



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, August 17, 2025
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Let the Bright Seraphim

G.F. Handel

Angela Bonello, soprano

Let the bright seraphim in burning row their loud uplifted angel trumpet blow.

Let the cherubic harps in tuneful choirs touch their immortal harps with golden wires.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, holy and gracious God,

Place your story of love next to the worn fabric of our lives.

Come, enter our hearts and bring peace.

Bring restored hope, renewed energy and revived joy.

Come to your troubled world.

Lift the fallen, feed the children,

set us to doing the things that make for peace.

Teach us to sing and serve, care and rejoice.

Let us worship our gracious and caring Almighty God.

*HYMN No. 455

All Creatures of Our God and King

Lasst uns erfreuen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of hope, we confess our disregard for your care,

our doubt of your providence,

our blindness to signs of your love.

We are afraid to risk our comforts to find new life;

we separate ourselves from you and from others

and foster divisions between those you love.

Help us to amend our lives and make us your faithful people

who bear the good fruit of your Word in the world.

Through Jesus Christ, our LORD. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

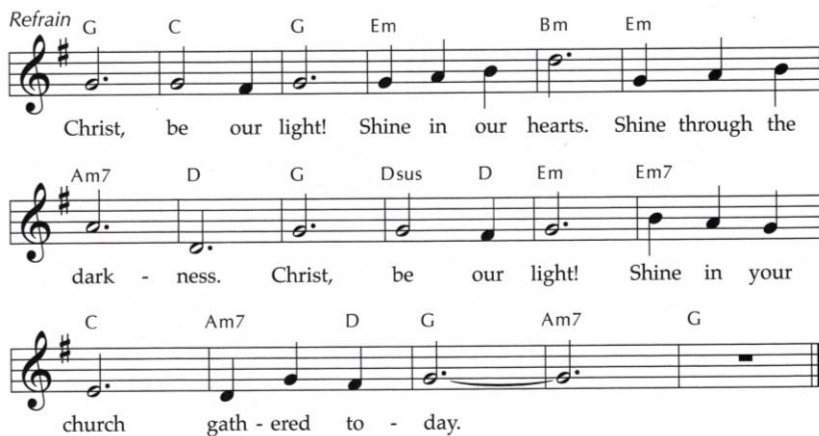
RESPONSE (Red Hymnal, No. 563)



ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

*RESPONSE (Glory to God, No. 314)



WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

GIFT OF MUSIC

Laudate Dominum
Angela Bonello, soprano

W.A. Mozart

*O praise the Lord all ye people, praise him ye nations, for he has shown to us
Evermore his merciful kindness. O praise the Lord all ye people; His truth endureth forever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 13:10-17

SERMON

"The Original Crowd"
Hebrews 11:29-12:2

*HYMN No. 330

Deep in the Shadows of the Past

Shepherd's Pipes

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Adapted from Matt. 5:14, 16; Rm. 12:9; Gal. 5:25-26; Col. 3:12; Titus 2:11-13)

**We believe that we are the light of the world.
We believe we should let our light shine before others,
so that they may see our good works
and give glory to God in heaven.
We believe that our love should be genuine.**

We believe that we should hate what is evil,
and that we should hold fast to what is good.
We believe that if we live by the Spirit,
we should also be guided by the Spirit.
We believe we should not become conceited,
compete against one another, or envy one another.
We believe that we are God's chosen ones.
We believe that we should clothe ourselves with compassion,
kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.
We believe that we are called to live lives that are self-controlled,
upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope
and the manifestation of the glory
of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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 (Hymnal 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

We trust, O God, in your provision and loving kindness.
Use these gifts and our lives that we might bear your fruit
with praise and thanksgiving.
We ask this in the confidence of your mercy and love. Amen.

*HYMN No. 324

Open My Eyes That I May See

Open My Eyes

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in C Major, BWV 545

J.S. Bach

*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	The Rev. Teresa Peterson
Director of Music & Organist	Charles Miller
Liturgist	Rev. Dr. John Whitfield
Greeters	Janet Reickel, Bob Szwed, and Matt Thibeau
Coffee Hour	Sue Dalton and John Kill
Security	Walter Siegl

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, or by our secure and easy online giving option! Follow the online giving instructions on our website, www.cherryhillchurch.org.

