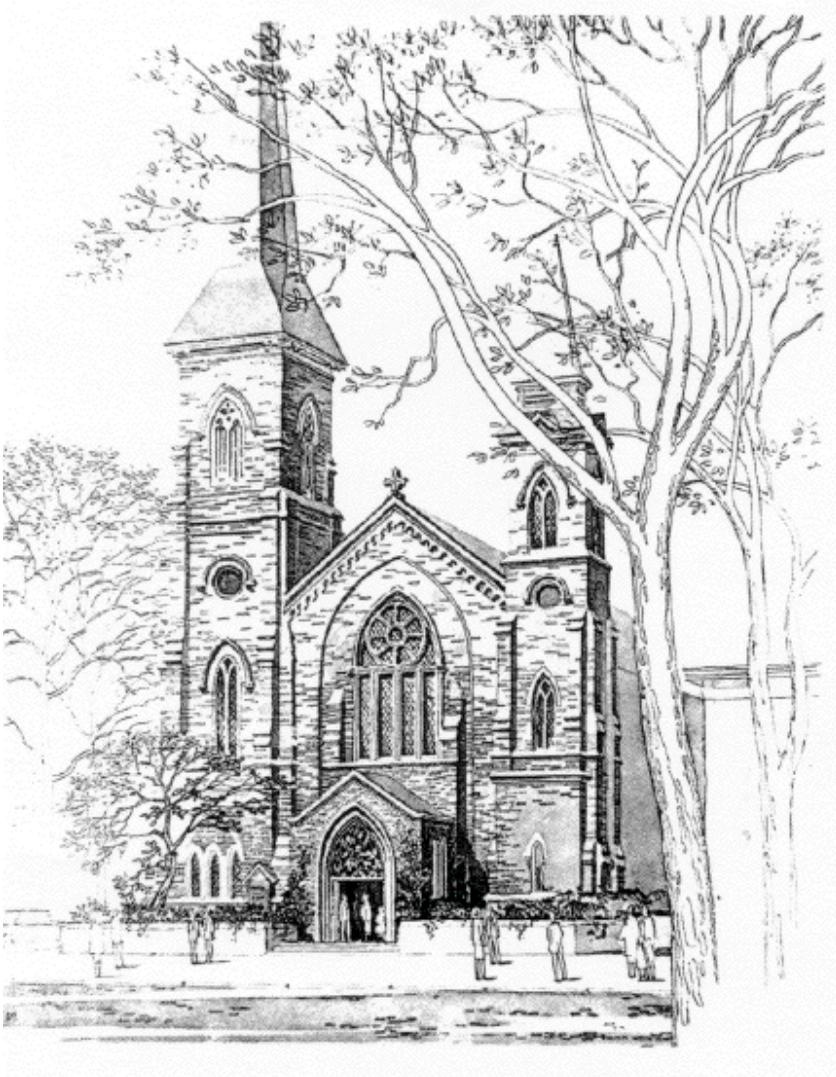


PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Fourth Sunday of Easter

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 8, 2022 10:30 AM

Chiming of the Hour

The ringing of the bell invites us to quiet our hearts & minds as we gather for worship.

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Welcome to worship at Park Central Presbyterian Church! May you experience God's grace and love within the worship service.

Please wear a mask and maintain social distance from other household groups.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

arr. Matt Limbaugh

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God, our gentle shepherd, you have chosen us by name.

Lead us, your children, by the still waters.

God, our mighty shepherd, your rod and staff bring comfort.

Guide us, your people, through the darkest valleys.

God, our generous shepherd, you have prepared a great table.

Restore us, your church, with goodness and mercy.

***HYMN 174** The Lord's My Shepherd

DOMINUS REGIT ME

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Good Shepherd,

we often take your care for granted.

In the midst of your many blessings,

we complain of not having enough.

In the presence of danger,

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**we fail to trust your abiding love.
When you set a table before us,
we turn aside from you.
Call us back into your care
and help us trust your caring presence,
that our actions may proclaim your truth. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA**

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ,
and to the Spirit, One!
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen!*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Psalm 23

¹ God is my shepherd, I shall not want.
² God makes me lie down in green pastures,
and leads me beside still waters;
³ God restores my soul.
God leads me in paths of righteousness
for the sake of God's name.

⁴ Even though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of God
my whole life long.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Kent Bradshaw, *baritone*

Behold the Son of God

W. A. Mozart

KV 146 – Aria for soprano, strings, and organ
edited for medium voice, and with text adapted by M. B. Stearns

*Come beloved, all ye that languish, come behold the Son of God.
God who loved the world hath given him, to unfold eternal life.
Not condemning came our Master, but to save the world he came,
In Christ Jesus is no condemnation, Spirit's law hath set us free.*

*Hear beloved, Christ's new commandment, "Love each other as I love you.
Show that you are my disciples through the love that you will live.
Go and sell all earthly treasure, give to the poor, the meek in heart,
You will find a heav'nly treasure. Take up your cross and follow me."*

THE SECOND LESSON

Acts 9:36-43

³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she

became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs.
³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two people to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” ³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in Jesus Christ. ⁴³ Meanwhile Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Two Women of Impactful Faith*

Anita Wagner, Elder

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SHARING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

The offering plate will not be passed. You may place gifts to the church in the offering plate as you exit.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

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Let us give thanks to God, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing....

....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, _____ my heart, my heart a - dores you. _____ My

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heart is glad to say the _____ words: You are ho - ly God.

Once we were no people, but now we are your people...

...in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim

the mystery of faith:



Christ _____ has died _____ Christ _____ is ri - sen _____

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Christ will come _____ a - gain.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit on us...

...now and forever.

Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion (unison)

**Holy God, we bless and praise you
for nourishing us at your table.**

**Fill us with your Spirit,
and make us living signs of your love.**

You have given yourself to us, God.

Now we give ourselves for others.

You have raised us with Christ and made us a new people.

As people of the resurrection, we will serve you with joy.

Your glory has filled our hearts.

Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.

***HYMN 504** Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

UNION SEMINARY

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Echo Alleluia”

Henry Purcell
arr. Lani Smith

*The chancel flowers are given
in honor of all mothers.*



**Edwin Wade Koons, missionary to Korea, 1903-1941,
married Lucy Floy Donaldson, 1905**

**Please stand if you are able to comfortably*

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist..... Nancy Moeur

Portions of today's liturgy are adapted from *Ministry Matters*.

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