CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

530 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton, Ohio 44702

November 1, 2026

The Order for Morning Worship

All Saints' Sunday

November 1, 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

The library on the main floor, just a few steps from the entrance to the sanctuary, has been converted into a semi-private area for parents of small children. If your little one needs a snack, a diaper change, or just a quiet space, this room is available to you.

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "Elegy" G.T. Thalben-Bell

Welcome and Worship Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in God.

**People: With hearts and hands and voices,
let us praise the Lord.**

***Hymn 806** "I'll Praise My Maker" Old 113th

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

**In life and in death you bless us, O God.
When trouble overwhelms us, you save us.
When sorrow overtakes us, you comfort us.
When death overcomes us, you overcome death
and raise us to new life.
You promise us joy everlasting and,
even now, give us glad hope and glimpses of your realm,
which is to come when Christ makes all things new.
For calling us your children and bestowing upon us such great love,
we give you thanks, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Call to Confession

In the face of God's goodness we recognize our failings.
Hungry for God's mercy, let us tell the truth about our lives,
that we might receive grace in time of need.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Gracious God,
you call us your own children and cover us with your love.
We would seek to be merciful as you are,
and to show compassion as you do,
but we fail to live the life to which we have been called.
Where we ought to forgive, we condemn;
the evil we should shun, we embrace.
Forgive our sinful ways, tame our wayward wills,
and make us more like Christ,
until we are raised in perfection on the last day. Amen.**

Kyrie: Hymn 576 Singapura

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Sisters and brothers, sacred siblings,
no one who takes refuge in God will be condemned.
Believe the good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***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 805** ELLACOMBE

Come sing to God, O living saints; sing praises to God's name.
God's anger is not permanent; God's love will never wane.
Though tears may tarry for the night with sighs of deepest pain,
yet joy comes with the morning sun, a peace that is not vain.

Listen for God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

In your Word, O God, show us heaven.
By your Spirit, show us truth; through Christ, the Living Word,
in whom we see your face. **Amen**.

New Testament Reading *"The Multitude"* Revelation 7:9–17
Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible, p. 999
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, p. 303

Gospel Reading *"The Beatitudes"* Matthew 5:1–12
Leader: The Gospel of the Lord Pew Bible, pp. 785–86
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, pp. 4–5

Message for Children

Following the children's sermon, children will return to sit with their families. If you have a small child and need to step out for a moment for a snack or a diaper change, we invite you to use the former library as a quiet space.

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

Sermon "Saints in an Unhurried Church" Rev. Benjamin George

Our Response to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Nicene Creed,* p. 34

The Great Thanksgiving

The bread used for Holy Communion is free of nuts, gluten, dairy, and preservatives. The cup contains unfermented grape juice. For persons having difficulty handling the communion elements, a small cup containing both the bread and juice is offered by the communion servers.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

***Hymn** "As We Gather at Your Table" RAQUEL
please see insert

***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: Creating and redeeming God…
…singing the unending hymn of your joy and praise

***Sanctus** *please see insert* Pavlechko

(please be seated)

Leader: Transforming God, in this gathering…
…"Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith.
People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader: Resurrecting God, bless those who mourn…
…one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People: Amen.

Music during Communion

"Jerusalem, My Happy Home" Karen L. Buckwalter
Youth Resound Tonechimes

"Adagietto" Gerald Near

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

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place" Johannes Brahms
How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts!
For my soul, it longeth, yea, fainteth for the courts of the Lord.
My soul and body crieth out, yea, for the living God.
O blest are they that dwell within Thy house.
They praise Thy name evermore, they praise Thee.
How lovely is thy dwelling place.

