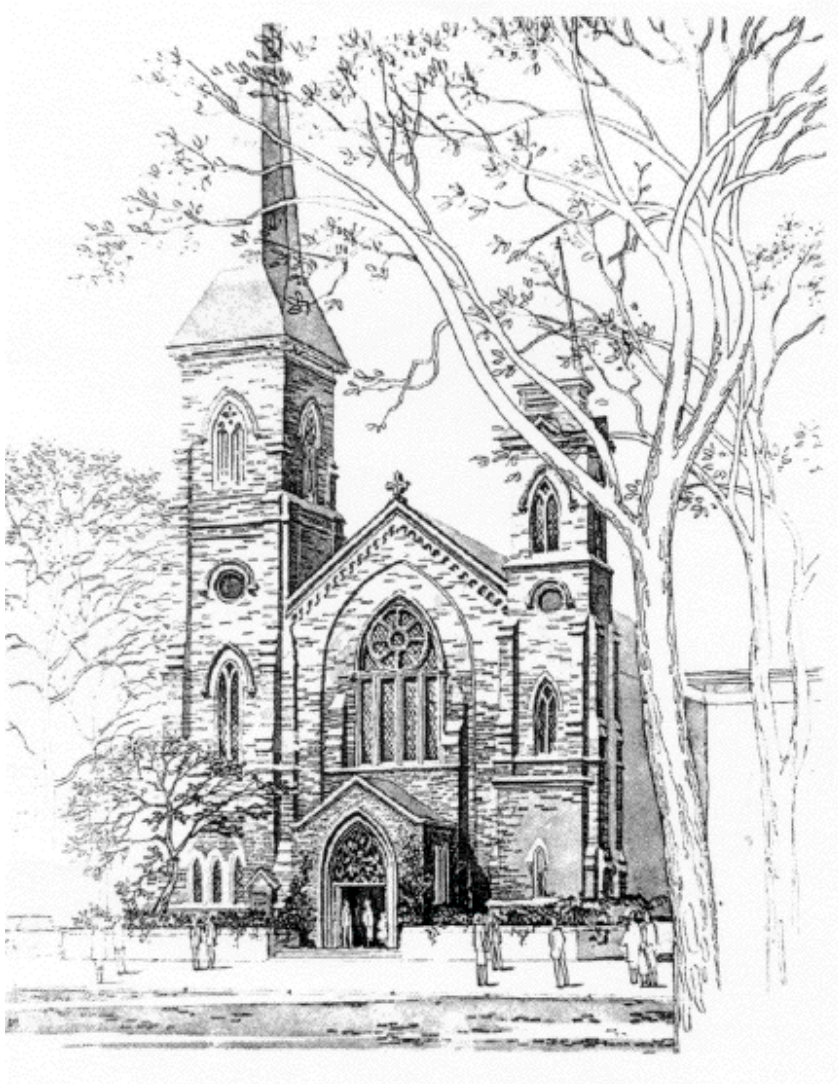


PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Reign of Christ Sunday

REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 24, 2024 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

“Sonata in D Major”

George Frideric Handel

Dan Blumenthal, *violin* and Sandra Murphy, *piano*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Give thanks to God!

Sing praises to God!

Tell of all God's wonderful works.

Glory in God's holy name.

Let the hearts of those who seek God rejoice!

***HYMN 554** Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you are our creator and redeemer.

You blessed the earth and called it good.

You bless our lives and call us your own.

**Forgive us when we fail to recognize
the abundance you offer us each day.**

Have mercy on us when we forget

**Please rise in body or spirit*

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**that you are the source of all that is good.
Open our hearts in gratitude
that our lives may be an offering of thanksgiving. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***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

I Chronicles 16:8-12

⁸ O give thanks to the Most High, call on God's name,
make known God's deeds among the peoples.

⁹ Sing to God, sing praises to God;
tell of all God's wonderful works.

¹⁰ Glory in God's holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Most High rejoice.

**Please rise in body or spirit*

- ¹¹ Seek God and God's strength;
seek God's presence continually.
- ¹² Remember the wonderful works God has done,
God's miracles and the judgments God uttered.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

The Word

*The Word is living, the Word is light.
The Word delights my soul, preserves my life;
Holy and hidden, forever new,
The perfect sacrifice, our Lord, Jesus Christ.*

*The Word is wisdom, the Word is true.
The Word takes all that's old, and makes it new;
When hearts are broken, it makes them whole,
The One who paid the price, our Lord, Jesus Christ.*

*The Word is wounded time and again.
The Word suffering still for those in sin.
Come now believing this Word is true
The cross speaks this advice, "Trust me," Jesus Christ.*

Michael Spencer, *tenor*
Michael Card

THE SECOND LESSON

I Thessalonians 5:16-18

¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray without ceasing, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Be Thankful

Elder Marissa Saunders

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

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**

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

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Please see hymn insert

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Now Thank We All Our God” – NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT arr. Anthony Giamanco

*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.*

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

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist.....Najwa Webster

Gratitude takes nothing for granted,
is never unresponsive,
is constantly awakening to new wonder,
and to praise of the goodness of God.
For the grateful person knows that God is good
not by hearsay, but by experience.
And that is what makes all the difference.

~ *Thomas Merton*

Parts of today's liturgy are adapted from *Call to Worship*.

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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Sarah McTyre.....Pastor
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