



# Community of Christ

Midlands Mission Center  
March 27, 2022

**Come, Be Reconciled**  
*Fourth Sunday of Lent*

**10:15 Gathering Music with Daniel Harmon**  
**10:30 Worship, President Sharon Spaans presiding**

**Welcome** Sharon Spaans

**Scripture** Doctrine & Covenants 162:2a-b Grace Troeh

<sup>2a</sup> Listen carefully to your own journey as a people, for it is a sacred journey and it has taught you many things you must know for the journey yet to come. <sup>2b</sup> Listen to its teachings and discover anew its principles. Do not yearn for times that are past, but recognize that you have been given a foundation of faithful service, even as you build a foundation for what is yet to be.

**Opening Hymn** “The Summons” CCS #586

**Invocation** Jean Hartford

**Children’s Moment** Sharon Spaans

**Prayer for Peace** Dawn Pagat

**Meditation Music** Daniel Harmon

**Morning Message** Apostle Janné Grover

**Scripture** Doctrine & Covenants 162:6a-c Grace Troeh

<sup>6a</sup> From the earliest days you have been given a sacred principle that declares the inestimable worth of all persons. Do not forget. <sup>6b</sup> The One who created all humankind grieves at the shameful divisions within the human family. A prophetic people must work tirelessly to tear down walls of separation and to build bridges of understanding. <sup>6c</sup> You hold precious lives in your hands. Be gentle and gracious with one another. A community is no stronger than the

*weakest within it. Even as the One you follow reached out to those who were rejected and marginalized, so must the community that bears his name.*

**Disciples’ Generous Response** Steve Beckman

**Closing Hymn** “Blest Be the Tie that Binds” CCS #325  
**Benediction** Doug Albro

**Sending Forth** Sharon Spaans

As we journey into the week ahead, may our spiritual eyes, ears and hearts be open to the leading of God’s Holy Spirit. May we hear the call and respond, reaching out to those bruised and broken-hearted, those enmeshed in sin. May we be filled with peace, joy, and love us as we offer hope to the communities where we have our homes, our schools, and workplaces. May we be examples of the peaceable kingdom by just being who we are. Amen

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# Take Note

## Norton Heights Congregation Seeking Congregational Leaders

One or more experienced, ordained ministers are needed to join the pastor team effective March 1, 2022. Interested individuals should be comfortable with inner city culture and social justice challenges, be passionate about ministry with all ages, and share Norton Heights's commitment to inclusivity. Contact Janet Dellinger: 816.868.8237 or [jdellinger1@gmail.com](mailto:jdellinger1@gmail.com)

## Headquarters Survey for Individuals Aged 18 – 50

CofChrist in the USA and Canada is curious about the needs and desires of our younger members and friends. Many people have a connection to the church from childhood or through camps and reunions but may not be active in regular church activities. Please encourage friends and family ages 18 – 50 to share an email or mobile number to participate in a simple survey. <https://bit.ly/18-50survey>

## Historic Sites Summer Interns

Come share the history of Community of Christ with visitors from all over the world! The Kirtland Temple (Kirtland, OH) and the Joseph Smith Historic Site (Nauvoo, IL) are looking for summer 2022 history interns. In addition to interpreting the past, interns assist in museum store sales, help host congregational retreats, special events, and evening hymn festivals. For more information and to apply: <https://cofchrist.org/careers/> (click "pro/skilled")



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## COVID-19 UPDATES

World Church buildings and historic sites remain closed. Congregations can work with mission center leadership to decide when and how to reopen. The upcoming World Conference has been delayed until 2023.

## SAVE THE DATE

Mission:Learn	9 am – 12 pm Saturday, March 26
MMC Worship	10:30 am Sunday March 27
TWIST	April 1 – 3
Young Adult Retreat	April 1 – 3 <a href="http://centralmission.org/yam/">http://centralmission.org/yam/</a>
Chihowa Work Day	9am Saturday, April 21
Worldwide Worship	June 12

## SUMMER 2022

June 2 – 12	Senior High Caravan
June 19 – 23	Junior Camp @ Chihowa
June 19 – 24	Middle School Camp @ Chihowa
June 29 – July 3	Reunion @ Doniphan
July 10 – 15	Reunion @ Chihowa
July 16 – 23	Spectacular @ Graceland <b>**NEW DATES**</b>
July 28 – 30	Youth Quest @ TBD



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## Historic Caravan

2022



Midlands & Farwest Mission Centers Senior High Youth (finishing 9-12 grades) are invited on a bus trip June 2–12 to Community of Christ historic sites and other cities to explore our past and how it affects our future.



To prepare for the trip, we are hosting six zoom sessions with guest speakers to connect with each other and learn CofChrist history.

**8 – 10 pm Wednesdays April 6 through May 18**  
(No meeting April 20 during Easter week)

### Financing the Caravan and Youth Programming:

Midlands MC is having an ONLINE auction and we need your help!

- Join the Facebook group “Midlands Youth Fund Auction”
- Donate NEW or CRAFTED items for the auction (individual items, themed baskets, sports tickets, handcrafted items, etc.)
- Bid for items beginning April 3 – rules are on the Facebook page

To contribute in lieu of traditional fundraisers:

- Mail a check to MMC with “Youth Fund” in the memo line
- Choose “Youth Fund” under MMC eTithing
- Contribute through the link on the Facebook auction page
- Coordinate with your Congregational Financial Officer

Thank you for your support and your investment in youth.

## Lenten Path Series

*Making a Way out of No Way*

**March 1 – April 11**

Wander the Lenten path with sacred invitations to alternative ways of being and seeing in our world. Led by The Center for Living Water, we will root ourselves in liberation, justice, and a holistic vision of salvation, here on this Earth. For more information visit [www.centerforlivingwater.org/lent-2022](http://www.centerforlivingwater.org/lent-2022)

**Ash Wednesday Worship** – Available 7pm March 2 via Facebook & YouTube

**Each Friday of Lent** – Explore weekly questions and different interpretations of a new song, “From No Way.” To submit a vocal or instrumental contribution, visit [www.centerforlivingwater.org/participateinlent](http://www.centerforlivingwater.org/participateinlent).

**Daily Bread** – Scriptures, reflective writings from diverse, global perspectives, and daily questions exploring the theme will be released every Monday.

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### *JPATKC Book Study*

**7–8:30 pm Tuesdays 3/1, 3/15, 3/29, 4/12, 4/26, 5/10 & 5/24**

Central and Midlands Mission Centers are invited to read and explore “How the Word is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America” by Clint Smith. To register: <https://bit.ly/JPAT-HowTheWordIsPassed>

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### *USA Field Conversations on Non-Violence*

**Discussing WCR 1319 for World Conference 2023**

**7 pm Thursdays March 28 – May 5**

All are invited to join these conversations, and we welcome the diversity of voices that shape our journey as a church community.