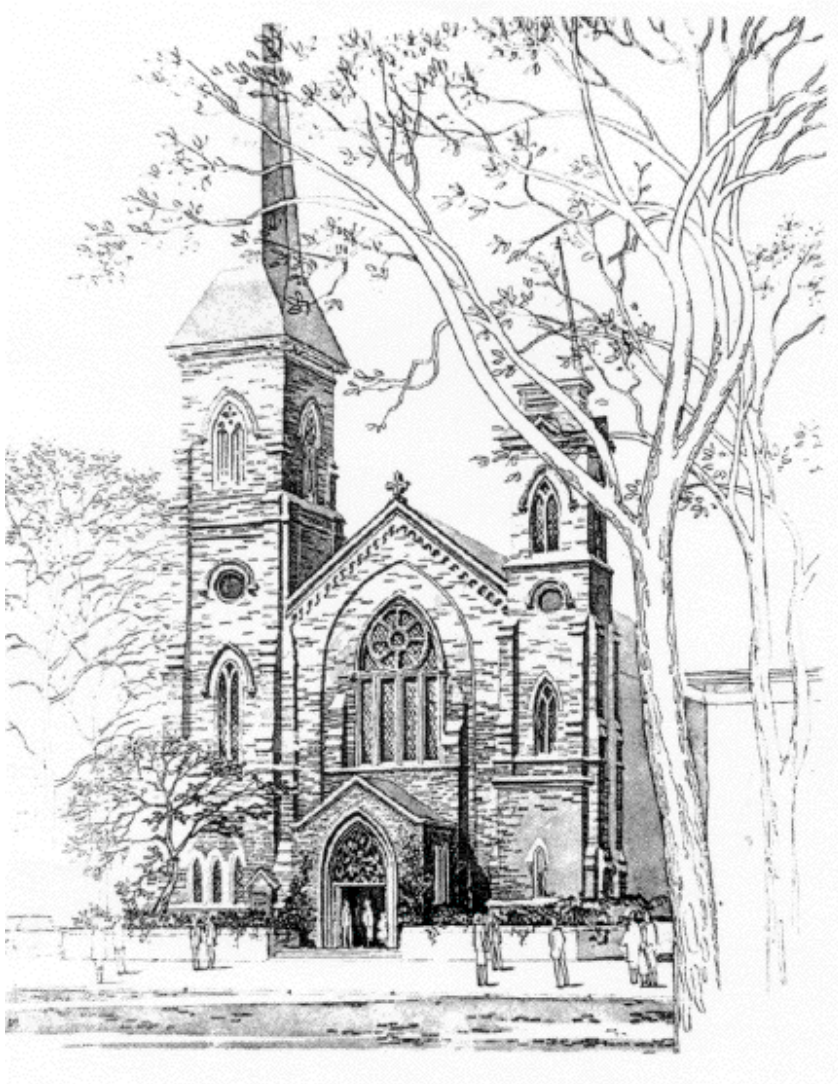


PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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NOVEMBER 10, 2024 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.*

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

“Arioso”

Johann Sebastian Bach, transcribed: Sam Franko
Dan Blumenthal, *violin* and Sandra Murphy, *piano*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Praise God! Praise God, O my soul!

I will praise God as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
who made heaven and earth, the sea,
and all that is in them.

**God executes justice for the oppressed and
gives food to the hungry.**

God sets prisoners free and
lifts up those who are bowed down.

**God watches over the stranger and
upholds the orphan and the widow.**

God will reign forever. Praise God!

***HYMN 464** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

**Please rise in body or spirit*

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Most holy and gracious God,
you come to us with grace
and give us all we need.
Forgive us for all the ways
we do not put our trust in you.
When we stumble and lose sight of your ways,
set us free from the fears that blind us.
Through the grace of Jesus Christ,
draw us back to you and remind us
of your power, your compassion,
and your justice. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

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 146

¹ Hallelujah!

Praise God, O my soul!

² I will praise God as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

³ Do not put your trust in royalty,
in mortals, in whom there is no help.

⁴ When their breath departs, they return to the earth;
on that very day their plans perish.

⁵ Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Most High their God,

⁶ who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them;
who keeps faith forever;

⁷ who executes justice for the oppressed;
who gives food to the hungry;
who sets the prisoners free.

⁸ God opens the eyes of the blind,
lifts up those who are bowed down,
and loves the righteous.

⁹ God watches over the stranger
and upholds the orphan and the widow,
but brings the way of the wicked to ruin.

¹⁰ God will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, for all generations.
Hallelujah!

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

If You but Trust in God to Guide You

Kent Bradshaw, *baritone*
Georg Neumark, arr. Brenda Portman

*If you but trust in God to guide you
And place your confidence in him,
You'll find him always there beside you
To give you hope and strength within;
For those who trust God's changeless love,
Build on the rock that will not move.*

*Only be still, and wait his pleasure,
In cheerful hope with heart content.
He fills your needs to fullest measure
With what discerning love has sent;
Doubt not our inmost wants are known
To him who chose us for his own.*

*Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving,
Offer your service faithfully,
And trust his word though undeserving,
You'll find his promise true to be.
God never will forsake in need
The soul that trusts in him indeed.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Mark 12:38-44

³⁸ As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces ³⁹ and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰ They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

⁴¹ Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³ Then Jesus called the disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**Please rise in body or spirit*

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO ENGAGEMENT

You may place donations to the church in the offering plate as you exit. You may also send in a check or click Donate on the church website.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

Our God Will Carry Us

NEED

Please see hymn insert

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Verset in the Form of a Canon”

Samuel Alexandre Rousseau

During the postlude, some people sit or stand quietly and listen to the music. Others prefer to connect with those around them or greet visitors as they leave. Please feel free to make the transition between worship and re-entering the world in whatever way is meaningful to you.

Please join us in the Gathering Hall following worship for snacks, coffee, and fellowship.

Announcements for November 10, 2024

Monday, November 11

Church office closed

Sunday, November 17

9:00 am Bible study (virtual)

10:30 am Worship service

11:30 am Stewardship luncheon

Sound Bath

The next sound bath will be Monday, November 18 at 7 pm. All are welcome! More information is available on the Arts at Park page on the church website.

Stewardship Luncheon

Join us after worship next Sunday, November 17 for a luncheon where we will celebrate God's abundance and our good work together. All are welcome!

Friendsgiving

Friendsgiving will be held on Thanksgiving Day, November 28. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Hall for food prep on Wednesday, November 27 as well as food prep, decorating, serving, cleanup, and delivering meals on Thursday, November 28. Please sign up for as many slots as you are willing and able to help with! You are also invited to join us for the meal from 11-1!

Please let the office know if you would like to donate decorations, pies, water, or rolls for the dinner. We will also need volunteers to cook turkeys on Thursday morning!

Save the Dates

The Household Closet Christmas Party will be after worship on Sunday, December 15. More information about what is needed and how to help with the party itself will be announced next month.

Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held on December 24 at 5:30 pm. All are welcome!

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist.....Ben Merchant

With the rising sun we sing our praise to you,
O God, who gives us breath.
Keep us mindful of the ways you are at work in the world,
and use us for your purposes,
for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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.

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

Robert Allen.....Director of Arts and Technology
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