***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*)**
We magnify your name, O God, and together exalt your name,
for you are so good to us and gracious beyond measure.
In this life you lead us, comfort us, guide us,
and redeem us in countless ways. *prayer continues*

In death you usher us to even greater blessing,
bringing us through the great ordeal,
embracing us in your endless light,
and welcoming us to your table of goodness and plenty.
These gifts we bring are but a token of our thanks,
seeds to be planted for the growing of your kingdom,
in which we have sure and certain hope.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

***Hymn 326**	"For All the Saints" *vs. 1–2 all*	Sine Nomine

Remembering Those Who Have Gone Before Us (Nov. 2025–Oct. 2026)

Barbara Deuble
Ken Douglass
Cheryl George
Fred Gibbs
Frederick Peters
Wilson Rownd
Bob Shaffer
G. Maxine Snyder
Barb Vasbinder
Carol Vaughn
Libby Wilson

***Hymn 326**	"For All the Saints" *vs. 3 choir • vs. 4–5 all*	Sine Nomine
***Benediction Response**	"Savior, When Your Love"	Sicilian Mariners
Voluntary	Finale from *Symphony no. 1*	Louis Vierne

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 loving memory of our parents and grandparents from the families of Albert Smith, Jr., and Mrs. Cynthia Minter.

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 November 8, 2026

Mon: Joshua 24:1–3a, 14–25
Tues: Psalm 78:1–7
Wed: 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18
Thurs: Matthew 25:1–13
Fri: Joshua 24:1–3a, 14–25
Sat: Psalm 78:1–7

Activities for the Week of November 1, 2026

Sunday, November 1, 2026 • All Saints' Sunday

9:00 AM	Youth Resound Rehearsal
9:00 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:15 AM	Sunday School (Various Rooms)
9:30 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:30 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:45 AM	High School Only Youth Event

Tuesday

9:30 AM	Pastors' Bible Study (Parlor)
11:15 AM	Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM	Mission Ministry Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday

8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study (Online)
9:15 AM	Endowment Meeting (Parlor)
1:30 PM	Faithful Friends Small Group (Parlor)
6:00 PM	Taizé Worship (Chapel)
8:00 PM	Camp Wakonda Board Meeting (Online)

Thursday

9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study (Parlor)
1:30 PM	Alzheimer Caregiver Support Group (Parlor)
7:15 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

