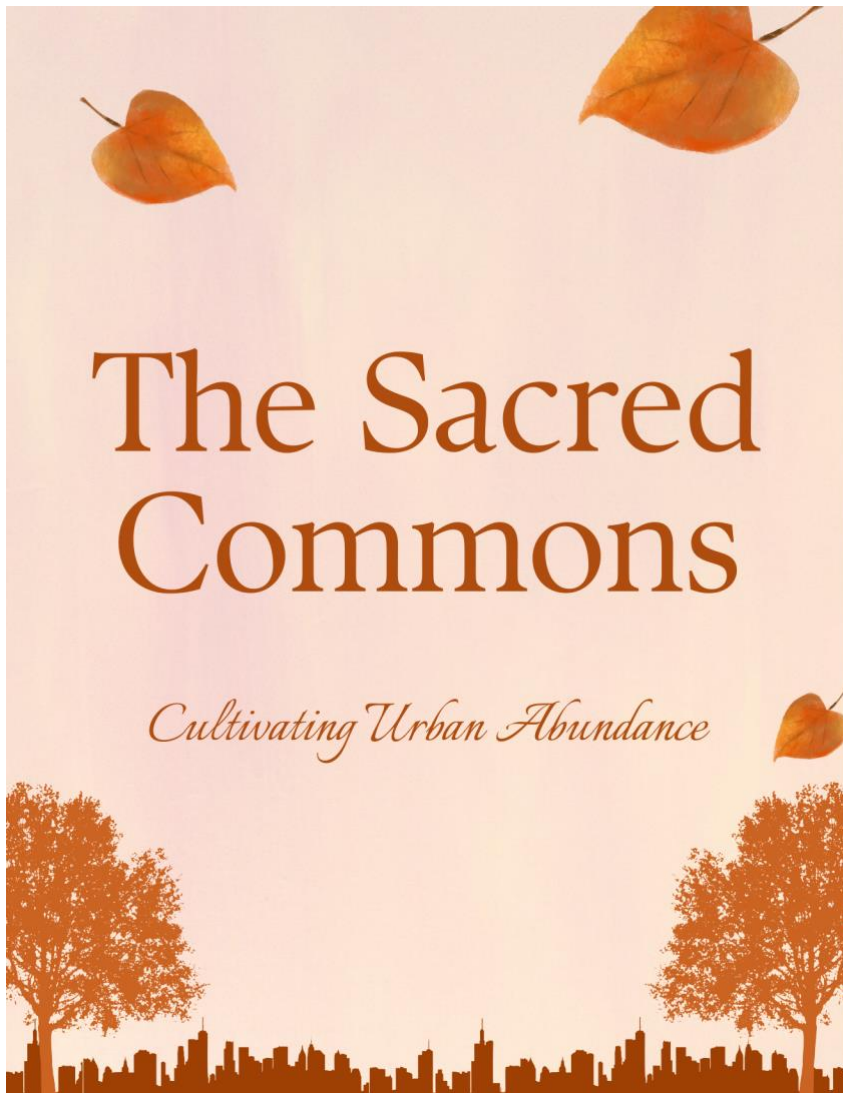


PARK CENTRAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Reformation Sunday

REFORMATION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 25, 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

*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

Autumn (*Adagio Molto*)

Antonio Vivaldi, arr. Jordi Vilaprinyó

Dan Blumenthal, *violin*

Sandra Murphy, *piano*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Out of many paths, we arrive in this sacred space.

We gather to worship, to listen, and to grow together.

We are called to love our neighbors, near and far,
and to seek justice in our communities.

Let us open our hearts to the stories, songs, and spirit of one another.

Come, let us worship God with joy!

***HYMN 687** Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious and Eternal God,
You call us to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind,
and to love our neighbors as ourselves.
Yet we admit that we often construct walls instead of offering shelter.
We get caught up in petty purity tests, judgment, and fear of the other.
Forgive us for the times we have made your unconditional grace feel distant or
conditional to those around us.
Reform our hearts, renew our minds, and teach us to love without exception.
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

THE FIRST LESSON

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

- 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.
- 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 Most High 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.**

*HYMN 203 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

CHEREPONI

**Please rise in body or spirit*

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THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 22:34-40

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵ and one of them, an expert in the law, asked Jesus a question to test him. ³⁶ “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷ Jesus said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ ³⁸ This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Brigid Boyle

COMMUNITY REFLECTIONS

Keith Cieplicki and Dr. Priscilla Newby

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Michael Spencer, *baritone*

Psalm 90 (Satisfy Us with Your Love)

Shane Barnard, arr. Dan Galbraith

You have been our dwelling place, oh everlasting God.

Before You formed the mountain tops, You were before it all.

And soon our lives turn back to dust.

Refrain:

When the sun comes up, satisfy us before the day has passed us by.

Before our hearts forget all Your goodness, satisfy us with Your love.

The love of God poured out for us through Jesus glorified.

Consider Him our hiding place. Our shelter is alive -

Because He lived and died for us. (Refrain)

Teach us, Lord, to number our days on earth, and give us more wisdom

In the secret heart as You display amazing grace in Jesus Christ for us. (Refrain)

Before our hearts give up, Spirit fill us; satisfy us with Your love.

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 300** We Are One in the Spirit THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Autumn (*Allegro*)

Antonio Vivaldi, arr. Jordi Vilaprinyó
Dan Blumenthal, *violin*

*Please join us in the Dining Hall following worship
for lunch and a congregational meeting.*

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 October 25, 2026

Scan here to donate!

Monday, October 26

12:00 pm Scripture Round Table

Wednesday, October 28

6:30 pm Trustees meeting

Thursday, October 29

2:30 pm Trustees meeting

Sunday, November 1

10:30 am Worship service

11:30 am Fellowship hour

5:00 pm Death Over Dinner



All Saints' Day

We will be celebrating All Saints' Day next Sunday, November 1. There will be a special time in worship to remember and give thanks for those who have died, whether in the past year or any time before.

Death Over Dinner: Faith, Hope, and Honest Conversation

Join us on **Sunday, November 1, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm** for an evening of shared food and meaningful conversation about mortality and end-of-life planning. This gathering, led by Rev. Brigid Boyle, will offer supportive, faith-centered space to reflect practically and prayerfully on mortality, legacy, and our wishes for the future. Whether you are looking to navigate future choices for yourself or loved ones, or simply wish to engage in honest, hopeful dialogue about life's final chapter, all are welcome at the table. Sign up on the sheet in the gathering hall or by calling the church office.

Friendsgiving

We will be hosting our annual Friendsgiving dinner on Thanksgiving Day, November 26. If you are interested in volunteering on that Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday or donating food, please come to a brief informational meeting after worship on November 8.

Sound Bath

The next sound bath will be Tuesday, November 17 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.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist.....Sara Hahne

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.

Brigid Boyle..... Parish Associate
Sarah McTyre.....Pastor
Sandra Murphy.....Music Director
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