## March 26, 2023

## Lent 5 Communion Service

For this service, Christ Church is using ACNA 1552 Order & BCP 2019.

The congregational responses are in *bold italic* print. Please join us in saying the responses.

### Vision Statement: "Our Culture"

As a church of Jesus Christ, Christ Church Westshore exists to help build a great community for all people through a movement of the gospel that brings personal conversion, discipleship in community, meeting needs in the neighborhood, and cultural renewal / revival to the Westshore and, through it, to the world.

## "Know – Grow – Serve!"

### Please give a warm welcome to Cody Lang!

Cody is a recent graduate from Trinity School for Ministry in Ambridge, Pennsylvania. He previously earned a degree in Public Relations at the University of Oklahoma. He and his wife, Amy, were married on January 28, 2023. Amy works as a software developer with FedEx. Cody and Amy share their new home with their cat Peanut. Cody enjoys playing board games, bowling, reading epic fantasy books, and delighting in deep conversations about God and the world. He is an amateur cook and a coffee enthusiast. Cody is looking forward to getting to know all of you over the next few years as he serves as a curate here at CCW.



Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898) Music: St. Flavian, melody from Day's Psalter, 1562

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. *His mercy endures forever.* 

#### **Collect for Purity**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." Mark 12:29-31 ESV



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#### The Lord be with you. *And with your spirit.* Let us pray.

#### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1 – 14

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.* 

Psalm 130 (Lector prays verses; congregation joins in refrain.)My soul waits for the Lord.My soul waits for the Lord.

- 1. Out of the deep have I called unto you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.
- 2. O let your ears consider well the voice of my supplications.
- 3. If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who could abide it? *Refrain: My soul waits for the Lord.*
- 4. For there is mercy with you; therefore, you shall be feared.
- 5. I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my trust. *Refrain: My soul waits for the Lord.*
- 6. My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.
- 7. O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption,
- 8. And he shall redeem Israel from all their sins. Refrain: My soul waits for the Lord.

Father, we commend to your faithful love those who are crying from the depths; help them to watch and pray through their time of darkness, in sure hope of the dawn of your forgiveness and redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Epistle

Romans 16:15 – 23

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.* 

## *The people stand.* **Sequence Hymn**

#### Thy Word, v. 1

John 11:1 – 44

Refrain

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Verse 1I will not forget your love for me and yet, my heart forever is wandering.Jesus be my guide, and hold me to your side, I will love you to the end.

Refrain

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to John. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.* 

The Gospel

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.* 

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Sermon

Cody Lang

Journey to the Cross 2023: "Lazarus"

#### The Prayers of the People

In penitence and faith let us make our prayer to the Father and ask for his mercy and grace.

For your holy people, that they may triumph over evil and grow in grace,

## We pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For candidates for baptism, confirmation, and reception, that they may live by every word that proceeds from your mouth,

We pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of mercy and truth,

We pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For the needy, that they may not be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor be taken away,

We pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For the sick in body, mind, and spirit, that they may know your power to heal,

We pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For the poor in spirit, that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven and see you face to face,

We pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

We remember those who have died in Christ.

Let us commend the world, for which Christ suffered, to the mercy and protection of God. *Amen.* 

#### Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker, and judge of us all: we acknowledge and repent of our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

Hear the words of assurance and encouragement our Savior Christ speaks to all who truly turn to him:

If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:1-2 ESV

#### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

#### And with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### Announcements / Birthdays / Anniversaries

#### **Birthdays:**

Ian Quebbeman	3/27	Renate Clevenger	4/1
Laura Grondin	3/28	Robert Jackson	4/1
Carroll Middlemiss	3/28	Phil Truax	4/1
Betsy Roegge	3/30		

#### Anniversary:

Jim & Mary Harmer 3/26 (26 yrs)

#### Question for Week 13

The New City Catechism

Can anyone keep the law of God perfectly?

# Since the fall, no mere human has been able to keep the law of God perfectly, but consistently breaks it in thought, word. and deed.

#### (Romans 3:10-12)

None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one sees for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one.

#### Offertory

Doxology	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	Hymn 390, v. 4
	Praise to the Lord!	
	O let all that is in me adore him!	
	All that has life and breath,	
	come now with praises before him!	
	Let the Amen sound from his people again;	
	Gladly forever adore him.	
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#### **THE HOLY COMMUNION** The Lord be with you. *And with your spirit.*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them up to the Lord.* 

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *We rejoice in him as is right and required.* 

Scripture teaches us always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the saints in heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

All praise and glory belong to you, God our heavenly Father, because of your tender mercy you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, offering, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, and grant that we, receiving this bread and wine according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me." *Amen.* 

#### **Communion Music**



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#### How Deep the Father's Love

Stuart Townend



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#### Let us pray.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

O Lord and heavenly Father, we your humble servants entirely desire your fatherly goodness to mercifully accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; asking you to grant that by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all your whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls, and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice; humbly pleading, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may be filled with your grace and heavenly blessing.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this, the duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By him, and with him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory to you, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

#### The people respond: Amen. The people stand. **Recessional Hymn** And Can It Be っ. should I.And can it be that I gain άn 2.'Tis all: th'Im tal dies! Who my - stery mor 3.He left his Fa ther's throne bove (so)а 4.Long fast im pris spir it lay, my oned 5.No con - dem tion now dread; Je na 00 43 terest ior's blood! Died He in in the sav for plore his strange de sign? In vain the can ex free SO in fi nite his grace!), emp-tied him-bound in sin and na ture's night; thine eve difhim, mine; a - live sus, and all inis in 8 me? who caused his pain! For me? who first born tries the ser aph to sound self of all but love, and bled for fused the a quick - ening ray; Ι woke. Head, clothed him my liv ing and in

