



# Central Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 13, 2020 | Worshipping Together Online

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Out of Many,

ONE

God's Motley Crew

When You've Had Enough Social Distance

# Gathering Around the Word

## Preservice Music

*Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers*

Vicki Fey, organ  
arr. Wilbur Held

*Called as Partners*

Vicki Fey, organ  
arr. Alfred V. Fedak

## Welcome and Announcements

Jessica Patchett

## Opening Sentences

### HYMN 761, Stanzas 1, 2, 4

*Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

BEECHER

Janet Abercrombie, Tricia Berrett, Jim Beaty, Jr.,  
Christian Imboden, vocals; Vicki Fey, keyboard

**Called as partners in Christ's service,  
called to ministries of grace,  
we respond with deep commitment  
fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
May we learn the art of sharing,  
side by side and friend with friend,  
equal partners in our caring  
to fulfill God's chosen end.**

**Christ's example, Christ's inspiring,  
Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
let us follow, never faltering,  
reconciling folk on earth.  
Men and women, richer, poorer,  
all God's people, young and old,  
blending human skills together  
gracious gifts from God unfold.**

**So God grant us for tomorrow  
ways to order human life  
that surround each person's sorrow  
with a calm that conquers strife.  
Make us partners in our living,  
our compassion to increase,  
messengers of faith, thus giving  
hope and confidence and peace.**

## Prayer of Adoration

Christian Antwi

## Invitation to Confession

Christian Antwi

## **Silence for Personal Prayer and Reflection**

### **Prayer of Confession**

*Come, Bring Your Burdens to God*

Jennifer Sengin, Martha Moore-Keish, Xieyi (Abby) Zhang, Trace Haythorn, vocals

### **Come, bring your burdens to God;**

Merciful God, we approach you to confess the wrong that we have done and the good things we have left undone. Although Christ is among us as our peace and our light, we are people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor, friend against friend. We continue to abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom turning them into bonds of oppression.

### **Come, bring your burdens to God;**

Lord, we also lift our personal confession to you in a moment of silence...

### **Come, bring your burdens to God,**

Lord have mercy on us. Redirect our vision towards your truth.  
Heal and forgive our hearts, we ask.  
Set us free to serve you and reconcile your world. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

### **Come, bring your burdens to God, for Jesus will never say no.**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

### **Passing of The Peace**

#### **Hymn 767, Stanza 4**

Together We Serve

SAN ANSELMO

Jennifer Sengin, vocals

**Together, by grace, we witness and work,  
remembering Jesus, in whom we grew strong.  
Together we serve in Spirit and truth,  
remembering love is the strength of our song.**

## **Proclaiming the Word**

### **Song**

Zaccheus

arr. Mark Burrows

Matyas Figueroa, soloist; Rick Wornat, piano  
(The congregation is invited to sing the second time through.)

**Zacchaeus was a wee little man, and a wee little man was he.  
He climbed up in a sycamore tree, for the Lord he wanted to see.  
And as the Savior passed that way, he looked up in that tree, and he said,  
“Zacchaeus, come on down, for I’m going to your house today!  
For I’m going to your house today!**

**A Time With Children**

Mary Kate McAlister

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 19.1-10

Jessica Patchett

**Sermon**

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**Minute for Ministry**

## **Responding to and Sealing the Word**

**Anthem**

*I Will Sing New Songs (Psalm 144, 145)*  
Karen King Shafer, soloist; Vicki Fey, keyboard

Antonin Dvorak

**Prayers of The People**

Jasiel H. Garcia

## **Bearing and Following the Word Into The World**

**Hymn 372, Stanzas 1, 3, 5**

*O for a World*

AZMON

Jane Fahey, Lucy Baum, Kitsy Battle, Xieyi (Abby) Zhang, vocals; Vicki Fey, keyboard

**O for a world where everyone  
respects each other’s ways,  
where love is lived and all is done  
with justice and with praise.**

**We welcome one world family  
and struggle with each choice  
that opens us to unity  
and gives our vision voice.**

**O for a world preparing for  
God’s glorious reign of peace,  
where time and tears will be no more,  
and all but love will cease.**

**Blessing and Benediction**

Jessica Patchett

**Postlude**

*Postlude on AZMON*

Paul Manz

Vicki Fey, organ

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# Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761

1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,  
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,  
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life

we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
 let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.  
 help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.  
 that sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quests strife.

May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,  
 Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,  
 Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,  
 Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in-crease,

e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful-fill God's cho-sen end.  
 blend-ing hu-man skills to-gether gra-cious gifts from God un-fold.  
 bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.  
 mes-sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con-fi-dence and peace.

This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.

# Together We Serve

767

Capo 3: (G)  
B $\flat$

(D)  
F

(Em)  
Gm

(Bm7)  
Dm7



1 To - geth - er we serve, u - nit - ed by love,  
2 We seek to be - come a bea - con of hope,  
3 We wel - come the scarred, the wealth - y, the poor,  
4 To - geth - er, by grace, we wit - ness and work,

(C)  
E $\flat$

(G)  
B $\flat$

(Am7)  
Cm7

(Dsus) (D)  
Fsus F



in - vit - ing God's world to the glo - ri - ous feast.  
a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.  
the bus - y, the lone - ly, and all who need care.  
re - mem - ber - ing Je - sus, in whom we grow strong.

(G)  
B $\flat$

(D)  
F

(C)  
E $\flat$

(Bm)  
Dm



We work and we pray through sor - row and joy,  
We learn, year by year, to let love shine through  
We of - fer a home to those who will come,  
To - geth - er we serve in Spir - it and truth,

(G)  
B $\flat$

(C)  
E $\flat$

(G)  
B $\flat$

(Am)  
Cm

(D7)  
F7

(G)  
B $\flat$



ex - tend - ing God's love to the last and the least.  
un - til we see Christ in each per - son we meet.  
our hands quick to help, our hearts read - y to dare.  
re - mem - ber - ing love is the strength of our song.

# O for a World

372

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,  
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,  
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice  
4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.  
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,

where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.  
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.  
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.  
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.  
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

Everything longed for in this text is a reminder of how far our present world is from what God wants. Yet this is not just wishful thinking; it is a call to action, a summons to participate in the fulfillment of God's desire for all earth's people to live in radical *shalom*.