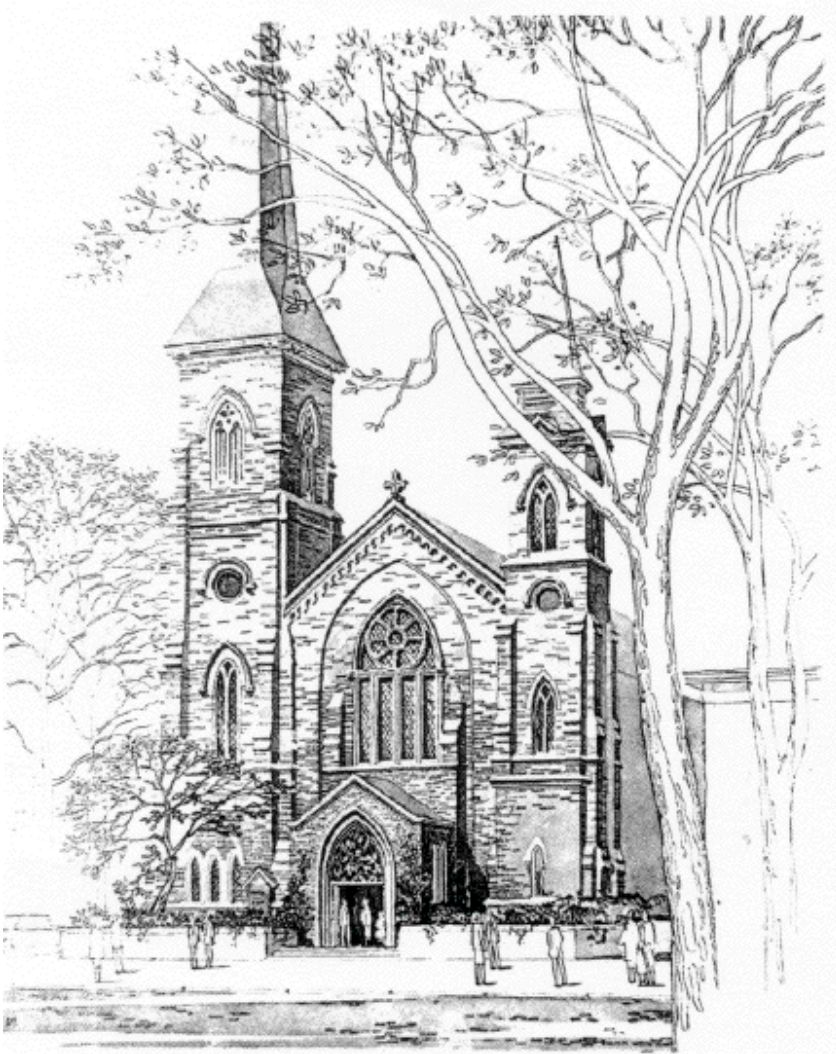


PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 16, 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

"In Thee is Gladness" (In dir ist Freude)
Glenn Armstrong, *guest organist*

Paul Manz

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Lift up your eyes to the hills!
From where does our help come?
Our help comes from God,
the one who made heaven and earth.
Let us worship God together.

***HYMN 234** I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

DUNDEE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
we confess that we sometimes grow weary
in following you.
Forgive us for failing to pray and
to work tirelessly for justice.
Forgive us when we lose hope in your power

**Please rise in body or spirit*

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**to transform the powers of this world.
Tune our ears to the sound of your justice.
Turn our hearts to your commandments and
your words of grace.
May our hours be filled with prayer
as we follow you day by day with
renewed hope and persistence. 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 & 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 121

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?
² My help comes from God,
who made heaven and earth.

³ God will not let your foot be moved;
the one who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴ The one who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵ God is your keeper;
God is your shade at your side.

⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day
nor the moon by night.

⁷ God will keep you from all evil,
and will keep your life.

⁸ God will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Kent Bradshaw, *baritone*

I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes

Peter Pindar Stearns

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber.

He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time and forevermore.

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 18:1-8

¹ Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.

² He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to the judge and saying,

‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ ⁴ For a while the judge refused, but later

thought, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this

widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’ ” ⁶ And Jesus said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And

will not God grant justice to the chosen ones who cry to God day and night? Will God delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, God will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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

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**

Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race

TALLIS' CANON

Please see hymn insert

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

"God of Grace" (Cwm Rhondda)

Paul Manz

Glenn Armstrong, *guest organist*

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist.....Ben Merchant

God of justice,
you are at work this very day on behalf of those
who are poor, marginalized, and disregarded.
Fill us with the power of your Holy Spirit
so that we can begin this day
praying earnestly for someone who faces injustice.
Help us to see and to act upon an opportunity
to participate in your love and justice.
Give us the eyes and ears of faith
as we go about our daily routines.
Then, seeing and hearing through the light of Christ,
encourage us to pray and work relentlessly
without losing heart.
Amen.

~ adapted from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*

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

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