



Central

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 12, 2025 | 10:30am

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

Adagio from Concerto in D Minor J.S. Bach
Miriam Kapner, oboe d'amore
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

Jack Westfall

In the presence of God whose Word has called the earth and the stars into being.

We worship in awe.

In the presence of God whose arms have held children,

We worship in trust.

In the presence of God whose breath has stirred within us and caused us to thirst for justice,

We worship in need.

Before you, Giver of Life, we come seeking love and justice and wholeness for ourselves and others.

Grant us faith to worship you in Spirit and truth, listening for your Word and rejoicing in your presence.

*Hymn 314

Christ Be our Light

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we remember your faithfulness to all generations. We thank you we can approach you not as strangers but as beloved children. Forgive us when we offer our praise with words apart from actions that reflect your love and grace, not just for ourselves, but for all. Help us be the light we know in you.

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!**

Time with Younger Church

[Children gather at the Table and take the light of Christ into the Bible Story Chapel for listening and learning.]

Scripture Reading

Luke 4: 16-22

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

Sermon

Louise Westfall
Into the Future (2): Fulfill God's Word

Journey by elevator or stairs to the Shepler Heritage Center for rededication, concluding worship, and fellowship time. Feel free to take a cup of coffee with you!

Sharing Our Heritage

Chris Primus

Prayer of Dedication

Louise Westfall

Witness

Fire + Light

Bruce Heagstedt

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.

Reception

Offertory

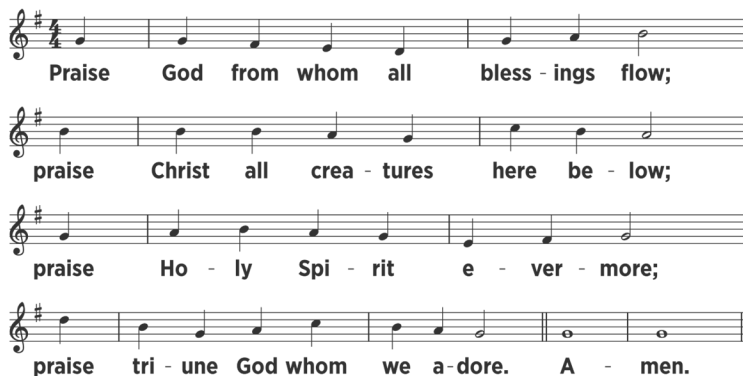
Siciliana from Concerto #8 in Eb Major G.F. Handel
Miriam Kapner, oboe d'amore
Mallory Bernstein, piano

FAREWELL TO PASTOR LOUISE

THIS IS THE DAY: A cantata in 4 movements commissioned as a celebration of Pastor Louise Westfall's life and work, will be performed at Central during worship on Sunday, January 26th. Central's Chancel Choir will perform with full orchestra conducted by the composer, M. Roger Holland II, to celebrate Pastor Louise's last Sunday at Central. After this musical offering featuring many special guests and Central friends from years past, lunch will follow for all in the Narthex complete with a time to share stories and reflect on the goodness of God and the blessing Pastor Louise has been to Central for the past nearly 14 years. You won't want to miss this!

*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

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.



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

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 in the Narthex.

Contact Molly Brown at 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. *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

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

To volunteer to host this year, please contact Carol Farnsworth, 720.838.5901 or carol.farnsworth@gmail.com. We meet on the second Thursday of the month.

Men's Night Out

John Vaughey will host at the Balfour at Riverfront in downtown Denver. Parking is free; tipping for parking is not allowed. Dress is casual and The Balfour will provide food and beverages. Upon arrival, ask the concierge for directions to the Sky Bar for Central Men's Night Out. Please RSVP to John at john@vaugheyus.com, or text to 918-629-3867.

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

Via Zoom

All women are welcome. Please visit centraldenver.com for access to the Zoom Link.

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