

NOVEMBER 13, 2016 | THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jane in the Garden, Delro Rosco. See the entire exhibit, *Longing for Eden*, in the Tull Hall Gallery.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY WITH TIMBREL AND DANCE MARGARET TUCKER
REVELATION RINGERS

(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

*I will give thanks to you, O Lord,
Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid.
Give thanks to the Lord, call upon God's name;
Make known God's name among the nations; proclaim that God's name is exalted!*

FROM ISAIAH 12
MICHELLE HWANG

✦ HYMN NO. 757 TODAY WE ALL ARE CALLED TO BE DISCIPLES KINGSFOLD

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:

Do you know someone who thinks they are “better” than you - smarter or better looking? How does that make you feel? Or do **you** “look down” on some people because they seem not as good as you? How do you think that makes them feel? In today’s story from the Bible, Jesus says that we can never see another person as God sees them.

✦CALL TO CONFESSION

ANNA GEORGE TRAYNHAM

✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION

COMPANION TO FEASTING ON THE WORD

What miracles happen, O Lord, when we place “our” resources at your disposal! Yet even when we have seen miracles happen time and again, we hold back. We are timid, certain that we cannot make a difference; we are overly cautious, never convinced that we are keeping back enough for ourselves. We confess that our problems are not financial—they are spiritual. Let the wonder of multiplication take place here in this sanctuary; let this extended family become a demonstration of your intent for all of humanity. We are fearful; make us bold . . .

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

✦KYRIE

WAYFARING STRANGER

You are the Lord, _____ giv-er of mer-cy! _____ You are the Christ, _____
_____ giv-er of mer-cy! _____ You are the Lord, _____ giv-er of mer-cy! _____

✦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

ISAIAH 65:17-25

PAGE 713 OT, PEW BIBLE

SECOND READING

LUKE 21:5-6, 12-15

PAGE 80 NT, PEW BIBLE

SERMON

WHIPLASH

DAVID COZAD

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN NO. 373

O DAY OF PEACE

JERUSALEM

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM A DECLARATION OF FAITH

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives that recognize all people in all cultures as our neighbors on this planet.

Christ teaches us to go beyond legal requirements in serving and helping our neighbor, to treat our neighbor's needs as our own, to care passionately for the other's good, to share what we have.

It is part of our discipline to live in simplicity, avoiding greed and luxury that threaten our neighbor's survival.

We are obligated to speak the truth in love, to listen with patience and openness, to love our enemies, to accept the risk and pain which love involves.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

MOLLY MCGINNIS

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name.

Eternal Spirit, Life-giver, Pain-bearer, Love-maker, Source of all that is and that shall be:

Father and Mother of us all, Loving God in whom is heaven:

the hallowing of your name echo through the universe.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven.
 The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!
 Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
 Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 With the bread we need for today, feed us.
 Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
 In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
 And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
 In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
 For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever.
 For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.

The Lord's Prayer today appears in two forms, in alternating stanzas. The leader will pray using the language we are accustomed to and the congregation will use the language of the New Zealand Lord's Prayer.

GRATITUDE, HOSPITALITY, AND GENEROSITY

INVITATION TO TIME OF OFFERING

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY HYMN NO. 654 IN THE LORD I'LL BE EVER THANKFUL TAIZÉ

GOD, WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING ARR. RICHARD HILLERT
 CHANCEL CHOIR AND REBECCA COLLINS, OBOE

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store:
 Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door,
 Gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise:
 Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son.
 All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the Church made one.
 Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone,
 Born with talents, make us servants, fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred;
 Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the Gospel Word.
 Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
 Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by serving all.



✦ 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. 761 CALLED AS PARTNERS IN CHRIST'S SERVICE BEECHER

✦ BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN NO. 643, STANZA 3 NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
 To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given,
 The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
 The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

Today we have reversed the usual order of the Charge and Benediction. This is to emphasize the missional character of worship, where we are sent out to be Christ's body in the world, blessed to be a blessing. This new ordering will appear in the revision of the Book of Common Worship, due out in 2018.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY TOCCATA IN E MINOR JOHANN PACHELBEL

WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Our lector today is Cheryl Gosa.

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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 David Cozad at dcozad@cpcatlanta.org to learn more about life at Central. We hope to see you again soon!



Order Scottish Shortbread Cookies for the holidays beginning this

Sunday after worship in Tull Hall, and support the Chancel Choir's trip to Scotland. Cookies will be baked by choir members on December 10 for pick up on Sunday, December 11 after church. Our trial batch was pronounced absolutely yummy!



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

Juliana Winters ▪ Marcia Hunter

Sound Engineer

Kim McNair

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Collectors of Friendship Pads

Cook-Byers Family
Sarah, Kevin, Sam & David
Jo & Ted McMurtrie

Bell Ringer

Tusher Family

Choir Guild

Doris Beachy

THEOLOGY OF PLAY

Join us and artist and theologian Mary Logan on **Tuesday, November 15**, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Amanda Morton for the third small-group session on the Theology of Play, part of our new Vital Worship grant from the Calvin Institute of Worship. The evening will include a time of fellowship and refreshments. Please RSVP to smcdonald@cpcatlanta.org so we can plan appropriately for refreshments.

Last day to order
Christmas Greens to
support our Youth Ministry is
today!



THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

Sunday, November 13

12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch
12:15 p.m. Global Mission
12:15 p.m. Music and Liturgical Arts
12:30 p.m. Presentation by Cindy McMahon
Taylor Conference Room
12:45 p.m. Jerusalem Choir
6:00 p.m. Youth Hangout

Monday, November 14

12:00 p.m. Staff Lunch
1:00 p.m. Program Staff
2:00 p.m. Worship Staff
7:00 p.m. Events Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 15

1:30 p.m. Revelation Ringers
7:00 p.m. Theology of Play
Amanda Morton Home

Wednesday, November 16

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

Thursday, November 17

7:00 p.m. Central Women

Friday, November 18

No events scheduled

Saturday, November 19

No events scheduled

Sunday, November 20

9:00 a.m. Children's Choirs
9:00 a.m. Youth Handbell Choir
9:00 a.m. Advent Event for Children
9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Kiva
11:00 a.m. Worship for the Lord's Day
Reign of Christ Sunday
Michelle Hwang preaching
12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch
12:15 p.m. Fair Trade Coffee Sale
12:45 p.m. Jerusalem Choir
6:00 p.m. Cancer Ministry Dinner

FROM FEAR TO FORGIVENESS: JOURNEY OF HOPE

Join Cindy McMahon today in Taylor Conference Room after worship for a book discussion and slide show of the turbulent South: a thwarted lynch mob on a Georgia preacher's front porch; the integration of Mercer University; Birmingham, 1963; Martin Luther King, Jr.'s march in Selma; and Koinonia Farm. Signed copies of her book will be available.

MOM'S NIGHT OUT

For Moms of our youngest Centralites, the Event Committee is sponsoring a Mom's night out. Leave the kids at home and join us for dinner on **November 15, 2016** and some adult time with fellow Moms of Central's younger members. To RSVP contact Mary Elizabeth Davis, marvelizabeth.pope@gmail.com.