

PARK CENTRAL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Shaping  
Our Hearts**



Baptism

*Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

**EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**AUGUST 3, 2025 10:30 AM**

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**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**

“Arioso”

J. S. Bach, arr. David N. Johnson

Glenn Kime, *guest organist*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

In the Creator's love we are held,  
**into Christ's body we are baptized,**  
and by the Spirit's power, we are claimed.  
**All glory be to God.**  
Let us worship God with joy!

**\*HYMN**

Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed

PENTECOST (Boyd)

*Please see hymn insert*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**In the waters of baptism, O God,**  
**you have cleansed us and claimed us.**  
**Forgive us when we refuse your grace**  
**and ignore your call.**  
**We have followed our own paths**

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

on so many days,  
and they have led us far from you.  
Help us to live into our baptisms and  
to trust that all we need is in you.  
For you have marked us as your own  
and love us without limit.  
Wash us with your love again,  
that with renewed hearts  
we may follow in the way of Jesus. 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

Isaiah 43:1-7

- <sup>1</sup> But now thus says the Most High,  
who created you, O Jacob,  
who formed you, O Israel:  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.
- <sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.
- <sup>3</sup> For I am your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
- <sup>4</sup> Because you are precious in my sight,  
and honored, and I love you,  
I give people in return for you,  
nations in exchange for your life.
- <sup>5</sup> Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;
- <sup>6</sup> I will say to the north, "Give them up,"  
and to the south, "Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from far away  
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
- <sup>7</sup> everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**\*HYMN**

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

*Please see hymn insert*

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

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## THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:12-13, 27

<sup>12</sup> For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

Rev. Sarah McTyre

## SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

## MUSICAL MEDITATION

God Is My Shepherd

Robert Allen, *tenor*  
Antonin Dvořák

*God is my shepherd; I want for nothing.  
My rest is in the pleasant meadows,  
He leadeth me where quiet waters flow!  
My fainting soul doth he restore,  
And guideth me in the ways of peace, to glorify his name.  
And though in death's dark valley my steps may wander,  
My spirit shall not fear, for thou art by me still;  
Thy rod and staff are with me, and they shall comfort me.*

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

## ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

**ELDERS: Susan Barbour, Sara Hahne**

**DEACONS: Amy Allen, Carolyn Corriders, Sara Hahne**

*Questions for Church Officers:*

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's word to you?

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline?

Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

*(for Elders)* Will you be a faithful ruling elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in councils of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

*(for Deacons)* Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

*Questions for the Congregation:*

Do we, the members of Park Central Presbyterian Church, accept the people before us as ruling elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

*Prayer of Ordination and Welcome*

### **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**                      Come! Live in the Light!                      WE ARE CALLED  
*Please see hymn insert*

### **\*BENEDICTION**

### **POSTLUDE**

“Allegro” from the Concerto in G                      Johann Ernst, transcribed: J. S. Bach  
Glenn Kime, *guest organist*

*During the postlude, some people sit or stand quietly and listen to the music.  
Others prefer to connect with those around them or greet visitors as they leave.  
Please feel free to make the transition between worship and re-entering the world  
in whatever way is meaningful to you.*

*We are pleased to welcome Glenn Kime as our Guest Organist today as  
Sandy Murphy enjoys a well-earned vacation.*

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

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist.....Najwa Webster

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.

Today's liturgy is adapted from *Call to Worship*.

Robert Allen.....Director of Arts and Technology  
Brigid Boyle..... Parish Associate  
Sarah McTyre.....Pastor  
Sandra Murphy.....Keyboard Musician  
Kenneth Pfeffer.....Building Manager  
Briana Vaught.....Office and Communications Manager  
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