

#### Where we

## Exalt the Lord Jesus Christ, Proclaim the Gospel, and Make Disciples.

**Chief Shepherd** Jesus Christ, King of Kings and

Lord of Lords

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September 25, 2022

Class at 9:00 am; Service at 10:00 am

# CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH IN COLLINSVILLE SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

"From Paul's perspective, in the light of the gospel, everything must serve the purpose of the glory of Christ, so it isn't therefore a tragedy that Paul's in prison being persecuted within or unjustly maligned without. No, it is a privilege. Paul considers it a blessing to be considered worthy to suffer for the cause of Christ. This is not the kind of Christianity any of us end up with except through a profound experiencing of Christ's cross applied to our lives."— Matt Chandler, To Live Is Christ to Die Is Gain

Welcome Elder Sepp Markkanen
Music for Preparation Pat Mahnensmith
Call to Worship Elder Sepp Markkanen
Prayer of Invocation Elder Sepp Markkanen
Songs and Sacred Dances of Praise

Congregation and Worship Team

Confession of Sin Philippians 4:4-7

Private Confession (silence, please)

Encouragement for Believers Psalm 103:11-13

Songs of Response

Prayers for the People Elder Sepp Markkanen

Heeding God's Word Isaiah 43:1-3a

Romans 5:1-5

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Message "To Live is Christ" Rev. Chris Bauer Philippians 1:18a-26 (red pew Bible, p. 830; black large print pew Bible, p. 1826)

#### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Do you have questions about our schedule? Check inside the bulletin for details, or call/email the Church Office (see back page for contact information).

# September National Suicide Prevention Month National Service Dog Month

- TODAY: Sunday Worship Service, 10:00 am; Pastor's Roundtable in Collins Hall following the service; Canton Area Boardgame Society **postponed** until October 2 (meeting 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays in October, then resuming normal schedule in November)
- Hearing God Bible Study, 7pm, Room 4/Zoom (on request)
- Tuesday Night Healing Prayer Group at the home of Debbie and Buddy Laws, 7:00 pm (6:30 for snacks!)
- 28 Ladies' Autumn Bible Study (Acts), 1:00-2:30 pm in C. Hall; "What Was He Talking About?" Sermon Discussion Group in Rm. 4/Zoom (on request)
- 29 Men's Dinner Fellowship, 6:00 pm at Michel Angelo's

#### October

- Sunday Worship Service, 10:00 am (Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem); Exalt Team meets in Conf. Room after the service; Canton Area Boardgame Society meets in C. Hall, 1:00 pm (hosted by Kevin Salch)
- 3 Hearing God Bible Study, 7pm, Room 4/Zoom (on request)
- 4 STAFF MEETING—10:30 am in Collins Hall; Tuesday Night Healing Prayer Group at the home of Debbie and Buddy Laws, 7:00 pm (6:30 for snacks!)
- 5 ELDER'S MEETING—10:00 am in Pastor Chris' office; La dies' Autumn Bible Study (Acts), 1:00-2:30 pm in C. Hall; "What Was He Talking About?" Sermon Discussion Group in Rm. 4/Zoom (on request)
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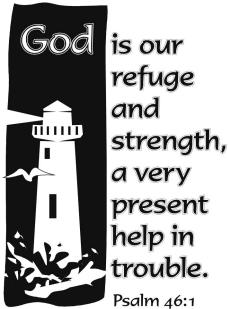
#### **Abounding Love**

Sometimes people refer to a crisis and wonder, "How can a God of love allow a crisis like this to happen?" I like to tell them two things. First, I humbly acknowledge that I do not and will never fully understand the complete mind of God. After all, God couldn't be an infinite, almighty, timeless God if me, a mere creation, could fully understand His ways. However, I also like to tell them something else. The second thing I tell them is what I do understand – and that is God's demonstrated love for us. I go back to the cross. Romans 5:7-8 tells us, "For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Since He did for sinners what we would be unlikely to do for a good person, all questions about His love are removed. He has every right to question our love; we have no basis to question His.

Is there anyone you can think of who needs to be reminded of

God's love in the midst of crisis?

—Dr. Larry Moyer, Pause and Ponder from Evantell.org



Pastoral Prayer, The Lord's Prayer
Holy Communion

Please place your offering in one of the baskets up front as you come forward for Communion.

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Closing Hymn On Our Way Rejoicing (see insert)

**Benediction** 

PASTOR'S ROUNDTABLE TODAY—Please enjoy coffee and fellowship and join us for our monthly informational meeting.

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To request prayer in person: The Elders and Prayer Team will be available after the service to pray with you privately and at a safe distance. Join us to the right of the Platform at the front of the Sanctuary, and we'll direct you from there.

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If we need your contact information, please fill out one of the yellow cards in the pew racks and put it in the offering baskets next to the Communion Table (at the front of the church). This is especially important for any emergency bulk emails or texts about events or cancellations. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Our newly updated self-service nursery is available for you and your children at any time during the service. If you wish, ask the greeters for assistance in turning on the monitor for the

livestream of the service.

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A unisex Restroom is located in the church lobby.

Please ask a greeter if you need an Assisted Listening device.

The "CCC-Guest" wifi password is "gracealone".

The silence of cellular devices is golden.



### "What Was He Talking About?" Sermon Discussion Group

The group will meet again this Wednesday, September 28. We meet most Wednesdays from 7:00-8:15 pm in Room 4. Can't make it in person? Just let Pastor Chris know before noon that day, and he will set up a Zoom meeting so you can join virtually. We hope to see you there!

**Men's Dinner Fellowship** is held at Michel Angelo's Pizzeria Restaurant and Lounge, 256 Main St (Rte. 44), New Hartford on the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm (September 29).



#### **Operation Christmas Child Kickoff**

Coming Soon on October 16!

Coffee Hour Sign Up—Check out the sign up sheet in Collins Hall to see if you can fill in a slot in October.



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#### The Proclaim Team Invites You To The CCC Blood Drive!

THIS WEEK: Thursday, September 29 from 10 am until 3 pm the Red Cross will be here for a blood drive. Flyers are available now for you to put up at work and wherever you go! It's not too late to sign up to donate, to show up to volunteer, or to post a flyer!

To make an appointment to donate blood, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767), or visit redcrossblood.org—in upper right hand corner, click "Find a Blood Drive", fill in CCCCollins-ville (all one word), select "See Times", and then click on the donation time of your choice. Thank you so much for being a blood donor—your gift is so very necessary!



Join the Global Upper Room! Stopping Cities for United Prayer & Worship With Repentance during the Days of Awe.

Laura Salch will lead prayer at 6:00 am on the House of Good Hope Zoom link on Monday, September 26, and Tuesday, September 27.

See insert for more information.

https://www.10days.net/