



Central

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Eastertide by Tim Mooney

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 11, 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

We Have Come Into This House Bruce Ballinger
The Chancel Choir
Mallory Bernstein, piano

Welcome

Tim Mooney

Honoring Our Graduates

Molly Brown

Jack Brehmer	Chloe Meeks
Morgan Brown	Charlie Nyberg
Ana Colias	Jonas Skema

Gathering Music (seated)

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 (from Psalm 23)

Don Nease

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

You make me lie down in green pastures: you lead me beside still waters; you restore my soul.

You lead me in right paths for your name’s sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for you are with me.

Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

*Hymn 803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, we long for lives that are rich and fulfilling, living more fully from the gifts and talents you have given us. Yet at times we find ourselves holding back, tenuous, fearful of the responsibility of growing strong and bearing fruit. Forgive our fear; may we learn to trust our God-given gifts and live into the potential you have given us.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, let us ask, and we shall receive,

Let us seek, and we shall find.

Friends, believe 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!**

Scripture Reading

Luke 6:25-34
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Moments for Silence

Minute for Mission: Cuba

Lisa Schmidt

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

Before

Sean Paul
Ahna Smith, soloist
The Chancel Choir
Mallory Bernstein, piano

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH



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.

*Hymn 837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Let All Things Now Living

arr. Cindy Berry
Mallory Bernstein, piano

The flowers on the altar today are given by
Melinda Shalkey in loving memory of her
mother, Helen Shalkey.

PLEASE NOTE

**Next Sunday, May 18th, we will worship
with Peoples Presbyterian Church,
2780 York Street, Denver.**

**There will be no services at Central
that day because of the Colfax Marathon.
Please note worship begins at 10AM.
See you there!**

SAVE THE DATE

Our Annual Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 8th, following our 10:30am worship service at Central. Meet us at the NE corner of Wash Park (Virginia and Franklin streets near the Firehouse). Please join us for burgers and dogs; if you'd like to bring something, we welcome salads, sides and sweets.

JOIN US IN SUPPORTING THE PRESBYTERIAN CAMP IN CUBA

The Presbytery of Havana is asking for our support for their missions, especially the Presbyterian Camp in Cuba (CANIP). The opportunity to spend a few days at a camp in the country, with gardens, playgrounds, good food, and a swimming pool is a luxury in Cuba. For just \$100 you can sponsor an entire family's attendance at the camp. Please contribute to this meaningful opportunity. You can give via check to Central Presbyterian, writing "Cuba Camp" in the memo of your check, or by going to the church website, clicking "give" then "REALM online giving." Click on the pulldown "fund" menu and choose *Cuba Camp Fundraiser* at the very bottom.

Alternatively, consider supporting our Cuba mission trips by donating cash or any of the supplies listed in this week's eVoice. Email Molly Brown: molly@centraldenver.com for the list of items. Supplies will be collected in the Tower Room (off the Narthex) of the church.

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's annual summer potluck is set for June 12 in Jo Culbertson's backyard in the Capitol Hill neighborhood. All women are welcome. Come at 6pm and bring a dish to share. Car-pooling is encouraged. RSVPs to joculbertson@gmail.com or 303.861.9046. If you would like to host October 9 or November 13, contact Carol Farnsworth, 720.838.5901.

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 is in recess until the fall.

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