



August 1, 2021
10th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



MORNING SKY BY GEORGIA O'KEEFFE, 1916.

Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Charles Callahan

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

Welcome

Jasiel H. Garcia

Ringling of The Bell

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

✠ Call to Worship

Jasiel H. Garcia

✠ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

ADAPTED FROM PSALM 51

Create in us a new heart, oh God,
and renew your steadfast Spirit within us.

**Do not take us away from your presence
or remove your Holy Spirit from us.**

Restore the joy of your salvation within us...

**Grant us a willing spirit. Sustain us. Restore us. And transform us as we worship you
today. Amen.**

Hymn 536

Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

SURGE ECCLESIA

✠ Call to Confession Christian Antwi

✠ Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we wander off the path you lay before us. We let our selfishness and fear drive us to places filled with false comforts. Our words are bitter with hate and soured with lies. You call us to be in community together, but our actions and words take us away from community and ultimately away from you, O God.

Lord, our hearts are heavy and filled with grief and anxious thoughts. Alone these events are too much to bear. We know that we do not have to hold on to these things by ourselves but we fear letting go of control and giving it all to you.

**As we continue this journey to be your disciples, help us to drop our burdens of hate, fear and selfishness. Help us to let go of our grief and anxiousness and give them to you God. Remembering the love that you so freely give is with us.
Amen.**

✠ Assurance of Pardon

✠ Passing of The Peace

Response

Hymn 65 Stanza 1 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

CWM RHONDDA

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty.
Hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me till I want no more;
feed me till I want no more.

Proclaiming The Word

A Time with Children

Christian Antwi

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

Linda McCord

New Testament Reading

John 6:24-35

Peter Paulsen

Sermon

Bread of Heaven

Peter Paulsen

Silence and Stillness



Affirmation of Faith
THE APOSTLE'S CREED

Jasiel H. Garcia

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
the Creator of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He arose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from whence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.**

Anthem

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee
Amber Tittle, soloist

Eric H. Thiman

Responding to The Word

Invitation to Communion

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion of The People

Breaking and Pouring

Music During Communion

Hymn 497 Stanzas 1, 5

Bread of Life from Heaven

ARGENTINE SANTO/BREAK NOW THE BREAD

The Lord's Prayer

TRADITIONAL 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.

Bearing and Following the Word into The World

Hymn 313

Lord, Make Us More Holy

LORD, MAKE US MORE HOLY

Benediction

Peter Paulsen

Closing Voluntary

With the Lord Begin Your Task

arr. Michael Burkhardt

Participating in Worship Today

Worship Staff

Peter M. Paulsen, Bridge Interim Pastor

Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, Associate Pastor for Engagement and Mission

P. C. (Buddy) Enniss, Pastor Emeritus

Jennifer Sengin, Interim Choral Director

Vicki Fey, Organist

Michael Morgan, Organist Emeritus

Christian Antwi, Director, Ministries to Children, Youth, and Families

Amber Tittle, guest soloist

Worship Production Staff

Mark Wallace Maguire, Director of Communications

Dean Hammond, Volunteer Technology Director

Kurt Vogel, AV Ministry Volunteer

Tower Bell Ringer

Steve Fey

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ON THE LIST OF RINGERS, SEND AN EMAIL TO VICKI FEY (VFHEY@CPCATLANTA.ORG).

We will rebroadcast today's worship service this evening at
6 p.m. on the CPC website: www.cpcatlanta.org

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and mission in this time of great need!

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Central welcomes Rev. John M. Semmes as interim pastor

Rev. John M. Semmes will join Central as interim pastor on August 2. His first Sunday preaching will be August 8.

A lifelong Presbyterian, Semmes has served as transitional pastor and head of staff at Saint Andrews Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, North Carolina and at Shallowford Presbyterian Church in Atlanta. Previously, he served First Presbyterian Church in Oxford, Mississippi as pastor and head of staff (2004-2018) and First Presbyterian Church in Lexington, Kentucky as associate pastor (2001-2004).

“After listening to the Rev. Semmes preach, spending time on Zoom getting to know him, and prayerful reflection, it was the unanimous opinion of the Interim Pastor Nominating Committee that he is the right person to help us see ourselves in this moment and make

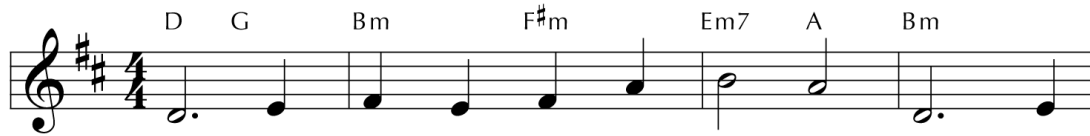


decisions about what God is calling Central to be and do at this time,” said Kathy Harben, Member of Session and Chair of the Interim Pastor Nominating Committee. “John is thoughtful, a good listener, and ‘preaches on Sunday to prepare God’s people for Monday.’ Please join us in welcoming him on this journey to discern where God is leading Central next.”

