



# Central Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 6, 2020 | Worshipping Together Online

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Out of Many,

ONE

God's Motley Crew

The Masked Host

# Gathering Around the Word

## Preservice Music

*O Happy Day*

Christian Imboden, guitar  
arr. Christian Imboden

## Welcome and Announcements

Jessica Patchett

## Opening Sentences

I lift up my eyes to the hills—  
from where will my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.**

God will not let your foot be moved;  
God who keeps you will not slumber.

**God is our keeper;  
God is our shade at our right hand.**

## Hymn 395 Stanzas 1, 3

*Blessed Jesus, at Your Word*

LIEBSTER JESU

Jennifer Sengin, Kitsy Battle, Xieyi (Abby) Zhang, vocals; Vicki Fey, keyboard

**Blessed Jesus, at your word  
we have come again to hear you;  
let our thoughts and hearts be stirred  
and in glowing faith be near you.  
By your gospel true and holy,  
teach us, Lord, to love you solely.**

**Glorious Lord, yourself impart,  
Light of Light, from God proceeding.  
Touch our lips and ears and heart;  
help us by your Spirit's pleading.  
Hear the cry your church now raises;  
hear, and bless our prayers and praises.**

## Prayer of Adoration

Mary Kate McAlister

## Invitation to Confession

Jasiel H. Garcia

## Silence for Personal Prayer and Reflection

## Prayer of Confession

Come, Bring Your Burdens to God

Jennifer Sengin, Martha Moore-Keish, Xieyi (Abby) Zhang, Trace Haythorn, vocals

## **Come, bring your burdens to God;**

Merciful God, we approach you to confess the wrong that we have done and the good things we have left undone. Although Christ is among us as our peace and our light, we are people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor, friend against friend. We continue to abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom turning them into bonds of oppression.

## **Come, bring your burdens to God;**

Lord, we also lift our personal confession to you in a moment of silence...

## **Come, bring your burdens to God,**

Lord have mercy on us. Redirect our vision towards your truth.  
Heal and forgive our hearts, we ask.  
Set us free to serve you and reconcile your world. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

## **Come, bring your burdens to God, for Jesus will never say no.**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

### **Passing of The Peace**

**Hymn 765 (please sing twice)**

May the God of Hope

ARGENTINA

Jennifer Sengin, vocals

**May the God of hope go with us every day,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.**

**May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
bringing light and hope to every land and race.**

**Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;  
working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

## **Proclaiming the Word**

**A Time With Children**

Christian Antwi

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 14:16-24

Daniel Heath

**Sermon**

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## **Responding to and Sealing the Word**

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

Jessica Patchett and Jasiel H. Garcia

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer**

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.

**Words of Institution**

## Communion of the People

### Music During Communion

*We Gather Here in Jesus' Name*

COME, SHARE THE LORD

Jennifer Sengin, vocals; Vicki Fey, keyboard

### Prayer after Communion

### Response After Communion

*Doxology*

OLD 100TH

Chancel Choir, Hope Bradford, video; Jennifer Sengin, audio

**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**

### Anthem

*O Happy Day*

Edwin R. Hawkins

Brooke Joynes, vocals; Vicki Fey, keyboard

## Bearing and Following the Word Into The World

Closing Hymn 306, Stanzas 1, 3, 5

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

DENNIS

Janet Abercrombie, Tricia Berrett, Jim Beaty, Jr., Vicki Fey, keyboard

**Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love.  
The fellowship of kindred minds  
is like to that above.**

**We share our mutual woes;  
our mutual burdens bear.  
And often for each other flows  
the sympathizing tear.**

**From sorrow, toil, and pain,  
and sin we shall be free;  
and perfect love and friendship reign  
through all eternity.**

### Blessing and Benediction

Daniel Heath

### Postlude

*Rag Bag*

Margie Adams

Karen Brown, piano

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## GATHERING

## 395 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at your word we have come a -  
 2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est  
 3 Glo - rious Lord, your - self im - part, Light of Light, from

gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred  
 dark - ness shroud - ed, till your Spir - it breaks our night,  
 God pro - ceed - ing. Touch our lips and ears and heart;

and in glow - ing faith be near you. By your gos - pel  
 fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and  
 help us by your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry your

true and ho - ly, teach us, Lord, to love you sole - ly.  
 all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.  
 church now rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

Originally conceived to be sung before the sermon, this hymn assumes a congregation that assembles regularly, and it needs to be placed near the beginning rather than the end of worship. The simple repetitive tune reinforces the text's sense of receptivity and expectation.

# May the God of Hope Go with Us 765

## Song of Hope / *Canto de esperanza*



May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our  
*¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo y paz! Al mun - do en*



lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us  
*cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad. Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da -*



on our way, bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.  
*nos tu luz, luz y es - pe - ran - za en la os - cu - ri - dad.*



Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our joy with all;  
*O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos de tu a - mor.*



work - ing for a world that's new, faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.  
*Lu - che - mos por la paz, fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.*

This Argentine folk melody sets Spanish and English words, both created by a PC(USA) missionary with much Latin American experience. The two versions complement each other: the Spanish text offering a prayer to God, and the English one providing inspiration for the singers.

## Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in  
 2 Be - fore our \*Fa - ther's throne we pour our  
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual  
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us  
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of  
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our  
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each  
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be  
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.  
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.  
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.  
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

\*Or "Maker's"