



Central

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 20, 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

Canzona Bergamasca Samuel Scheidt, arr. DeJong
The Denver Brass

Response in Song

Come on Rise Up Bruce Springsteen
additional lyrics by Tim Mooney

*There's a blood red circle on the cold dark ground ...
... this soul's in ruins, this world's in ruins.*

**Now with these hands, with these hands,
with these hands, with these hands:**

<i>I pray Lord,</i>	with these hands (x2)
<i>I pray for the strength Lord,</i>	with these hands (x2)
<i>I pray for the faith Lord,</i>	with these hands (x2)
<i>I pray for your love, Lord,</i>	with these hands (x2)
<i>I pray for the strength Lord,</i>	with these hands (x2)
<i>I pray for your love, Lord,</i>	with these hands (x2)
<i>I pray for the faith Lord,</i>	with these hands (x2)
<i>I pray for the strength, Lord,</i>	with these hands (x2)

[all rise as able]

*Come on, come on, **Come on rise up! (repeat)***

*Processional Hymn 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
Children are invited to process with spring flowers.

Welcome

Tim Mooney

Time with Younger Church

Lauren Berv
[Children may gather at the Table to hear and see the Bible Story.]

Jesus is Risen: Appearance to Mary Magdalene

Christ is risen! Raise the Alleluias!

These are the stories of God's people for God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Children will gather One Great Hour of Sharing fish boxes during this time.

Call to Worship (from Isaiah 25:6-9) Ron LaRocque

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food,

A feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples.

The sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,

And the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

*Response in Song Hymn 611

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

*Assurance of Forgiveness

He's alive, he's alive, he's alive and we're forgiven,
Heaven's Gates are opened wide!

**He's alive, he's alive, he's alive and we're forgiven,
Heaven's Gates are opened wide!**

He's alive, he's alive, he's alive, he's alive!

Friends, take hold of the good news:

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

*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!**

Proclamation of the Good News

John 20:1-10

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Tim Mooney

Heaven's Gates Are Open Wide

Moments for Silence

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

Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise! arr. Dan Forrest
Denise Lanning, organ
The Denver Brass

(please join the choir as directed)

Hail the day that sees Him rise, Alleluia!

To His throne beyond the skies, Alleluia!

Christ, the Lamb for sinners giv'n, Alleluia!

Enters now the highest heav'n Alleluia.

(to be sung twice, with choral interlude between)

*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'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 (sung by all; music at ends of pews)

Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah

George Frideric Handel
Denise Lanning, organ
The Denver Brass

Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. The Kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ; and he shall reign forever and ever. King of kings. And Lord of lords. Hallelujah! (Revelation 19 and 11)

*Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Galliard Battaglia, SSWV 59

Samuel Scheidt
The Denver Brass

Please enjoy refreshments and conversation in the narthex/lobby following the service.

Thank you for your care to beloved members who aren't able to gather to worship. A special thanks to the Deacons for coordinating these deliveries.

PLEASE NOTE: THE CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, APRIL 21st

THE CHANCEL CHOIR

Sopranos: Nileen Hart, Jacque Howard-Tornatore, Rachel Hutson, Allison Lee, Elizabeth Mirandi*, Catherine Nease, Cynthia Petty, Kirsten Schatz, Liza Smith, Levi Spanarella

Altos: Anne Bond, Phyllis Covey, Leila Heil, Cynthia Petty, Leslie Soich*, Ahna Smith, Kristin Staudt

Tenors: Christopher Ellmann, Terrence McKenzie*, Ryan Smith, Chris Wineman

Basses: Ron Covey, Jim Hart, Elizabeth Healy*, Don Nease, Chuck Stevenson

*[*Denotes Section Leader]*

Director of Music: Charis Smith

Pianist: Mallory Bernstein

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

Serendipity, an informal group welcoming all women, meets 6:30-8:30pm Thursday, May 8, at the home of Cheryl Fleetwood in the Central Park neighborhood. Renée Ferguson co-hosting. Friendship, conversation and refreshments is our agenda. RSVPs to cherylrfleetwood@gmail.com or 303.877.0211.

Men's Night Out

Gather in participants' homes for conversation, food and drink, with Central men of all ages. Please contact Larry Armstrong 303.875.7808 or Larry@larrydarmstrong.com for more information.

Theology on Tap

Thursdays, 7:00pm

We get together at local breweries to enjoy fellowship and discuss questions of faith. Please contact Charis Smith (charis@centraldenver.com) to be added to the email list for locations.

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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