



The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 25, 2022
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS, BY EUGÈNE BURNAND

Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

arr. Michael Burkhardt

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

Welcome

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

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.



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

✠ Call to Worship

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

ADAPTED FROM PSALM 146

I will praise the Lord all my life!
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

**Happy are those whose help is in God,
creator of heaven and earth,
who is forever faithful.**

The Lord our God will reign forever, for all generations.
Let us praise the Lord!

✠ Hymn 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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✠ Call to Confession

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

✠ Prayer of Confession

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

Loving God, you are our salvation. You are the hope of all the ends of the earth. When we feel overwhelmed by our transgressions, your grace delivers us. Forgive our actions. Forgive our thoughts. Forgive all that keeps us apart from your mercy. Help

us to regard others with the same mercy and grace you show us. Grant us renewal and peace. Transforming God, inspire us to love each other and to do what is right in your sight. In your name, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

✠ Kyrie Hymn 698

Take, O Take Me as I Am

John L. Bell

(PLEASE SING TWICE.)

**Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

✠ Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

✠ Passing of the Peace

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

✠ Response Hymn 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Paul Vasile

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

During the response hymn, children are invited to come forward for A Time With Children.

Proclaiming the Word

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| A Time with Children | | Samuel Phillips |
| Prayer for Illumination | | Robert Catterall |
| First Lesson | Psalm 146 | Robert Catterall |
| Second Lesson | Luke 16:1-13 | Rev. John M. Semmes |
| Sermon | “Are Your Windows Locked?” | Rev. John M. Semmes |
| <i>Silence and Stillness</i> | | |

Responding to the Word

✠ Affirmation of Faith Susan Landrum
CONFESSION OF 1967: 9.43 & 9.44

In each time and place, there are particular problems and crises through which God calls the church to act. The church, guided by the Spirit, humbled by its own complicity and instructed by all attainable knowledge, seeks to discern the will of God and learn how to obey in these concrete situations. The following are particularly urgent at the present time. God has created the peoples of the earth to be one universal family. In his reconciling love, God overcomes the barriers between sisters and brothers and breaks down every form of discrimination based on racial or ethnic difference, real or imaginary. The church is called to bring all people to receive and uphold one another as persons in all relationships of life: in employment, housing, education, leisure, marriage, family, church, and the exercise of political rights. Therefore, the church labors for the abolition of all racial discrimination and ministers to those injured by it. Congregations, individuals, or groups of Christians who exclude, dominate, or patronize others, however subtly, resist the Spirit of God and bring contempt on the faith which they profess.

✠ Offertory Sentence Susan Landrum

Music at the Offertory L. Viadana
Exsultate justi
Chancel Choir

ENGLISH TRANSLATION: REJOICE IN THE LORD, O YE JUST; PRAISE BEFITS THE UPRIGHT.
GIVE PRAISE TO THE LORD ON THE HARP; SING TO GOD WITH THE PSALTERY, THE INSTRUMENT OF TEN STRINGS.
SING TO GOD A NEW SONG, SING TO GOD WITH A GREAT NOISE.
REJOICE IN THE LORD, O YE JUST; PRAISE BEFITS THE UPRIGHT.

✠ At the Presentation OLD 100TH
Doxology

**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 Susan Landrum

PARAPHRASED BY PARKER J. PALMER

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.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

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| ✠ Hymn 65 | <i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i> | CWM RHONDDA |
| ✠ Benediction | | Rev. John M. Semmes |
| Closing Voluntary | <i>Postlude on CWM RHONDDA</i> | Paul Manz |

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

Participating in Worship Today

Tower Bell Ringer, Ed Carwile
Lector, Robert Catterall
Chancel Choir
Choir Guild, Ann Hunter

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
Susan Landrum, Interim Director of Youth
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Vicki Fey, Organist/Music Associate
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Dennis Lau, Music Intern

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