

ORDER OF WORSHIP
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FOLLOWING THE KING
THE GOSPEL OF LUKE



CENTRAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Central

Get connected at Central



Sundays at Central

Worshiping as a Family

Whether you're just beginning to explore the Christian faith or a longtime believer, we're glad you're here and pray you will experience the love and grace of Jesus today. Central is for anyone who wants to learn more about Jesus Christ and grow together in real community.

Especially if this is your first time as our guest, welcome. We are thrilled you are here, and would love to connect with you. You are encouraged to fill out a connection card at one of our welcome tables in either lobby or in the Fellowship Hall, or simply scan the QR code.

Worship: 8:30am & 11:15am

Sunday school: 10:00am-11:00am

Children are always welcome to participate in worship with their families.

During both services, nursery care is available for families with children ages 8 weeks through 3 years. The nursery entrance is on the first floor.

A nursing mother's room is located on the first floor off of the Fellowship Hall.

For kids ages 3 through kindergarten, we offer "children's worship" during the sermon. After worshipping with their family during the first part of the service, kids ages 3 through kindergarten will be invited to join our leaders at the front of the sanctuary. After the sermon, the kids return to the sanctuary to meet their parents.

Accessibility

Large print bulletins are available from our ushers. Amplification devices are also available from the ushers at the rear of the sanctuary.

Welcome Registry

Located in each pew is a "Welcome Registry." We encourage you to please use this to let us know you worshiped at Central today. After putting your name down, please pass the book down your pew.

Prayer

At Central, we believe in the power of prayer. You are invited to submit your prayer requests using the cards located in the pew, or online at centralpres.com/prayer. You can also email your prayer requests to prayer@centralpres.com. If you would like to pray with someone today, please visit the prayer room after either service.

Allemande from *French Suite in E-flat*

J. S. Bach

Standing (if able)

from Psalm 106:1; 103:3-4

Praise the LORD!

**Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!**

Bless the Lord,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

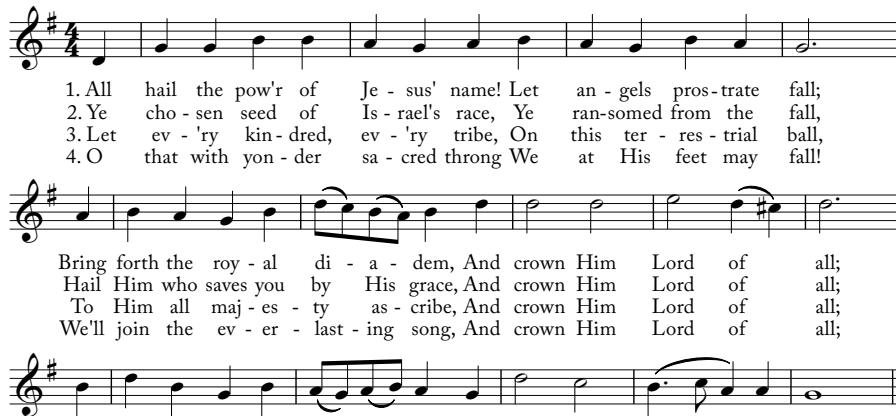
Hallelujah! Amen!

Prelude

God Calls Us To Worship

God gathers us before his heavenly throne for a special time to renew our relationship with him together.

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2. Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, Ye ran-somed from the fall,
3. Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe, On this ter - res - trial ball,
4. O that with yon - der sa - cred throng We at His feet may fall!

Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, And crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all maj - es - ty as - ccribe, And crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, And crown Him Lord of all!

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We Praise God

We respond to God's call by honoring his majesty and goodness in song.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1780
Tune: CORONATION; Oliver Holden, 1793

**We Pray For
God To Help Us
Worship**

We ask the Lord to work
in us by his Holy Spirit
to give us the desire and
ability to respond to him
in worship.

**God Calls Us to
Confess Our Sin**

**We Confess
Our Sin**

Together as the people
of God, we acknowledge
honestly to God what
is wrong and broken
in us and ask for
his forgiveness and
transforming grace.

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed!
He died for us that we might live for him.

Seated

from John 11:25; Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus is the resurrection and the life. He said, “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Lord, you invite us to come to you for the healing of body and soul.

