



# Central Presbyterian Church

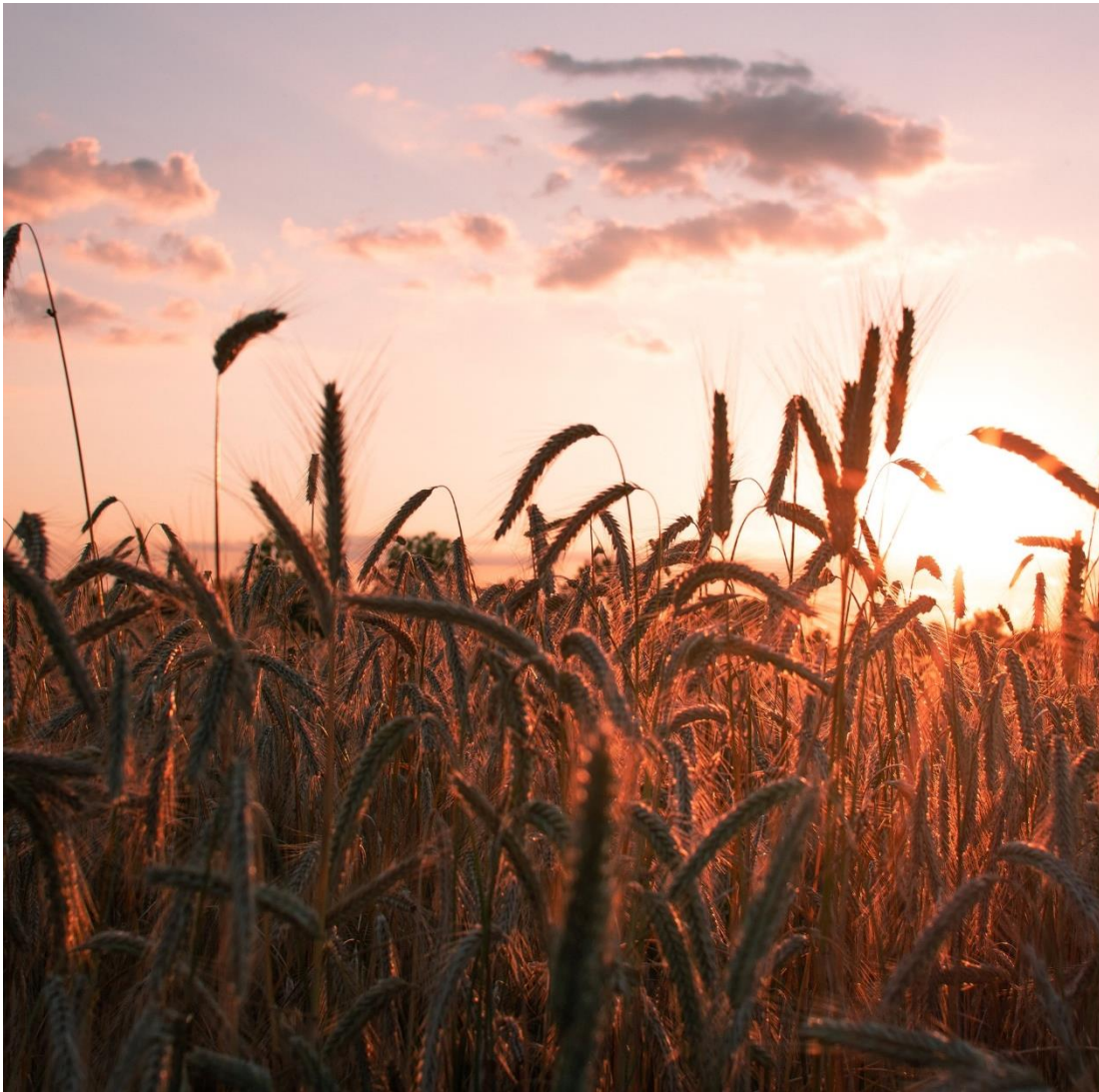


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## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 16, 2021

Today's service will be livestreamed to Facebook ([facebook.com/centraldenver](https://facebook.com/centraldenver))  
and our website ([centraldenver.com/livestream](https://centraldenver.com/livestream))

## PRELUDE

*My Good Lord's Done Been Here*

arr. Moses Hogan  
Chuck Stevenson, soloist

## LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE & WELCOME

Louise Westfall

Please feel free to post comments, greetings, and prayer requests in the "Facebook comment" section throughout the service.