The Blessing



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Let us bless the Lord. *Thanks be to God.* 

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Have You Done All Your Easter Shopping – If not, CCW is having a craft sale by Amy & Evy Jackson, June Love, Carroll Middlemiss, and Meghan McCarty today Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> in our Fellowship Hall after the 9:00 am & 10:30 am services. Amy will be selling crocheted dish scrubbies, dish cloths, stuffed toys, and baby sweaters & Afghans. Evy will be selling her delicious baked goods! Carroll will be selling Easter basket liners, covers & bows, potholder towels, & Easter trees. June will be selling some boxed note cards, her lovely hand-crafted jewelry made with semiprecious stones & sterling silver, hand-painted glassware, single note cards, wooden hand-painted eggs, single note cards, & an early sale on Christmas ornaments, and Meghan will be selling toddler/baby shirts & onesies, tote bags, and sippy cups for kids. You won't want to miss this chance to shop at this beautiful craft fair! See you there!

**Easter Flowers –** We are now taking requests for Easter flowers which may be given in memory of a loved one or as a thank offering in honor of a person or event. The suggested offering is \$10. **Our deadline is Sunday, April 2**<sup>nd</sup>. Request forms are in the narthex.

**Volunteer for the Easter Choir** – Calling all singers! If you are interested in joining the multigenerational choir to sing at the 10:30 am service on Easter Sunday, please stay after the 10:30 am on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and April 2<sup>nd</sup> service to rehearse with Lisa. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Kurak at 440.552.8335.

**Gifts for the Homebound –** We are currently accepting donations (monetary or goods) for the Easter gift bags for our Senior Saints. The bags will be ready on **Palm Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**, and we would appreciate your help getting them delivered to our church family! Please contact Jane Godfray (440-476-8152) or Peggy Joyce (216-225-8180) with any questions. Thank you!

**Men's Night Out –** Please join Gene at Big M Pizza (153 Lear Road, Avon Lake) on **Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>** starting at **7:00 pm** for a night of fellowship, discussion, and fun. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you plan on attending, please add your name. Also, make sure to invite a friend or two! Call Gene at 440-242-5536 with any questions or concerns.

**True North Cultural Arts Upcoming Spring Concert** – You are invited to attend a Palm Sunday Concert on April 2, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. from True North Chorale and Chamber Orchestra at Avon Lake Presbyterian Church, 32340 Electric Blvd., Avon Lake, OH 44012. *Requiem* by Maurice Duruflé

#### Needs & Blessings

**Interpreter's Bible Commentaries –** Bob Andrew has donated a few volumes of the Interpreter's Bible Commentary. The books can be found on a table against the wall in the narthex. They are free for the taking! Help yourself!

#### 2023 Women's Spring Luncheon Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from noon to 2:30 pm

Antica Italian, 35568 Detroit Rd., Avon

The cost per person is \$40.

Guest Speaker: Allison Jackson "What if God Does Not Heal?"

> Menu includes: Appetizer: Bruschetta

> > House Salad

#### Lunch Options: (Choice of one)

Shrimp Papperdelle (with cherry tomatoes, lemon-prosecco sauce, capers) Salmon Piccata Chicken Piccata Spaghetti Pomodoro

#### Dessert

Chef's Choice

All non-alcoholic beverages Cash Bar for House Wine (at reduced rate) Payment must be received prior to the luncheon.

You can either register on Realm or there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Please **make sure** to include your food choices (entrée) to complete the registration. Deadline for registration is Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup>! You can either pay online or by check. Please make your check out to CCW and reference women's luncheon on the memo line. Make sure to bring a friend or two! Scholarships available upon request! Contact Iris with any questions.

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## **CCW** Holy Week Service Schedule

Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Palm Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 am Communion Services

> Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am Communion Service

#### **Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday** 7:30 pm\* Communion Service (\*Foot washing at 7:15 pm)

#### Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday 12:00 Noon & 5:30 pm (2:00-5:00 pm, Private confession with Gene\*) \*30-minute increments, by appointment only gsherman@christchurchwestshore.com

**Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** 10:00 am Holy Saturday Service

#### Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 am Communion Services \*Childcare provided at 10:30 am

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#### Sermon Text: John 11:1 – 44

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup>It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup>So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." <sup>4</sup>But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

<sup>5</sup>Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. <sup>6</sup>So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup>Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup>The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup>Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. <sup>10</sup>But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." <sup>11</sup>After saying these things, he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him." <sup>12</sup>The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." <sup>13</sup>Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, <sup>15</sup>and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." <sup>16</sup>So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

<sup>17</sup>Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup>Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup>So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup>She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

<sup>28</sup>When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." <sup>29</sup>And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus had not yet come into the village but was still in the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup>When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup>Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. <sup>34</sup>And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." <sup>44</sup>The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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#### 2023 Financials

Through Sunday	03/19/2023
Offerings	
Current Month Budget	\$36,083
<b>Current Month Actual</b>	\$22,627
YTD Budget	\$130,143
YTD Actual	\$115,959
Annual 2023 Budget	\$520,593

Attendance for 3/19/2023
9:00 am — 17
10:30 am — 88
Wednesday – 8

#### Online — 36