

PARK CENTRAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



MATTHEW 25

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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JULY 17, 2022 10:30 AM
MATTHEW 25: CALLED TO FOLLOW JESUS
BUILDING CONGREGATIONAL VITALITY:
SUPPORT THOSE WHO DEPART

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 maintain social distance from other household groups.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

“Question and Answer”

Dan Blumenthal, *violin*

Max Reger

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, O God.

So that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Let us worship God together.

***HYMN**

Jesus, Be with Us

Please see hymn insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed.**

**We have not loved you with
our whole heart and mind and strength;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Please rise in body or spirit*

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**In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA (#576)**

*Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory in the highest!
Glory to God, Glory to God,
Alleluia, alleluia!*

GLORIA (TAIZÉ)

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 90

- ¹ God, you have been our dwelling place
in all generations.
- ² Before the mountains were brought forth
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
- ³ You turn us back to dust
and say, "Turn back, you mortals."

⁴ For a thousand years in your sight
are like yesterday when it is past
or like a watch in the night.

⁵ You sweep them away; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning;
⁶ in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.

⁷ For we are consumed by your anger;
by your wrath we are overwhelmed.
⁸ You have set our iniquities before you,
our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

⁹ For all our days pass away under your wrath;
our years come to an end like a sigh.
¹⁰ The days of our life are seventy years
or perhaps eighty, if we are strong;
even then their span is only toil and trouble;
they are soon gone, and we fly away.

¹¹ Who considers the power of your anger?
Your wrath is as great as the awe that is due you.
¹² So teach us to count our days
that we may gain a wise heart.

¹³ Turn, O God! How long?
Have compassion on your servants!
¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
¹⁵ Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us
and as many years as we have seen evil.
¹⁶ Let your work be manifest to your servants
and your glorious power to their children.
¹⁷ Let the favor of the God, our God, be upon us
and prosper for us the work of our hands—
O prosper the work of our hands!

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Let the Words of My Mouth

from the oratorio *Lord, What Is Man?*

Kent Bradshaw, *baritone*

W. David Hedrick

*Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart,
Be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord!
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 2:19-22

¹⁹ So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone. ²¹ In Christ the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in our God; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION

Sarah McTyre

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN 408** Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life
Stanzas 1, 3, and 4 only

GERMANY

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Musette

Stanley Vann

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist..... Nancy Moeur

Matthew 25:31-46 calls all of us to actively engage in the world around us,
so our faith comes alive and we wake up to new possibilities.

Jesus calls us to serve "the least of these" - not as a group to be pitied,
but as people who are deeply loved by Jesus.

Park Central has accepted the invitation
from the Presbyterian Church (USA) to become a Matthew 25 congregation.
We are answering Christ's call to become even more a church of action,
where God's love, justice, and mercy shine forth and are contagious.

Through this initiative, we have pledged to concentrate on
building congregational vitality and dismantling structural racism.

To learn more about Matthew 25, please visit pcusa.org/matthew25

Portions of today's liturgy are adapted from
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