



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 7, 2024  
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



CARL MORRIS '61

*Threshold, Carl Morris*

# Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

*Partita on Alles ist an Gottes Segen*  
Mason Copeland, organ

Flor Peters

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 worshiping God.*



Call to Worship

**Shout praise to the Lord of hosts!**

Let God's praise be whispered in the spirits of the people!

**We give you thanks for the many ways you have loved and guided us.**

Let God's praise be proclaimed wherever we are.

**May we praise God in all that we do and say Amen!**



Hymn 263

*All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name!*

CORONATION



Call to Confession



Prayer of Confession

**Holy One of Nazareth, we see you calm storms, heal illness, even restore life, yet we still struggle to trust you. You send us out, but we want to stay home. You provide partners for the journey, but we want to go it alone. You give us authority over evil, but we don't know how to use it. You say that if people are unkind, we should simply shake the dust off of our feet, but we would rather get mad and hold grudges. We have much to learn from you, Jesus, about traveling gracefully through this life. Forgive our failings and grant us a deeper trust in the way you lead us forward from here ... (Silent Confession) Amen.**



Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news!

**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 Landum

Prayer for Illumination

Kathy McCloud

First Lesson

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10



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

Sermon

## Responding to the Word

✠ Hymn 718

*Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said*

BOURBON

✠ Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Kate Culver

FROM THE APOSTLE'S CREED (TRADITIONAL)

**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.**

Offertory Sentence

Anthem

*Give to My Eyes, Lord*

Ronald Corp

Thom Dixon, soloist, Mason Copeland, piano

✠ 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

## The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Responsive Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

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.**


Holy God, we praise you. We offer you our hearts lifted high, for in the communion of your love Christ comes close to us and we come close to Christ.

**Therefore with the whole realm of nature around us, with earth, sea and sky, we sing to you.**

With the angels of light who envelop us, with brothers and sisters and siblings, east and west, we sing to you.


**And with our loved ones, separate from us now, who yet in this mystery are close to us, we join in the song of your unending greatness:**

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)  
 F C F B<sup>b</sup> C F




1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the  
 2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)  
 C F/A Am B<sup>b</sup> C Dm



pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)  
 B<sup>b</sup> F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel, and for Jesus Christ in whom your fullness dwells.


**Born of Mary, he shares our life. Eating with sinners, he welcomes us.**

Guiding his children, he leads us. Visiting the sick, he heals us.

**Dying on the cross, he saves us. Risen from the dead, he gives new life.**


Living with you, he prays for us. Great is the mystery of faith!

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G)(A) (D) (A) (D/F#)(F#m)  
 F C F B<sup>b</sup> C F C F/A Am



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

(G) (A) (Bm) (G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)  
 B<sup>b</sup> C Dm B<sup>b</sup> F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F



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

Hear us, O Christ, and breathe your Spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine. May they become for us your body, vibrant with your life, healing, renewing and making us whole.

**And as the bread and wine which we now eat and drink are changed into us, may we be changed again into you, bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh, loving and caring in the world.**

Now hear us as we continue to pray, saying...

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.**

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

Prayer After Communion

## Bearing and Following the Word into the World

✦ Hymn 747	<i>The Lord Now Sends Us Forth</i>	ENVIADO
✦ Charge and Benediction		Susan Landrum
Postlude	<i>Rockingham</i> Mason Copeland, organ	Healey Willan

### Special Participants in Today's Worship

Lector: Kathy McCloud  
Tower Bell Ringer: Ed Carwile  
Dean Hammond, Volunteer Technology Director

#### Hospitality Team

Beth Grashof  
Kevin Byers  
Tricia Downing  
Martha Kimes  
Em McNair  
Annastassia Pons  
Isabelle Werber

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*In times like these*

*Central Presbyterian Church All Church Retreat*

All are invited to enjoy fellowship with Central members at the annual Labor Day retreat. Our theme for this year, 'In Times Like These,' reflects our conversations of lament, finding strength, and is a call to action. The event takes place Saturday, August 31 beginning at noon through Monday, September 2 at 11 a.m. We will be lead by The Rev. Dr. Kimberly Wagner, who serves as the Assistant Professor of Preaching at Princeton Theological Seminary, and is a long-time friend of Central.

