

PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Who Do You Say That I Am? by Lauren Wright Pittman | A Sanctified Art

Third Sunday in Lent

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 3, 2024 10:30 AM

Chiming of the Hour

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

O come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before God, our Maker.
Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts
be acceptable to you, O God, our rock and our redeemer.

***HYMN 487** When Morning Guilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, some days, we are quick to declare your goodness.
Like Peter, we see you in our midst and we are confident in our faith.
Other days, we are distracted and uncertain.
Forgive us for losing sight of you.
Some days we are quick to claim your blessings.
We trust that we are called and that we can make a difference.
Other days, our praise falls silent and doubt creeps in.
Forgive us for losing sight of ourselves.
We ask for your tender grace for the days
when we feel far from you and far from ourselves.
Draw us closer to you in this holy season. Amen.**

**Please rise in body or spirit*

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

NETTLETON

*Come, thou fount of every blessing;
Tune my heart to sing the grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!*

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

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Kent Bradshaw, *baritone*

Let the Words of My Mouth

W. David Hedrick

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 16:13-20

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴And they said, "Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵Jesus said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, "You are the

Messiah, the Son of the living God.”¹⁷ And Jesus answered, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Abba in heaven.¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the realm of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”²⁰ Then Jesus sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION

Rev. Sarah McTyre

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

A WORD FROM THE SESSION

Presenting information about the upcoming mission study and the church budget.

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.

*HYMN

Here at the Peak

HAMBURG

Please see hymn insert

THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE

*BENEDICTION

There will be an opportunity after worship for those who wish to talk with session members about the information shared in worship.

Announcements for March 3, 2024

Wednesday, March 6

6:30 pm Lenten study

Sunday, March 10

9:00 am Bible study (virtual)

10:30 am Worship service

11:30 am Fellowship hour

Wednesdays in Lent

Lenten gatherings will continue every Wednesday, online only, through March 20.

Sound Bath

Our next Sound Bath through Arts at Park will be held Monday, March 18, at 7pm. All are welcome to this relaxing and meditative event!

Daylight Saving

Daylight Saving Time begins next weekend! Don't forget to set your clocks forward an hour before going to bed Saturday night!

Save the Date

We will be packing kits for Church World Service after worship on April 14. All are welcome, and a simple lunch will be provided!

Get Involved!

There are sign-up sheets in the Gathering Hall for greeters and Fellowship Hour hosts. If you are interested in reading during worship, please contact the office. Don't hesitate to ask questions about these roles. Another great idea is to partner with someone else to host Fellowship Hour!

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist..... Marissa Saunders
Fellowship Hour Grayson and Ronnie Jones

Peter has a front-row seat to Jesus' work and words, but he still isn't privy to a complete unveiling of God's nature. In some way, this feels like good news for me . . . God patiently continues to uplift me—as long as I sincerely continue to seek more of the nature of God. ~ Jost Zetzsche

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
Brigid Boyle..... Parish Associate
Sarah McTyre.....Pastor
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