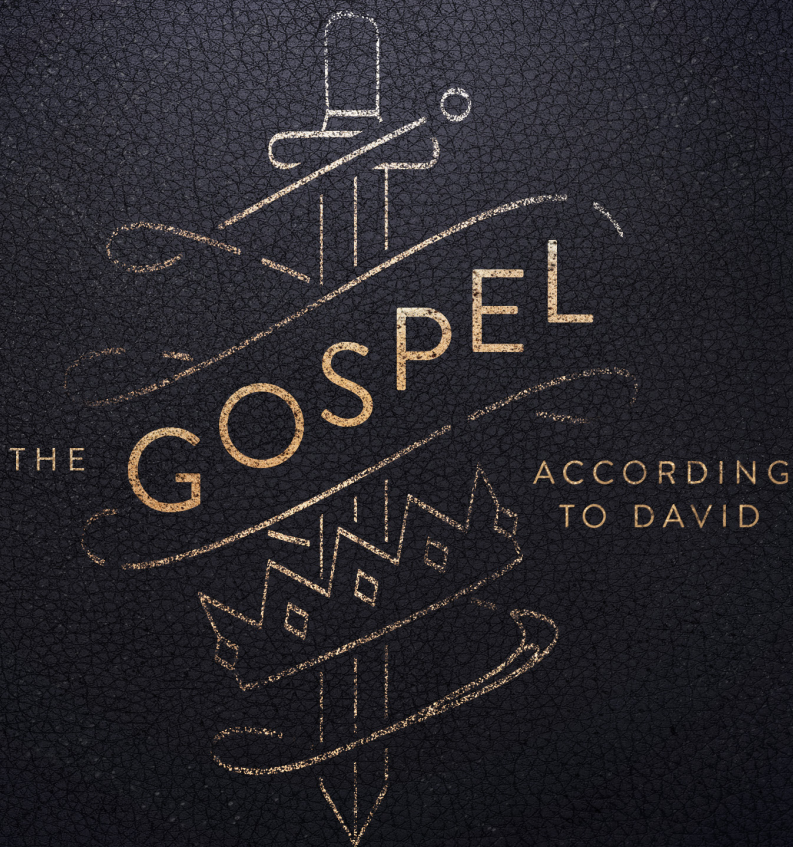


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CENTRAL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# Welcome to Central

## Get connected at Central



## Sundays at Central

### 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**

**Brunch: 10:00am**

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](http://centralpres.com/prayer). You can also email your prayer requests to [prayer@centralpres.com](mailto:prayer@centralpres.com). If you would like to pray with someone today, please visit the prayer room after either service.

# O Love of God, How Strong and True *with* O God Beyond All Praising

Christine Sasse, *violin*  
Suzanne Harlamert, *cello*  
Matthew Mazzoni, *piano*

C. Parry and G. Holst

## Prelude

*Standing (if able)*

from Psalm 149:1-2, 4-5

Praise the Lord!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
**Let Israel be glad in his Maker;  
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!**  
For the Lord takes pleasure in his people.  
**He adorns the humble with salvation.  
Let the godly exult in glory.**

## All Things New



1. Come, bro - ken and wear-y; come, bat - tered and bruised.  
2. Come, lost and a - ban - doned; come, blown by the wind.  
3. Come, fro - zen with shame; come, burn - ing with guilt.  
4. Hold on to the pro mise; the sto - ries are true:

My Je - sus makes all things new, all things new. (*verse 2*)  
He'll bring you back home a - gain, home a - gain. (*chorus*)  
My Je - sus he loves you still, loves you still. (*chorus*)  
Je - sus makes all things new, all things new. (*chorus*)

## Chorus



Rise up, O you sleep-er, a - wake! The Light of the dawn is up - on you.  
Rise up, O you sleep-er, a - wake! He makes all things new, all things new. (*2nd time to bridge*)

## Bridge



The world was good; the world is fal-len; the world will be re - deemed.  
The world was good; the world is fal-len; the world will be re - deemed.

## 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.

**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 Psalm 51:17

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

**Have mercy on us, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy,  
blot out our transgressions.  
For we know our transgressions,  
and our sin is ever before us.  
We have done what is evil in your sight.  
We have all sinned and come short of your glory  
in thought, word, and deed  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.  
We have not sought first your kingdom,  
and we have dealt unjustly and unlovingly with our neighbors.  
Lord, we are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. Have mercy on us.**

(silent prayers of confession)

Gracious Father, cleanse us in Christ, and we shall be clean; wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us by the power of your Holy Spirit. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen.

