are haunted by the past, plagued by the present,

and fearful of the future.

We shrink away from your gaze

as strangers outside your circle of blessing.

Yet the faith you have planted in us reaches out for your favor,

returns to your presence, and hungers for your mercy.

Kyrie: Hymn 576

SINGAPURA

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy on us.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Our God kisses us with kindness, forgiving our sins,
preserving our lives, and restoring our souls
through the abundant provision of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Receive now that for which faith has hungered:
you are forgiven and healed in the name of Jesus the Christ.

***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 586**

ALLELUIA 7

Alleluia...alleluia!

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 10:15 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.

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

Merciful Savior, your suffering has saved our lives,
secured our future, and restored us to relationship with God.
Remove the shame and fear that cause us to cower in your presence.
By the power of your Spirit, open our eyes and hearts
to your Word of love, mercy, healing, and blessing;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hebrew Reading *"Joseph Reveals Himself to His Brothers"* Genesis 45:1–15

Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible, p. 37
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, pp. 52–53

Psalm 121 "Lift Your Eyes" Felix Mendelssohn

Epistle Reading *"Irrevocable Gifts and Calls"* Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32

Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible, pp. 921–22
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, pp. 195–96s

***Hymn 418** "Softly and Tenderly" SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

Gospel Reading *"The Canaanite Woman's Faith"* Matthew 15:21–28

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord Pew Bible, p. 797
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, pp. 20–21

Sermon "We Cannot Measure How You Heal" Rev. Michael Wallace

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem "Cantate Domino" Heinrich Schütz
Catherine Dillon, Julie Everett, and Dawn Speakman

***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.

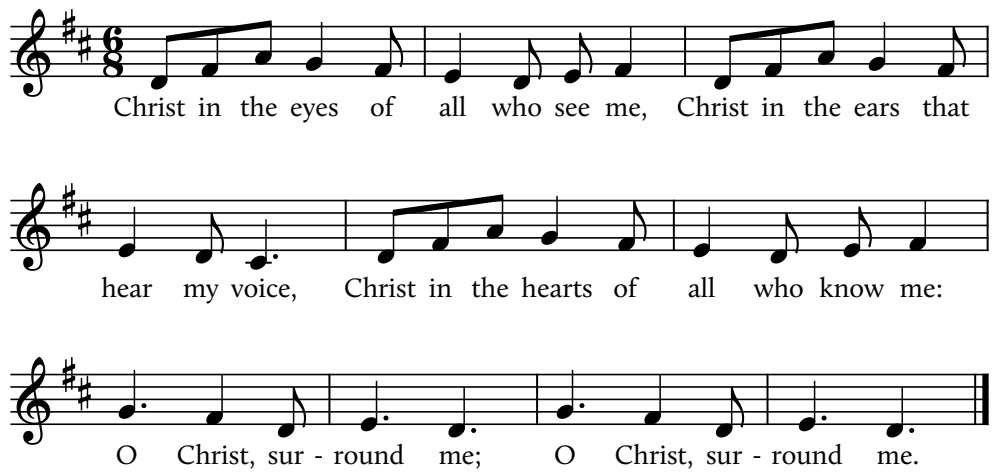
***Prayer of Dedication (*in unison*)**
Gracious Lord, you have given us more mercy
than we could imagine
and more blessings than we deserve.
Receive now these gifts as tokens of our gratitude to you,
that your mercy may be multiplied
and your blessings abound to embrace all those in need. Amen.

RE-ENTRY INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE THE LORD

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith
Minute for Mission: Ryan Cartwright, Tiqvah

***Hymn 797** "We Cannot Measure" YE BANKS AND BRAES

***Benediction**
Response GREEN TYLER



Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:
O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

Voluntary "I'll Fly Away" Mervt Wilson

The Cathedral Hour this morning is made possible through generous donations from members and friends of Christ Presbyterian Church

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

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 August 23, 2026

Mon: Exodus 1:8–2:10

Thurs: Matthew 16:13–20

Tues: Psalm 124

Fri: Exodus 1:8–2:10

Wed: Romans 12:1–8

Sat: Psalm 124

Activities for the Week of August 16, 2026

Sunday, August 16, 2026

- 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 11:45 AM Mission Luncheon: Tiqvah (Westminster Hall)
- 4:00 PM Music Ministry Picnic (Offsite)

Monday

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Parlor)

Tuesday

- 7:00 PM Parkinson Ministry Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday • Tydings Deadline

- 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Online)
- 9:15 AM Endowment Meeting (Parlor)
- 1:30 PM Faithful Friends Small Group (Parlor)

Sunday, August 23, 2026

- 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 11:45 AM Annual Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 PM Youth Bible Study (Offsite)

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