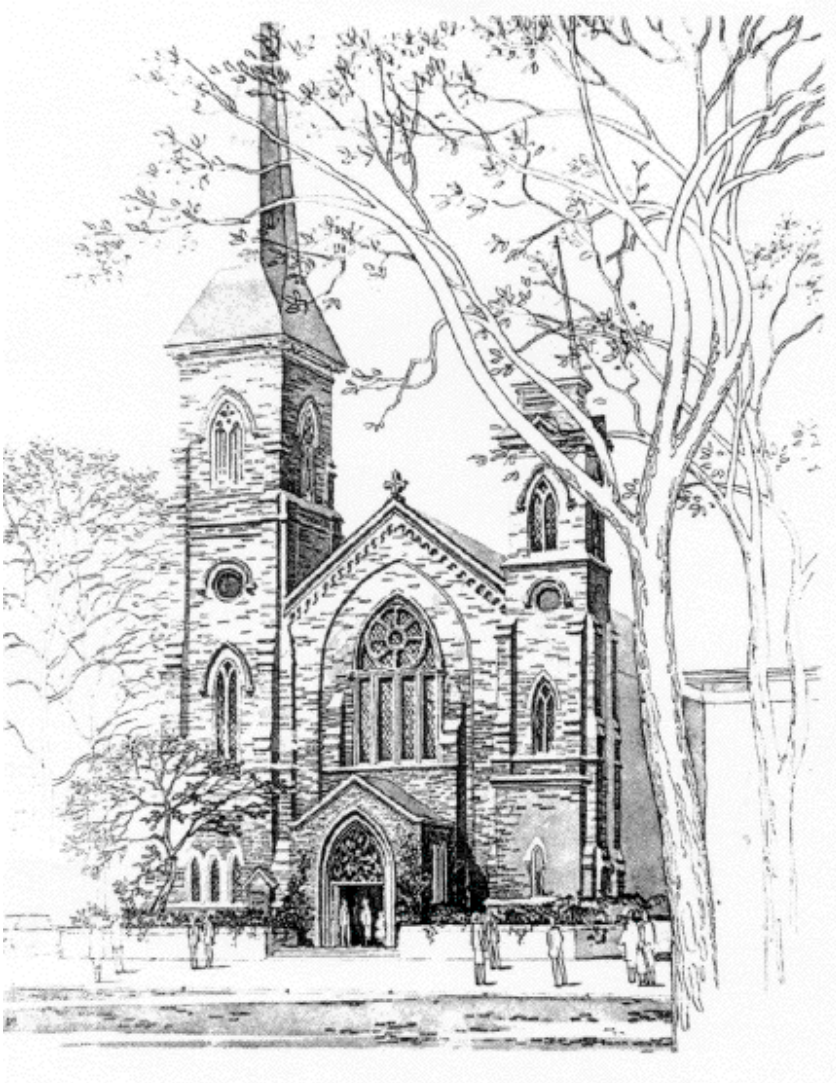


PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sixth Sunday of Easter

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 10, 2026 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

Dix

arr. Andrew Fletcher

Dan Blumenthal, *saxophone*
Sandra Murphy, *organ*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

To see the Spirit of life around us,
To give thanks for the gift we have received;
To notice the beauty and promise of spring,
To breathe deeply of the season;
To accept the gift of love, and to love in return:
This is to worship God.

***HYMN 54** Make a Joyful Noise to God!

DIX

CALL TO CONFESSION

**Please rise in body or spirit*

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of love, we do not always do what is right.
We are hesitant to respond to your Spirit.
We are reluctant to serve where we are needed.
We are quick to let our prejudices lead us.
Forgive us, we pray.
Fill us with a longing to know you better.
Kindle in us a passion for your work.
Set us free from sin and fear.
Send us out to be your people. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***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

Psalm 66:8-20

THE FIRST LESSON

- ⁸ Bless our God, O peoples;
let the sound of God's praise be heard,
⁹ who has kept us among the living
and has not let our feet slip.
¹⁰ For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us as silver is tried.
¹¹ You brought us into the net;
you laid burdens on our backs;
¹² you let people ride over our heads;
we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.
- ¹³ I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
I will pay you my vows,
¹⁴ those that my lips uttered
and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
¹⁵ I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatted calves,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;
I will make an offering of bulls and goats.
- ¹⁶ Come and hear, all you who revere God,
and I will tell what God has done for me.
¹⁷ I cried aloud to God,
and praised God with my tongue.
¹⁸ If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
God would not have listened.
¹⁹ But truly God has listened,
who has heard the words of my prayer.
- ²⁰ Blessed be God,
who has not rejected my prayer
or removed God's steadfast love from me.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**Please rise in body or spirit*

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THE SECOND LESSON

John 14:15-21

¹⁵“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask God, who will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees nor knows the Spirit. You know the Spirit, because the Spirit abides with you and will be in you.

¹⁸“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in God, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by God, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Briana Vaught

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Megan Hook, Beth Langley,
Sandra Murphy, Michael Spencer
Thomas Tallis

If Ye Love Me

*If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
And He shall give you another comforter,
that He may 'bide with you forever,
Ev'n the sp'rit of truth.*

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

**Please rise in body or spirit*

***HYMN 366** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Hyfrydol

arr. June Nixon

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

Are you new to our church?

We would love to connect with you!
Please scan the QR code for our
digital welcome pad!



Announcements for May 10, 2026

Scan here to donate!

Tuesday, May 12

7:00 pm Sound bath

Sunday, May 17

9:00 am Bible study

10:30 am Worship service

11:30 am Fellowship hour



Sound Bath

The next sound bath will be Tuesday, May 12 at 7:00 pm. If you would like to walk the labyrinth, please come at 6:30. Wear warm comfy clothing and consider bringing a blanket.

Save the Dates

Park Central will be participating in the Interfaith Pride Worship Service on Tuesday, June 9 at 7:00 pm. It will be held at All Saints Church, and all are welcome!

This year's Pride parade will be held on June 13, and we look forward to marching together as we celebrate and affirm the LGBTQ+ community!

Pentecost Sunday

On Sunday, May 24, we will celebrate the day of Pentecost with Emmanuel Congregation. This day commemorates the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. Often people choose to wear the colors of flames on this day. We hope to see you there!

We worship a God who exists beyond the bounds of language. We are part of a creation that is vibrant in its diversity. We hope that the language used in today’s worship reflects those inclusive and expansive ideals. Some traditional prayers and hymns may contain gendered terms for God; please feel free to substitute more expansive terms.

As a member of the PC(USA)’s Matthew 25 movement, Park Central works toward building congregational vitality and dismantling structural racism. 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.

Portions of today’s liturgy are adapted from resources written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, “Hold Fast to What Is Good.”

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