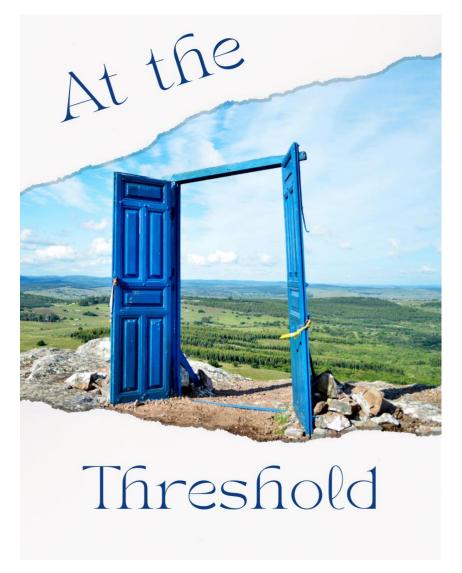
PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 19, 2025 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

"Canto Religioso"

Max Donner

Dan Blumenthal, violin and Sandra Murphy, piano

*CALL TO WORSHIP

You are the God of our going out and our coming in.

You are our keeper, our help in every season.

You go before us as we cross every threshold in life.

You surround us with love and shower us with abundance.

As we enter this holy space, may we set our hope on you

And step into a life of faith, love, endurance, and gentleness.

*HYMN 45 I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

DUNDEE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mighty, eternal God, we confess that we are quick to forget who you are.

When we face stress and loss and suffering, we begin to question whether you are trustworthy.

We often try to fix life on our own rather than turning more deeply to you. Forgive us.

Write your ways on our hearts and call us again to live together as your people that we may follow in your paths with expectation and hope. 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 Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹ The days are surely coming, says God, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made

with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says God. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says God: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know God," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says God, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN **846** Fight the Good Fight

DUKE STREET

THE SECOND LESSON

Psalm 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?

- ²My 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.
- ⁴The one who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
- ⁵God is your keeper; God is your shade at your side.
- ⁶The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.
- ⁷God 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.

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

MUSICAL MEDITATION Cry No More

The Park Central Ensemble
Dan Forrest

In the shadow where we linger,
In this darkness we call home.
Where the sighs are deep and doubtful
And our aspirations groan,
All is not in vain, Beloved,
Our travail is not unknown.
Refrain

Though we have not faith to seek him, Christ himself will draw us near, Deep abiding rays of mercy Cast their light on lonely fear. Cry no more, ye poor and weary, Our redeeming Lord is here. Refrain

> Sure defender, never failing, Radiant Savior, Holy Friend, Gift of glory, hope of heaven, Call us now to faith again! Alleluia! Blest compassion, Grace is shining without end! Refrain

Refrain:

Christ within us, Christ among us, Christ the first and Christ the last; Love Incarnate, hold your children Til the storm of life is past.

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

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Finale"

Stanley Vann

Sandra Murphy, organ

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.

Announcements for October 19, 2025

Monday, October 20

7:00 pm Sound bath

Thursday, October 23

12:00 pm Staff meeting

Sunday, October 26

9:00 am Bible study

10:30 am Worship service

11:30 am Congregational meeting

12:00 pm Fellowship hour

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Sound Bath

The next sound bath will be Monday, October 20 at 7:00 pm. If you would like to walk the labyrinth, please come at 6:30. Wear comfy clothing, and come ready to relax!

Congregational Meeting Next Sunday

The session has a called a special congregational meeting following worship on Sunday, October 26. The called meeting is for the following purposes:

- to approve the report from the Mission Study Team
- to elect a Pastor Nominating Committee
- to hear an update from the session on next steps

The Mission Study Team report will be sent out prior to the meeting.

Upcoming Events

We will celebrate All Saints Day on Sunday, November 2 with a worship service commemorating all the saints who have touched our lives.

All are welcome to join us for a movie and pizza night on Sunday, November 2 at 5:00. We will be showing the comedy film *North Avenue Irregulars*, a film in which the main characters are the pastor and members of a Presbyterian church.

We will be starting the season of stewardship this month, and it will culminate in a celebration lunch after worship on November 16. All are welcome!

Our annual Friendsgiving lunch will be held on Thursday, November 27 from 11-1. More information, including how to volunteer, will be announced in the coming weeks.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist	Marissa	Saunders
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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.

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Brigid Boyle	Parish Associate
Sarah McTyre	Pastor
	Keyboard Musician
	Building Manager
Briana Vaught	Office and Communications Manager
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