**But we often hide or run from our sins and wounds,
and we ignore or resist the healing grace of Christ
rather than run to him for what we deeply need.
We are prone to doubt both Jesus' compassion
and our need for his forgiveness and cleansing power.
And so we have sinned against you
and followed the evil desires of our hearts,
wandering from your way,
wasting your gifts,
and forgetting your love.
Christ, have mercy.**

(silent prayers of confession)

Gracious Father, please lead us out of our hesitation and our self-reliance. Cleanse us, renew us, and lead us by your life-giving Holy Spirit, so that we eagerly seek your grace to us in Christ and respond to your call by walking in grateful obedience with you for your great glory and our great joy. Amen.

Standing (if able)

from 2 Timothy 1:9-10

God saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

For all who have turned from sin in sorrow and look to God for mercy, this is God's gift. In Jesus Christ, God loves you, God forgives you, God accepts you, and God rejoices over you as beloved daughters and sons.

Hallelujah, Amen!

God Declares Our Forgiveness

God responds joyfully to our confession by declaring his forgiveness and the security of his grace and delight in us as his beloved daughters and sons.

We Praise God

Having been assured of God's favor, we offer thanks and praise for salvation from sin and reconciliation with God through Jesus Christ.

Ancient of Days

1. Though the na - tions rage, king-doms rise and fall, there is still one
2. Though the dread of night o - verwhelms my soul, he is there with
3. Though I may not see what the fu - ture brings, I will watch and

King reign-ing ov - er all. So I will not fear for this
me - I am not a - lone. Oh, his love is sure, and he
wait for the Sav - ior King. Then, my joy com - plete, stand-ing

truth re - mains: That my God is the An- cient of Days.
knows my name, for my God is the An- cient of Days.
face to face in the pres-ence of the An- cient of Days.

Chorus

None a - bove him, none be - fore him; all of time in his hands. For his
throne, it shall re - main and ev - er stand. All the pow - er, all the
glo - ry, I will trust in his name, for my God is the An- cient of Days.

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Seated

Children ages 3 - kindergarten are invited to Children's Worship and will return during the offering.

Luke 5:17-26

pew Bible page 860-861

The grass withers and the flower fades,
but the word of our God will stand forever.

Isaiah 40:8

God Instructs Us In Scripture Reading

God speaks to us through the Bible to instruct, encourage, correct, comfort, and equip us to know, love, and follow him.

We respond to God by affirming our trust in his word.

“Authority to Restore” – Rev. Dr. Clay Smith

God Instructs Us In Preaching

God speaks to us to explain what his word means and how to respond to him with loving obedience in our daily lives.

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We Offer Ourselves in Gifts and Song

We respond to God's word by offering ourselves to God with renewed love and commitment both in song and in gifts of money to support God's mission in the world.

Be Thou My Vision

1. Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
3. Be Thou my bat - tle - shield, sword for my fight;
4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,
5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,
naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
be Thou my dig - ni - ty, Thou my de - light,
Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
May I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Thou my best thought by day or by night,
Thou my great Fa - ther, I Thy true son,
Thou my soul's shel - ter, Thou my high tow'r:
Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,
wa - king or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with Thee one.
raise Thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
High King of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
Still be my Vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: vers. Eleanor H. Hull; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1927

Tune: SLANE; Traditional Irish melody

Standing (if able)

(prayers for the church and the world)

**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.**

**We Pray For
The Church And
The World**

We respond to God's word by asking him to transform our lives, our communities, and the world through the renewing work of Jesus with the Lord's Prayer as a summary prayer for the mission of God's kingdom.

We Praise God

God Is for Us



1. We won't fear the bat - tle. We won't fear the night. We will walk the val - ley.
2. Ev - en when I stum - ble, ev - en when I fall, ev - en when I turn back,
with you by our side. You will go be - fore us, you will lead the way.
still your love is sure. You will not ab - an - don, you will not for - sake.
We have found a ref - uge, on - ly you can save.
You will cheer me on - ward with nev - er - end - ing grace.

Chorus
Sing with joy now, our God is for us, the Fa-ther's love is a strong and migh-ty for - tress.

