



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

Sunday, July 26, 2026
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

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

PRELUDE

Pastorale

Raymond Haan

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Blessed by God whose word gives hope
and shapes our dreams,

whose love has conquered death.

Blessed by God who orders our way
and guides our steps,

who leads us into life.

Let us worship God.

***HYMN No. 229**

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Lasst uns erfreuen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
we confess that we have turned away from you
and have not lived with upright hearts.
Forgive us for failing to follow you.
Guide our feet to walk in your ways
and serve your world to the glory of your name.
Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSE

Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will
 Mar - vel - ous grace, in - fi-nite grace,
 par - don and cleanse with - in; grace, grace,
 mar - vel-ous grace,
 God's in - fi-nite grace, grace that is great-er than all our sin.

G C/G G C/G G G/D D G

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE

Sure-ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be a -
 fraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my sure de -
 fense, and God will be my Sav - ior.

C_{All} G Am F Dm7 Gsus G7 Em7 Am C7 F G7 Em7 Am Dm Gsus C F C (F) Fine

GIFT OF MUSIC

You'll Never Walk Alone
 Katie Garber, soloist

Richard Rodgers

PSALM 105:1-11 (Please see the last page.)

SERMON

"Breaking News"
 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

*HYMN No. 441

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

St. Thomas

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

(adapted from the Belhar Confession)

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the unity of the communion of saints
of the entire human family.
And we believe that this unity of the people of God
must be manifest and active,
in that we love one another;
that we give ourselves willingly
and joyfully to one another,
that we all share one baptism together,
that we eat of one bread
and drink of one cup together,
that we confess one name,
one Lord, for one cause, with one hope,
which is the height and the breadth
and the depth and the love of Christ,
forever and ever. Amen.

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, No. 592**

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**

Loving and ever-present God,
receive these tithes and offerings,
our worship, and our lives to your service;
in Jesus' name. Amen.

***HYMN No. 443**

O Christ, the Great Foundation

Aurelia

***BENEDICTION**

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE

Prelude to the *Te Deum*

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

This congregation's custom is to remain in the sanctuary for the postlude.

Those wishing to exit may do so quietly.

SERVING THIS MORNING

Preacher

Director of Music & Organist

Liturgist

Greeters

Security

Coffee Hour

Rev. Teresa Peterson

Charles Miller

Judy Goerke

Joyce Butykos, Sue Dalton, and James Flynn

Stu Oke

Kathy Kerr & Janet Reickel

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.

CHILDCARE FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN is provided during the worship service upstairs in its normal location in the nursery (above the church offices). Please ask a greeter for directions.

OFFERING: Your offering may be placed in the offering plates at each Chapel 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 rear of the Chapel 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 CLASS has concluded for the summer. Dr. John Whitfield's **11:45 am Bible Class** continues the study of the first eleven chapters of Genesis. This class is held in the Conference Room near the church office.



COFFEE HOUR DURING SUMMER SUNDAYS: We are looking for people interested in hosting coffee hour over the summer. If you'd like to do this, please call Kathy Kerr at 313-384-7590 or check the sign-up list on the Weir Foyer table for open dates.

HELPING HAND FOOD PANTRY is in special need of canned soups, cereal, canned vegetables, rice, and canned tuna. Your donations are truly welcomed and appreciated!

GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL DONATIONS: In order to have enough Glory to God hymnals for our congregation and visitors, especially for services at Christmas and Easter, we are seeking donations to purchase new hymnals. Donations can be made in honor or memory of loved ones and a book plate will be inserted on the inside cover. Please use the donation forms found in Weir Foyer and place in the offering plate or mail it to the church office with your payment. New hymnals are \$25.00 each. If you wish to purchase a personal copy of the hymnal, please indicate that on the form as such.

LOOKING AHEAD: LADIES' LUNCH will take place this coming Friday, July 31, at 11:00 am, at Buddy's Pizza on Michigan Avenue in downtown Dearborn. For details, contact Elaine Filiak at dgf1945@comcast.net.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Members to Remember (Those Unable to Attend Worship)

Lewis Sequin Winnie Murphy
Judy Ewasuk Ekanem Ekpenyong Pam Thorpe

Health Concerns & Support

Bob Stead Marv Oberdier John Nichols
Pamela Moore Judy Tisdale
Cherry Hill Church Pastor Nominating Committee
Staff, Elders, & Deacons of Cherry Hill / The Presbytery of Detroit

BIRTHDAYS THIS COMING WEEK

Elijah Dewey 07/28 Michael Sellers 07/29
Sandy Silfven 07/31 Darlyne Rozenbaum 07/31

THIS WEEK AT CHERRY HILL

Sunday, July 26	10:15 am	Worship
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study
Monday, July 27	10:00 am	Sew What Group
	12:00 pm	PNC Meeting
Friday, July 31	OFFICE CLOSED	
	11:00 am	Ladies' Lunch @ Buddy's Pizza
Sunday, August 2	10:15 am	Worship/Communion
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study

GOD IS PRAISED IN HOPE

God is praised in hope.
God is praised in those who do not succumb
to sarcasm and despair.
Those who find song in the cold night
and the beauty in each day
survive;
are not cast down
are not crushed.
Suffering is a pregnant night
and hope brings us to the dawn.
Hope shines our way through wilderness:
to the new,
the unexpected,
the longed for.
In hope we find the beauty of each moment:
the song in the night,
the possible behind the pain,
the dance behind the darkness,
the surprise behind the numbing cold,
the beloved behind the empty embrace,
the coming behind the absence.
God asks us to hope.

from Crossings
Susan Palo Cherwien

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Friday – CLOSED

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Ruth Haury, Summer Child Care Provider

John Peterson, Custodian

The Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor Emeritus

Psalm 105:1-11 (read responsively)

Refrain:



O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
[REFRAIN]

Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually.
Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,
O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.
He is the Lord our God;
his judgments are in all the earth.
[REFRAIN]

He is mindful of his covenant forever,
of the word that he commanded,
for a thousand generations,
the covenant that he made with Abraham,
his sworn promise to Isaac,
which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute,
to Israel as an everlasting covenant, saying:
"To you I will give the land of Canaan
as your portion for an inheritance."
[REFRAIN]