



Central

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 13, 2025 | 10:30 a.m.

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

Arpeggione Sonata, D. 821:
Allegro Moderato

Franz Schubert
Chris Jusell, violin
Mallory Bernstein, piano

Welcome

Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

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

Alfredo Kemm

Christ has set us free

Free to serve

Free to welcome and include

Free to love our neighbors as ourselves

*Hymn 301

Let Us Build a House

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we are becoming, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

God’s unconditional love does not seek appearances or see the categories and divisions we create, but loves in such a way that all are restored to wholeness. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*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!

First Reading

Psalm 82

Second Reading

Luke 10:25-37

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Unlikely Neighbors

Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

*Affirmation of Faith

from *The Sarasota Statement*

To be a Christian is to be continuously undone and remade by a Savior who encounters us in ways we might not expect, through a collection of people we might otherwise reject, screen, or censor. We commit to move beyond like-minded choruses that reinforce our biases, joining the community that reflects God's grace, Christ's kingdom, and the Spirit's action. We trust that God is always at work in our world and in our lives, giving us joy and calling us to be faithful to Jesus' vision of the kingdom.

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.

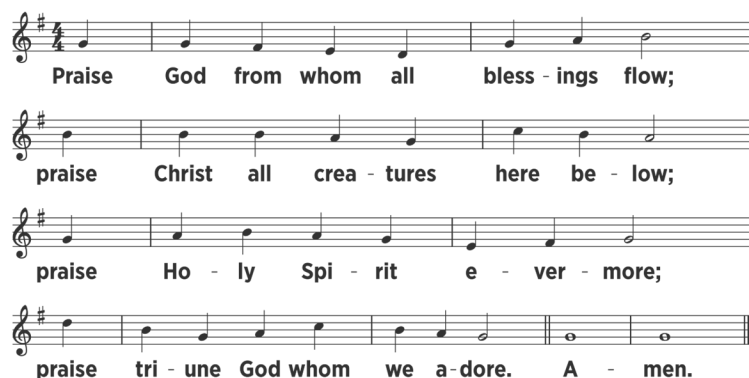
To give via sms, please text "centraldenver" (no spaces) to 73256. You will be asked to enter your credit card info. Thank you for your gifts.

Offertory

Arpeggione Sonata, D. 821: Adagio Franz Schubert
Chris Jusell, violin
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

...praying as Jesus taught us:

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 610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Arpeggione Sonata, D. 821: Allegretto

Franz Schubert
Chris Jusell, violin
Mallory Bernstein, piano

METRO CARING

Volunteer Opportunities

Wednesday, July 16 or 23 from 12:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m.

Join Metro Caring onsite (1100 E. 18th Ave.) for meaningful volunteer tasks.

Contact molly@centraldenver.com to participate.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Summer Choir is just around the corner. Meet us onstage at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, August 3 and learn a song to sing together in service at 10:30 a.m. All levels welcome; making music and leading worship together is the goal, not perfection. JOIN US!!

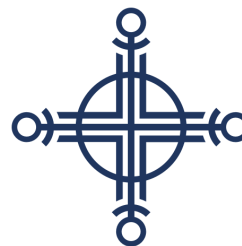
SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, August 20, 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Dinner with Heartbeat Denver

Help cook, serve, and dine with our neighbors from Heartbeat Denver Shelter on Central's front sidewalk!

Contact Dave Ramsey: dgdaramsey@comcast.net.



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 | 8:00 a.m.—1:30p.m.
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 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 a.m.—11:45 a.m.
- 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 10:30 a.m.: 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 6:30 p.m.. Sign up at: www.centraldenver.com/contact

The deadline for copy for the bulletin and the eVoice is 10:00 a.m. 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 the second Thursday of each month. Friendship, conversation and refreshments is our agenda. Contact Lynn Winterboer for more information: lynn@winterboer.net or 303.859.6233.

Men's Night Out

Thursday, July 24, 6:30 p.m.

Our July Men's Night out will have a special invited guest— our new Pastor Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra. She'll share what she sees and hopes for in our shared future. Hosted by Justin Schultz and Larry Armstrong at Larry's home in the Old Montclair neighborhood near the Lowry Town Center. Please RSVP to Larry@LarryDArmstrong.com 303.875.7808 or Justin Corppsyh@comcast.net 303.204.0849.

Theology on Tap

Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.

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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