



Central

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2, 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

To Spring

Edvard Grieg
Josh Sawicki, piano

Welcome

Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

*Call to Worship

Sherry Kenney

We gather to remember the saints—those who have gone before us in faith and love.

We give thanks for their witness, their courage, their joy.

We gather to be renewed in our calling—to live as saints here and now.

Ordinary and imperfect, yet called and beloved by God.

Come, let us worship the God of all generations.

Let us praise God's glorious grace in every age!

*Hymn 1

Holy, Holy, Holy

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God,
you call us your saints,
yet we confess how often we fall short
of that calling.

We forget your blessings and turn away from
the poor and the grieving.

We admire the heroes of faith but shrink from
the risks they took.

We long for your kingdom but resist the changes
it brings.

Forgive us, O God.

By your Spirit, renew your image within us,
so that, with all your saints, we may live as signs
of your hope and love.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

Nothing in all creation can ever separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. So great is the cloud of witnesses who remind us: by Christ's redeeming love, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Response

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in Your church gathered today.

*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

Ephesians 1:11-23

Second Reading

Luke 6:20-31

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

Sermon *Lowercase Saints* Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

*Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love
God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers in
the one body of Christ, the Church.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ
Jesus our Lord.

Season of Giving Witness

Nathan Eagan and Micaela Capelle

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

Jubilate Deo

Peter Angela
Chancel Choir
Mallory Bernstein, piano

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all
peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation and Blessing for All Saints

At Christ's table, we are united with saints past, present, and future, and we remember especially those who have died this past year: Gail Fisher, Lois Gaul, Janis Mourer, and Robert Primus.

Hymn 205 (seated)

Live in Charity (v.1 English, v.2 Latin, v.3 English)

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The prayer continues...
we join their unending hymn:

Sanctus Hymn 562 (seated)

The prayer continues...

The Lord's Prayer

Gather all our prayers, spoken and silent,
and unite them with the prayer 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.

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

[Please come forward down both aisles to receive the bread and cup. Please raise a hand if you prefer to be served in your seat. Gluten and nut-free elements are available on the Table]

The children will join us for Communion.

Prayer After Communion

Holy God, we give you thanks for this meal of grace that unites us with Christ and with all the saints who have gone before us. Strengthen us by your Spirit to live as your people in the world—ordinary, imperfect, and deeply beloved—that we may reflect your hope and share your love until all creation is made new in you. Amen.

*Hymn 326

For All the Saints

Charge and Blessing

Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

Postlude

Melody

Edvard Grieg
Josh Sawicki, piano

*Liturgy for the Blessing of All Saints was adapted from Open Table Nashville in Tennessee. From *We Pray Freedom: Liturgies and Rituals from the Freedom Church of the Poor*, eds. Liz Theoharis and Charon Hribar (Minneapolis: Broadleaf Books, 2025).

Save the Date

Sunday, November 16: East Classroom at 11:45 a.m.
Join Alfredo Kemm for *Embodied Presence—Sacred Belonging*. Alfredo will further this theme by exploring the contradictions and challenges of living and walking the path of Christ in an oppositional world. See you there!

Deacons' Request

In preparation for Central's Christmas tradition of visiting our fellow members who are unable to attend worship in person, Deacons are asking that you let us know of anyone who would like to have such a visit or if you could provide such a visit.

Please email deacons@centraldenver.com with the name and contact details for either.

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

November 13 in Littleton

Serendipity, an informal group welcoming all women, meets 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Thursday, November 13, at the home of Celeste Habiger in Littleton, co-hosted by Kris Schwarz. Friendship, conversation and refreshments is our agenda! RSVPs to rchabiger@gmail.com or 832.248.4101.

Men's Night Out

November 6 in Arvada

Our evening and program host, immigration attorney Ernesto Contreras, is new to Central. We'll be gathering in his Arvada home at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 6 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Larry Armstrong for address/ directions Larry@larrydarmstrong.com Please RSVP to Ernesto at eccolaw@gmail.com, or by text at 303.435.0471.

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

2nd Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.

Via Zoom

All women are welcome. Please visit centraldenver.com or email charis@centraldenver.com for access to the Zoom link.

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