



We are Christians committed to discerning and doing God's will through worship, study, fellowship, and mission.

We seek to continue to grow as an open, supportive, and compassionate community of neighbors.

Welcoming everyone. Including all.

Session, March 2025

The doors of this church are as wide as God's love.

The Rev. Dr. Frank Irvine, Founding Pastor, 1958

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Christ the King Sunday / Thanksgiving Sunday

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

** At the asterisk, please rise in body as you are able.*

Our worship service begins with Prelude music at 10:10 am.

We kindly ask that conversations come to a close

so that worshipers may enter a spirit of quiet meditation and for our livestream broadcast to begin.

****ALL HYMNS TODAY ARE FROM THE GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL****

PRELUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Randall Thompson

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT No. 652, verse 1

Glory to God hymnal

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God established the world from of old.

God's reign shall never end.

God delivered us in freedom and truth.

God's love is everlasting.

***HYMN No. 367**

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

St. George's Windsor

Glory to God hymnal

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Responsive)

Almighty God, you brought forth the world for the love of Christ,
yet we have lived in rebellion and turned away from our created purpose.

We have acknowledged the Lordship of Christ
with our lips, but we have not honored him with our lives.

We have served the idols of wealth and privilege;
we have sought the protection of violence to oppose violence;
we have lived in fear of death and loss; we have not loved our neighbors,
nor sought reconciliation with our enemies.

Therefore, we pray:

Break our rebellious will.

Instruct our hearts in the ways of peace.

Expose our insincere thoughts.

Give us integrity in our quest for truth.

Release us from the fear of death.

Grant us courage in the face of evil.

Free us for joyful service in Christ our Lord.

Empower us to live as citizens of your kingdom.

For the sake of the world, in the name of Christ. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSE



ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE No. 654** In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Glory to God hymnal

PSALTER No. 380 God is Our Help, Refuge, and Strength

Glory to God hymnal

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

GIFT OF MUSIC

Awake, Awake to Love and Work

Eric Thiman

Awake, awake to love and work! The lark is in the sky, the fields are wet with morning dew,
the worlds awake to cry their blessings on the Lord of life, as he goes meekly by.

Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shouts of praise; see how the giant sun soars up, great lord of years and days!

So let the love of Jesus come and set thy soul ablaze.

To give and give, and give again what God hath given thee; to spend thyself nor count the cost,
to serve right gloriously the God who gave all worlds that are and all that are to be.

CHILDREN DEPART FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-16

SERMON

"Benedictus"

Luke 1:68-70

***HYMN No. 109**

Blest Be the God of Israel

Merle's Tune

Glory to God hymnal

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

based on Isaiah 42:5-9; Revelation 21:5

We believe that the LORD is God,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
who called us in righteousness,
who took us by the hand and kept us;

who has given us as a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out from the prison those who sit in darkness.
We believe the former things have come to pass,
and new things now spring forth.
For we believe the one seated on the throne of heaven,
who says "See, I am making all things new."

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY Hymn No. 606

Glory to God hymnal

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

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth
in their season, and for the labors of those who harvest them.
Make us faithful stewards of your great bounty,
for the provision of our necessities,
and for the relief of all who are in need,
all to the glory of your name. Amen.

*HYMN No. 643

Now Thank We All Our God

Nun danket alle Gott

Glory to God hymnal

*BENEDICTION

HYMN OF GOING FORTH No. 542, Verse 1

Glory to God hymnal

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*This congregation's custom is to remain in the sanctuary for the postlude.
Those wishing to exit are kindly asked to do so quietly.*

SERVING THIS MORNING

Preacher

Rev. Teresa Peterson

Director of Music & Organist

Charles Miller

Liturgist

G. Kevin Dewey

Greeters

Marilyn Beadle, Joy Park, and Bob Szwed

Security

Jim Brown

**In lieu of our normal Coffee Hour, pizza and salad will be served
as we decorate the church buildings for Advent and Christmas.**

WELCOME TO CHERRY HILL CHURCH: We are deeply grateful you have joined us in worship today! Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, we welcome everyone, without exception, into the life of this congregation.

