



Central

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



A SERVICE OF INSTALLATION FOR REV. DOROTHY PIATT-ESGUERRA OCTOBER 26, 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

Be Thou My Vision trad., arr. Matheus Pagliacci
Matheus Pagliacci, piano

Greeting and Convening

Chris Wineman

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 67)

Theresa Varnado

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

**Let the light of your face shine upon us,
that your ways may be known upon the earth.**

May every nation and every person
know your empowering love and steadfast mercy.

**We come to worship the One who blesses
and sends, who gathers and scatters light in
every place.**

Come, let us walk together in the light of the Lord.

**We will praise God and bear God's light into
the world!**

*Hymn 749

Come! Live in the Light!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,
you call us to be the salt of the earth and the
light of the world,
but we sometimes fail to live as signs of your
grace and truth.
We forget that your Spirit works through us—
not for our glory, but for the good of all.
Forgive us when we dim your light through
pride or apathy,
when we resist shared work or shared joy.
Renew in us the mind of Christ:
humble, compassionate, and full of grace.
Shine through us again,
that our life together may reflect your light and love.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, hear the good news: God's mercy is deeper
than our mistakes and wider than our fears.
In Christ, we are forgiven and called again to reflect
God's love in all we say and do.

Thanks be to God!

**We will walk in grace and live as signs of
God's peace. 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

Stephanie Fritz

Philippians 2:1-5, 13-15

Second Reading

Lynne Taylor Clements

Matthew 5:13-16

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

Sermon

Light

Lynne Taylor Clements

Scriptural Litany of Gifts

Ruth McCollum Huff

There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit
who gives them.

**There are different ways of serving God, but it is
the same Lord who is served. God works through
each person in a unique way, but it is God's
purpose that is accomplished.**

To each is given a gift of the Spirit, to be used for
the common good.

**Together we are the body of Christ, and
individually members of it.**

Service of Installation (see insert)

Offering

This offering is normally received at the January Assembly and Ordination and Installation services to support the Presbytery's Special Needs' Fund. Through your generosity, we can provide pastoral care for our ministers, candidates, and their families when facing medical or financial concerns. Thank you for your gifts, enabling us to minister to our ministers.

Please make checks payable to the Presbytery of Denver or donate online at <https://denpres.org/give>. Thank you!

Offertory

Wade In the Water

arr. James Abbington
Chancel Choir
Matheus Pagliacci, 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

Fernando Rodriguez and Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

Invitation

Hymn 507 (seated)

Come to the Table of Grace

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 Lord's Prayer

...praying as Jesus taught us to pray:

**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

*Hymn 741

Guide My Feet

Charge and Blessing

Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

Postlude

We've Come This Far by Faith

trad., arr Matheus Pagliacci
Matheus Pagliacci, piano

We are truly grateful for all the leaders of and participants in today's installation service. Please join us for a reception (in the Narthex) following the service as we continue to celebrate the installation of the Rev. Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra as Pastor of Central Presbyterian Church. Everyone is invited to attend!

Members of the Administrative Commission
Rev. Lynn Gifford Bell
Elder Stephanie Fritz, Community of Grace
Rev. Ruth McCollum Huff, Moderator,
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Elder Josh Trimble, Central Presbyterian
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Elder Theresa Varnado, People's Presbyterian
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Elder Chris Wineman, Vice Moderator, Denver
Presbytery

Guest Preacher

Rev. Lynne Taylor Clements, Associate Pastor
at Westminster Presbyterian Church,
Charlottesville, VA

Liturgy source for the service of installation:
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Office of Theology and
Worship, *Book of Common Worship* (Louisville:
Westminster John Knox Press, 2018).

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 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. 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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