



**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, March 15, 2026
Fourth 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

Andante in F Major

Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

CHORAL INTROIT

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Healey Willan

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 31:9-10, 14-16

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;

**my eye wastes away from grief,
my soul and body also.**

For my life is spent with sorrow,
and my years with sighing;

**my strength fails because of my misery,
and my bones waste away.**

But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."

**My times are in your hand; deliver me from
the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
Save me, save US, in your steadfast love.**

***HYMN #393**

O Day of Rest and Gladness

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

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

Merciful God, we confess that we have
strayed from your ways.
Like the Prodigal Son,
we have wasted our inheritance.
You gave us the earth for our home,
but we squander earth's resources,
and hoard its bounty.
You gave us neighbors to love,
but we pursue selfish ambitions.
Forgive us our sin and bring us to repentance.
Draw our wandering hearts back to you,
that we may find freedom in obedience
to your love. Through Christ our Lord we pray. 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

O Savior of the World
O Savior of the world, who by the cross and precious blood
hast redeemed us. Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

John Goss

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 5:8-14

SERMON

"Service as Radical Hospitality & Self-Giving"
John 12:1-8

***HYMN #767**
Glory to God hymnal

Together We Serve

San Anselmo

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

based on Luke 15:11-24

**We believe in God, who loves us as a parent,
searching for us when we are lost,
embracing us in our hurt,
always looking for any reason to throw a party.
We believe in the risen Christ,
who gathers all the lost and forgotten into a
new community, and tells them and us
we are all forgiven, blessed and loved.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who empowered the new community of followers to share bread,
tell stories of God's love, and turn the world upside down.
We are a faith-filled, Spirit-empowered, God-blessed community.**

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**

**God of creation, all that we have comes from you.
Receive this offering and with it
the offering of our lives,
for we return to you only what you have
so graciously given.
Use us for the sake of Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN #312**
Glory to God hymnal

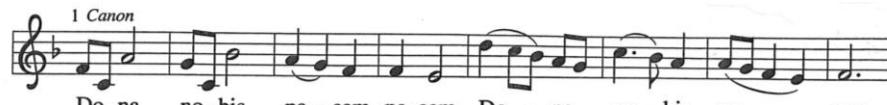
Take Us As We Are, O God

Endless Feast

***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

Elevation in C minor

Paul Benoit

*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
Director of Music & Organist
Liturgist
Greeters
Security
Coffee Hour

Rev. Teresa Peterson
Charles Miller
Jan Holmes
Janet Reickel, John Kill, and James Flynn
Stu Oke
Walt & Dorothy Siegl and Rick & Joyce Butykos

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 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.

THE SUNDAY MORNING 9:00 AM BIBLE STUDY has resumed, and is focusing on the book of Galatians, led by Maged Radamis. Dr. John Whitfield will resume his 11:00 am Bible class after Easter and will focus on the first eleven chapters of Genesis.

HELPING HAND FOOD PANTRY: Our food pantry continues to gratefully accept donations of staple items: cereals, pasta, peanut butter, canned tuna, crackers, rice, canned fruit, canned marinara sauce, and boxed macaroni and cheese. We are extremely grateful for the congregation's continued support throughout the year.

BIRTHDAYS THIS COMING WEEK

Maged Radamis 03/15 Phil Gibbs 03/15
Angela Doty 03/16 James Flynn 03/18

WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN POTLUCK & STUDY

Potluck Dinner – 6:00 pm – Memorial Parlor

Lenten Study – 6:45 to 7:30 pm – Memorial Parlor

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.

EASTER CANDY IS NEEDED! The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held (weather permitting) following worship on Sunday, April 5, on the front lawn of the church. We are asking for donations of candy to stuff inside plastic eggs. Please be sure the candy you donate is small enough. Any kind of candy is great, but non-chocolate candy is especially helpful as it doesn't melt. A large basket will be in Weir Foyer starting this Sunday to collect donations.

THE ANNA B. HOADLEY SCHOLARSHIP: All members who have not previously received The Anna B. Hoadley Scholarship are eligible to apply in 2026 for a scholarship in the amount of \$3,000. CHPC members planning to attend, or are currently attending, an accredited college, university, technical/trade school, or seminary may apply. Applications are available in the church office and due to Deb Szwed, Clerk of Session, by May 1. Contact Sherry Brown for more information.

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

Bob & Angie Stead John Haury Marv Oberdier
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, March 15	9:00 am	Bible Study
	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
Monday, March 16	10:00 am	Sew What Group
Tuesday, March 17	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Wednesday, March 18	9:30 am	Helping Hand Food Pantry
	6:00 pm	Lenten Dinner & Study
Thursday, March 19	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast - Rex's Grill
Sunday, March 22	9:00 am	Bible Study
	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour



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