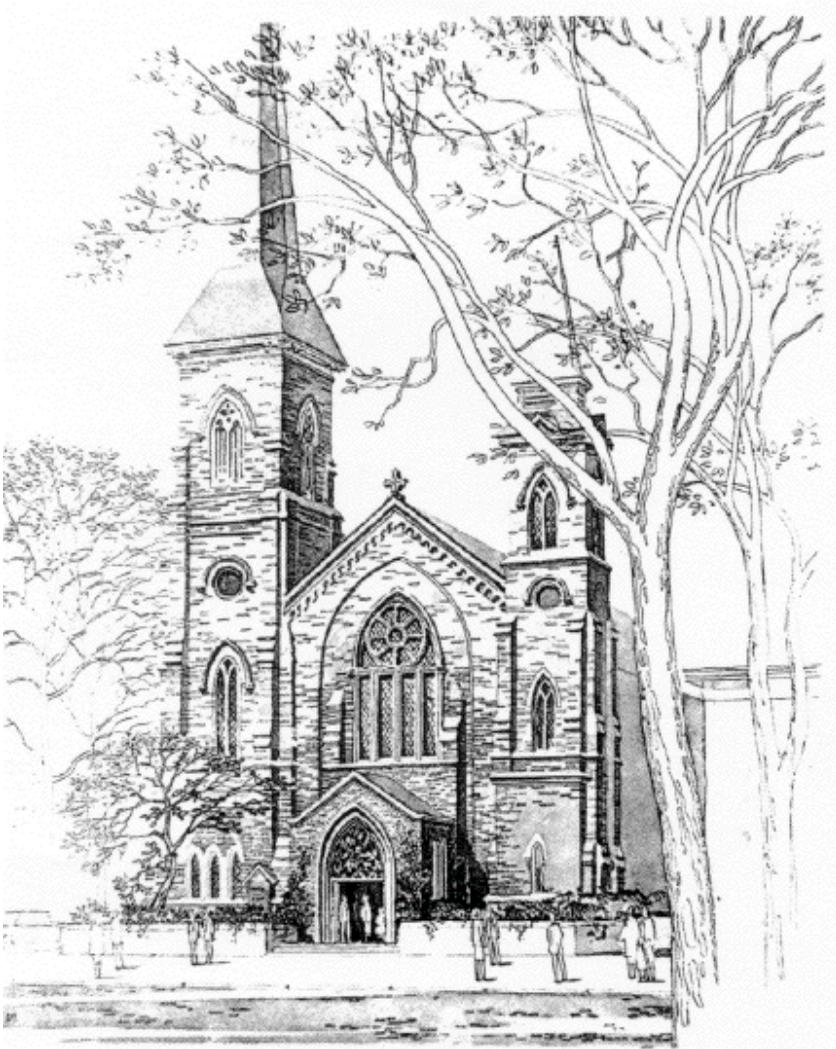


PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 11, 2022 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

"Aria"

Huw Morgan
(born 1975)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rejoice with me, people of God.

God has gathered us in from the wilderness.

Rejoice with me, people of God.

God has swept away the darkness of the night.

Rejoice with me, people of God.

Today, there is joy in the presence of the angels.

***HYMN 409** Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice

ABERYSTWYTH

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient and steadfast God,

we recognize how much we need you for life itself.

But how often have we behaved

as if we did not know or even care about you?

How often have we become the ones who do not carry out justice?

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**How often have we tried to dominate others
even as you stand with them?**

Forgive us when we lose our way.

Loving God, seek us out and shower your mercy upon us.

Find us and lead us safely home to faithfulness. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA (#576)**

Glory to God, Glory to God,

Glory in the highest!

Glory to God, Glory to God,

Alleluia, alleluia!

GLORIA (TAIZÉ)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Psalm 51:1-10

¹ Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy,
blot out my transgressions.

² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.

³ For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

⁴ Against you, you alone, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.

⁵ Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

⁶ You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

⁹ Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MUSICAL MEDITATION

O God Have Mercy

Kent Bradshaw, *baritone*

Felix Mendelssohn

from the oratorio "St. Paul," Op. 36

*O God have mercy, have mercy upon me,
And blot out my transgressions according to thy loving kindness,
Yea, even for thy mercy's sake!
Deny me not, O cast me not away from thy presence
And take not thy spirit from me, O Lord.
Lord! a broken heart and a contrite heart is offered before thee.
O God have mercy upon me according to thy loving kindness,
Yea, even for thy mercy's sake!
I will speak of thy salvation, and will teach transgressors,
And sinners shall be converted unto thee.
Then open my lips, O Lord!
And my mouth shall show forth thy glorious praise!
O blot out my transgressions according to thy loving kindness, Lord!
And for thy mercy's sake, Lord! for thy mercy's sake.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 15:1-10

¹ Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners

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and eats with them.”

³ So Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until it is found? ⁵ And having found it, the shepherd lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And returning home, the shepherd calls together friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸ “Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Sarah McTyre

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

DEDICATION OF GIFTS & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

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Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

Leader: Let us give thanks to God, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Praise to you, O God, for all your works...

.... Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise:



Leader: Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son. ...

...Great is the mystery of faith:



Leader: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit on us...

...now and forever.

All: Amen.

Leader: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**All: 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**

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Organ Music During Communion

“Adagio for Strings”

Samuel Barber
arr. William Strickland

Dan Blumenthal, *violin*

Prayer after Communion (unison)

**Nourishing God,
thank you for inviting us to your table
where all are welcome,
and for feeding us with the bread of life
and quenching our thirst with the cup of blessing.
As you have filled our lives with love and hope,
may we be a source of your love and hope
for others who hunger and thirst
for good news. Amen.**

***HYMN 396** O for a Closer Walk with God

CAITHNESS

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Caithness”

arr. Charles Callahan

*There will be a congregational meeting in the sanctuary following worship.
All are welcome to join.*

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist.....Ben Merchant

Park Central has accepted the invitation 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.

Gracious God, you have invited us
to feast on the abundance of your house
and drink from the river of your delight.
We give you thanks and praise
for your steadfast love and faithfulness.
Lead us forth from this place
to extend your faithfulness and love to others—
offering welcome to strangers,
justice to the oppressed,
liberation to those who are captive,
and sanctuary to those who are persecuted,
until all people may know
the wonder of your saving work;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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

Portions of today's liturgy are adapted from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*
and from Worship Ways website.

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