



The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 17, 2022  
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



"THE CHURCH OF THE MULTIPLICATION" BY ALFRED MULLER

## Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary

*Prelude on HYFRYDOL*

Paul Manz

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

Welcome

Rev. John M. Semmes

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.*



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

✠ Call to Worship Rev. John M. Semmes

Come, people of faith, trusting God's steadfast love. Take refuge in the eternal presence.

**We are the church, gathered in Christ's name.**

**We are the body of Christ, seeking to live faithfully.**

Listen, for God will speak to those who want to hear. Turn your hearts toward the one who saves.

**We come asking, seeking, searching, and knocking. Let us worship God!**

✠ Hymn 263 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* CORONATION

✠ Call to Confession Kimberly Parker

✠ Prayer of Confession

**Gracious and loving God, we come before you, knowing we have fallen short on many occasions. Sometimes we turn our backs on those in need. Other times there are people around us who are hungry, whether physically or spiritually, and we look the other way. At times, we don't make space**

**to listen to those who simply need a listening ear. Forgive us for these times when we are lacking in our response to others. Give us the strength and compassion that we need to be fully present for those who are crying out for help. Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

✠ Kyrie (Hymn 851) *Come, Bring Your Burdens to God* WOZA NOMTHWALO WAKHO  
(PLEASE SING TWICE.)

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

✠ Assurance of Pardon

✠ Passing of the Peace

✠ Response (Hymn 700 Stanza 1) *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* I'M GONNA LIVE

**I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

## Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination Jim Beaty

First Lesson Psalm 15 Jim Beaty

Second Lesson Matthew 14:13-21 Rev. John M. Semmes

*Silence and Stillness*

## Responding to the Word



Affirmation of Faith

Kimberly Parker

A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH, 10.1-2, 5-6

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Offertory Sentence

Kimberly Parker

Music at the Offertory

*If I Can Help Somebody*  
Sheldon Michael, soloist

Alma Androzzo

IF I CAN HELP SOMEBODY AS I PASS ALONG, IF I CAN CHEER SOMEBODY WITH A WORD OR SONG,  
IF I CAN SHOW SOMEBODY HE IS TRAVELING WRONG, THEN MY LIVING SHALL NOT BE IN VAIN.  
IF I CAN DO MY DUTY AS A CHRISTIAN OUGHT, IF I CAN BRING BACK BEAUTY TO A WORLD UP-WROUGHT,  
IF I CAN SPREAD LOVE'S MESSAGE THAT THE MASTER TAUGHT, THEN MY LIVING SHALL NOT BE IN VAIN.



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.**



Prayer of Dedication

Kimberly Parker

Prayers of the People &amp; The Lord's Prayer

Traditional Version

**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 366

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

HYFRYDOL

✠ Benediction

Closing Voluntary

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Emma Lou Diemer

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

## Visiting Central?

Whether we are together in person or being the body of Christ from afar, Central is a community of faith that offers a great variety of opportunities for you to connect and find a place to belong:

**Worship:** On Sundays, our in-person worship service takes place at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary. The service is also live streamed on both YouTube and our website, [www.cpcatlanta.org](http://www.cpcatlanta.org).

**Learning:** We have multiple classes to connect on Sunday mornings and during the week. Check our website and weekly e-news for updates.

**Fellowship:** Our fellowship blooms across ministries - children and youth, college and young adults, parents and older adults, and other Central Life Groups that offer meaningful connections.

**Service:** From serving meals and coffee to our neighbors experiencing homelessness at the courtyard on Sunday mornings to traveling to the U.S.-Mexico border, Israel-Palestine, and Haiti; Central offers opportunities for faithful missionary service and advocacy support in Atlanta and beyond. You may also serve in our hospitality and the A/V and communications ministries.

We welcome you at Central Presbyterian Church!

## Participating in Worship Today

Tower Bell Ringer, Chris Sciarone  
Liturgist, Kimberly Parker  
Lector, Jim Beaty  
Soloist, Sheldon Michael

### Worship Staff

The Rev. John M. Semmes, Interim Pastor and Head of Staff  
The Rev. Jasiel Hernandez Garcia,  
Associate Pastor for Engagement and Mission  
The Rev. P. C. (Buddy) Enniss, Pastor Emeritus  
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Sam Phillips, Interim Director for Family Ministry  
Dr. Jennifer Sengin, Director of Musical Arts  
Vicki Fey, Organist/Music Associate  
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Dennis Lau, Music Intern

### Worship Production Staff

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