

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 18, 2016 | TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The Wicked Servant
Ian Pollack, 2000

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY *LARGHETTO FROM ORGAN CONCERTO IN F*
LESLIE BOYETTE, INTERIM ORGANIST

G. F. HANDEL

(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 Holy One is beyond our imagining, our control, our comfort.

The Holy One will not be bound by our schemes.

The Holy One moves among us now.

The Holy One receives our broken spirits as the offering we bring this day.

MICHELLE HWANG

✦ HYMN No. 712

AS THOSE OF OLD THEIR FIRSTFRUITS BROUGHT

FOREST GREEN

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:

You may be hearing this word “stewardship” around the church these days. What does it mean? The definition is: the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one's care. God created the whole world and trusts the Church to take care of it. When we talk about stewardship at church, we are talking about the responsibility and joy we have for caring about all God's creatures!

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.

✦CALL TO CONFESSION

ANNA GEORGE TRAYNHAM

✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION

FROM THE FEASTING ON THE WORD WORSHIP COMPANION

Creator of the universe, casualty of our sin, breath of our life,
we come trembling before you

for we have hoarded and bartered what has never been ours
in the hope of securing our future.

We have yearned for wealth more than we have yearned for you.

We have squandered your trust and grieved your heart with our betrayal.

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and forgive our sins,
for your names sake . . .

(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. 792 REFRAIN, THERE IS A BALM IN GILEAD

BALM IN GILEAD

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.

There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

JEREMIAH 8:18-9:1

PAGE 727, OT, PEW BIBLE

PSALTER

PSALM 79

GORTON

Re - mem - ber not, O God, the sins of long a - go; in
O Lord, our Sav - ior, help, and glo - ri - fy your name; de -
Then, safe with - in your fold, we will ex - alt your name; our

ten - der mer - cy vis - it us, dis - tressed and hum - bled low.
liv - er us from all our sins and take a - way our shame.
thank - ful hearts with songs of joy your good - ness will pro - claim.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN No. 716

GOD, WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING

BEACH SPRING

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM THE BELHAR CONFESSION

We believe that God has revealed God's self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;

We believe that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged;

We believe that God calls the church to follow in this way, for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry, frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;

We believe that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly;

We believe that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, and must strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream;

We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only head, the church is called to confess and to do all these things.

Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

MOLLY MCGINNIS

GRATITUDE, HOSPITALITY, AND GENEROSITY

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY AIN'T THAT GOOD NEWS

MOSES HOGAN

CHANCEL CHOIR AND MELISSA GIVENS, SOLOIST

I got news, I got news, I got news, O Lord, I got good news.

I got a crown up in-a that kingdom, ain't-a that good news.

I'm a-gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up-a my cross,
Gonna take it home to my Jesus, ain't-a that good news.

I got a robe up in-a that kingdom, ain't-a that good news.

I got a harp up in-a that kingdom, ain't-a that good news.

I got a song up in-a that kingdom, ain't-a that good news.

I'm a-gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up-a my cross,
Gonna sing my song-a for my Jesus, I'm gonna play my harp-a for my Jesus,
I'm gonna put on my robe-a for my Jesus, I'm gonna wear my crown-a for my Jesus,
ain't-a that good news.

✦ 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!

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION



BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

♣ **HYMN** No.700

I'M GONNA LIVE SO GOD CAN USE ME

I'M GONNA LIVE

♣ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

♣ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

AMEN
CHANCEL CHOIR

PETER LUTKIN

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

POCO VIVACE

HERMANN SCHROEDER

WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our liturgists today are Michelle Hwang, Anna George Traynham, and Molly McGinnis.
Our lector today is Ella Ruth Hunnicut.
Audio recordings of sermons may be found at www.cpcast.org.
Music is printed under Onelicense.net AA-710014.

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MEMBERS IN PREPARATION FOR ORDINATION AS

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THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Ushers

Becky Battle, captain
Vicki Collier ▪ Philip Covin
Sandy Hoke ▪ Jeff Dake
Ella Ruth Hunnicut ▪ Kevin Byers

Greeters

Katie Leware ▪ Nancy Wilkes

Deacons of the Day

Paul Greene ▪ Ed Carwile

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Counters

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John Heidbreder ▪ Chris Sciarrone

Collectors of Friendship Pads

The Heidbreder Family: Ginger & Russell
The Sciarrone Family:
Anne, Emily & Joseph

Bell Ringer

Tom Banyai

Choir Guild

Lynne Rea

THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

Sunday, September 18

12:15 p.m.	Peace Vigil
12:15 p.m.	Fellowship Lunch
12:30 p.m.	Youth Mission Trip Report
6:00 p.m.	Youth Hangout

Monday, September 19

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, September 20

9:30 p.m.	Program Staff
10:30 a.m.	Worship Staff
12:00 p.m.	Staff Lunch Gathering
1:30 p.m.	Revelation Ringers

Wednesday, September 21

International Day of Peace

5:30 p.m.	Geneva Handbell Choir
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 22

7:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering Midway Pub
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Friday, September 23

No events scheduled.

Saturday, September 24

12:00 p.m.	Down Yonder Parish Event
7:00 p.m.	Main Frame Fund-Raiser

Sunday, September 25

9:00 a.m.	Children's Choirs
9:00 p.m.	Youth Handbell Choir
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
9:45 a.m.	Kiva
11:00 a.m.	Worship for the Lord's Day Anna George Traynham preaching
12:15 p.m.	Peace Vigil
12:15 p.m.	Fellowship Lunch
12:45 p.m.	Town Hall Meeting On Mission Identity
6:00 p.m.	Welcome Dinner Lum Home

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.