



Third Sunday after Epiphany  
January 22, 2023  
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



*Calling the Disciples by He Qi*

## Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary

*Cantad al Señor*  
Geneva Bell Choir

arr. Jason W. Krug

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

Welcome and Announcements

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. Jasiel Hernández García

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

As we behold the beauty of God's temple, we see God's face.

**God is our shelter and our shade. We will sing to the God of our salvation!**

**Let us praise the Lord!**

✠ Hymn 733

*We All Are One in Mission* ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

✠ Call to Confession

✠ Prayer of Confession

**Christ, our Messiah, you call us to fish for people, but we are hesitant to leave our boats. We are afraid to let go of the things we hoard, believing they make us secure. We are afraid to put our trust in you, afraid to follow, afraid we will fail. Forgive us. Transform our fear into faithfulness, and enable us to walk with you, so that we may be part of your work in the world. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

✠ Kyrie Hymn 551

*Lord Have Mercy*

LAND OF REST

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

✠ Assurance of Pardon

✠ Passing of the Peace

✠ Response Hymn 582

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

GLORY TO GOD

**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

A Time with Children

Samuel Phillips

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Johnson

First Lesson

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

Second Lesson

Matthew 4:12-23

Rev. John M. Semmes

Sermon

“Road Trip!”

*Silence and Stillness*

## Responding to the Word



Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

THE CONFESSION OF 1967, SECTIONS 9.08 & 9.09

**God’s reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery, which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd’s life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest; again, it is the ransom of a slave, payment of a debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth, which remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God’s love for humankind. They reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God’s reconciling work. The risen Christ is the savior of all people. Those joined to him by faith are set right with God and commissioned to serve as God’s reconciling community. Christ is the head of this community, the church, which began with the apostles and continues through all generations. Amen.**

Offertory Sentence

Music at the Offertory

*Walk in the Light*

arr. André Thomas

Hymn 127, Selected Stanzas

Chancel Choir



At the Presentation

*Doxology with Alleluias*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**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!**



Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

**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

✠ Closing Hymn 757 *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples* KINGSFOLD  
Handbell Descant

✠ Benediction

The congregational meeting will follow today's benediction.

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## Participating in Worship Today

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Tower Bell Ringer: Ed Carwile  
Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Johnson  
Geneva Bell Choir  
Chancel Choir

### 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  
Sam Phillips, Interim Director for Family Ministry  
Dr. Jennifer Sengin, Director of Musical Arts  
Vicki Fey, Organist/Music Associate  
Thomas Dixon, Music Intern  
Dennis Lau, Music Intern

### Worship Production Staff

Mark Wallace Maguire,  
Director of Communications  
Dean Hammond,  
Volunteer Technology Director  
Bo Brewer, Audio Engineer  
Patrick Maguire, Video Assistant

### Hospitality Team

Beth Grashof  
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Kathy Harben  
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