OFFERING: Your offering may be placed in the offering plates at each sanctuary door, mailed to the church office, using the QR code provided, or by accessing our secure and easy online giving option through our website @ www.cherryhillchurch.org. Easy instructions are provided. Thank you for supporting the ministry at Cherry Hill!



WORSHIP AIDS: Hearing assist devices are in the narthex and in Weir Foyer, along with instructions on using the system. Large print bulletins and hymnals are also available. Please ask a greeter for a copy.

CHILDCARE FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN is provided during the worship service upstairs in the nursery (above the church offices). Olivia Gee is our childcare provider. Please ask a greeter for directions.

THE SUNDAY MORNING 9:00 AM BIBLE STUDY CLASS, led by Maged Radamis, focuses on the Book of Zechariah. Class meets in the Conference Room.

THE SUNDAY MORNING 11:45 AM BIBLE STUDY CLASS, led by the Rev. Dr. John Whitfield meets in the Conference Room. The class is focusing on Paul's letter to the Romans.

MONDAY STUDY: Please join us for the new book study centered on *The Message of Jesus* by Adam Hamilton. The author takes us through six major themes about which Jesus taught.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS booklets, entitled *Follow the Star*, will be available on the large table in Weir Foyer sometime between November 23 and 30 (they are on backorder, and we are patiently waiting).

HELPING HAND FOOD PANTRY is collecting toiletries to give to our clients, including toothpaste, toothbrushes, bar soap, shampoo, and toilet paper in **FOUR PACK PACKAGES**. We also continue to need Cereal, Canned Vegetables, Canned Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti Pasta, Macaroni, and Peanut Butter, bags of Dried Beans and bags of Rice in 1 lb. weight. We always appreciate cash donations too. Thank you for your continued generous support of this church mission!

SAVE THE DATE! All women are invited to our Women's Retreat from Friday, April 10 to Sunday, April 12, 2026. We are excited to be back at the Weber Center in Adrian. It's a wonderfully restorative and prayerful time, and a great opportunity for sisterhood. If you're interested in being on the planning committee, please reach out to Leslie Garber.

BAKE SALE TODAY!! Immediately following the worship service this morning our bake sale will take place in Weir Foyer. To all of you wonderful bakers, PW thanks you! Proceeds from this bake sale will go to our continuing support of the Second Mile Center.

2026 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN – LIVE GENEROUSLY: As of Wednesday, November 19, we have received 35 pledges totaling \$117,341. Our thanks to all who have already pledged. If you have not returned your pledge card, you may place it in the offering plate or mail to the church office. Pledge cards are available in the church office.

SAVE THE DATE: VANGUARD VOICES' LESSONS AND CAROLS will be held on Sunday, December 21 at 6:00pm. Come hear Dearborn's premier choral ensemble present carols and anthems of the Christmas/Holiday season in a musical event patterned after the famed Service of Nine Lessons and Carols at King's College, Cambridge, England. G. Kevin Dewey will conduct, and Joseph Balisteri will be the organist.

BIRTHDAYS THIS COMING WEEK

Kathy Kerr 11/24 Cindy Betley 11/25 Sue Dalton 11/26

IN OUR PRAYERS

Members to Remember (Those Unable to Attend Worship)

Evelyn Poti Lewis Sequin Winnie Murphy
Judy Ewasuk Ekanem Ekpenyong Pam Thorpe

Health Concerns & Support

Bob Stead John Haury Marv Oberdier Sharon Cloney John Nichols
Pamela Moore Judy Tisdale Yvonne Parks (Pastor's cousin)
All those who serve as caregivers to the ill and infirmed
Cherry Hill Church Pastor Nominating Committee
Staff, Elders, and Deacons of Cherry Hill - The Presbytery of Detroit



THIS WEEK AT CHERRY HILL

Sunday, November 23	9:00 am	Bible Study
	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Bake Sale in Weir Foyer
	11:30 am	Church Decorating/Pizza Lunch
	5:00 pm	PNC Meeting
Monday, November 24	10:00 am	Sew What Group
	1:00 pm	Study Group
Thursday, November 27	THANKSGIVING DAY / Building Closed	
Friday, November 28	Building Closed	
Sunday, November 30	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 am	Bible Study
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study



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