

**WELCOME TO CENTRAL!** During your visit we hope you feel the presence of the Spirit and the love of Christ as we worship God together. Please fill out the Friendship Pads in the pews, especially if you are a visitor or have prayer concerns or life updates.

**THE NURSERY IS OPEN: Come Little Children!** Central has its nursery for children ages 3 months to four-years-old during our Sunday School and worship hours (9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Sunday). Children are always welcome in our sanctuary, but for those parents or caregivers who prefer their little ones to be in a bright, safe, playful environment, please join us in the nursery!

**SONGS FOR THE JOURNEY - AN ALL SAINTS' WORSHIP SERVICE**  
Today at 2:30 p.m. join us for a beautiful afternoon of music, remembrance, and hope as the combined choirs and clergy of Central Presbyterian Church, Covenant Presbyterian Church, and Columbia Theological Seminary lead us in worship. Come and be renewed through song and community on this sacred day of remembrance.

**NOMINATIONS NEEDED!** It's time to nominate Deacons, Ruling Elders, and members of the Nominating Committee! Please pray about whom God may be calling to serve — including yourself. Submit nominations no later than **Sunday, November 9**, by scanning the QR code. The Class of 2029 officers and 2026 committee members will be elected at the Annual Meeting on February 15.



**GEORGIA TECH CHORALE & CHAMBER CHOIR IN CONCERT**  
Join us on Sunday, November 16 at 2:30 p.m. for an inspiring afternoon of beautiful choral music as the Georgia Tech Chorale and Chamber Choir, directed by Dr. B.E. Boykin and Dr. Josh Palkki, performs in our sanctuary. This free concert is open to all—donations will be gratefully accepted to support Central's Arts of the Spirit fund.

## This Week at Central

### November 2 - 9, 2025

**Sunday, November 2**  
8:45 a.m. Breakfast Ministry  
9:00 a.m. Nursery Opens  
9:15 a.m. Doughnuts in the Family Lounge  
9:30 a.m. Children's Choir (Nazareth Choir)  
9:45 a.m. Fall Mini-Series on Campbell and Eagan (OAC Atrium)  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School for Children & Youth  
11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary  
12:30 p.m. Pollard/Covenant Committee (Randolph Taylor Conf.. Room)  
2:30 p.m. All Saints' Day Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
4:30 p.m. Youth Choir (Jerusalem Choir)  
5:30 p.m. Youth Group

**Monday, November 3**  
9:00 a.m. Church of the Common Ground (Courtyard)  
6:00 p.m. Faith Rooted ATL (Tull Hall)

**Tuesday, November 4**  
10:00 a.m. Moments of Movement (Zoom)  
5:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee (Zoom)  
7:00 p.m. Mission Committee (Zoom)

**Wednesday, November 5**  
9:00 a.m. Church of the Common Ground (Courtyard)  
7:00 p.m. Evangelism Committee (Zoom)

**Thursday, November 6**  
9:00 a.m. Prayer & Parenting Weekly Meet-Up (Zoom)  
10:00 a.m. Moments of Movement (Zoom)

**Friday, November 7**  
12:00 p.m. Church Office closes

**Saturday, November 8**  
Church Office Closed  
9:00 a.m. Presbytery Meeting (Columbia Theological Seminary)

**Sunday, November 9**  
8:45 a.m. Breakfast Ministry  
9:00 a.m. Nursery Opens  
9:15 a.m. Doughnuts in the Family Lounge  
9:30 a.m. Children's Choir (Nazareth Choir)  
9:30 a.m. Called Session Meeting for New Members  
9:45 a.m. Fall Mini-Series on Campbell and Eagan (OAC Atrium)  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School for Children & Youth  
11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary  
12:30 p.m. Senior Lunch

## Special Participants in Today's Worship

**Lector:** Tricia Berrett  
**Tower Bell Ringer:** Jason Bliss  
**Deacon of the Day:** Marci Bozeman  
**Musicians:**  
Sarah Nienhiser, violin  
Zachary Helms, cello

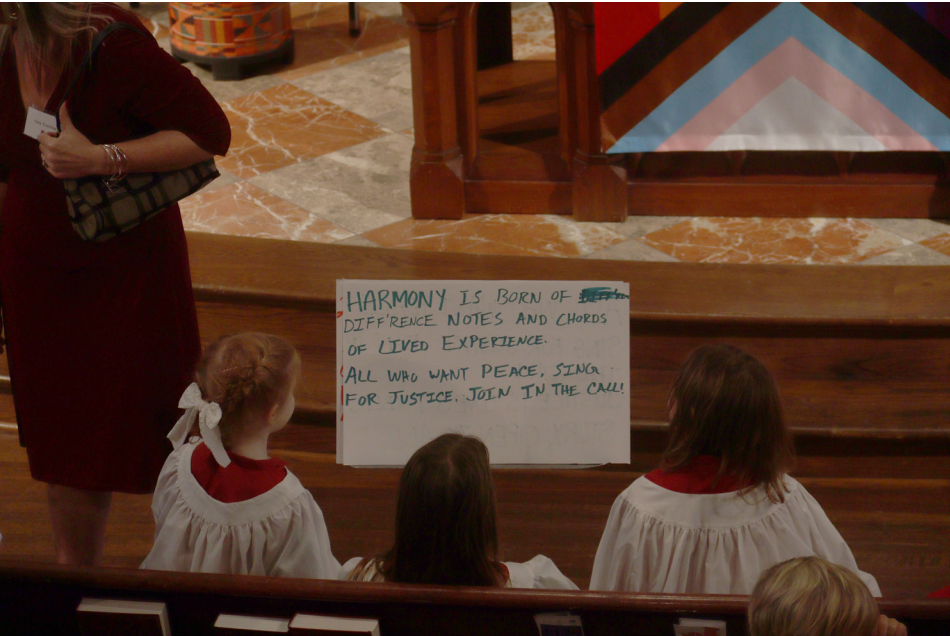
**Hospitality Team**  
Beth Grashof  
Tricia Downing  
Martha Kimes  
Annastassia Pons

