



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, September 14, 2025

Fourteenth 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 worshippers
may enter a spirit of quiet meditation
and for our livestream broadcast to begin.*

****ALL HYMNS TODAY ARE FROM THE GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL****

PRELUDE

Chorale Prelude on *Hyfrydol*

Paul Manz

CHORAL INTROIT

Be Still and Know

Jack Schrader

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice with me, people of God.

God has gathered us in from the wilderness.

Rejoice with me, people of God.

God has swept away the darkness of the night.

Rejoice with me, people of God.

Today, there is joy in the presence of the angels.

*HYMN No. 409

God is Here!

Abbot's Leigh

Glory to God hymnal

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator of the universe, we imagine that we are in
familiar territory, that we know what to expect of this hour,
that we will leave much the way that we came.

Do not abandon us to our foolishness.

In our judgement, illumine our darkness.

In our need for mercy, guide us home –

until we recognize your presence wherever

evil is confronted, truth is spoken, and life is restored.

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSE

Refrain G C/G G D7

Grace, Mar - vel - ous grace, God's in - fi - nite grace, grace that will

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God's in - fi - nite grace, grace that is great - er than all our sin.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

*RESPONSE (Glory to God, No. 314)

Refrain G C G Em Bm Em

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the

dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your

church gath - ered to - day.

PSALM 14 (Please see last page.)

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

CHORAL ANTHEM

The Lone, Wild Bird

David N. Johnson

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight.
And I am thine! I rest in thee. Great Spirit, come and rest in me.
The ends of the earth are in thy hand, the sea's dark deep and far-off land.
And I am thine! I rest in thee. Great Spirit, come and rest in me.

CHILDREN DEPART FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 3:1-21

SERMON

"The Ultimate Love"

1 John 4:7-16

***HYMN No. 610**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

Glory to God hymnal

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in God, who promised to be with us always,
in all our seasons of life.

We believe God wants to fill us with power
so we may be witnesses to all the ends of the earth.

We believe in the risen Christ, who shows that God's love
is stronger than our fears, more enduring than our worries,
and deeper than our despair.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the hidden power of God,
working for good, bringing hope, encouraging justice,
building peace, promoting healing, creating joy.

We believe God is at work in us and in this community of all who pray and all who do.

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**

Make us thankful every day, O God,
for the gifts that come to us from your bounty.

Guide us to use these offerings to your glory,
for the health of your people, and all creation. Amen.

***HYMN No. 260**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Hyfrydol

Glory to God hymnal

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Fugue (from *Mass for the Convents*)

F. Couperin

*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. Dr. John Whitfield

Director of Music & Organist

Charles Miller

Liturgist

Jan Holmes

Greeters

Sue Dalton, John Kill, and Bob Szwed

Coffee Hour

Mary Boudreau and Elaine Filiak

Security

Jeff Wensorski

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, using the QR code provided, or by accessing our secure and easy online giving option through our website @ www.cherryhillchurch.org. Easy instructions are provided. Thank you for supporting the ministry at Cherry Hill!



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. The class is starting a new study of Paul's letter to the Romans.

THE SUNDAY MORNING 9:00 AM BIBLE STUDY CLASS, led by Maged Ramadis, will resume on October 8 and will focus on the Book of Zechariah. This class will meet in the Conference Room.

YOUR PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE has moved on to the next stage in our process, evaluating the Pastor Discernment Profiles, or PDPs and determining which of our candidates we would like to interview. We have reviewed 27 candidates, and extended invitations to apply to the 12 candidates we felt were the best fit for CHPC. To date, three have accepted our invitation. We are working toward interviewing those three as early as the week of September 15, while we wait on other responses. The PNC will have another update very soon.

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: 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. The schedule of performers is:

10:00 am **Charles Miller** (Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church)
11:00 am **Nicole Keller** (University of Michigan)
12:00 pm **Joseph Balistreri** (St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Detroit)
1:00 pm **Jonathan Ryan** (Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield)
2:00 pm **David Hufford** (First Presbyterian Church, Ann Arbor)
3:00 pm **Caroline Robinson** (University of Michigan)
4:00 pm **Jeremy David Tarrant** (Cathedral of St. Paul, Detroit)
5:00 pm **David Stultz** (First Presbyterian Church, Dearborn)
6:00 pm **James Kibbie** (University of Michigan)

Each organist will perform a 50-minute recital on the Austin Organ covering the Preludes, Toccatas, Fugues, Trio Sonatas, and Chorale Preludes of the great master Johann Sebastian Bach. Donations will be accepted to support the new organ console project. We are \$28,000 away from reaching the \$190,000 goal. Come and go as you please throughout the day, which will begin and end with the famous "Toccatina and Fugue in D minor". The final recital by Dr. James Kibbie will be followed by a gala reception in Memorial Parlor.

BIRTHDAYS THIS COMING WEEK

Connie Record 09/17

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 Connie Record who celebrates her 82nd birthday on September 17.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Members to Remember (Those Unable to Attend Worship)

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

Health Concerns & Support

Bob Stead Marv Oberdier Sharon Cloney John Nichols
Pamela Moore Judy Tisdale Yvonne Parks (Pastor's cousin)
The caregivers and family members of those who are infirmed
The family of Linda Watt, upon her passing last week
Cherry Hill Church Pastor Nominating Committee
Staff, Elders, and Deacons of Cherry Hill - The Presbytery of Detroit

THIS WEEK AT CHERRY HILL

Sunday, September 14	8:30 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study
Monday, September 15	10:00 am	Sew What Group
	6:30 pm	PNC Meeting
Tuesday, September 16	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 17	9:30 am	Helping Hand Food Pantry
Thursday, September 18	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast at Rex's Grill
Sunday, September 21	8:30 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship/Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study



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Psalm 14 (read responsively)

1) Organ plays the refrain 2) Choir sings the refrain 3) Congregation sings the refrain

REFRAIN:



Fools have said in their hearts: "There is no God above."

Their deeds are corrupt, depraved; there is no person left.

From the heavens the LORD looks down on the people of the earth

to see if any are wise, if any seek God.

[REFRAIN]

All have left the right path, depraved, every one;

there is no good person left, no, not one.

Will the evil-doers not understand?

They eat up my people as though they were eating bread;

the never pray to the LORD.

[REFRAIN]

See how they tremble with fear, for God is with the just.

You may mock the hope of the poor

but their refuge is in the LORD.

O that Israel's salvation might come from Zion!

When the LORD delivers his people from bondage,

then Jacob will be glad and Israel will rejoice!

[REFRAIN]