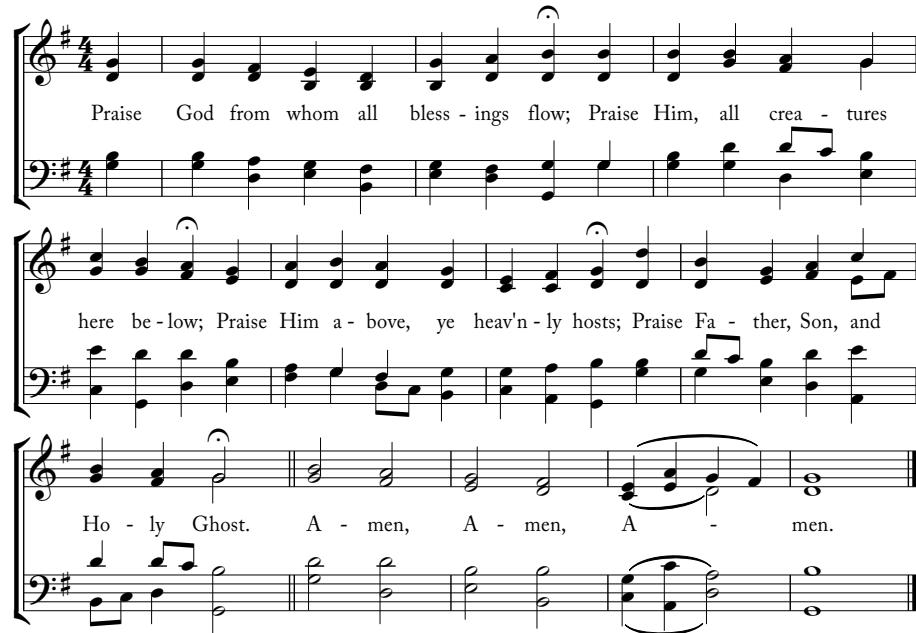
Bridge
Raise your voice now, no love is great - er. Who can stand ag - ainst us if our God is for us?
(2nd time to Bridge)

Nei - ther height nor depth can sep - ar - ate us. Hell and death will
not de -feat us. He who gave his Son to free us holds me in his love.
(2nd time to Chorus)

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And all God's people said...
Hallelujah! Amen.

Doxology – Old 100th



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen, Amen, Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1709
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH; Louis Bourgeois, *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

Festive Trumpet Tune

D. German

Postlude

Liturgist: Rev. Charles Godwin

Musicians: Matthew Mazzoni (director), *piano, organ, vocals*; David Gustafson, *guitar*; Julia Clemens, *bass*; Robert Clemens, *percussion*; Mariglenn Boggs, Paul Kunnath, *vocals*.

God Blesses Us And Sends Us Out

God sends us out into the world with his blessing to live with him and serve the mission of his kingdom.

Connect, Grow, Serve

At Central, we seek the transformation of our lives, communities, and the world through the renewing work of Jesus Christ, for the glory of God. This vision becomes more and more a reality when we **connect, grow, and serve**. Below are a few opportunities coming up for you to belong to God's mission and his work at and through Central.

Concert This Afternoon

Join us this afternoon at 4:30pm here in the sanctuary for our next Central Concert Series event. The Ariel Chamber Series returns to continue its mission of sharing the beauty of classical music through this engaging program of chamber music for winds. Featuring members of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, including Central member Andy Gott, along with Matt and Jennifer Mazzoni, the concert is breathtakingly inspirational - and free! Come join us this afternoon.

CONNECT

Grow as a Parent

Calling all parents: we invite you to join us for a two-day parenting conference on Friday, February 27 and Saturday, February 28. Parenting is a great joy but not always easy. This conference will equip you to grow in your understanding, compassion, and skills for relating with your children (and/or grandchildren!). Questions? Feel free to contact us at info@centralpres.com or scan the QR for more details.



GROW

Making Sundays Special

If you're wondering how you might step into what God is doing at Central, consider joining our Sunday Morning volunteer team. Whether it's greeting, parking, safety and security, or serving in audio/visual, there are meaningful ways for everyone to get involved. We currently have a critical need for audio and video volunteers, and we are also urgently looking to add a part-time tech for Sundays. Email info@centralpres.com to get connected.

SERVE

If you would like more information about these or other upcoming opportunities, please scan the QR code to the right, email us at communications@centralpres.com, or call the church office at 314-727-2777.

