

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
November 24, 2019, Reign of Christ Sunday



Adoration of the Mystic Lamb from the Ghent Altarpiece (c. 1420s) by Hubert and Jan van Eyck

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC Rod Hunter, piano

RINGING OF THE BELL

Cal Engstrom

OPENING VOLUNTARY *O Worship the King*
Geneva Handbells and Gwyn Bacon, organist

arr. Lloyd Larson

(As the Opening Voluntary begins, please use the time to center yourself for worship)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† OPENING SENTENCES

Hannah Trawick

*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it;
The world, and those who live in it.
O sing to the Lord a new song,
Sing to the Lord, all the earth.*

† HYMN NO. 14 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

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† CALL TO CONFESSION

Emmanuel Amponsah

As the tower bell rings,
may it call out to the
city and the world that
Central Presbyterian
Church is worshipping
God.

Please join in reading
or singing those parts
of the service printed in
bold.

† When this symbol
precedes an element of
the service, please rise
in body or spirit.

For the Younger ones among us:
 Can you name something that God didn't make? That would be very difficult because God created everything that makes up the WHOLE UNIVERSE. God has made the materials that make your clothes, the materials that make a building, and every aspect of you and me. God even created people who are mean or say hurtful things. In the Psalm today, we hear how God cares for every piece of creation. Likewise, we should care for everything, as well, even someone who isn't very nice. God wants us to love all creation just as much as God does.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Father, our God, you who have compassion and have always felt sorry for humanity; you who help us, welcome us and you who are our savior when we need it; open our eyes so we know how to see and can clearly recognize every evil committed and every good that we have stopped doing. Lord, touch our hearts so that we are able to open ourselves sincerely to you; heal us and strengthen us so that we do not fail to renew our love for you so that it becomes stronger and more spontaneous. Almighty God, fill us with light and goodness. We are here before you to repent and claim your forgiveness and mercy towards us. We have come to confess all the sins we have committed. Lord, give us the courage to keep nothing from you and open our souls to you. Amen.

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)

† KYRIE

HOPSON



† ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

*The Peace of Christ be with you.
 And also with you.*

† RESPONSE: *Hymn No. 475, Stanza 3: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

NETTLETON

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
 Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

Christian Antwi

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:1-15

Page 184, OT, Pew Bible

SECOND READING

Psalm 8

Page 497, OT, Pew Bible

SERMON

Made of Stardust

Hannah Trawick

SILENCE AND STILLNESS

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† HYMN NO. 36

For the Fruit of All Creation

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† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From Laughing Bird Liturgical Resources

We believe in God, creator and lover of the earth, origin and destiny of us all. We believe in Jesus the Christ, God coming to us in the fragile promise of a baby yet unborn, who emerges as the herald of hope, God's laughter in the face of despair. Plunged into death and hell, he broke free the captives, and is leading the way to the land of promise where justice and peace will flourish. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who implants the seed of

truth, brings us to birth as the body of Christ, and empowers us to confront and transform all that is corrupt, degrading and deceitful. We believe in the coming reign of God. Announced by the Baptist, it has drawn near to us in Jesus, and will be consummated in the glorious marriage of earth and heaven, when all who have passed through the world's deep sorrow will be raised from the waters, robed in righteousness, and gathered into the joyous fulfillment of God's desire. For the coming of that day on this day, we work and pray: Come, Lord Jesus, Come!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

(Please sign the Friendship Pad found at one end of your pew and pass it along.)

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

He is Marvelous!
Chancel Choir

Rosephanye Powell

He is marvelous! Jesus is wonderful! Give Him glory! Shout to the Lord an' proclaim:
He is marvelous, oh, so wonderful! Give Him the glory an' praise!

For He is King of Kings. He is the King!
Lord of all creation! Yes, he is King of Kings an' Lord of Lords!

Shout to the Lord! All the earth let us sing!
Shout to the Lord, Jesus Christ, King of Kings!

Since He woke you up in the mornin' Started you on your way.
You oughta give Him the praise for He's wonderful! He is marvelous!