*Standing (if able)*

from Psalm 103: 8, 10-13

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

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.

## His Mercy Is More

1. What love can re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done?  
 2. What pat - ience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam?  
 3. What rich - es of kind - ness he lav - ished on us.

Om - ni - scient, all know - ing he counts not their sum,  
 What Fa - ther so ten - der, is call - ing us home?  
 His blood was the pay - ment; his life was the cost.

thrown in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore.  
 He wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor.  
 We stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford.

Our sins they are ma - ny. His mer - cy is more.

**Chorus:**  
 Praise the Lord! His mer - cy is more, stron - ger than dark - ness,  
 new ev' - ry morn. Our sins they are ma - ny. His mer - cy is more.

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## Seated

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

**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.

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

Isaiah 40:8

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

**“Good News for the Needy” – Rev. Dr. Robbie Griggs**

**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.

## 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)

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**Ron & Bonny Thiesen, Hungary**

*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](mailto:family@centralpres.com) for more information.

## **We Hear Testimony of God's Mission**

### **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

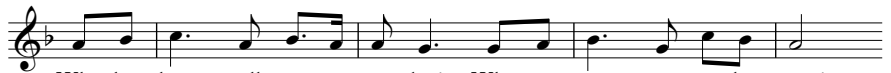
### Here Is Love



1. Here is love, vast as the o - cean, lov - ing - kind - ness as the flood,  
2. On the mount of cru - ci - fix - ion, foun - tains o - pened deep and wide;  
3. Here is love that con - quered e - vil: Christ, the first - born from the grave.  
4. That same love be - yond all meas - ure, mocked and slain by hate - ful men,  
5. Here is love, vast as the heav - ens, count - less as the stars a - bove



when the Prince of Life, our Ran - som, shed for us his pre - cious blood.  
through the flood - gates of God's mer - cy flowed a vast and gra - cious tide.  
Death has failed to be found e - qual to the life of him who saves.  
lives and reigns in re - sur - rec - tion and can nev - er die a - gain.  
are the souls that he has ran - somed, pre - cious daugh - ters, treas - ured sons.



Who his love will not re - mem - ber? Who can cease to sing his praise?  
Grace and love, like might - y ri - vers, poured in - ces - sant from a - bove;  
In the val - ley of our dark - ness dawned his ev - er - last - ing light.  
Here is love for all the a - ges, Rad - iant Sun of heav'n, he stands,  
We are called to feast for - ev - er on a love be - yond our time;



He can ne - ver be for - got - ten, through - out heav'n's e - ter - nal days.  
heav - en's peace and per - fect jus - tice kissed a guilt - y world in love.  
Per - fect love in glor - ious rad - iance has re - pelled death's hell - ish night.  
call - ing home his Fath - er's child - ren, hold - ing forth his woun - ded hands.  
Glor - ious Fath - er, Son, and Spir - it now with man are in - ter - twined.

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

### Psalm XIX “The Heavens Declare The Glory of God”

B. Marcello

### Postlude

Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Mike Farley

Musicians: Matthew Mazzoni (director), *piano, organ, vocals*; Christine Sasse, *violin*;  
Carl Sasse, *guitar, vocals*; Julia Clemens, *bass*; Robert Clemens, *percussion*; Suzanne  
Harlamert, *cello*; Mary Kunnath, *vocals*.

*The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jeanne Miller, on the anniversary of her passing, by Jack Miller.*

### 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.

## Stay Connected While Away

Summer is often a time when many of us travel for various reasons. Thanks to our faithful staff and volunteers, we livestream our worship online every Sunday at both services, allowing you to worship with us even when you are away. You can find all of the resources you will need at [centralpres.com/resources/livestream](http://centralpres.com/resources/livestream). And feel free to contact us at [info@centralpres.com](mailto:info@centralpres.com) for help!

## Next Student "Hangout" – Tuesday July 15th

Are you a middle school or high school student looking to connect with other students here at Central? Join us for our next Student Hangout on this Tuesday, July 15th at 6 p.m. It's a low-key time of connection and fellowship. Interested in checking it out? Contact us at [info@centralpres.com](mailto:info@centralpres.com) for more information.

## Thank You for Serving With Us

On behalf of all of the youth participating in the 2025 Honduras trip, we want to thank everyone at Central Presbyterian Church for your generosity in helping make this trip possible and for accompanying us on this journey. We thank God for your partnership, and we continue to ask for your prayers as we prepare to travel on July 30 and serve as God leads us.

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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](mailto:communications@centralpres.com), or call the church office at 314-727-2777.

