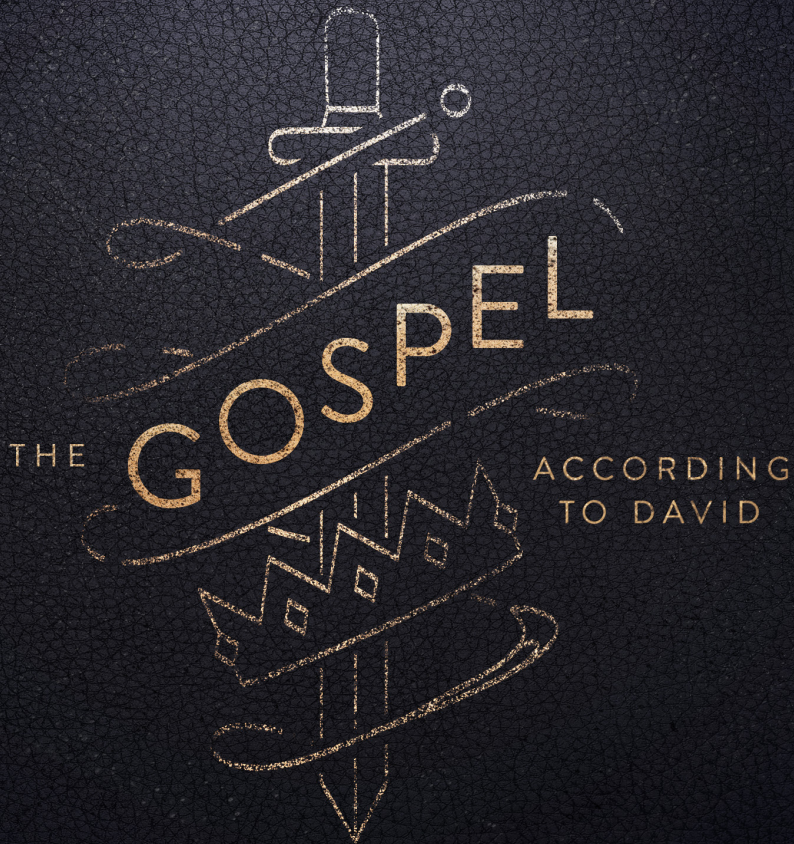


ORDER OF WORSHIP
June 29, 2025

9:00AM



CENTRAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Central

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Worshiping as a Family

Accessibility

Welcome Registry

Prayer

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: 9:00am & 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.

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

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.

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.

Meditation from Thaïs

Seul Lee, *violin*
Young Kim, *piano*

Standing (if able)

Praise the LORD!
For the word of the LORD is upright,
and all his work is done in faithfulness.
**The LORD loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.**
Let all the earth fear the LORD;
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!
**Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love.**

J. Massenet

from Psalm 33: 4-5, 8, 18

Prelude

**God Calls Us To
Worship**

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

We Praise God

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

Come, Thou Almighty King

1. Come, thou Al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing,
2. Come, thou In - car - nate Word, gird on thy might - y sword.
3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
4. To Thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be

help us to praise. Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
Our prayer at - tend! Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
in this glad hour! Thou, who al - might - y art, now rule in
hence ev - er - more. Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty, may we in

tor - i - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
word suc - cess. Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.
ev - 'ry heart and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Text: Anonymous, 1757
Tune: ITALIAN HYMN; Felice de Giardini, 1769

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.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

He died for us that we might live for him.

Seated

from Psalm 139:23-24

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden:
Search us and know our hearts! Try us and know our thoughts!
See if there be any grievous way in us, and lead us in the way everlasting,
that we may perfectly love you and one another and honor your great name.

**Almighty and merciful Father,
we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the evil desires of our own hearts.
We have willingly broken your holy laws.
We have hated our neighbors and murdered them in our hearts.
We have sinned against others and against our own bodies
in lustful thoughts and immoral actions.
We have stolen things that belong to others.
We have lied and falsely accused.
We have coveted blessings you wisely gave to others.
Lord, we are sorry, and we humbly repent. Have mercy on us.**

(silent prayers of confession)

Gracious Father, give us grace to offer our minds and bodies as living sacrifices, holy
and pleasing to you in Jesus Christ. Renew us and lead us by your Holy Spirit so that
we may delight in your law and walk joyfully in your ways to the glory of your holy
name. Amen.

Standing (if able)

from Psalm 130:3-4, 7-8

If the Lord should hold our sins against us, no one could stand. But with the Lord
there is forgiveness, that he may be feared. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with
the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will
redeem you from all your sins.

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 Calls Us to 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.

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.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1. Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace.
 2. Here I raise my E - ben - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come.
 3. O, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!
 4. On that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see thy love - ly face,

Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 And I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let thy grace, now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.
 full ar - rayed in blood washed lin - en; how I'll sing thy sov - 'reign grace!

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove.
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, wan - d'ring from the fold of God.
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
 Come, my Lord, no lon - ger tar - ry! Bring thy pro - mis - es to pass,

Praise the mount, I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 He, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.
 for I know thy pow'r will lead me 'til I'm raised with thee at last.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1758; alt. Martin Madan, 1760
 Tune: NETTLETON; *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second*, 1813

Seated

He Never Failed Me Yet

Summer Choir

Susan Crecelius, *soloist*

I will sing of God's mercy,
every day, every hour, he gives me power.
I will sing and give thanks to Thee
for all the dangers, toils, and snares that he has brought me out.
He is my God and I'll serve him,
No matter what the test.
Trust and never doubt, Jesus will surely bring you out,
He never failed me yet.

I know God is able to deliver in time of storm.
I know that he'll keep you safe from all earthly harm.
One day when my weary soul is at rest,
I'm going to be forever bless'd.