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

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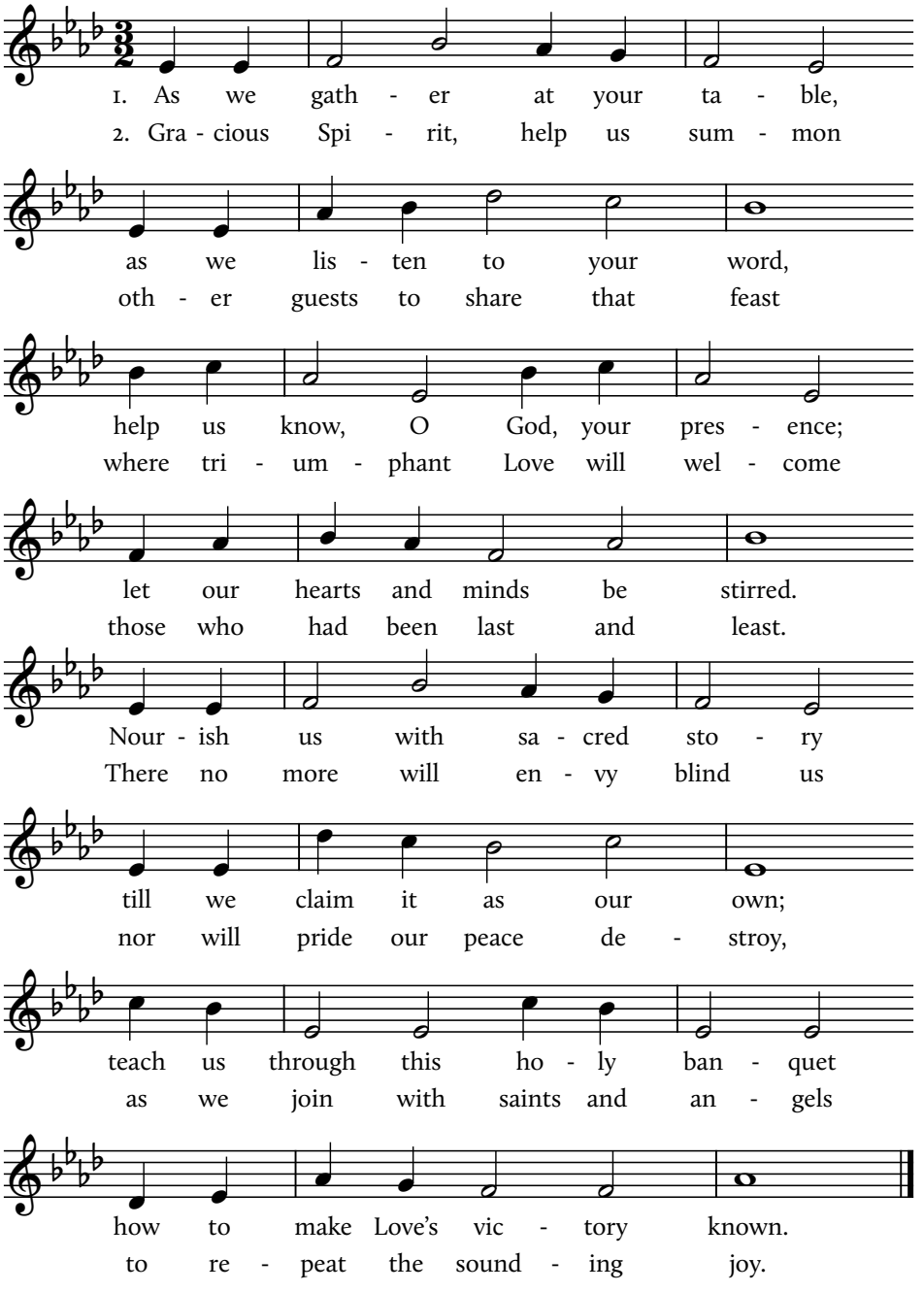
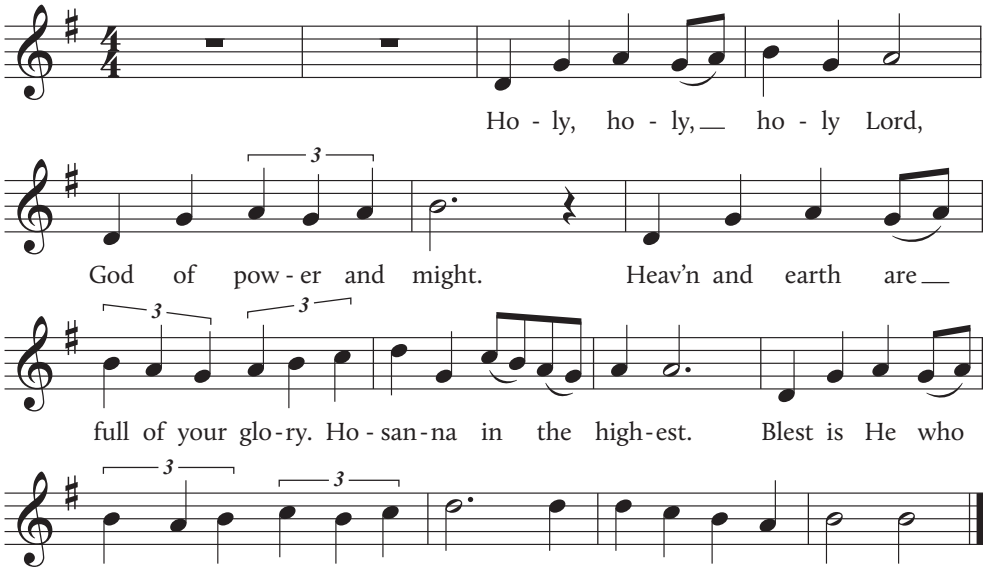
***Hymn** "As We Gather at Your Table" RAQUEL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