



Loaves and Fishes
John August Swanson

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY

PIANOSONG

PAUL HALLEY

VICKI FEY, PIANO AND STEVE FEY, ORGAN

(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

*God's mercy is deeper than we can imagine.
God love is stronger than we can comprehend.
God's power is more mighty,
God's presence more endless,
God's truth more holy than any words can express.
Thanks be to God for the boundless gift of grace.
Let us worship God.*

DAVID COZAD

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.

Lectionary Texts for today:
2 Samuel 11:1-15
Psalm 14
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21

For the younger ones among us:

In the scripture story today, a big crowd gathers around Jesus, and they have nothing to eat! How will Jesus feed them? A little boy has a small amount of food, and Jesus uses it to feed the whole crowd! The whole crowd goes home full, because of the little boy's sharing and Jesus's power. What gifts do *you* have to offer the people of Jesus?

✦CALL TO CONFESSION

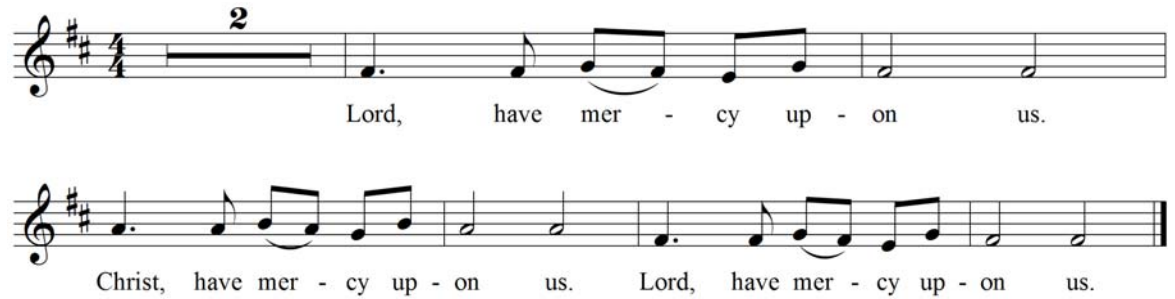
✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, hear our prayers.
Your love is constant and your grace abundant.
Forgive us for the help we have not offered,
the hospitality we have not extended,
the prayers we have not spoken,
and the gifts we have not given.
Forgive us, God, and through your forgiveness
embolden us to be servants in your reign of peace . . .

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

✦KYRIE

LEE AFDAHL



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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

✦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

EPHESIANS 3:14-21

PAGE 185, NT, PEW BIBLE

SECOND READING

JOHN 6:1-15

PAGE 92, NT, PEW BIBLE

SERMON

NOT THAT KIND OF STORY

ANNA GEORGE TRAYNHAM

SILENCE AND STILLNESS

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN NO. 761

CALLED AS PARTNERS IN CHRIST'S SERVICE

BEECHER

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

EXCERPTS FROM *THE THEOLOGICAL DECLARATION OF BARMEN (1934)*

Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture,
is the one Word of God which we have to hear
and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death.

The Christian Church is the congregation of the people in which Jesus Christ
acts presently as the Lord in Word and Sacrament through the Holy Spirit.

As the Church of pardoned sinners, it has to testify in the midst of a sinful world,
 with its faith as with its obedience, with its message as with its order,
 that it is solely Christ's property,
 and that it lives and wants to live solely from Christ's comfort
 and from Christ's direction in the expectation of his appearance.
 We reject the false doctrine,
 as though the church were permitted to abandon the form of its message and order
 to its own pleasure or to changes in prevailing ideological and political convictions.
 The church's commission, upon which its freedom is founded,
 consists in delivering the message
 of the free grace of God to all people in Christ's stead,
 and therefore in the ministry of his own Word and work
 through sermon and Sacrament.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

MICHELLE HWANG

HYMN NO. 501, STANZAS 1-3 (*Cantor will sing Stanza 1. Please sing Stanzas 2-3 as directed by the Cantor*)

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

GIVE ME JESUS

ARR. MOSES HOGAN

KITSY BATTLE, SOLOIST

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.
 You may have all this world, give me Jesus.
 Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus.
 Oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus.
 Nobody but Jesus.

✦ 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. 724

O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED

ANGEL'S STORY

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN NO. 501, STANZA 4

FEED US

Lead us, Lord. Lead us, Lord, nourished here by Christ,
 Given strength for life. Come and lead our hearts, O Lord.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

ARR. EMILY MAXSON PORTER

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.

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.

To make an offering with your phone, scan the QR code below or text "cpcatlanta" to 73256.



WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our liturgists today are David Cozad and Michelle Hwang.

Our lector today is Kathy McCloud.

Audio recordings of sermons may be found at www.cpcatlanta.org. You may find us on Facebook as "Central Presbyterian Church."

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MEMBERS IN PREPARATION FOR ORDINATION AS MINISTERS OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Sarah Paulsen
Erin Burt
Julia Watkins

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 Debbie Miller at debbietimmiller@gmail.com to learn more about life at Central. We hope to see you again soon!

BUY ONE GIVE TWO!

Visit the table in Tull Hall to purchase a school uniform for a child at our sister church in Haiti. One \$30 paper "uniform" buys uniforms for two Haitian children!

THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Ushers

Beth Grashof, captain

Greeters

Ann Bryan ▪ John Bryan

Sound Engineer

Keith Pascoe

Bell Ringer

Tom Banyai

Choir Guild

Ann Hunter

Collectors of Friendship Pads

The Landrum Family

Deacons of the Day

Martha Haythorn ▪ Mark Borst



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THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

Sunday, July 29

12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch

12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil

12:15 p.m. The Conversation Continues
Taylor Conference Room

Monday, July 30

2:00 p.m. Program Staff Meeting

3:00 p.m. Worship Staff Meeting

Tuesday, July 31

No Events Scheduled

Wednesday, August 1

6:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

Thursday-Saturday, August 2-4

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, August 5

9:45 a.m. Summer Studies

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

12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch

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JUST: A RETREAT

When:

Labor Day Weekend:
September 1-3

Where: Montreat, NC
(near Asheville)

Central's 2018 All Church Retreat Committee is hard at work, and the theme for this year is "Just." The All Church Retreat, affectionately called "Montreat" due to its location, is an opportunity for Central members and "friends of Central" to come together for a time of play, worship, learning, & fellowship surrounded by the beautiful Appalachian Mountains. Central arranges housing for you lodge-style, and most meals are provided. We encourage and warmly invite EVERYONE to attend, whether you're a retreat regular or a first-timer. Please email Larken McCord, larkenmccord@gmail.com, if you have questions.

SUMMER STUDIES - AUGUST 5

CENTRAL IN THE CITY: THE CHURCH IN OUR EVOLVING URBAN ENVIRONMENT
Central may be the "Church that Stayed," but it's the city that has moved on. The rapid changes going on around us call for an examination Central's ongoing role in this new urban environment.

Presenter: Jerry Miller, Central member, founder/principal of Fabric Developers, and one of the early pioneers of the Intown Atlanta renaissance.

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT THE ARTS AT CENTRAL

Central's *Arts of the Spirit* series supports rotating art exhibits in Tull Hall Art Gallery; hosts workshops and seminars in various art forms including dance, drumming, Artist's Talks; Concerts with a Cause; and Congregational Song events, **all of which occur outside the operating budget.** Your donation to the *Arts of the Spirit* will enable these enhancements to our music and liturgical arts at Central to continue. Please consider making a donation today by going to the CPC website. Thank you for your support!