Didn't my God deliver Moses from King Pharaoh?
And didn't he cool the fiery furnace for Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?
When I think of what my God can do,
He delivered Daniel, I know he will deliver you.

Words & Music by Robert Ray

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

2 Samuel 11:1-27

pew Bible page 262

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.

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.

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.

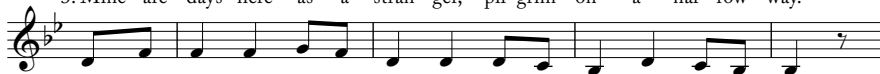
"Caught in Danger" – Rev. Dr. Mike Farley

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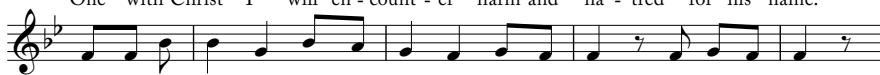
Christ Is Mine Forevermore



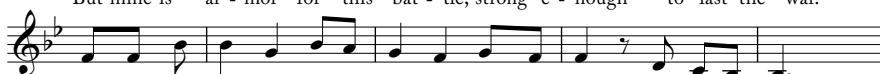
1. Mine are days that God has num-bered. I was made to walk with him.
2. Mine are tears in times of sor - row, dark-ness not yet un - der - stood.
3. Mine are days here as a stran - ger, pil-grim on a nar - row way.



Yet I look for world-ly treas - ure and for - sake the King of Kings.
Through the val - ley I must trav - el where I see no earth-ly good.
One with Christ I will en - count - er harm and ha - tred for his name.



But mine is hope in my Re-deem - er. Though I fall, his love is sure,
But mine is peace that flows from hea - ven and the strength in times of need.
But mine is ar - mor for this bat - tle, strong e - nough to last the war.



for Christ has paid for ev-'ry fail - ing. I am his for - ev - er - more. (verse 2)
I know my pain will not be wast - ed. Christ com - pletes his work in me. (verse 3)
And he has said he will de - liv - er safe - ly to the gold-en shore. (chorus)

Chorus



And mine are keys to Zi-on Ci - ty where be - side the King I walk.



For there my heart has found its trea - sure. Christ is mine for - ev - er - more. (bridge)

Bridge



Come, re - joice now, O my soul, for his love is my re - ward.



Fear is gone and hope is sure. Christ is mine for - ev - er - more! (chorus)

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.**

Seated

Central welcomes all Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel to receive Holy Communion with us. If you are not ready to receive communion, we invite you to meditate on one of the prayers below.

Prayer for those searching

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Help me to be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent and convincing and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer of new belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared believe, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Is your child interested in receiving communion for the first time? Please email family@centralpres.com for more information.

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.

God Feeds Us at His Table

We celebrate Jesus' triumph over sin, Satan, and death through his death and resurrection by eating and drinking symbols of Jesus' body and blood. The Holy Spirit works through this act to nourish us by the life of Jesus, to unite us with God and with one another in friendship, and to give us a foretaste and promise of Jesus' return to make all things new.

Please hold the elements until all have been served, and we will eat and drink together as directed by the pastor. The communion bread is gluten-free.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise!

Therefore, with the whole company of heaven and the whole church on earth, we give you thanks for your great glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

(prayer of thanks & words of institution)

Now let us celebrate the feast of the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Come quickly, Lord Jesus!

We Praise God

The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Psalm 23)

1. The King of Love my Shep - herd is,
 2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow,
 3. Con - fused and fool - ish, oft I strayed,
 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
 5. You spread a ta - ble in my sight;
 6. And so through all the length of days,
 whose good - ness fails me nev - er.
 my Sav - ior gent - ly leads me,
 but yet in love you sought me;
 with you, dear Lord, be - side me;
 your gifts of grace be - stow - ing;
 your good - ness fails me nev - er;
 I want for noth - ing! I am his,
 and where the ver - dant pas - tures grow,
 and on your shoul - der gent - ly laid,
 your rod and staff my com - fort still,
 with pro - mise of a bun - dant life
 Good Shep - herd, may I sing your praise,
 and he is mine for - ev - er.
 with food from heav - en feeds me.
 and home, re - joic - ing brought me.
 your cross be - fore to guide me.
 my cup is ov - er - flow - ing
 with - in your house for - ev - er.

Standing (if able)

And all God's people said...

Hallelujah! Amen.

Doxology – Old 100th

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures
here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly hosts; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
Ho - ly Ghost. A - men, A - men, A - men.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1709

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH; Louis Bourgeois, *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

Trumpet Tune and Bell Symphony

H. Purcell

Postlude

Liturgist: Eric Schmidt

Musicians: Matthew Mazzoni (director), *piano* and *organ*; Young Kim, *piano*; Susan Crecelius, *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.

July Brunches Begin Next Sunday

Our summer brunch tradition returns next Sunday, July 6 and continues through the month of July. The brunch takes place in Fellowship Hall between services. It is free, and all are welcome. This is a great season to invite a friend or neighbor to church, and a great way to connect with other Central friends.

Study the Bible This Summer

When we read and study the Bible, it transforms us. By God's grace, we experience growth and encouragement through it. Have you thought about joining a Bible study here at Central? We have a number of weekly Bible studies happening throughout the summer, and it is never too late to join! Send us an email at info@centralpres.com for more information or to get connected.

A Beneficial Way to Give

Did you know that you can give stock directly to the church? When you do, you avoid paying gains tax on appreciated assets. It can be a very beneficial way to give. If you would like to learn more about how to give in this way, please contact us at info@centralpres.com. We have a system in place to make the process clear and easy for you.

CONNECT

GROW

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.