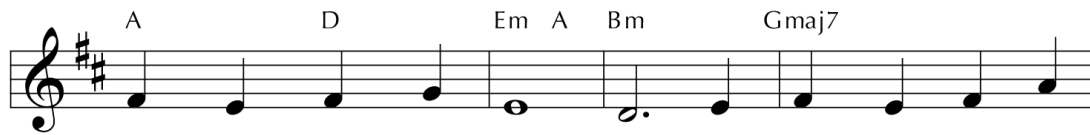
An alumnus of the University of Tennessee (BSBA, Finance), he was active at Idlewild Presbyterian Church in his hometown of Memphis and enjoyed successful sales careers in both media and medicine prior to becoming a second-career student at Princeton Theological Seminary. There, he earned his Master of Divinity degree in 2001 and was recipient of the Jagow Prize for Preaching. He was selected for the inaugural cohort of the Institute of Preaching & Pastoral Renewal at Emory’s Candler School of Theology, which included an ecumenical pilgrimage to Israel/Palestine.

John and Cindy, his wife of 30 years, are parents to Emily, a University of Georgia and Vanderbilt University alumna and an elementary school teacher in New York City, and Sophie, an Auburn University and University of Tennessee alumna and a clinical therapist in Chattanooga. In his free time, John enjoys all things music, arts, food, and sports.

536 Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen



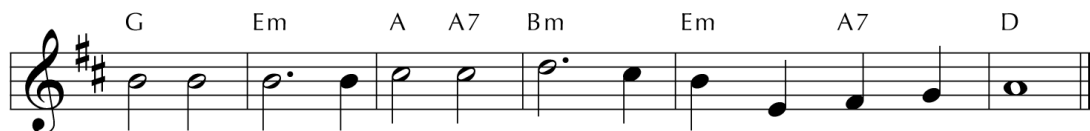
1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low af - ter
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age



meal of love and grace; may we through such love en -
 Christ, though wound - ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are
 called us to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing
 be our dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti -



vi - sion whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le -
 hal - lowed to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le -
 nur - ture, Spir - it - ed then let us live. Al - le -
 na - tion from this day and un - to death. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: God, the won - der of our days.
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Spir - it, grace by whom we live.
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The second line of the first stanza shows that this hymn is meant for use in the context of the Lord's Supper, but the last stanza further clarifies its special purpose as a sending hymn celebrating the values guiding the work of the church in the world: service, courage, mercy.

497 Bread of Life from Heaven

Refrain C G Am Am7 F G7 C

Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en, we

F G7 C Am F G7 C Last time

eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.

G G7 C F

1 Break now the bread of Christ's sac - ri - fice; giv - ing thanks,
2 Seek not the food that will pass a - way; set your hearts
3 Love as the One who, in love for you, gave him - self
4 Dwell in the One who now dwells in you; make your home
5 Drink of this cup and de - clare his death; eat this bread

G C Bdim7 E7

hun - gry ones, gath - er round. Eat, all of you, and be
on the food that en - dures. Come, learn the true and the
for the life of the world. Come to the One who is
in the life - giv - ing Word. Know on - ly Christ, ho - ly
and be - lieve Eas - ter morn; trust his re - turn and, with

Am Am7 D D7 Gsus G7 to Refrain

sat - is - fied; in Christ's pres - ence the loaves will a - bound.
liv - ing way, that the full - ness of life may be yours.
food for you, that your hun - ger and thirst be no more.
One of God, and be - lieve in the truth you have heard.
ev - ery breath, praise the One in whom you are re - born.

This Lord's Supper hymn began with the music of the refrain, an Argentine melody for the *Sanctus*. Then the refrain text was written to fit that music, followed by stanzas based on themes from John 6. Finally, a melody for the stanzas was composed in the style of the refrain.

313 Lord, Make Us More Holy

1 Lord, make us more ho - ly; Lord, make us more ho - ly;
 2 Lord, make us more lov - ing; Lord, make us more lov - ing;
 3 Lord, make us more pa - tient; Lord, make us more pa - tient;
 4 Lord, make us more faith - ful; Lord, make us more faith - ful;

Lord, make us more ho - ly, un - til we meet a - gain:
 Lord, make us more lov - ing, un - til we meet a - gain:
 Lord, make us more pa - tient, un - til we meet a - gain:
 Lord, make us more faith - ful, un - til we meet a - gain:

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, un - til we meet a - gain.
 lov - ing, lov - ing, lov - ing, un - til we meet a - gain.
 pa - tient, pa - tient, pa - tient, un - til we meet a - gain.
 faith - ful, faith - ful, faith - ful, un - til we meet a - gain.



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