

Central Presbyterian Church  
Service for the Lord's Day:  
May 26, 2019, Sixth Sunday of Easter



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acrylic on canvas

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### RINGING OF THE BELL

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Prelude on AR HYD Y NOS*

Robert A. Hobby

*(As the Opening Voluntary begins, please use the time to center yourself for worship)*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lauren Scott

### † OPENING SENTENCES

*We gather together, to hear God's holy word.*

**May we feel God's peace and love in this holy place.**

*We gather together, to praise God, Creator of everlasting peace and love.*

**Let all people praise God's holy name!**

### † HYMN No. 265

*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

DUKE STREET

### † CALL TO CONFESSION

Anna George Traynham

As the tower bell rings, may it call out to the city and the world that Central Presbyterian Church is worshiping 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.

**Children's Note:**

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you,” Jesus tells us in the Scripture today. What does “peace” mean to you? When did you feel God’s peace last week? How can you share God’s peace this week?

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

From *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*

Loving God,  
We confess that we are an anxious people  
who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word.  
Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins,  
that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world;  
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

*(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 OF THE PEACE

*The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.*

† RESPONSE: HYMN NO. 448 *Peace of God Be with You*

AS-SALAAMU LAKUM

*(First time choir, then congregation sing once.)*

Peace of God be with you. Peace of God be with you.  
Salaam, salaam. Peace of God be with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALTER

Psalm 67

Page 536, OT, Pew Bible

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 14:23-29

Page 103, NT, Pew Bible

SERMON

*Words of Peace*

Lauren Scott

SILENCE AND STILLNESS

RESPONDING TO AND SEALING THE WORD

† HYMN No. 395

*Blessed Jesus, at Your Word*

LIEBSTER JESU

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from a “Brief Statement of Faith”

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,  
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,  
and binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the Church.  
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,

claims us in the waters of baptism,  
 feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
 and calls women, men, and all people to all ministries of the church.  
 In a broken and fearful world  
 the Spirit gives us courage  
 to pray without ceasing,  
 to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
 to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
 to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
 and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
 In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
 we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
 and to live holy and joyful lives,  
 even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
 praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

### MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

*If Ye Love Me*  
 Chancel Choir

Philip Wilby

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,  
 and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever;  
 e'en the Spirit of Truth. And ye know him, for he dwelleth with you,  
 and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.  
 -John 14:15-18, KJV

### † 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. 547

*Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

AR HYD Y NOS

### † CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### † CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE, HYMN No. 765 *May the God of Hope Go with Us*

ARGENTINA

May the God of hope go with us every day,  
 filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
 May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
 bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
 Praying, let us work for peace;  
 singing, share our joy with all;  
 working for a world that's new,  
 faithful when we hear Christ's call.

### CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Jesus Shall Reign*

Timothy Albrecht

During the offering, take a moment 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.



## This week at Central Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 26

No Fellowship Lunch

Monday, May 27

Church office closed.

Tuesday, May 28

11:00 a.m.

Worship Staff meeting

7:30 p.m.

Bookworms

Wednesday, May 29

No events scheduled.

Thursday, May 30

7:00 p.m.

Stewardship Committee Meeting

Forbes Home

Friday, May 31

No events scheduled.

Saturday, June 1

No events scheduled.

Sunday, June 2

9:45 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages.

11:00 a.m.

Worship - Jessica Patchett, preaching

12:15 p.m.

Fellowship Lunch

12:30 p.m.

Global Mission Meeting

3:00 p.m.

Ordination service,

Lauren Wright Pittman

5:30 p.m.

All-Church Retreat planning meeting

## Central Presbyterian Church

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Youth

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Members in preparation for ordination as Ministers of word and sacrament:

Erin Burt

Julia Watkins

### Come Learn with Us!

Join us this summer at 9:45am in the OAC Lobby/Atrium (Ground Floor) for "60 Minute Seminary!"

Each week, we will learn from a seminary professor about scripture, worship, faith, and more.

## Thanks to Those Serving During Today's Worship

**Ushers:** Jeff Spruell (captain) • Royal Grooms  
Jo McMurtrie • Em McNair • Kimble McNair • Wills Moore  
Deanna Robbins • Sherry Wright

**Greeters:** Isabelle Werber • Martha Kimes • Nancy Wilkes

**Sound Engineer:** Dean Hammond

**Bell Ringer:** Ed Carwile

**Collectors of Friendship Pads:** Liz Burkhart  
Hugh and Shirley Landrum

**Deacons of the Day:** Vicki Norman • Debbie Miller

**Choir Guild:** Dot Phillips

## Worship Notes and Announcements

**Our liturgist today:** Anna George Traynham

**Lector of the Day:** Michael Lloyd

**Audio recordings of today's sermon may be found at**  
[www.cpcatlanta.org](http://www.cpcatlanta.org)

**You may find us on Facebook at "Central Presbyterian Church"**

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## 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 **June 2 and 9** at 9:45 a.m. in the Parlor. For more information, contact Anna at [atraynham@cpcatlanta.org](mailto:atraynham@cpcatlanta.org).—

## All-Church Retreat:

our **HOPE** + our **HEALTH** + our **SONG**



**2019 All-Church Retreat**  
August 31 - September 2 | Montreat, North Carolina  
**Registration opens June 1**