Registration costs include housing, program, Saturday lunch and evening meal and Sunday evening meal as well as housing in a traditional Montreat lodge. This year, we are trying something new and optimizing capacity to reduce expenses. Lodges available for adults and families will be Reynolds and Winnsborough. We will not have Glen Rock Inn or

Apartments. The cost cap for families will be \$415. Also new this year, we will offer an "a la carte" Premium Option. There will be no cost cap available for this category. We have provided for a non-subsidized lodging category by reserving 15 rooms at William Black Lodge (located behind Assembly Inn). Maximum 2 adults per room at William Black Lodge. If you select this option, please contact Vanessa Hunter to confirm details. Registration fee waivers are available. To learn more, ask questions, or request a waiver, please contact Vanessa Hunter at [veegabriele@gmail.com](mailto:veegabriele@gmail.com). Please sign up soon to we can get a head count for this special time together You can register by by scanning this QR code:

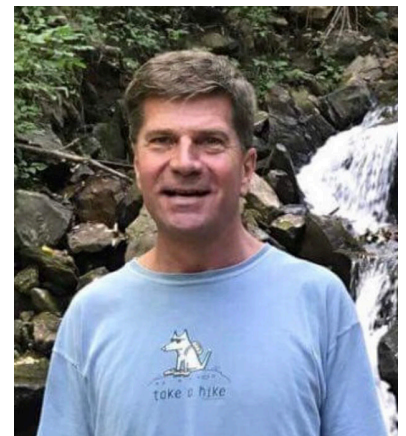


## Update for Retreat Activities for Children and Youth

Retreat organizers are enthused to announce that George Rinker, MS, MDiv., LPC has come aboard for multiple activities. He will lead our youth during the Saturday program times with content that aligns with our retreat theme. George is a friend of Central and has previously worked with our youth during All-Church Retreat. You may learn more about him scan the QR code below.

Youth are invited to stay together in a special section within Winnsborough with Susan and other chaperones. Plans are also in the works for our youngest Centralites during the Saturday program times. If our parents, children or youth have any special requests for Sunday activities, please reach out to Vanessa Hunter at [veegabriele@gmail.com](mailto:veegabriele@gmail.com)

More details are coming! Stay tuned.



## July 28 - Atlanta Streets Alive

Be a part of the crew at the new Central tent at Atlanta Streets Alive. Lunch together before heading out to join the fun of a closed off Peachtree Street. We would love you to help us spread the word about the ministry of Central. You can sign up at this SignUp Genius QR Code:



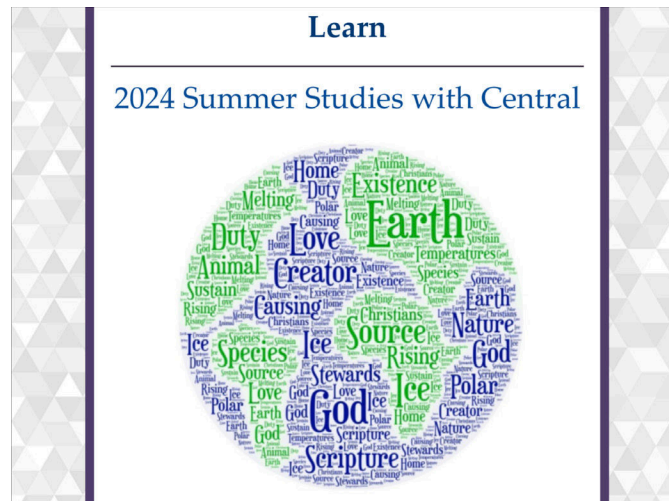
## July 25 - Thirsty Thursdays

Central members meet monthly at 7 p.m. at Manuel's Tavern for a time of informal fellowship. While this event was initially for Young Professionals, the event is open to all ages. Guests are welcome and no RSVP is required! Manuel's is located at 602 North Highland Avenue Northeast, Atlanta, GA 30307. Questions? Contact M.E. Davis at [maryelizabeth.pope@gmail.com](mailto:maryelizabeth.pope@gmail.com)

Upcoming dates include: July 25, and August 22

## July 21 - Celebrate Rev. Shannon J. Kershner's 1st Year

Save the date to join Central for a congregational picnic celebrating Rev. Kershner's 1st year anniversary!



Central Presbyterian's 2024 Summer Series program will be focused on the climate crisis. Over the course of four Sundays in June and four in July, we will examine the climate crisis from a number of perspectives: theological, scientific, architectural and sociological, to name a few. We will also have open and honest discussions about our own culpability regarding the climate crisis, and we will jointly share ideas and practices that can help us to be part of the solution versus being part of the problem. This will class will take place in the OAC. Come, learn, and get equipped to take action to better care for the creation that God so loves. June dates are listed below.

July 7: Dr. Amy Spring

July 14: Mary Lillian Walker & Ginger Heidbreder

July 21: Dr. Christine Roy Yoder

July 28: Dr. Mark Douglas

August 4: Susan Landrum & Robert Catterall



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