



**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, February 15, 2026  
Transfiguration of the Lord**

**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.*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

Day by Day

Harold Friedell

Day by day, dear Lord of thee three things I pray:  
to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly.  
Day by day.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD.

**They shall be like a tree planted by water,  
sending out its roots by the stream.**

**Baptized and fed,**

grounded in love:

**Let us worship God.**

**\*HYMN #611**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Hymn to Joy*

*Glory to God hymnal*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God, our call to discipleship is demanding.**

**You call us to reorder our lives**

**by the kingdom you are bringing in Jesus Christ.**

**Yet we still pass by the ones you especially notice:**

**people who are poor and hungry;**

**people who weep.**

**We have not stood with those who are hated, bullied, and excluded.**

**Comfortable with the way things are,**

**we are too complacent, even complicit with injustice and prejudice.**

**Forgive us, O God, and turn us back to your Gospel.**

**We pray this now, for our sake, and for the sake of your world;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## RESPONSE

Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.  
*Cám - bia - me, Se - ñor, con tu gran po - der.*  
항 상 진 실 케 내 맘 바 꾸 사

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.  
*Haz - me co - mo tú, tu yo quie - ro ser.*  
주 님 의 모 습 님 게 하 소 서

*Fine*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Believe the good news of the Gospel:  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

## \*RESPONSE

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful; in the Lord I will re -

joice! Look to God; do not be a - fraid. Lift up your

voic - es; the Lord is near. Lift up your voic - es; the Lord is near.

## GIFT OF MUSIC

Beloved, God's Chosen  
Beloved, God's chosen, put on as a garment compassion,  
forgiveness, and goodness of heart. Above all, before all,  
let love be your raiment that binds into one every dissonant part.  
Within, call forth wisdom, to dwell in you richly; let peace rule  
your hearts and that peace be of Christ, and from the heart's  
chamber, beloved and holy, let singing thanksgiving  
to God ever rise. Beloved, God's chosen...

Michael Burkhardt

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Peter 1:16-21

## SERMON

### "Unclimbed Mountains"

Matthew 17:1-9

## \*HYMN #190

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Geneva

*Glory to God hymnal*

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe God created families, small communities  
where we learn to love up close, celebrate life  
around the table meal, pray through difficulties,  
and discover that we are children of God.  
We believe God created humans not to be alone,  
but to live in relationship as friends, partners, and companions.  
We believe God sent Jesus so we could see  
the heights and depths of love,  
know that we have a second chance,  
and discover that in loving service,  
the world and our lives become better.  
We believe God delights in our laughter,  
rejoices in our kindness, celebrates our faithfulness.  
We believe God made us miracles and surrounds us with reminders,  
including this family of faith.

## 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, #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

Holy God, bless and multiply these gifts we give  
as tokens of our trust in you.  
Use them to bless the poor, feed the hungry,  
and comfort those who weep;  
in Jesus' name. Amen.

**\*HYMN #744**  
*Glory to God hymnal*

Arise! Your Light Is Come!

*Festal Song*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

666 *Unison* **Shalom to You**

The musical score is for a hymn titled 'Shalom to You' with the number 666. It is written for unison in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 4/4 time. The score consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are: 'Sha - lom to you now, sha - lom, my friends. May God's full mer - cies bless you, my friends. In all your liv - ing and through your lov - ing, Christ be your sha - lom, Christ be your sha - lom.' Chord markings are placed above the notes: D, Em, A7, D, Bm, Em, A7, D, G, Em, A, F#m, Bm, Em, A7, D.

**POSTLUDE**

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

B. Marcello

**SERVING THIS MORNING**

Preacher  
Director of Music & Organist  
Liturgist  
Greeters  
Security  
Coffee Hour

Rev. Teresa Peterson  
Charles Miller  
Jan Holmes  
Joy Park, James Flynn, and Bob Szwed  
John Kill  
Deacons (Birthday Celebration)

**WELCOME TO CHERRY HILL CHURCH:** We are grateful you have joined us in worship today! Inspired by the radical hospitality of 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 below, or by our secure and easy online giving option at 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, along with instructions on how to use the system. Large print bulletins and hymnals are also available. Please ask a greeter for a copy.

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

**THE SUNDAY MORNING 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM BIBLE STUDY CLASSES** are on hiatus at present. Start-up dates will be announced soon.

**THE MONDAY STUDY** will be on hiatus during the season of Lent and adult weekly study will then be part of our Wednesday Lenten Dinners.

**HELPING HAND FOOD PANTRY** will be collecting **toiletries** to distribute during the month of February. We will purchase toilet paper, so we would appreciate donations of **bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, and toothbrushes**. Beyond that we are always in need of **cereal and peanut butter**. **We are thrilled to report that our Souper Bowl canned goods collection final total is 4,310 cans and dollars.**

**ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT IN APRIL:** Come join us for a women's retreat celebrating the truth that we are God's masterpiece — lovingly crafted, continually restored, and never finished yet. Our *Masterpiece* themed program includes worship, Bible study, time for laughter, renewal, and quiet reflection. The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Retreat will be held **April 10-12, 2026**, at the Weber Center in Adrian, MI. This year we have two lodging options, shared room for \$170 and a single room for \$200. The price includes two nights, four meals, meeting space, program, and craft material. Registration and half of participation fee is due February 25, with the second half due March 18. Scholarship options are available. Make checks payable to Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church. The planning meeting for the women's retreat has been rescheduled to Sunday, February 15, after worship. We hope you can join us. If you have any questions, please contact Leslie Garber.

#### **BIRTHDAYS THIS COMING WEEK**

Mark Houghan 02/16 John Matthews, Sr. 02/22

#### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

##### **Members to Remember (Those Unable to Attend Worship)**

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

##### **Health Concerns & Support**

The family of Sharon Cloney who died this past week  
Bob Stead John Haury Marv Oberdier  
Elaine Filiak Chuck Webster

John Nichols Pamela Moore Judy Tisdale Bob Szwed  
All those who serve as caregivers to the ill and infirmed

Cherry Hill Church Pastor Nominating Committee  
Staff, Elders, & Deacons of Cherry Hill / The Presbytery of Detroit

## THIS WEEK AT CHERRY HILL

Sunday, February 15	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour & Birthday Celebration
Monday, February 16	<b>BUILDING IS CLOSED</b>	
	6:30 pm	PNC Meeting (via ZOOM)
Tuesday, February 17	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 18	9:30 am	Helping Hand Food Pantry
	12:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)
	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)
Thursday, Feb. 19	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast-Rex's Grill
Friday, February 20	6:00 pm	Rotary Youth Lock-In (Overnight)
Saturday, February 21	All Day	Rotary Youth Lock-In
Sunday, February 22	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour



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**Monday through Thursday – 8:30 am-2:30 pm**

**Friday – 8:30 am-Noon**

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Olivia Gee, Sunday Childcare Provider

The Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor Emeritus