



**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, September 27, 2026
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

*** 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.***

ALL HYMNS ARE FOUND IN THE GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL

PRELUDE

Andantino

Louis Vierne

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

CHORAL INTROIT

O Morn of Beauty

Jean Sibelius

O morn of beauty, morn of gladness! Awakening joy, dispelling shades of night.
Gone is the gloom, the sorrow, and the sadness. Now breaks the day of peace and light.
Sing and rejoice with joyful alleluias. Sing alleluia!

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather, centered in the promises of God.

**Caught in the web of grace,
whirled in wonder and joy,
welcomed into the house of blessing.**

We gather, surrounded by a cloud of witnesses,
**lifted up by stories of faith,
moved by challenging words and heartfelt prayers,
touched by joyous music
and the power of God's love.
Let us worship the LORD!**

***HYMN No. 610**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

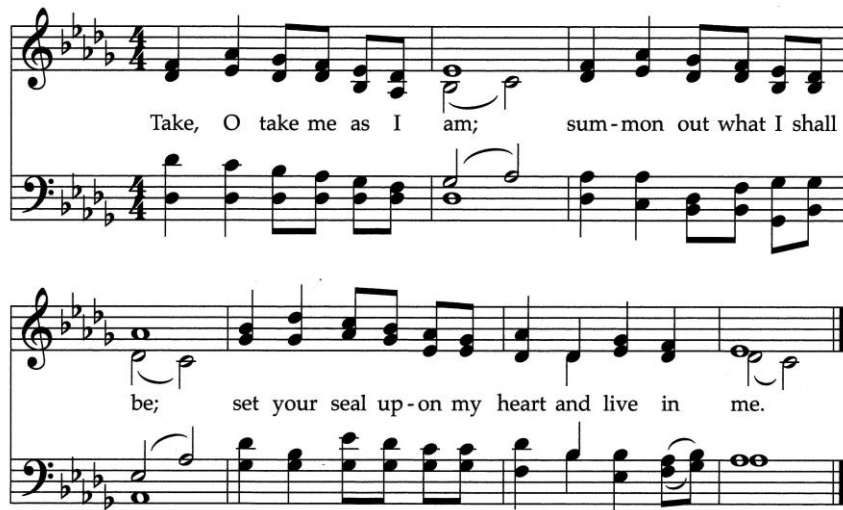
PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, you have caught us in our sinful behavior.
We come to you with the hope of your restoration.
We walk with our heads held high,
without noticing others and their burdens.
We keep our mouths silenced when we have stories to share
about the good things that you have done for us.
We even keep our actions silenced as we become
so overwhelmed with the needs of the world that we do nothing.**

Fill us with your peace and with your mercy.
Free us from the destruction of sin,
and restore us to a life lived in you,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSE



Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall
be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

*RESPONSE



Don't be a-fraid. My love is strong-er, my love is strong-er than your
Gsus G C G Dm C
fear. Don't be a-fraid. My love is strong-er, and
Am F Dm Gsus G C
I have prom-ised, prom-ised to be al-ways near.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Now Let Us All Praise God

Gordon Young

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise.
That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise. Sing alleluia!
All ye servants of the Lord, praise him forever;

sing Jehovah's mighty power, praise him forever; sing his righteousness, praise him forever.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 17:1-7

MEDITATION

"Success is Not a Ladder"

Philippians 2:1-13

***HYMN 263**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Coronation

***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. 606**

**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 who gives life to all things,
and richly provides us with everything,
use these, our offerings, to take hold of,
and show us, the life that all people
are meant to have. Amen.**

***HYMN No. 39**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Faithfulness

*BENEDICTION

*HYMN OF GOING FORTH

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.**

POSTLUDE

Menuet Gothique

Léon Boellmann

*This congregation's custom is to remain seated for the postlude.
Those wishing to exit may do so quietly.*

SERVING THIS MORNING

Preacher

Rev. Teresa Peterson

Director of Music & Organist

Charles Miller

Liturgist

Judy Goerke

Greeters

James Flynn, Shirley Mayland, and Janet Reickel

Security

Jeff Wensorski

Coffee Hour

Kathy Kerr, Joy Park, and Cathie Wensorski

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 the nursery (above the church offices). Please ask a greeter for directions.

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: Large print bulletins, Bibles, and large print hymnals are available on the tables in the front of the Sanctuary and in the Narthex. Please ask a greeter for a copy.

THE SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS at 11:45 am, led by Dr. John Whitfield, continues the study of the first eleven chapters of Genesis. This class is held in the Conference Room near the church office.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Session has called a Congregational Meeting for **Sunday, October 11**, immediately following worship to hear and act on the report of the Pastor Nominating Committee regarding the calling of a new pastor. Session has authorized this meeting to be hybrid via Zoom.

LONG-TIME CHPC MEMBER HARRIETT HAFER passed away September 11 at age 92, and we offer our sympathies to her family. A funeral service will be held on October 9 at 11:00 am at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia, followed by a luncheon.

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!

FROM THE ADMIN COMMITTEE: Part-time Custodian position open for non-member candidates. If you know of someone who is looking to fill 10 to 15 hours a week with custodial work, please contact Char Sobieski-Greco or Jan Holmes.

SAVE THE DATE: Our annual Blessing of the Animals will take place on **Saturday, October 3, at 11:00 am** on the lawn by Memorial Garden. Bring your pets and invite a friend! See the September newsletter for more details.

THE NEXT LADIES' LUNCH will take place on October 23, at 11:00 am, at Buddy's Pizza on Michigan Avenue in downtown Dearborn. No reservation is needed but let Elaine Filiak know if you'll attend so we can get a large enough table. For details, contact Elaine at dgf1945@comcast.net.

BIRTHDAYS THIS COMING WEEK

Shirley Mayland 09/27 Kay Greene 10/1
Pastor Teresa Peterson 10/1

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 Marvin Oberdier John Nichols Susan Webster
Pamela Moore Judy Tisdale David Murphy (friend of Deb Szwed)
Cherry Hill Church Pastor Nominating Committee
Our Candidate for Pastor and her family
Staff, Elders, & Deacons of Cherry Hill / The Presbytery of Detroit

THIS WEEK AT CHERRY HILL

Sunday, Sept. 27	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship / Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study
	11:45 am	Confirmation Class
Monday, Sept. 28	10:00 am	Sew What Group
	1:00 pm	Monday Study Group
Wednesday, Sept. 30	1:00 pm	Wednesday Study Group
Saturday, October 3	11:00 am	Blessing of the Animals
Sunday, October 4	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:15 am	Worship / Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	11:45 am	Bible Study
	11:45 am	Confirmation Class

When Autumn Days Are Here

I count my blessings one by one
whate'er the time of year,
and yet it seems I count them more
when Autumn days are here.
The nearby field of ripened grain,
the harvest gathered in;
rich bounty from the hand of God
to bless our land again.
I lift my eyes to Autumn hills
of flaming red and gold:
a picture only God could paint
so splendidous to behold.
The gentle hush upon the land
wild geese in southern flight,
the harvest moon in sky so low,
a giant lantern bright.
I count my blessings one by one –
I'm thankful for them all –
and still it seems I count them more
when comes the season: Fall.

Kay Hoffman

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