



# Central

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



## THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 9, 2024 | 10:30am

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*Centered by our myriad and shared spiritual journeys toward God, we strengthen each other to practice love in action with hand and heart. We strive to be a nurturing center dedicated to demonstrating God's love to one another, our community and the world.*

Welcome to Central Presbyterian Church, a community where you belong. Whether you're with us for the first or thousandth time, whether you're in doubt or are devout, no matter who you are, what experience you bring, or what questions you have, you are welcome here. God welcomes us all.

Hearing assistance devices are available from the sound booth.

**Bold** signifies congregation participation.

\*Rising as able

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### Prelude

*Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow* Carol Doran  
Leslie Soich, mezzo  
Mallory Bernstein, piano

### Welcome

Louise Westfall

### 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 up-hold me;  
O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

### Call to Worship (praying Psalm 63) Rob Habiger

O God, you are my God. I seek you, my soul thirsts for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.**

Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

**So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips when I meditate on you in the night;

**For you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.**

### \*Hymn 35 ~

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

### Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, with all that we are, we praise you! In song, through words, in the inner recesses of our hearts, we seek connection with you. We acknowledge that we're easily distracted and immersed in our own concerns and fail to listen for your still small voice. Forgive our silence when we should speak, and our words when they drown you out. Open to us the wonder of prayer and nourish us through practice. We pray in your name.**

### Silent Prayer

### Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, take hold of the good news:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored to new life!**

### \*Response



All those who are of ten-der heart, for -  
giv-ing oth-ers take your part, sing God's prai-ses, Al-le - lu-ia!  
Christ bears your bur-dens and your fears, so  
ev-en in the midst of tears, sing prai-ses, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-  
lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

### \*The Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*[Please share signs of peace with one another]*

**This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine! x3  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!**

### Dedication of Children

We rejoice in the Christian Dedication of Kairos Yankho Masamba and Sherry Mufaro Masamba, son and daughter of Maggie and Henry Masamba, born June 11, 2021 and February 16, 2024. Elder Celeste Habiger assisting.

### Reading from Scripture (Mark 10:13-16)

Some people brought children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples scolded the people.

When Jesus noticed this he said to his disciples, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will never enter it."

Then he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on each of them, and blessed them.

## Promise of the Parents

## Promise of the Congregation

## Prayer of Dedication

[children may depart to the Bible Story Chapel]

## Scripture Reading

Luke 11:1-13

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

## Sermon

*Nourishing Faith (1): Prayer*

Louise Westfall

## Moments for Silent Prayer

**Witness** *Appreciating Our Staff* Ron LaRocque

## Offering

*Green Prayer Request Cards and Welcome Cards are located in the pew racks. Please put them and your offering in the collection plates as they are passed.*

*To give via sms, please text "centraldenver" (no spaces) to 73256. You will be asked to enter your credit card info. Thank you for your gifts.*

## Offertory

*I Surrender All*

arr. Mark Hayes  
Leslie Soich, mezzo  
Mallory Bernstein, piano

## \*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow;  
praise Christ all crea - tures here be - low;  
praise Ho - ly Spi - rit e - ver - more;  
praise tri - une God whom we a - dore. A - men.

## Prayers of the Church

*In silence, you are invited to circle one word from each of the columns of the sheet provided. Blanks in each column are for additional words you may choose. When invited, please read aloud your seven word prayer.*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

God of compassion, **we offer our prayers to you.**

## 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.**

## \*Hymn 547

*Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

## Charge and Blessing

## Postlude

*The Church's One Foundation*

Samuel Sabastian Wesley  
Mallory Bernstein, piano

-indicates a favorite hymn of a Central member. Please submit your favorites to Pastor Louise for use in an upcoming service.

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## DENVER PRIDEFEST

### SATURDAY, JUNE 22nd from 9am-11:30am

Celebrate the LGBTQ+ community by volunteering at the 5K Finish Line Support in Civic Center Park. Please contact ezemanick@gmail.com to participate.

