

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

AUGUST 21, 2016 | TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Gipsy Woman with Child
Lajos Tihanyi, 1905



Migrant Cotton Picker with Her Baby
Dorothea Lange, 1936

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY

ADAGIO

ROGER NYQUIST

LESLIE BOYETTE, GUEST ORGANIST

(As the opening voluntary begins, please use the time to center yourself for worship.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.*

RINGING OF THE BELL

✦ OPENING SENTENCES

*Come, you who are burdened.
Come worship God, who sets us free.
Come, you who are weary.
Come follow the Spirit, who gives us strength.
Come, you who are seeking.
Come listen to Christ, who teaches us the way.
Come, you who are you willing.
Let us worship God!*

MICHELLE HWANG

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.

Today we welcome back the Chancel Choir after their summer recess. This weekend they have been on the annual Choir Camp retreat at Columbia Theological Seminary beginning to learn the music for upcoming worship services.

For the younger ones among us:

In the scripture story from Luke today, Jesus is teaching in the temple. Did you know that Jesus was a teacher? He taught everyone around him about the love of God! When we come together in Sunday school and in worship, we try to teach one another about the love of God, using the stories of the Bible and the stories of our community. What story can YOU tell to teach someone about the love of God?

Downstairs in the Washington Street entrance are two quilted Ordinary Time banners created by Alberta Irwin. The designs are adapted from *Biblical Blocks* by Rosemary Makhan. They were pieced and quilted by Alberta with help from Kitsy Battle and Vicky Norman. The fabrics are Batiks hand dyed in a leaf design. The two hangings are accompanied by a “map” identifying each of the blocks in the pattern.

✦CALL TO CONFESSION

STEVE BACON

✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, your love knows no bounds. Forgive us when we try to confine it.
Your grace is for all people. Forgive us when we try to restrain it.
Your Spirit beckons us to follow. Forgive us when we choose not to listen.
Forgive us, God, for the ways we fall short.
Set us free from our bondage, to love and serve you

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

✦KYRIE

AVON GILLESPIE

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, O Lord.

✦ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✦PASSING THE PEACE

✦RESPONSE HYMN NO. 582 GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

PAUL VASILE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

JEREMIAH 1:4-10

PAGE 715, OT, PEW BIBLE

PSALTER

PSALM 71

AZMON

(Found on p. 85 in the blue Psalter for Christian Worship, located in your pew)

SECOND READING

LUKE 13:10-21

PAGE 71, NT, PEW BIBLE

SERMON

OUT OF ORDER

ANNA GEORGE TRAYNHAM

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN NO. 797

WE CANNOT MEASURE HOW YOU HEAL

YE BANKS AND BRAES

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

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!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN NO. 795 *HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL* (Please sing refrain as directed)

Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow

Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

MY GOD IS A ROCK

ARR. SHAW/PARKER

CHANCEL CHOIR AND MICHAEL JACK, SOLOIST

My God is a rock in a weary land, shelter in a time of storm.

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout the . . .

Chapter One, when the Lord God's work was jes' begun.

Chapter Two, when the Lord God's written his Bible through.

Chapter Three, when the Lord God died on Calvary!

Chapter Four, when the Lord God visit 'mong the poor.

Chapter Five, when the Lord God brought the dead alive.

Chapter Six, He went in Jerusalem and healed the sick.

Chapter Seven, died and ris'n and went to Heav'n.

Chapter Eight, John seen him standin' at the Golden Gate.

Chapter Nine, Lord God turned the water to wine.

Chapter Ten, John says he's comin' in the world again.

✦ AT THE PRESENTATION

DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDETH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

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.

The paper lace banners hanging in the front of the sanctuary were designed by Ellen Phillips and cut by the Music and Liturgical Arts Committee. Ellen says this about the banners: "Many people think that Ordinary Time refers to the time of the liturgical year that is not important, but that is not the case at all. It is a time of growth for the church so the liturgical color is green, paralleling (at least in the northern hemisphere) the new life and growth that occurs all around us during these weeks between Easter and Advent. The new banners celebrate God's Abundance. From the birds in the air to the fish in the waters, God has poured out God's goodness to be enjoyed by us all. The banner is crowded with birds and bugs and flowers and fruit and eggplants and eels, living and flourishing as part of God's perfect plan."

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN No. 798

ALL WITH JOYFUL EXULTATION

YISRAEL V'ORAITA

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE

GOD TO ENFOLD YOU

IONA

CHANCEL CHOIR

God to enfold you, Christ to uphold you, Spirit to keep you in heaven's sight;
So may God grace you, heal and embrace you, lead you through darkness into the light.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY

PAUL MANZ

WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our liturgists today are Steve Bacon, Michelle Hwang, and Lucy Strong.

Our lector today is Lynne Rea.

Audio recordings of sermons may be found at www.cpcast.org.

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WELCOME VISITORS

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you found your way to Central. Please sign the friendship pads located in each pew so we may know who you are. If you would like more information please email Anna George Traynham, atraynham@cpcatlanta.org or see one of the pastors after worship.

THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Ushers

Becky Battle, captain

Vicki Collier ▪ Philip Covin

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Ella Ruth Hunnicut ▪ Kevin Byers

Greeters

Katie Leware ▪ Nancy Wilkes

Deacons of the Day

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Collectors of Friendship Pads

The Heidbreder Family: Ginger & Russell

The Sciarrone Family:

Anne, Emily & Joseph

Bell Ringer

Tusher Family

Choir Guild

Frances Padgett

THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

Sunday, August 21

12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil

12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch

12:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee

Monday, August 22

6:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting

Tuesday, August 23

10:00 a.m. Program Staff

11:00 a.m. Worship Staff

Wednesday, August 24

5:30 p.m. Geneva Handbell Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, August 25

1:30 p.m. Staff Retreat begins

Friday, August 26

12:00 p.m. Staff Retreat concludes

Saturday, August 26

9:30 a.m. Lantern Making Workshop

Tull Hall

Sunday, August 28

9:45 a.m. Summer Series concludes

No Children's Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship for the Lord's Day

David Cozad preaching

12:15 p.m. Global Mission Meeting

6:30 p.m. Youth Parent Meeting

SUMMER FUN WITH THE EVENTS COMMITTEE

Classic Movie Night at the Fabulous Fox Theatre - Thursday, August 25, 2016 at 7:30 pm. Celebrate the 75th Anniversary of perhaps the finest American movie ever produced on the giant screen at the Fox. After the movie, we will retire to a local pub and mull over the relevance of the movie to yesterday and today. Cost is \$10 in advance and \$12 on the day of the movie at the box office. Click here to sign up for the event so we know that you are joining us. Please buy your own ticket in advance at www.foxtheatre.org, or if you choose, at the box office.

LANTERN MAKING WORKSHOP

Fun for all ages. Saturday, August 27, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Come and create your own lantern. All materials provided, and helping hands ready to assist. You can make a lantern even if you cannot walk in the parade. The fun is in the creating!