WORSHIP AIDS: Hearing assist devices (which operate through the livestream sound system) 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. Olivia Gee is our childcare provider. Please ask a greeter for directions.

THE SUNDAY MORNING 11:45 AM BIBLE STUDY CLASS, led by the Rev. Dr. John Whitfield meets in the Conference Room.

WELCOME TO GUEST SOLOIST ANGELA BONELLO! Michigan-based soprano Angela Bonello is passionate about using her voice to bring joy to audiences through opera, art song, choral music, and sacred music. She has performed as a soloist and chorister with the Choral Artists of Michigan and Holy Name Parish Schola on works including Fauré *Requiem*, Duruflé *Requiem*, and Mendelssohn *Hear My Prayer/O For the Wings of a Dove*. In December 2024, she made her soloist debut with the Macomb Symphony Orchestra singing the Bach Magnificat. Operatic roles include Susanna (*Le Nozze di Figaro*), Papagena (*The Magic Flute*), Lucy (*The House on Mango Street*), Sister Constance (*Dialogues of the Carmelites*), Patience (*Patience*), and Despina (*Così fan tutte*). She has participated in performance outreach with the Motor City Lyric Opera and sang with the 1950s Village Cruisers group at Greenfield Village in Dearborn, MI. Angela is pursuing her Master of Music degree in voice performance at the University of Michigan and studies with Caitlin Lynch.

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 vegetables, jarred marinara sauce, and boxed macaroni and cheese. Please know how grateful we are for your support!

SAVE THE DATE: RALLY IN THE ALLEY / HOMECOMING SUNDAY – September 7 at 11:30 am. Please plan to stay after church for our annual Rally in the Alley, hosted by our Church Growth and Fellowship Committee. There will be food from the grill and potluck dishes and plenty of fun and fellowship as we begin our new program year! A potluck sign-up sheet will be in Weir Foyer starting Sunday, August 17.

SAVE THE DATE: DAY-LONG BACH ORGAN MARATHON FUNDRAISING CONCERT ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11! The next pipe organ restoration fundraising event will be held from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm on Saturday, October 11. Charles Miller will be joined by Detroit metro area organist colleagues Nicole Keller, Joseph Balistreri, Jonathan Ryan, David Hufford, Caroline Robinson, Jeremy David Tarrant, David Stultz, and James Kibbie to perform nine consecutive 50-minute recitals on the Austin Organ covering the works of the great master Johann Sebastian Bach. Donations will be accepted to support the new organ console project. Come and go as you please throughout the day, which will begin and end with the famous "Toccata and Fugue in D minor". The final recital by Dr. James Kibbie which will be followed by a gala reception!

AEOLIAN CHORALE CONCERT THIS FRIDAY AT 7:00 PM! The twenty-voice Aeolian Chorale, under the direction of Eric Taylor, will perform their annual summer concert here at CHPC on Friday evening, August 22 at 7:00pm. The choir will sing works by J.S. Bach, William Byrd, Claudio Monteverdi, Andrew Lloyd Webber, Eric Whitacre, and Stephen Sondheim, among others. Free will offering will be accepted at the door. Please join us for this amazing concert!

BIRTHDAYS THIS COMING WEEK

Becky Jones 08/20 Patty Bennett 08/22

IN OUR PRAYERS

Members to Remember (Those Unable to Attend Worship)

Evelyn Poti Lewis Sequin Judie Fraser Winnie Murphy
Judy Ewasuk Ekanem Ekenyong Pam Thorpe

Health Concerns & Support

Bob Stead Marv Oberdier Sharon Cloney John Nichols
Judy Goerke Judy Tisdale Yvonne Parks (Pastor's cousin)

The caregivers and family members of those who are infirmed

Cherry Hill Church Pastor Nominating Committee

Staff, Elders, and Deacons of Cherry Hill - The Presbytery of Detroit

THIS WEEK AT CHERRY HILL

Sunday, August 17	10:15 am	Worship
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study
Monday, August 18	10:00 am	Sew What Group
Tuesday, August 19	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Wednesday, August 20	9:30 am	Helping Hand Food Pantry
Thursday, August 21	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast at Rex's Grill
Friday, August 15	OFFICE AND BUILDING ARE CLOSED	
	7:00 pm	Aeolian Chorale Concert
Sunday, August 24	10:15 am	Worship
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study



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