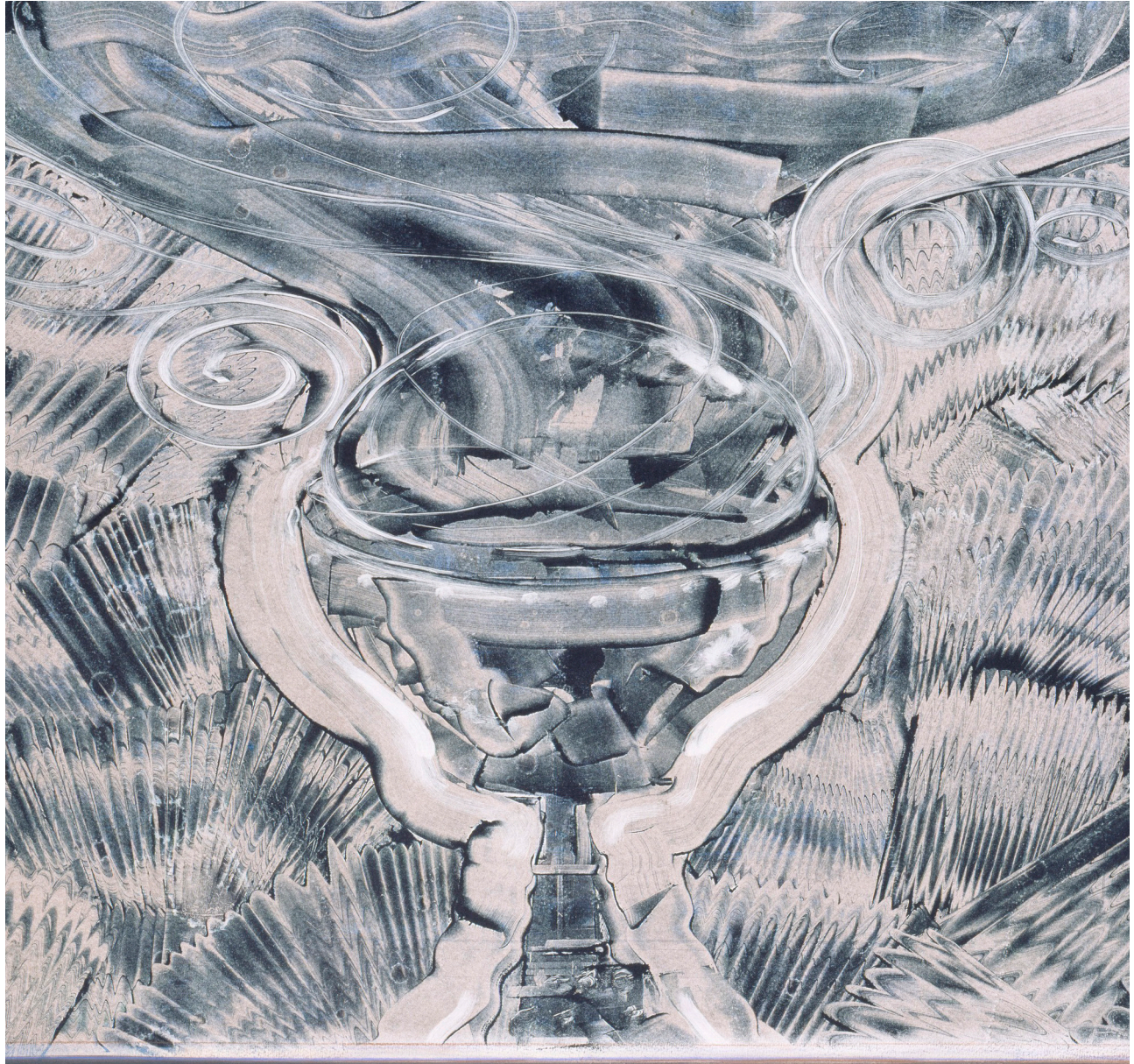




Twenty-Second Sunday  
after Pentecost  
October 20, 2024  
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



*Untitled (Cup)*, Robert Cumming

# Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

*Improvisation*  
Mason Copeland, organ

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Shannon J. Kershner

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 Rev. Kate Culver  
Children of God: welcome!  
**Welcome to this place of love and grace,**  
Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.  
**God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,**  
God invites all of us to share in the good news:  
**We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.**  
In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

✠ Hymn 12 ST. DENIO  
*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

✠ Call to Confession

✠ Prayer of Confession  
**Holy God, hear our prayer:**  
**For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness;**  
**For the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us;**  
**For the forgiveness we seek for the harm we have allowed to persist;**  
**For the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us;**  
**We pray for the courage to admit our fault,**  
**The strength to amend our actions,**  
**And the hope that your grace awaits us.**  
**Through Christ we pray ... (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 595 ARGENTINE SANTO  
*Holy, Holy, Holy*

**Holy, holy, holy.**  
**My heart, my heart adores you!**  
**My heart knows how to say to you:**  
**you are holy, Lord!**

**Santo, santo, santo.**  
**¡Mi corazón te adora!**  
**Mi corazón te sabe decir:**  
**¡Santo eres, Señor!**

## Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Lewis Amos

First Lesson

Psalm 91:9-16

Second Lesson

Mark 10:35-45

Rev. Shannon J. Kershner

Sermon

## Responding to the Word

✠ Hymn 21

*Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works*

LAQUIPARLE

✠ Affirmation of Faith

Susan Landrum

ADAPTED FROM THE CONFESSION OF 1967, 9.32–33

**The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.**

Offertory Sentence

Music at the Offertory

*Ain'a That Good News*  
The Chancel Choir

William Dawson

✠ 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

Susan Landrum

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 727

*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

THE SERVANT SONG

✠ Charge and Benediction

Rev. Shannon J. Kershner

Postlude

*Prealudium in E Minor*  
Mason Copeland, organ

D. Buxtehude

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## Special Participants in Today's Worship

Lector: Lewis Amos  
Choir Guild Member: Marcia Hunter  
Tower Bell Ringer: Ed Carwile  
Deacon of the Day: Martha Kimes  
Dean Hammond, Volunteer Technology Director

### Hospitality Team

Beth Grashof  
Becky Battle  
Philip Covin  
Liz Burkhardt  
Sandy Hoke  
Linda Massengill  
Chris Sciarrone

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