



May 22, 2022
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



'HEALING AT BETHESDA.'

Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary

Prelude on BEACH SPRING
Christian Imboden, guitar

arr. Christian Imboden

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

Welcome

Christian Antwi

Ringing 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

Christian Antwi

We come together this day, drawn by the light of God's love!

In God's eternal kingdom, darkness and despair are vanquished.

In God's eternal realm, peace and hope reign!

Let all people praise God with their music and their voices!

Let all the people praise God with their deeds of loving-kindness!

Praise be to God. Amen!

✠ Hymn 490

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

BEACH SPRING



When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.
Please silence your phones.

✠ Call to Confession

Christian Antwi

✠ Prayer of Confession

Lord, you know how easy it is for us to stand here, tethered to our darkness and fear. We get caught up in the bad news that surrounds us, losing hope and displaying mistrust toward you and our neighbors. We dare not to hope, for so many times before we have been disappointed. We wonder where you are. O God, come to us in our

Silent Confession

darkness. Flood us with your powerful light of love and mercy. Help open our eyes to the good news of your eternal glory. Give to us visions of the place in which love and hope will reign. Forgive our stubborn resistance to your mercy and your love. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

✠ Kyrie

SERVICE MUSIC

Lord, Have Mercy 551

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)
F C F B^b C F

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.

(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)
C F/A Am B^b C Dm

(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
B^b F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text
MUSIC: American folk melody; arr. Richard Proulx, 1984
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✠ Assurance of Pardon

✠ Passing of the Peace

✠ Response

SERVICE MUSIC

Alleluia! 587

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

A E D E A D E
A E Bm E A D E A

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text
MUSIC: Fintan O'Carroll, 1981; harm. Christopher Walker, 1985
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During the response huymn, children are invited to come forward for A Time With Children.


Proclaiming the Word

A Time With Children		Christian Antwi
Prayer for Illumination		Phillip Covin
First Lesson	Acts 16:9-15	Phillip Covin
Psalter	Psalm 67 (<i>please sing refrain as indicated</i>). Kitsy Battle, Cantor	Refrain: Hal H. Hopson

Psalm 67

Hal H. Hopson

Refrain



Let the peo - ple praise you. Lord, let all sing praise.

Let the peo - ple praise you. Lord, let all sing praise.

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Gospel Reading	John 5:1-9	Rev. Jasiel Hernández García
Sermon	“Do you want to be made well?”	Rev. Jasiel Hernández García
<i>Silence and Stillness</i>		

Responding to the Word



Affirmation of Faith Rev. John M. Semmes

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory Sentence Rev. John M. Semmes

Music at The Offertory Christian Imboden
Count it All Joy
Chancel Choir

COUNT IT ALL JOY! WHEN YOU FALL ON DIVERS TEMPTATIONS,
KNOW THAT TRYING YOUR FAITH WORKS PATIENCE. COUNT IT ALL JOY! - JAMES 1:2-3

**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!**

Prayers of The People

Rev. John M. Semmes

The Lord's Prayer

FROM A NEW MONASTIC HANDBOOK

**Blessed One, our Father and our Mother may your love be enacted in the world.
May your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth,
and the fullness of love that will be are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

✠ Hymn 688

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

MORECAMBE

✠ Benediction

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

Closing Voluntary

Postlude on BEACH SPRING

arr. Edwin T. Childs

The congregation is invited to be seated for the Closing Voluntary.

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Cantor, Kitsy Battle
Chancel Choir
Choir Guild, Dot Phillips

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