## GATHERING MUSIC

*God be the love to search and keep me;  
God be the prayer to move my voice;  
God, be the strength to now uphold me;  
O Christ, surround me. O Christ, surround me (2x)*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Cheryl Fleetwood

## HYMN

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

WALK WITH ME

1 I want Jesus to walk with me.  
I want Jesus to walk with me.  
All along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me.  
In my trials, Lord, walk with me.  
When my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me.  
When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me.  
When my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Tim Mooney

## SILENT PRAYER

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored to new life!**

## BIBLE STORY

The Sower

Matthew 13, Mark 4, Luke 8

Molly Brown

## SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:20-26

## SERMON

Your Money *and* Your Life: Impact Investing

Louise Westfall

## SILENT REFLECTION

## OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Join us after the service for our Zoom fellowship time. All are welcome!

Zoom link to join <https://rb.gy/encvhz>

**Adult Faith Formation: Caring for Creation - *The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for New Beginnings***

**Sundays, April 18-June 6, 11:30am**

Join us as staff and church members lead us in an eight-week journey of reimagining new beginnings using John Phillip Newell's book *The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for New Beginnings*.

Zoom link to join <https://rb.gy/encvhz>

**For more ways to worship and connect this week, check our website: [centraldenver.com/stayconnected](http://centraldenver.com/stayconnected)**

### Earn interest and lower the cost of Central's mortgage

Central members and friends have opportunity to invest in the mission of the Presbyterian Church USA AND help reduce Central's interest rate on the construction loan we have with the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program. See the info at the end of this bulletin for a quick summary of how it works. For more information, please contact Pastor Louise, Derek Jones, or Clare Lewis, Vice-President Sales & Marketing, [clare.lewis@pcusa.org](mailto:clare.lewis@pcusa.org), 502.569.5865.

## OFFERTORY

*Give Me Jesus*

arr. Mark Hayes

## OFFERING

**To give by text**, please text "centraldenver" to 73256. You will be asked to enter your credit card and donation amount.

**To give online**, go to <https://onrealm.org/centraldenver/-/give/CPC>

### Pentecost Offering, May 23

On May 23 we will receive our Pentecost offering for which the Mission Committee has set a goal of \$1700 designated to ministries for children, youth, and young adults with 40% of the offering staying locally. The remainder is sent to PCUSA to help with programs for children at risk, the Young Adult Volunteers program and the Triennium program for high school students. Thank you for your generosity! **Send your donation to the church office or give online: <https://onrealm.org/centraldenver/give/PENTECOST>**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Tim Mooney

## 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.

## CHARGE AND BLESSING

### PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

[Share signs of peace with those around you or by adding a greeting in the Facebook comments.]

## POSTLUDE

Fantasy on *Walk Together Children*

André Thomas

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## QUICK SUMMARY OF INVESTMENTS

As you know, we have chosen to finance our renovation project through the Presbyterian Investment & Loan Program, a non-profit agency of the PC(USA).

Monies borrowed through the Program that will fund our project came from Presbyterians like you. Now you have the opportunity to support another church project just like this one, at the same time as helping our congregation reduce the amount of money we pay in interest on this loan. One of the ways that the Program raises funds to lend to churches is by selling interest-bearing Term Notes. This is an investment that returns interest to you, the individual – it is not a gift or an endowment. Moreover, as the amount invested by our members increases to certain levels, the Investment & Loan Program will reduce the cost of our church's mortgage through an annual rebate. The rebate can reduce the interest paid on our loan by as much as one full percentage point.

The minimum investment is only \$500, and you can choose how long you want to invest – as short as six months up to five years. At the end of the term you chose, you can reinvest or withdraw your money. This is an investment – not a gift. For many of us, this is not “new” money but rather moving a few funds from other investments like savings, money market accounts or CDs into the Program's Term Notes.

Clare Lewis, from the Investment & Loan Program is available either by Zoom or by phone to answer any questions that you may have. She will explain the details of the investments and how you could become a supporting investor. If you would like some information, there are brochures and investment packets available.

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