



Sunday, August 28, 2022

Service for the Lord's Day | The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost | 11:00 a.m.



Georgia O'Keeffe

## Gathering Around the Word

OPENING VOLUNTARY

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

ARR. EDWIN T. CHILDS

*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 worshiping God.*

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. John M. Semmes

This is God's holy day, a time to lay aside narrow interests. How will we honor God in word and deed?

**We will delight in the Word and works of our God. We will join together in praise and good works.**

Assemble before God, our rock and refuge. Come together to listen for the voice of our Creator.

**The Word of God shakes the foundation of the earth. Let us worship God!**

✠ HYMN NO. 372

*O for a World*

AZMON

✠ CALL TO CONFESSION

Kimberly Parker

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

## † PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Kimberly Parker

**Almighty God, we confess we too often shape our own standards and values rather than seek to know your will. We turn from faith in you and rebel against the agenda of your realm. Our hearts focus upon the things of this world more than upon your mission in which we can share. Lead us, O God, in acts of compassion, that our attitudes may be reshaped, and a right relationship with you restored, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

## † KYRIE Hymn No. 437

*You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy*

WAYFARING STRANGER

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy!

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

## † ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Kimberly Parker

## † PASSING OF THE PEACE

Kimberly Parker

## † RESPONSE Hymn No. 441 (Stanza 2)

*Hear the Good News of Salvation*

NETTLETON

**All the sins I have committed,  
to my Savior now I bring.  
I bow down with tears of anguish;  
Christ forgives and so I sing:  
Jesus Christ, how much I love you!  
Jesus Christ, you save from sin!  
How I love you! Look upon me.  
Love me still and cleanse within.**

## Proclaiming the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tricia Berrett

SCRIPTURE

Psalms 112

Tricia Berrett

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16, 20-21

Rev. Jasiel Hernandez Garcia

SERMON

*Practices for Everyday Life*

Rev. Jasiel Hernandez Garcia

SILENCE AND STILLNESS

## Responding to the Word

### ✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

The Rev. John M. Semmes

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

*My God Is So High*  
CHANCEL CHOIR

NEGRO SPIRITUAL/ARR. MOSES HOGAN

My God is so high you can't get over him,  
he's so low you can't get under him,  
he's so wide you can't get 'round him,  
you must come in by and through the lamb.  
One day as I was a walkin' along the heavenly road,  
my Savior spoke unto me and he filled my heart with his love.  
My God is so high.... I'll take my gospel trumpet  
and I'll begin to blow, and if my Savior helps me  
I'll below wherever I'll go. My God is so high...

### ✠ AT THE PRESENTATION

*The Gates of Dusk and Morning*

AURELIA

**The gates of dusk and morning stand wide to praise your name;  
They raise a shout of gladness, and we should do the same.  
All thanks and praise we offer, to you all gifts belong.  
We join your whole creation in grateful, glorious song.**  
-text David Gambrell

### ✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. John M. Semmes

### ✠ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. John M. Semmes

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother, Holy and blessed is your true name. We pray for your reign of peace to come, We pray that your good will be done, Let heaven and earth become one. Give us this day the bread we need, Give it to those who have none. Let forgiveness flow like a river between us, From each one to each one. Lead us to holy innocence Beyond the evil of our days — Come swiftly Mother, Father, come. For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy: Forever your name is All in One. Amen.  
—Parker Palmer

# Bearing and Following the Word Into the World

† HYMN NO. 509

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

HOLY MANNA

BENEDICTION

Rev. Jasiel Hernandez Garcia

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Toccatina on AZMON*

ALFRED V. FEDAK

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

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## Worship Notes

### Participating in Worship Today

The Rev. John M. Semmes, Interim Pastor and Head of Staff

The Rev. Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, Associate Pastor for Engagement and Mission

Kimberly Parker, Executive Director, Central Outreach and Advocacy Center

Vicki Fey, CCM, Organist/Music Associate  
Chancel Choir

Tricia Berrett, Lector

Ed Carwile, Tower Bell Ringer

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Flowers in worship today are given in loving memory of John Nix by his family.

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