



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 22, 2026
First Sunday in Lent**

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

Kyrie I / Kyrie II

Francois Couperin

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

CHORAL INTROIT

Kyrie Eleison

Betty Carr Pulkingham

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Lent calls us to journey along the edge,
to anticipate that final trip to Jerusalem.

Lent calls us to the cutting edge, when life comes forth; the making of a new covenant.

Lent calls us not only to give up something, but also to take upon ourselves as a community the intention of true participation in the mystery of God-with-us.

Lent calls us to confession, accountability and preparation.

Lent calls us to concentrate upon our baptismal vocation to be a sign of the new earth.

Lent calls us to face the darkness without holding a flashlight.

Let us worship Almighty God who calls and leads us.

***HYMN #330**

Our Help is in the Name of God

Old 124th

Glory to God hymnal

LENTEN CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

As we prepare for Christmas, we light a new candle each Sunday to prepare for the "light" which will come into the world through Jesus. As we prepare for Good Friday, we extinguish a candle each Sunday to remind us of the approaching darkness of betrayal and death.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

God, you call us,

But we ignore your voice.

You speak to us,

But we are too busy to listen.

You invite us to see the good things you are doing even in difficult places and through difficult circumstances,

But our eyes are closed, and we refuse to look and see.

You ask us to join in your work, to be a part of the renewal of the world,

But we think the price is too high, the people not deserving, or the people and creation to be someone else's responsibility.

You call us to serve others,

But we think only of ourselves.

In the midst of the wilderness of this world and our lives, you are doing a good thing,

But we prefer to stay in a comfortable place. We lose patience, demanding you act instead of resting in you.

Forgive us for all we have done that goes against your will and for not doing the things you have asked of us.

Help us turn back to you, commit ourselves to follow you, and lead lives of service, even in the wilderness. Amen.

RESPONSE



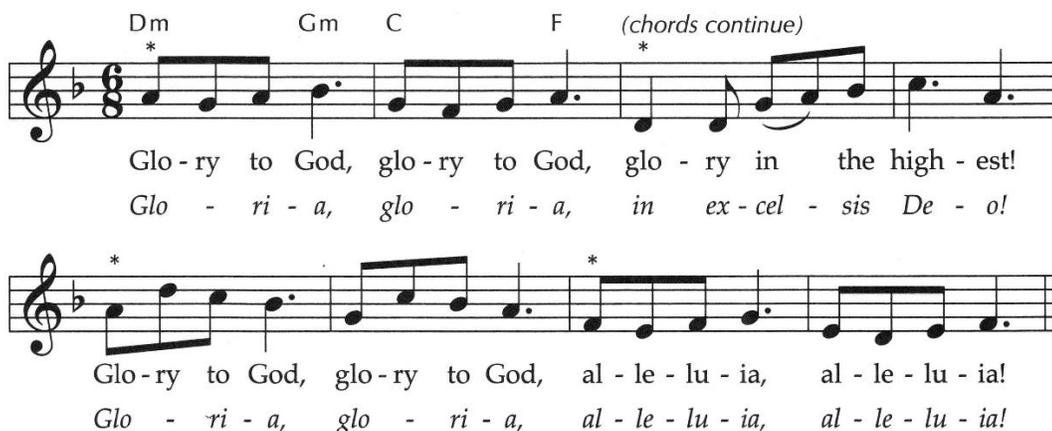
Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord,
In - cline Thine ear to us, And grant us Thy peace. A-MEN.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE



Dm Gm C F (chords continue)
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

CHORAL ANTHEM

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Carl F. Mueller

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy holy spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
Then will I teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 32

SERMON**"The Call to Service"**

Luke 4:1-13

***HYMN #166**

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

St. Flavian

*Glory to God hymnal****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from the United Church of Canada)

We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us. We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

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**

**Gracious and Generous God, we are amazed at the good gifts
you provide to us in abundance.
Thank you for all that you provide.
Receive these gifts which we offer back to you
for the work of your Church, because of our Savior, Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN #353**

My Hope is Built

Solid Rock

Glory to God hymnal

***BENEDICTION**

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

1 *Canon*

Do - na no - bis pa - cem, pa-cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

2

Do - na no - bis pa-cem. Do-na no-bis pa - cem.

3

Do - na no - bis pa-cem. Do-na no-bis pa - cem.

POSTLUDE

Praeludium in E minor

J.S. Bach

*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	Wendy Solgan
Greeters	Joy Park and James Flynn
Security	Jim Brown
Coffee Hour	Don and Elaine Filiak

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. Maged Radamis will resume his 9:00 am class on March 1, which will focus on the book of Galatians. Dr. John Whitfield will resume his 11:00 am class after Easter, date TBA, which will focus on the first eleven chapters of Genesis.

THE MONDAY STUDY will be on hiatus during 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**.

EASTER FLOWERS: We welcome your donations for Easter flowers and to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. Flower orders must be received on or before **Sunday, March 8**. The cost is \$10 per plant. Please complete the enclosed form and place in the offering basket or in the church office.

WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN POTLUCK & STUDY

Potluck Dinner – 6:00 pm – Memorial Parlor

Lenten Study – 6:45 pm – Memorial Parlor

Lent is a special time of reflection. Everyone is invited to join us for our weekly Lenten Potluck Dinners and Study on Wednesday evenings. Signup sheets are on the table in Weir Foyer for those planning to attend. We continue the tradition of a potluck meal followed by a brief time of study. The study after dinner will be Adam Hamilton's book and video *Simon Peter: Flawed But Faithful Disciple*. Plan to join us at 6:00 pm for dinner. The Study begins at 6:45 pm and concludes at 7:30 pm.

OLIVIA GEE'S FINAL SUNDAY as our Child Care Provider is this morning, and we offer our most sincere thanks for her incredibly valuable and faithful ministry during the past two-plus years.

BIRTHDAYS THIS COMING WEEK

John Matthews, Sr. 02/22 Winnie Murphy 02/24

Dorothy Siegl 02/24 Harvey Dean 02/25

DEACONS CARD MINISTRY: Birthday cards are sent to members who reach the octogenarian benchmark (80+ years). Please sign the card on the table in Weir Foyer for John Matthews, Sr. (93), Winnie Murphy (94), Dorothy Siegl (85), and Harvey Dean (95).

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
Elaine Filiak Chuck Webster
John Nichols Pamela Moore Judy Tisdale Bob Szwed
Scott Golem and family upon the death of his mother
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 22	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
Monday, February 23	10:00 am	Sew What Group
	6:30 pm	PNC Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 25	6:00 pm	Lenten Potluck & Study
Thursday, Feb. 26	11:00 am	Colony Club Meeting
Sunday, March 1	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 am	Bible Study
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour



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