

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY: WORD AND SACRAMENT
September 8, 2019, Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost



Christ Healing the Son of the Centurion from the Dionysiou Monastery on Mount Athos

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Steve Fey, piano

RINGING OF THE BELL

Ed Carwile

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Prelude" from Suite Antique
Jim Zellers, flute; Vicki Fey, piano

John Rutter

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† OPENING SENTENCES

Let us turn our eyes to God.

With God ever beside us, we will not be shaken.

Let our hearts be glad and our tongues rejoice,

Let our bodies rest secure.

God will not abandon us or leave us to decay.

God will make known to us the paths of life,

fill us with joy, and open our eyes to see goodness all around.

† HYMN No. 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

† CALL TO CONFESSION

Lauren Scott

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:

Our Psalm today reads, "Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior." God often uses other people to help guide and teach us. How has God guided you this week? What has God taught you this week? May it be our hope and prayer to see the ways God is guiding and teaching us in the days ahead!

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You are the God of the living,
breathing life into every corner of death.
Forgive us, Lord, for the times when we do not recognize your Life:
when we ask the wrong questions or do not hear the answers;
when we choose empty silence over faithful words;
when we choose empty words over faithful silence;
when we choose not to act when faithful action seems risky.
Forgive us, O Lord, God of the living,
for our lives depend on your Life.

(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 OF THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

† RESPONSE: HYMN NO. 523

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart (Refrain)

BICENTENNIAL

You satisfy the hungry heart
with gift of finest wheat;
come give to us, O saving Lord,
the bread of life to eat.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 25:1-5

Page 508, OT, Pew Bible

SECOND READING

Luke 7:1-10

Page 61, NT, Pew Bible

SERMON

The Enduring Wisdom of Jesus: Faith in the Faltering

Jessica Patchett

SILENCE AND STILLNESS

RESPONDING TO AND SEALING THE WORD

† HYMN NO. 731

Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm

REPTON

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

Sing a New Song
Chancel Choir; Jim Zellers, flute

Heinrich Schütz

Sing a new song to God the Lord, sing and give praise with one accord.
For our salvation God doth give, that through God's mercy, we may live.
Worship the Lord in holiness, hymns of great joy to God address.
Honor God's works and bless God's name, God's grace and truth to all proclaim.
Heaven above and earth below, ocean and field God's glory show.
All of God's creatures sing God's praise, let us now too our voices raise.
Glory and thanks to God belong, honor God evermore in song.

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



† AT THE PRESENTATION

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Anna George Traynham

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Steve Bacon

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise. . .

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

If you require gluten-free elements, please go to the center station to the second set of servers. If you wish to be served in your pew, please indicate your desire to an usher.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether
Chancel Choir
(Text at Hymn No. 529)

Harold W. Friedell

"Aria" from *Suite Antique*
Jim Zellers, flute; Vicki Fey, piano

John Rutter

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

† HYMN NO. 515

I Come with Joy (Stanzas 1-4)

DOVE OF PEACE

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn No. 515, Stanza 5

DOVE OF PEACE

Together met, together bound by all that God has done;
we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

How Firm a Foundation

arr. Edwin T. Childs

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.

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 **September 8th** in the Parlor. For more information, contact Anna at atraynham@cpcatlanta.org.

This week at Central Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 8

- 12:15 p.m. Fall Kick-Off Lunch
 12:15 p.m. Council of Ministries Meeting
Greene Room
- 12:15 p.m. Local Mission Committee Meeting
Taylor Conference Room
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Kick-Off Party
Moore Home

Monday, September 9

- 11:00 a.m. Rebekah Circle
Doris Beachy Home
- 6:00 p.m. Worship, Music, and Liturgical Arts
 Committee Meeting
Anne Watkins Home
- 6:30 p.m. Joint Meeting of Local and Global Mission
 Committees
Columbia Presbyterian Church
- 7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting
Ashe Home

Tuesday, September 10

- 10:30 a.m. Worship Staff Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. OAC Board Meeting
Taylor Conference Room
- 6:30 p.m. Invitation Committee
Moore Home

Wednesday, September 11

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

Thursday, September 12

- 1:00 p.m. Main Frame Celebration
Tull Hall
- 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, September 13

No scheduled events.

Saturday, September 14

No scheduled events.

Sunday, September 15

- 9:00 a.m. Courtyard Hospitality
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Bells
- 9:00 a.m. Nazareth Choir
- 9:00 a.m. Bethlehem Choir
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 a.m. Worship - Jessica Patchett, preaching
- 12:15 p.m. All-Church BBQ and Pool Party
Lum Home

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Jessica Patchett	Pastor
Anna George Traynham	Associate Pastor
Hannah Traywick	Pastoral Intern
P.C. (Buddy) Enniss	Pastor Emeritus
Jennifer Sengin	Interim Choral Director
Vicki Fey	Organist
Michael Morgan	Organist Emeritus
Lauren Scott	Children and Youth Ministry Intern

Members in preparation for ordination as Ministers of word and sacrament: Erin Burt and Julia Watkins

Worship Notes and Announcements

Our liturgists today: Anna George Traynham • Lauren Scott
 Steve Bacon

Lector of the Day: David York

Ushers: Hugh Landrum (co-captain) • Susan Landrum (co-captain)
 Chris Kelly • Shelley Parnes • Charles Rooks • Mike Sizemore
 Terry Tusher • Kathy Walker

Choir Guild: Lynne Rea

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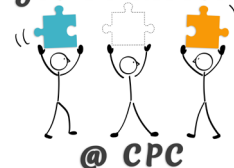
Sunday Mornings at Central

8:45 a.m. Courtyard Hospitality	Washington St. Courtyard
9:00 a.m. Children's Choirs	3rd Floor, Oglesby Bldg.
9:00 a.m. Youth Handbells	3rd Floor, Oglesby Bldg.
9:45 a.m. Nursery Opens	1st Floor, Campbell-Eagan Bldg.
9:45 a.m. Sunday School	
Children	2nd Floor, Oglesby Bldg.
Youth	3rd Floor, Campbell-Eagan Bldg.
Adult	
Issues & Theology	Ground Floor, Oglesby Bldg.
Faith and Family	Parlor, near Tull Hall
Sojourners	Brotherhood Room, near Tull Hall
Keystone	Taylor Conference Room
11:00 a.m. Worship	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch	Tull Hall

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Get Connected



Sunday School for All Ages @ 9:45 a.m.

Music Ministry

Handbells: Wednesdays @ 5:30 p.m.
 Chancel Choir: Wednesdays @ 7:30 p.m.

Youth and Children

Children's Choirs: Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
 Youth Handbells, Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
 Youth Choir, Sundays @ 4:50 p.m.
 Youth Fellowship, Sundays @ 6:00 p.m.
 Nursery for Children @ 9:15 a.m.

Adult Education and Small Groups

Central Young Adults
 Rebekah Circle
 Central Women
 Central Men
 Bookworms

Read more at:

<https://cpcatlanta.org/small-groups/>