



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 14, 2024
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



Althea Brown
BOLD BEAUTIFUL

He Will Come in the Clouds, Althea Brown

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Four Hymns Without Words, No. 2
Kyle Jones, saxophone

Aldolphus Hailstork

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Kate Culver

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.

✠ Call to Worship

Susan Landrum

Adapted from Psalm 85

Let us hear what God the Lord will speak.

The Lord God will speak peace to us.

Let God's steadfast love and faithfulness meet.

The Lord God will show righteousness to us.

Faithfulness will spring up from the ground.

The Lord God will give what is good.

✠ Hymn 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

✠ Call to Confession

✠ Litany of Confession

Jesus, teacher and friend, you showed us holiness in action through the way you lived your life. You gave away your power in the service of others and turned our understanding of blessedness on its head.

We confess the difficulties we experience in living as you lived and loving as you loved.

We confess our failure to act when we see around us weakness, pain, suffering and powerlessness.

We confess the ease with which we become conformed to the world's standards rather than facing the challenge of following Christ.

Stir up your Spirit in us, Lord, that we may experience the happiness and blessing of being your disciples in more than name only.

Strengthen us to be people who sing and live your song of love;

Who willingly serve our neighbors;

Who seek justice and mercy for all;

And who truly repent of what is past and look with anticipation for what is yet to come.... *(Silent Confession)*

Amen.

✠ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

✠ Passing of the Peace

✠ Hymn 447

We Are Forgiven

WE ARE FORGIVEN

We are forgiven.

We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven.

We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

Thanks be to God.

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

Proclaiming the Word

A Time with Children

Susan Landrum

Prayer for Illumination

Rob Forbes

First Lesson

Psalm 85:8-13

Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:3-14

Rev. Kate Culver

Sermon

Responding to the Word

✠ Hymn 342

Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor

RHUDDLAN

✠ Affirmation of Faith
From the Confession of 1967

Susan Landrum

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to God-self. Jesus Christ is God with humanity. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. The new Christian life finds its direction in the life of Jesus, his deeds and words, his struggles against temptation, his compassion, his anger, and his willingness to suffer death. Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is God's sign that God will consummate the work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ.

Offertory Sentence

Music at the Offertory

Four Hymns Without Words No. 3
Kyle Jones, saxophone

Adolphus Hailstork

✠ At the Presentation

Doxology

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 and The Lord's Prayer
TRADITIONAL PC(USA)

Rev. Kate Culver

**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 357

The Days Are Surely Coming

LLANGLOFFAN

✠ Charge and Benediction

Rev. Kate Culver

Postlude

Four Hymns Without Words No. 4
Kyle Jones, saxophone

Adolphus Hailstork

Special Participants in Today's Worship

Lector: Rob Forbes
Kyle Jones, saxophone
Tower Bell Ringer: Chris Sciarrone
Dean Hammond, Volunteer Technology Director

Hospitality Team

Beth Grashof
Martha Haythorn
Kathy Kohn
Norm Kohn
Kathy McCloud
Charles Rooks

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