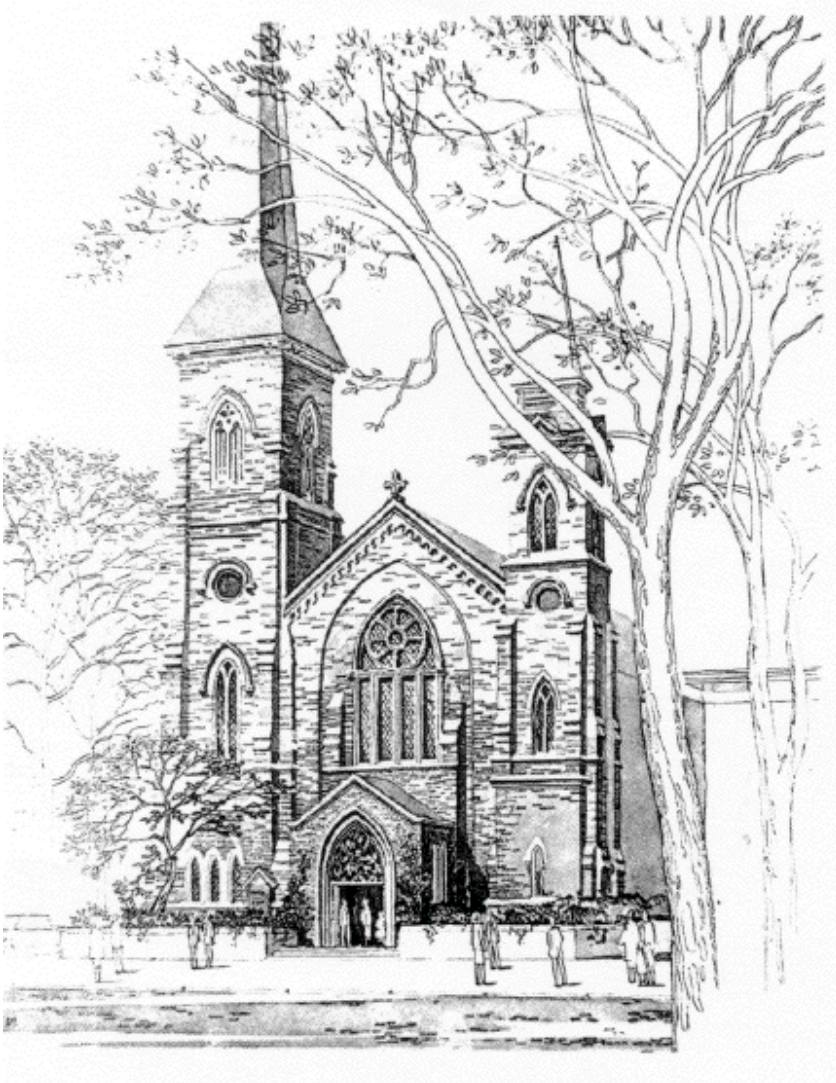


# PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

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**AUGUST 18, 2024 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**

“Prelude on ‘Morning Has Broken’”

arr. A. Royce Eckhardt

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Praise God!

**I will give thanks to God with my whole heart.**

For God is merciful and gracious.

**The works of God's hands are faithful and just.**

The praise of God endures forever!

**\*HYMN 469** Morning Has Broken

BUNESSAN

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**O God, we long to rest in you,  
to trust in your goodness, in your care for us,  
in your abundant life.**

**But we often don't know how to rest,  
and we forget how to trust you.**

**We seek material goods that we don't really need.**

**We befriend people not always out of love.**

**We are afraid to slow down.**

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

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**Have mercy on us once again.  
Attend to us and slow us down today.  
Remind us that rest is holy and  
that Sabbath time is a deep gift. 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**

Exodus 20:8-10

<sup>8</sup> “Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup> Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>10</sup> But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Most High your God; you shall not do any work—you, your children, your workers, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns.”

**Leader:** This is the word of God.

**All:** **Thanks be to God.**

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

## MUSICAL MEDITATION

Megan Hook, *soprano*  
arr. Margaret Bonds

### He's Got the Whole World in His Hand

*He's got the whole world in his hand,  
He's got the whole world in his hand,  
He's got the whole world in his hand,  
He's got the whole world in his hand.*

*He's got the woods and the waters in his hand,  
He's got the woods and the waters in his hand,  
He's got the sun and the moon right in his hand,  
He's got the whole world in his hand.*

*He's got the birds and the bees right in his hand,  
He's got the birds and the bees right in his hand,  
He's got the beasts of the field right in his hand,  
He's got the whole world in his hand.*

*He's got you and me right in his hand,  
He's got you and me right in his hand,  
He's got everybody in his hand,  
He's got the whole world in his hand.*

## THE SECOND LESSON

Psalm 61:1-5

<sup>1</sup> Hear my cry, O God;  
listen to my prayer.

<sup>2</sup> From the end of the earth I call to you,  
when my heart is faint.

Lead me to the rock  
that is higher than I,

<sup>3</sup> for you are my refuge,  
a strong tower against the enemy.

<sup>4</sup> Let me abide in your tent forever,  
find refuge under the shelter of your wings.

<sup>5</sup> For you, O God, have heard my vows;  
you have given me the heritage of those who revere your name.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

**SERMON**

Rev. Sarah McTyre

**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 368** I've Got Peace Like a River

TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

"Benedictus"

Gordon Young

*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.*

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

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## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Greeters .....Amy, Chris, and Jakob Allen

Stop what you're doing. Take a break. Go outside. Change perspective.  
Take deep breaths. Slow yourself down. Unplug. Disconnect from devices.

Gaze. What catches your eye? What's beautiful? Hold there.

“Be still and know that I am God.”

From stillness, what do you know? What are you grateful for?

~ Br. Luke Ditewig

The prayer of confession is adapted from liturgy written by the Rev. Catherine Rolling.

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](http://pcusa.org/matthew25)

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