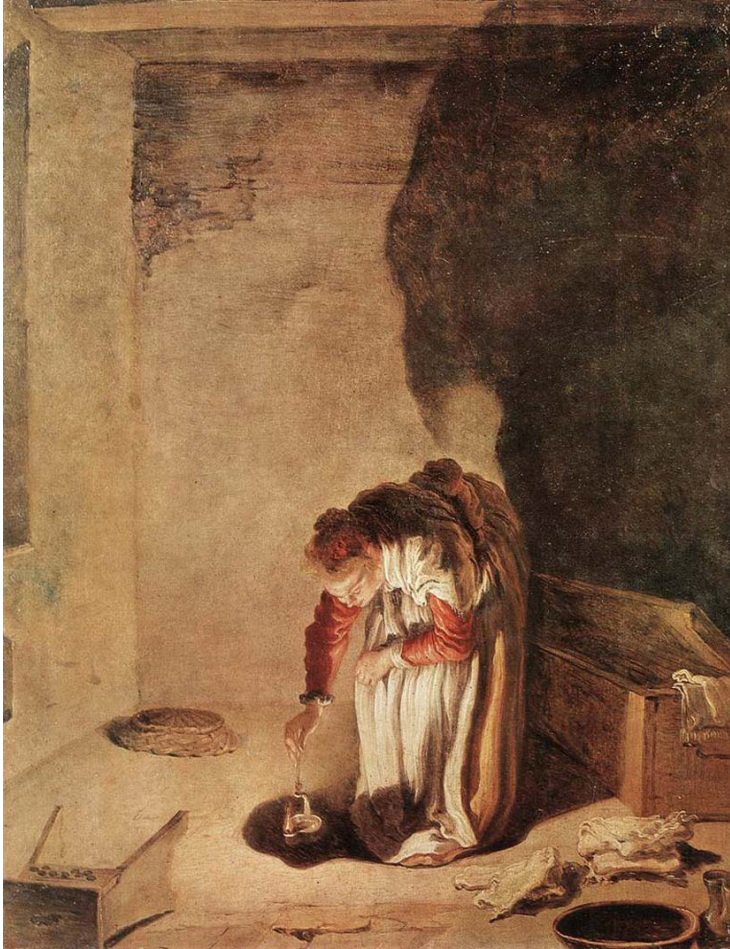


WORD AND SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION

SEPTEMBER 11, 2016 | TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Lost Coin
Domenico Fetti, 1588-1623
Dresden Gemäldegalerie Alte Meister

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY

CHANT

ROBERT J. POWELL

(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

*The Lord looks down from heaven to see if there are any who are wise,
who seek after God.*

**They all have gone astray, there is no one who is good,
no, not one.**

Have they no knowledge, those who devour God's people, and do not call upon the Lord?

O that our deliverer would come!

Lord, restore our lives and make us glad.

BASED ON PSALM 14

ANNA GEORGE TRANHAM

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.

✦ HYMN No. 475

COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

NETTLETON

For the younger ones among us:

Have you ever lost something like a pen, candy, or a favorite toy? How did you feel? Have you ever been lost? You turned around and couldn't find your friends or your parents? In both cases it doesn't feel very good. In today's Bible story Jesus talks about the importance of finding people who are lost. Lost people can be anyone who is left out or ignored. Who are the lost people in your school? Can you help find them?

✦CALL TO CONFESSION

MOLLY MCGINNIS

✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION

FROM THE *FEASTING ON THE WORD* WORSHIP COMPANION

Creator of the universe, we imagine that we are in familiar territory, that we know what to expect of this hour, that we will leave much the way that we came. Do not abandon us to our foolishness. In judgment, illumine our darkness, in mercy, bear us home - until we recognize your presence wherever evil is confronted, truth is spoken, and life is restored . . .

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

✦KYRIE

LAND OF REST



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

✦ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✦PASSING THE PEACE

✦RESPONSE HYMN NO. 418 *SOFTLY AND TENDERLY JESUS IS CALLING*, STANZA 3

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

O for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.
"Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home."
Earnestly, tenderly Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come!"

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17

PAGE 199, NT, PEW BIBLE

SECOND READING

LUKE 15:1-10

PAGE 73, NT, PEW BIBLE

SERMON

LOST AND FOUND

DAVID COZAD

RESPONDING TO AND SEALING THE WORD

✦HYMN NO. 173

A WOMAN AND A COIN

LIFE RESTORED

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM A *DECLARATION OF FAITH*

Jesus announced the coming of God's kingdom
and its hidden presence in the midst of the world's kingdoms.
He taught his disciples to seek God's kingdom first.
We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives in pilgrimage toward God's kingdom.
Like Christ we may enjoy on our journey all that sustains life and makes it pleasant and beautiful.
No more than Christ are we spared the darkness, ambiguity, and threat of life in the world.
We are in the world, but not of the world.
Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people
do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world,
but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom.

Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom: to serve as he has served us; to take up our cross, risking the consequences of faithful discipleship; to walk by faith, not by sight, to hope for what we have not seen.

GRATITUDE, HOSPITALITY, AND GENEROSITY

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY *THE MUSIC OF LIVING*

DAN FORREST

CHANCEL CHOIR; SHARON BERENSON, ACCOMPANIST

Giver of life, Creator of all that is lovely, teach me to sing the words to your song.

I want to feel the music of living; and not fear the sad songs,

But from them make new songs composed of both laughter and tears.

Giver of life, Creator of all that is lovely, teach me to dance to the sounds of your world.

I want to move in rhythm with your plan.

Help me to follow your leading, to risk even falling, rise and keep trying,

For you are leading the dance.

During the offering, take a minute 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.

✦ AT THE PRESENTATION

DOXOLOGY

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!

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

MICHELLE HWANG

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise . . .

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(If you require gluten-free elements, please go to the center station to the second set of servers.)

If you wish to be served in your pew, indicate your desire to an usher.)

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *REFLECTIONS ON AMAZING GRACE*

ROGER AMES

CHANCEL CHOIR AND MELISSA GIVENS AND KITSY BATTLE, SOLOISTS

(See text at Hymn No. 649)

This anthem was arranged for the Chapel Choir of Westminster Choir College and was dedicated to the children of the victims of September 11, 2001. We sing it on the fifteenth anniversary of that tragic event.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN No. 490

WASH, O GOD, YOUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS

BEACH SPRING

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE

THE PEACE OF THE EARTH

GUATEMALA

CHANCEL CHOIR

The peace of the earth be with you, the peace of the heavens too;

The peace of the rivers be with you, the peace of the oceans too.

Deep peace falling over you. God's peace growing in you.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

TRUMPET VOLUNTARY

JOHN STANLEY

WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our liturgists today are Michelle, Hwang, Anna George Traynham, and Molly McGinnis.

Our lector today is Sherry Finch.

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Erin Burt

WELCOME VISITORS

Welcome to Central! We are glad you are here! All are invited to worship God in this place. Wherever you are on the journey of faith, may Central be a community in which you can be nurtured and supported along the way and a place where you may serve and be served in the spirit of Christ. Contact Anna George Traynham at atraynham@cpcatlanta.org to learn more about life at Central. We hope to see you again soon!

THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Ushers

Susan Landrum ▪ Hugh Landrum,
co-captains ▪ Carolyn Porter
Mike Sizemore ▪ Rudy Massengill
Kathy McCloud ▪ Terry Tusher
Shelley Parnes

Greeters

Shirley Landrum
Roland Kinser ▪ Deanna Robbins

Deacons of the Day

Chantal Tusher ▪ Rick Wornat

Sound Engineer

Kim McNair

Counters

Lee Biola ▪ David Messer
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Collectors of Friendship Pads

Cook-Byers Family
Sarah, Kevin, Sam & David

Bell Ringer

Ed Carwile

Cashier

Lee Ebeling

Choir Guild

Dot Phillips

THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

Sunday, September 11

12:15 p.m.	Fellowship Lunch
12:15 p.m.	Peace Vigil
12:15 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting
12:45 p.m.	Invitation Committee
4:30 p.m.	Cinderella rehearsal
5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting
6:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship Kick-off

Monday, September 12

11:00 a.m.	Rebekah Circle
6:00 p.m.	Music and Liturgical Arts Committee Meeting <i>Home of Kitsy Battle</i>
6:30 p.m.	Events Committee <i>Home of Rick DeFeo</i>

Tuesday, September 13

10:00 a.m.	Worship Staff
1:30 p.m.	Revelation Ringers
7:00 p.m.	Cinderella Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 14

5:30 p.m.	Geneva Handbell Choir
5:30 p.m.	Finance Cmte. Meeting
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 15

7:00 p.m.	Central Women
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Friday, September 16

No events scheduled.

Saturday, September 17

12:00 p.m.	Decatur Parish Gathering
6:30 p.m.	Wine and Bites
7:30 p.m.	<i>The True Story of Cinderella</i>

Sunday, September 18

9:00 a.m.	Children's Choirs
9:00 p.m.	Youth Handbell Choir
9:00 a.m.	Council of Ministries
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m.	Worship for the Lord's Day David Cozad preaching
12:15 p.m.	Peace Vigil
12:15 p.m.	Fellowship Lunch
12:30 p.m.	Youth Mission Trip Report

THE TRUE STORY OF Cinderella

A comic mini-operetta
spoofing the Cinderella story

Saturday, Sept. 17

7:30 p.m.

Wine and Bites at 6:30 p.m.
and after the performance
Tickets: Adults \$20, Youth \$10
Children ages 12 years and younger
free of charge

Sanctuary of
Central Presbyterian Church

Parking garage will be open
Fundraiser for 2017 Chancel Choir
Reformation Trip to Scotland