† AT THE PRESENTATION

Doxology with Alleluias

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

† HYMN No. 643

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† CHORAL RESPONSE

Precious Lord

Thomas A. Dorsey
arr. Nathan Carter

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light;
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Improvisation on Now Thank We All Our God*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

About the offertory music: African American composer Dr. Rosephanye Powell serves on faculty at Auburn University as Professor of Voice and is highly regarded for her choral compositions. Powell composed this work for Dr. André Thomas and Florida State University.

During the offering, take a moment to sign the friendship pads found in each pew. If you are visiting with us, please leave your contact information so that we can reach out to you! Newcomers and regulars alike can see who is sitting around them and greet each other by name. By signing in, you help us build stronger community connections at Central.

To make an offering with your phone, scan the QR code below or text "cpcatlanta" to 73256.



This week at Central Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 24

12:15 p.m. Question/Answer time with artist
Norm Kohn
Tull Hall

12:15 p.m. Sunday Fellowship Lunch

12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil

4:50 p.m. Jerusalem Choir

6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Monday, November 25

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, November 26

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, November 27

No events scheduled.
Church office closes at noon.

Thursday, November 28

Happy Thanksgiving!
Church office closed.

Friday, November 29

No events scheduled.
Church office closed.

Saturday, November 30

No events scheduled.

Sunday, December 1

8:45 a.m. Courtyard Hospitality

9:00 a.m. Nazareth Choir

9:00 a.m. Bethlehem Choir

9:00 a.m. Youth Handbells

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship - Jessica Patchett, preaching

12:15 p.m. Sunday Fellowship Lunch

4:50 p.m. Jerusalem Choir

6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Provide a Meal for UKirk GSU!

On Tuesday nights, the Presbyterian campus ministry of Georgia State, UKirk, meets at Central. You can help by providing a meal for the students! Visit www.ukirkatlanta.com and click "Provide a Meal" to sign up.

Welcome, visitors!

Central is a community in which you can learn and teach, care and be cared for, love and be loved.
You have a place here among this community of faith.

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Jessica Patchett	Pastor
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Lauren Scott	Children and Youth Coordinator
Emmanuel Amponsah	OAC Seminary Intern
Hannah Trawick	Pastoral Intern
Martin Carver	GSU UKirk Intern

Members in preparation for ordination as Ministers of word and sacrament:

Erin Burt

Worship Notes and Announcements

Our Liturgists today: Emmanuel Amponsah • Christian Antwi

Lector of the Day: Chris Sciarrone

Ushers: Jeff Spruell (captain) • Royal Grooms • Jo McMurtrie
Em McNair • Kimble McNair • Wills Moore • Deanna Robbins
Sherry Wright

Choir Guild: Kathy McCloud

Audio recordings of today's sermon may be found at
www.cpcatlanta.org

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Get Connected



Music Ministry

Handbells: Wednesdays @ 5:30pm
Chancel Choir: Wednesdays @ 7:30pm

Youth and Children

Children's Choirs: Sundays @ 9:00am
Youth Handbells, Sundays @ 9:00am
Youth Choir, Sundays @ 4:50pm
Youth Fellowship, Sundays @ 6:00pm

Adult Education and Small Groups

Central Young Adults
Rebekah Circle
Central Women
Central Men
Bookworms

Read more at: <https://cpcatlanta.org/small-groups/>

Upcoming Advent Events:

Tuesday, December 3

7:00 p.m. Silent Night Taizé

Sunday, December 15

11:00 a.m. Chancel Choir, brass, percussion, and organ present
Michael Trotta's *Gloria* in worship

Tuesday, December 24

5:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Pageant, candlelight and
communion

Advent Devotional will be available daily via email. There will be a limited number of printed copies.

Advent wreath event: Join us on Sunday, December 1 immediately after worship in Tull hall to make a fresh wreath to grace your table at home for you and your family to observe Advent together. Contributions toward the cost of supplies and especially of greenery are deeply appreciated.