

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY: WORD AND SACRAMENT
MARCH 8, 2020, SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Anglers on the Seine at Poissy. Claude Monet. (1840-1926)

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

GATHERING MUSIC

HOPE BRADFORD,
PIANO

RINGING OF THE BELL

CHRIS SCIARRONE

OPENING VOLUNTARY **MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN**
Geneva Bell Choir

ARR. CATHY MOKLEBUST

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

CHORAL INTROIT **TAKE IT TO THE LORD IN PRAYER**
Everman High School Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ **HYMN NO. 175** **SEEK YE FIRST**

LAFFERTY

In honor of Lent, the choir will conclude each stanza with 'Seek ye first the kingdom' instead of 'Alleluia, Alleluia.' The congregation is welcome to join them in doing so.

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

Please join us 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:

CALL TO CONFESSION

Christian Antwi

Have you ever played "Follow the Leader"? What about "Simon Says"? Those games make us do funny or silly things that the leader does or asks us to do. Jesus calls us to follow him in a different way, so that we can follow his example of love and compassion.

Our Lenten paraments and wall hangings were created by Berta Irwin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Christian Antwi

O Sovereign God,
we confess that we let our minds and hearts wander away from you.
The noise of the world distracts us and pulls us off of the path that leads us to you.
We forget that you are our sustainer and find other things to fill our emptiness.
Help us to remember to trust you fully and completely and remind us of your grace and love daily. Forgive us where we falter and prepare the way to your everlasting love.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)

RESPONSE: CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART

ANON.

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spi-rit with in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, O Lord, and take not your Ho-ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un-to me the joy of your sal - va - tion and re-new a right spir-it with-in me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

ANTHEM

SHOUT TO GOD
Everman High School Choir

JOSEPH MARTIN

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kate Colussy-Estes

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 139

Page 589, OT, Pew Bible

SECOND READING

Matthew 4.18-25

Page 4, NT, Pew Bible

SERMON

Pilgrimage: Exploration

Jessica Patchett

SILENCE AND STILLNESS

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN No. 28

YOU ARE BEFORE ME, LORD

SURSUM CORDA (Smith)

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✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

✦ 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.

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OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

OFFERTORY MUSIC *GOOD NEWS, THE CHARIOT'S COMING*
Everman High School Choir

TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL
ARR. BY MOSES HOGAN

✦ AT THE PRESENTATION *A LENTEN DOXOLOGY*

Praise God throughout these forty days.
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
And praise the Spirit who imparts
God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.

OLD HUNDREDTH

- G. W. Dub Shepherd, 2006

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! New-comers 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.

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN: LOVE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL

MARK MILLER

Love has broken down the wall. (repeat) Let us join our hearts as one. Love has broken down the wall.
We're accepted as we are. (repeat) Through love's pow'r all is reconciled. We're accepted as we are.
Cast aside your doubts and fears. (repeat) Peace and love, freely offered here; cast aside your doubts and fears.
We will tear down the walls! (repeat) Love has called us, one and all. Love has broken down the wall. (repeat)

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *HYMN NO. 177: YOU ARE MINE*

DAVID HASS

I will come to you in the silence; I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice. Be still and know
I am here. Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *CHRISTIAN, DOST THOU SEE THEM*

FLOR PEETERS

This week at Central Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 8

9 a.m. Courtyard Hospitality
12:15 p.m. Sunday Fellowship Lunch
4:50 p.m. Jerusalem Choir
6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Monday, March 9

11 a.m. Rebekah Circle (CTS President's home)
7 p.m. Administration Committee Meeting (via Teleconference)

Tuesday, March 10

9:30am - Worship Planning Meeting (Music Suite Room 303)
12 p.m. Zoom Bible Study
(Visit the website for more details)
7 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting (home of Lawrence Ashe)

Wednesday, March 11

5:30 p.m. Geneva Handbell Choir (Room 306)
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir (Music Suite Room 303)

Thursday, March 12

12 p.m. F.A.N.N. Food Co-op (Tull Hall)
4 p.m. UKirk College Ministry (Greene Room)
8 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, March 14

Children's Night at The Shelter

Sunday March 15

9 a.m. Courtyard Hospitality
12 p.m. Calvin Center Meeting w/Cheryl Hartman
(Brotherhood Room)
12:30 p.m. Local Mission Committee Meeting
(Taylor Conference Rm)
12:30 p.m. Officer Nominating Committee Meeting
(Library-Room 212)
4:30 p.m. Jerusalem Choir (Room 301)
6 p.m. Youth Fellowship (Youth Suite-Lower Level)

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Vicki Fey	Organist
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Emmanuel Amponsah	OAC Seminary Intern
Hannah Trawick	Pastoral Intern
Martin Carver	GSU UKirk Intern
Hope Bradford	Music Intern

Members in preparation for ordination as Ministers of Word and Sacrament: Erin Burt

Worship Notes & Announcements

Our Liturgists today: Christian Antwi, Kate Colussy-Estes.

Lector of The Day: Anita Carwile

Ushers: Usher Captain - Hugh Landrum; Liz Burkhardt, Bettie Harden, Susan Landrum, Charles Rooks, Mike Sizemore, Terry Tusher, Kathy McCloud.

Choir Guild: Dot Phillips

Audio recording of today's sermon may be found on our website at www.cpcatlanta.org

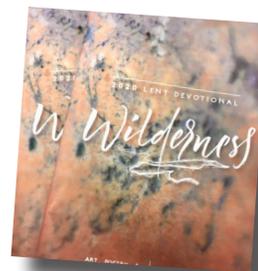
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Welcome to Everman High School Choir joining us today

We welcome the Everman High School Choir from Everman, Texas, under the direction of Joshua J. Ezell. They are traveling the Southeastern United States to participate in a contest clinic with Dr. Jason Max Ferdinand, director of the world renowned Aeolians of Oakwood University. The Everman choral program consists of 140 students across three choirs as well as one show choir. This morning, the varsity mixed A Cappella Choir will sing two selections from their UIL (University Interscholastic League) contest program. Singers from other choirs in the program will also join in a gospel number.



Joshua J. Ezell



Throughout the Lenten Season we have a variety of ways for you to become engaged on the journey. Look for our special Lent e-newsletter coming on Mondays. We also have Lenten devotionals. They are available online at our website and in the narthex.

Origami crane kits will be available to pick up in the narthex on Sunday morning. The origami cranes are distributed each year during Lent. After their creation, the cranes are hung in our sanctuary during the Advent season. Each crane has a prayer inscribed with a name of a member.



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