



CENTRAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 11, 2024
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



Ascent, Werner Drewes

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Sanctus from Requiem
Mason Copeland, organ; Vicki Fey, piano

Gabriel Faur

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
I wait for the Lord; my soul waits,
and in the Lord's word I hope;
My soul waits for the Lord,
more than those who watch for the morning;
Let us hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and the great power to redeem.

✠ Hymn 401 GATHER US IN
Here in This Place

✠ Call to Confession

✠ Prayer of Confession
**God of peace, we have rejected your redemption and forged our own way.
We hang between heaven and earth, caught up in our own folly.
We have held fast to falsehood, deceiving others and ourselves.
We have sinned against you and done violence to others.
Bitterness and wrath, anger and wrangling, slander and malice consume us.
If you, O Lord, should mark our iniquities Lord, who could stand?
But there is forgiveness with you so that you may be revered.
Our soul waits in hope for you word to redeem us so that we may begin anew, a new day with you..... (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 441 NETTLETON
Hear the Good News of Salvation

**Hear the good news of salvation:
Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy!
Come to us from heaven above.
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.**

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

Annastassia Pons

First Lesson

Psalm 130

✠ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please stand as you are comfortable.
Please silence your cellphones.

Sermon

Responding to the Word

✦ Hymn 444

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

DETROIT

✦ Affirmation of Faith
FROM BELHAR CONFESSION

Rev. Shannon J. Kershner

We believe in the triune God, Creator, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain. Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Creator, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.

Offertory Sentence

Music at the Offertory

Eternal Life

Olive Dungan/arr. Fred Bock

Chip Blankinship, tenor; Mason Copeland, organ

✦ 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)

**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 65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

✦ Charge and Benediction

Rev. Kate Culver

Postlude

Improvisation

Mason Copeland, organ

Flowers in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God and in memory of Julie Moore's mother and Central member, Lucy Moore.

Special Participants in Today's Worship

Lector: Anastassia Pons
Vicki Fey, piano
Chip Blankinship, tenor
Tower Bell Ringer: Bobbie Paul
Dean Hammond, Volunteer Technology Director

Hospitality Team

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

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