



Fifth Sunday in Lent  
March 26, 2023  
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



*Weather the Storm* by Roger Bansemmer

## Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary

*Méditation*

Louis Vierne

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

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

Ring 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.*

Choral Introit

*Ubi Caritas*

Becki Slagle Mayo

Jerusalem Choir

Thomas Dixon, conductor; Karen Brown, piano

WHERE THERE IS CHARITY AND LOVE, GOD IS THERE.

WHERE THERE IS CHARITY AND LOVE, GOD IS ALWAYS THERE.

WE HAVE GATHERED IN THIS PLACE, JOINING HEARTS IN LOVE AND PRAISE,

GIVING THANKS TO GOD ABOVE, WE GO OUT TO SERVE IN LOVE.



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

✠ Call to Worship

Susan Landrum

We gather to worship God.

**God who makes bones dance.**

God who calls Lazarus from the grave.

**God who forgives us and gives us hope.**

✠ Hymn 201

*A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar* HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

✠ Call to Confession

✠ Prayer of Confession

**Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord.  
Hear our voices and let your ears be  
attentive to the voice of our supplications.  
We come into your presence confessing  
our sins, aware we have behaved in ways  
that are contrary to your desire for our  
living. We come into your presence aware**

**that too often we allow lifelessness to  
gain the upper hand. We come into your  
presence aware that we put our trust  
in our own abilities. Forgive us, O God.  
Infuse us with your life-giving spirit.  
Breathe into us and make us come alive.**

*Silent Confession*

✠ Kyrie Hymn 579

*Lord, Have Mercy*

KYRIE ELEISON

**Lord, have mercy.**  
(sing three times)

**Christ, have mercy.**  
(sing three times)

**Lord, have mercy.**  
(sing three times)

✠ Assurance of Pardon

✠ Passing of the Peace

✠ Hymn 442, Stanza 3

*Just As I Am, Without One Plea*

WOODWORTH

**Just as I am, thou wilt receive,  
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!**

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

## Proclaiming the Word

A Time with Children

Susan Landrum

Prayer for Illumination

Julie Boggs

First Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Second Lesson

John 11: 20-35

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

Sermon

“Weathering Storms”

*Silence and Stillness*

# Responding to the Word

✠ Affirmation of Faith  
FROM A DECLARATION OF FAITH

Susan Landrum

**Jesus announced the coming of God's kingdom and its hidden presence amid the world's kingdoms. He taught his disciples to seek God's kingdom first. We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives in pilgrimage toward God's kingdom. Like Christ, we may enjoy on our journey all that sustains life and makes it pleasant and beautiful. No more than Christ are we spared the darkness, ambiguity, and threat of life in the world. We are in the world, but not of the world. Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world, but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom. Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom: to serve as he has served us; to take up our cross, risking the consequences of faithful discipleship; to walk by faith, not by sight, to hope for what we have not seen.**

Offertory Sentence

Music at the Offertory

*O Ye that Love the Lord*  
Chancel Choir; Dennis Lau, conductor

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor  
ed. Marques Garrett

O YE THAT LOVE THE LORD,  
SEE THAT YE HATE THE THING WHICH IS EVIL.  
THE LORD PRESERVETH THE SOULS OF HIS SAINTS;  
HE SHALL DELIVER THEM FROM THE HAND OF THE UNGODLY.  
AMEN.

✠ At the Presentation

*Doxology*

OLD HUNDRETH

**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

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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

✠ Hymn 796

*We Come to You for Healing, Lord*

LAND OF REST

✠ Benediction

Rev. Jasiel Hernández García

Closing Voluntary

*Scherzetto*

Louis Vierne

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

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## Participating in Worship Today

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Tower Bell Ringer: Kristeen Sorrells

Lector: Julie Boggs

Choir Guild: Marcia Hunter

Chancel Choir

Jerusalem Choir

Piano: Karen Brown

### Worship Staff

The Rev. Jasiel Hernández García,

Associate Pastor and Acting Head of Staff

Susan Landrum, Interim Director of Youth

Sam Phillips, Interim Director for Family Ministry

Dr. Jennifer Sengin, Director of Musical Arts

Mason Copeland, Organist/Music Associate

Thomas Dixon, Music Intern

Dennis Lau, Music Intern

### Worship Production Staff

Mark Wallace Maguire,

Director of Communications

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Bo Brewer, Audio Engineer

Patrick Maguire, Video Assistant

Elijah Carpenter, Audio Assistant

### Hospitality Team

Beth Grashof

Ben Evans

Bettie Hardin

Em McNair

Kathy Harben

Mike Sizemore

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# HOLY WEEK



## APRIL 2 PALM SUNDAY

**9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.**  
Fellowship in Central's Courtyard. Refuge Coffee will provide coffee.

**9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.**  
Processional with palms around the block with our friends from Trinity UMC and the Catholic Shrine.

**11 a.m.** Worship.



## APRIL 6 MAUNDY THURSDAY

**6 to 8 p.m.**  
We will gather at members' homes for a potluck dinner and worship.



## APRIL 7 GOOD FRIDAY

**7 p.m.** Service at Morningside Presbyterian Church.



## APRIL 9 EASTER SUNDAY

**9:30 to 10:15 a.m.** Biscuits, coffee, and juice provided by Flying Biscuit. This will take place in Tull Hall and the Courtyard.

**10:15 to 10:45 a.m.** Easter Egg Hunt for children and their families.

**11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.**  
Worship with Communion.