## Central Presbyterian Church Staff

The Rev. Shannon Johnson Kershner, Senior Pastor & Head of Staff  
The Rev. Kate Culver, Associate Pastor  
Susan Landrum, Director of Christian Formation & Congregational Life  
Thom Dixon, Director of Music & Worship Arts  
Don Papenbrock, Organist & Choral Accompanist  
Kristie Johns, Director of Financial Operations  
Melissa Johnson, Executive Assistant & Event Coordinator  
John White, Facilities Manager  
Abraha Diedre, Custodian  
Karen Brown, Pianist, Nazareth & Jerusalem Choirs  
Kelly Grba, Music Intern  
Aaron Cummings, Music Intern  
Josh Smith, Audio Engineer  
Jamel Morris-Barclay, Audio Assistant  
Sarah Anderson, Video Production Manager  
Toby Abrelate, Video Assistant  
Dean Hammond, Volunteer Technology Director



Celebration of All Saints' Day  
November 2, 2025  
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



A Sunday at Central, Izzy Wood (Central Youth, 11th grade)

## Give

You may give via the envelope in the pew, online at [www.cpcatlanta.org](http://www.cpcatlanta.org) or using the QR code.



Gathering Around the Word

Prelude	<i>Be Still, My Soul</i> Geneva Handbell Choir, Zachary Helms, cello	arr. Hart Morris
Welcome and Announcements	Rev. Shannon J. Kershner	
Ringling of the Bell	<i>As the tower bell rings, may it call out to the city and the world that Central Presbyterian Church is worshipping God.</i>	

✠ Call to Worship (ADAPTED FROM MICAH 6:8)	Susan Landrum	
(ORGAN SIDE + ONLINE)		
With what shall we come before the Lord? What shall we bring into the presence of our God, as an expression of our worship and praise?		
(CENTER + CHANCEL)		
God has told us what is good, and what God expects of us:		
(FONT SIDE)		
To do justice. To love mercy. To walk humbly with God.		
(ALL)		
<b>Let us worship the One who calls us to justice, mercy, and love. Amen!</b>		

✠ Hymn 366	<i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>	HYFRYDOL
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✠ Call to Confession
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✠ Prayer of Confession
<b>Gracious God,</b> <b>You promise that our sorrow will turn to joy,</b> <b>yet we cling to our fear and forget your peace.</b> <b>You tell us to take courage,</b> <b>but we grow weary and doubtful of your presence.</b> <b>You have overcome the world,</b> <b>yet we live as though everything depends on us.</b> <b>Forgive us, Lord.</b> <b>Renew our trust in your quiet work among us.</b> <b>Teach us to wait with faith and live as people of your peace. In</b> <b>Christ’s name we pray ...</b> <i>(Silent Confession)</i> <b>Amen.</b>

✠ Assurance of Pardon
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. <b>In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!</b>

✠ Passing of the Peace
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✠ Hymn 817	<i>We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight</i>	DUNLAP'S CREEK
<b>We walk by faith and not by sight;</b> <b>with gracious words draw near,</b> <b>O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke:</b> <b>"My peace be with you here."</b>		

*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	Tricia Berrett
First Lesson	Micah 6:6-8
Second Lesson	John 16:16-20, 31-33 Rev. Shannon J. Kershner
Sermon	<b>What's Central to Central</b> <i>The Church that was Courageous</i>

Responding to the Word

✠ Hymn 730	<i>I Sing a Song of the Saints of God</i>	GRAND ISLE
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✠ Affirmation of Faith	Rev. Kate Culver
APOSTLES' CREED, TRADITIONAL	
<b>I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.</b>	

Offertory Sentence	Tricia Berrett
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Music at the Offertory	<i>Pavane</i> Gabriel Fauré, arr. Kevin McChesney Geneva Handbell Choir
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✠ At the Presentation	<i>Doxology</i>	LASST UNS ERFREUEN
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**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	Rev. Kate Culver
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The Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table
Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and Naming of Our Saints

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**  
It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise.  
...who forever sing to the glory of your name.

Sanctus  
Hymn 552

*Holy, Holy, Holy* LAND OF REST

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the  
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the  
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

... Great is the mystery of faith!

Memorial Acclamation  
Hymn 553

*Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen* LAND OF REST

Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.  
Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

The Lord’s Prayer  
TRADITIONAL  
**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 de-**  
**liver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the**  
**glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

*We will partake communion via intinction. You may proceed to the station closest to you, pick a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, partake of the elements, and return to your seat. If you are unable to come forward, we will serve you while you remain seated.*

Music During Communion *"More Love"* from *Songs For The Journey* Kevin Siegfried  
Chancel Choir, Sarah Nienhiser, violin, Zachary Helms, cello  
Aaron Cummings, conductor

Prayer After Communion

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

✠ Hymn 326	<i>For All The Saints</i>	SINE NOMINE
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✠ Charge and Benediction	Rev. Shannon J. Kershner
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Postlude	<i>Toccata on ‘Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart’</i> Don Papenbrock, organ
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