

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 24, 2019

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



The Bliss of Paradise
Victor Vasnetsov, 1885-96.
Fresco. Cathedral of St. Vladimir
Kiev, Ukraine

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY *INTRODUCTION AND VARIATION ON DIX*

RONALD A. NELSON

(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

*Here in this place new light is streaming,
Here are our dreams opened to the light of today.
Here, we shall awaken, rising to the sound of our name.
Give us courage to enter the song.
Not just in heaven, light years away,
Here in this place new light is shining.
Here in this place, new light is shining.
Now is the kingdom of God among us,
Now is the day of the Lord.
Spirit of the living God, gather us in
Refresh us, empower us, enlighten us, embolden us
to live afire with the love of God.*

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:

At the end of worship today, we'll learn who our new pastor is going to be. Our church has been searching for our next pastor for two years, and today we learn who we've found. It'll be exciting! New people bring new stories and fresh ideas to us. Look around the room. Is there someone you don't know that you could meet so they could be a new person in your life? Try saying hello to them after worship or during the Passing of the Peace. Old friends are good to have also. Look around the room. Who are some of the people (besides your own family) who you have known the longest here? During the Passing of the Peace, tell them that you're glad you've known them for a long time.

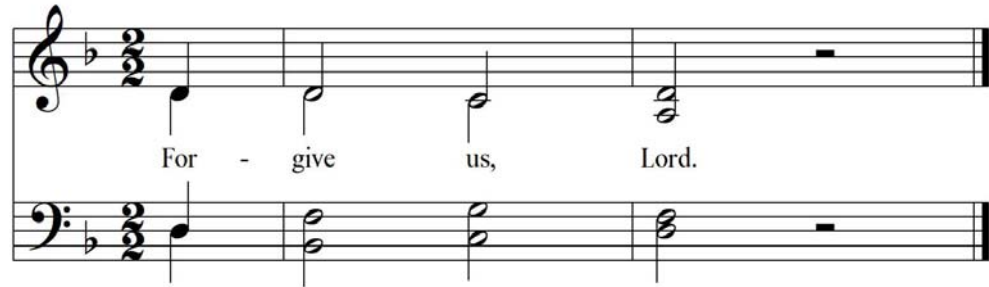
CALL TO CONFESSION

ANNA GEORGE TRAYNHAM

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Sung)* HYMN NO. 431

CONFESIÓN

MATT BAUM AND BRENT IVEY, CANTORS
(Please sing the response as led by the Cantors)



(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✦ PASSING THE PEACE

✦ RESPONSE

HYMN NO. 591

HALLE, HALLE

CHAD WRIGHT-PITTMAN, DJEMBE

(Please sing twice.)

Halle, Halle, Halle—lujah! Halle, Halle, Halle - lujah!

Halle, Halle, Halle—lujah! Hallelujah, Halle-lu-jah!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

PSALM 136:1-9, 23-26

PAGE 587, OT, PEW BIBLE

SECOND SCRIPTURE

GENESIS 3:20-4:2. 5:1-5

PAGE 3, OT, PEW BIBLE

SERMON

LOVE THAT LASTS

DAVID FRY

SILENCE AND STILLNESS

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN NO. 14

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

DIX

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH

In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves.
Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY *WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE?*

ERIC NELSON

CHANCEL CHOIR

What does the Lord require for praise and offering?
What sacrifice, desire, or tribute bid you bring?
To do justice; love mercy; and walk humbly with your God.
Rulers of earth, give ear! Should you not justice know?
Will God your pleading hear, while crime and cruelty grow?
Then do justice; love mercy; and walk humbly with your God.
How shall our life fulfill God's law so high?
Let Christ endue our will with grace.

✦ 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. 692

SPIRIT, OPEN MY HEART

WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN NO. 305 (STANZA 1)

DARWALL'S 148TH

Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord.

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.

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.

WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our liturgist today is Anna George Traynham.
Our lector today is .David Enniss.
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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Vicki Fey	Organist
Micah Nutter Dowling	
	Temporary Director of Children and Youth
Lauren Scott and Julianna Whitson	
	Youth Coordinators
P. C. (Buddy) Enniss	Pastor Emeritus
Michael Morgan	Organist Emeritus

MEMBERS IN PREPARATION FOR ORDINATION AS MINISTERS OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Erin Burt
Julia Watkins

WELCOME VISITORS

Central is a community in which you can learn and teach, care and be cared for, love and be loved. You have a place here among this community of faith. All visitors and newer members are invited to the **Believing and Belonging** class to explore what Presbyterians believe, how those beliefs inform our life at Central, and what it means to *belong* in today's world of competing interests. The next class is **February 24** and **March 3** at 9:45 in the Parlor. For more information, contact Anna at atraynham@cpcatlanta.org.

THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Ushers

Jeff Spruell, captain ▪ Royal Grooms
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Taizé Prayer Service

*(a service of songs, scripture,
silence, and prayer
meditation, prayer, and candles)*

Tuesday, March 5, 2019
Labyrinth open - 6:00 p.m.
Rand Chapel - 7:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

Sunday, February 24

12:00 p.m. Congregational Meeting
12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
4:50 p.m. Jerusalem Choir
6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Monday, February 25

2:00 p.m. Worship Staff Meeting
6:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting

Tuesday, February 26

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, February 27

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

Thursday, February 28

No events scheduled.

Friday, March 1

No events scheduled.

Saturday, March 2

Georgia Spring Ring
Geneva Handbell Choir
First Presbyterian Church, Marietta

Sunday, March 3

9:00 a.m. Children's Choirs
9:00 a.m. Youth Handbell Choir
9:45 a.m. Sunday School classes for all
9:45 a.m. Believing and Belonging class
11:00 a.m. Worship for the Lord's Day
Youth Sunday
12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
12:30 p.m. Guatemala Trip informational
Meeting
Youth Suite