

PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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AUGUST 2, 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

Andante (*from* Sonata da Camera No. 3)

G. F. Handel, ed. A. Betti

Dan Blumenthal, *violin*

Sandra Murphy, *organ*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

The world says: "God won't give you more than you can handle."

But we come today burdened, weary, and overwhelmed.

The world says: "Be strong and hold it together."

But we come knowing our strength is gone and our hearts are heavy.

Jesus says: "Come to me, all who labor, and I will give you rest."

Let us worship the God of compassionate grace!

***HYMN 667** When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God,
We confess that we try to carry everything alone.
We pretend to be strong when we are broken.
We wear ourselves out trying to hold life together.
Forgive us for relying on our own strength.
Forgive us for forgetting Your grace.
Unclench our weary hands.
Take the heavy burdens we cannot bear,
and teach us to rest in your grace. 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

Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33

- ²² The steadfast love of God never ceases,
God's mercies never come to an end;
²³ they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
²⁴ "God is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in God."

- ²⁵ The Most High is good to those who wait for God,
to the soul that seeks God.
²⁶ It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of God.

- ³¹ For God will not
reject forever.
³² Although God causes grief, God will have compassion
according to the abundance of God's steadfast love;
³³ for God does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

***HYMN 183** Come to Me, O Weary Traveler

AUSTIN

THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 11:28-30

- ²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Brigid Boyle

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

MUSICAL MEDITATION

He Shall Feed His Flock (*from Messiah*)

Megan Hook, *soprano*

G. F. Handel

*He shall feed His flock like a shepherd,
And He shall gather the lambs with His arm,
And carry them in His bosom,
And gently lead those that are with young.
Come unto Him all ye that labour,
Come unto Him that are heavy laden,*

*And He will give you rest.
Take His yoke upon you,
And learn of Him,
For He is meek and lowly of heart,
And ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

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 838** Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Standing On The Promises

PROMISES, arr. Todd Beaney

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

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

LiturgistsSusan and Michael Barbour

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.

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