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## DENVER PRIDEFEST

### SUNDAY, JUNE 23rd

Denver Pride Parade will begin at **9:30am** on Sunday, June 23rd. Heading west on Colfax, the parade spans 14 blocks and ends near Civic Center Park, where the celebrations continue at day two of Denver PrideFest. Please be aware of potential traffic, Colfax closures, and parking issues, and allow extra time to get to Central. Don't you love attending a downtown church in a vibrant city?

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The Memorial Service for Edna Sheldon will be held at Central on Saturday, June 22nd at 2pm. A special thanks to Pam Bartczak for coordinating the light reception to follow. Street parking available as well as use of the Wells Fargo Lot at 1700 Sherman Street. Parking vouchers available at the church for free parking. All are welcome.



## We are glad to be worshipping with you today

and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Central Presbyterian Church.

**Free Sunday Parking** | 8:00am - 1:30pm

**Key Park** is located across the street, with its main entrance on 16th Avenue.

**Wells Fargo Center Parking Garage.** You must get a parking validation ticket from an usher. When exiting garage insert your entry ticket into the exit column followed by the parking validation ticket.

**Elderly and differently-abled individuals** may park in the three staff parking spaces and the three handicapped parking spaces in front of the church.

## Online Giving

Set up one-time or automatic giving for your offerings. [www.centraldenver.com/give](http://www.centraldenver.com/give)

## Children in Worship

Central values having all generations worshipping together. All children are welcome in the worship space each and every Sunday. We enjoy and expect the joyful noises of children as they are a vibrant part of our faith community.

- Nursery Care for infants and toddlers is available from 9:30-11:45am
- Worship activity bags are available from our staff in the front east box seats in the Sanctuary. Children may remain in that area throughout the service, where staff will be present.

Contact Molly Brown at [molly@centraldenver.com](mailto:molly@centraldenver.com) with questions or to be added to the Children, Youth and Families mailing list (weekly emails with events and more).

## Join Us for Worship Online

For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we continue to livestream our morning worship service at 10:30am: [centraldenver.com/livestream](http://centraldenver.com/livestream). *Those without internet access are invited to listen to the morning service via phone by calling 1.339.207.6673 at the time of the service.*

## Weekly Email Newsletter

The best way to stay informed about activities at Central is to subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter, which goes out every Thursday at 6:30pm. Sign up at: [www.centraldenver.com/contact](http://www.centraldenver.com/contact)

*The deadline for copy for the bulletin and the eVoice is 10am on Tuesday morning. Any submissions after this deadline will be featured in the following week's publication.*



## Ways to Connect

### Serendipity Women's Group

Serendipity, an informal group open to all women, meets June 13 at the home of Nileen Hart in Westminster. Join us for conversation and refreshments from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. RSVPs to [nileenh@comcast.net](mailto:nileenh@comcast.net) or 303.807.4520.

### Men's Night Out

#### Saturday, June 29th

MNO is going on a field trip! On June 29th, we will be visiting the Veterans Memorial Museum in Broomfield, located at Hwy 36 and Wads Pkwy. This museum is the only museum in Colorado dedicated to veterans. We will meet at the museum at noon for pizza (donations appreciated), then we will tour the museum, which is free and open until 3pm. Please feel free to bring your spouse, children and grandchildren. RSVP to Jim Hart: [jamesrhart@comcast.net](mailto:jamesrhart@comcast.net) or 303.378.9829 or Chuck Stevenson 303.929.7433.

### Theology on Tap

#### Thursdays, 7:00pm

We get together at local breweries to enjoy fellowship and discuss questions of faith. Please contact Pastor Louise to be added to the email list for locations.

### Central Connections

Gatherings for couples and singles primarily in their 20's and 30's seeking connections in the city. Contact Pastor Louise to be added to the email list.

### Women's Bible Study

#### 2nd Thursdays, 10:00am

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