

Central Happenings

SUNDAY – November 12

10:00am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)

MONDAY – November 13

7:00pm Deacons (Fitch Parlor)

WEDNESDAY – November 15

10:00am WOW (Fitch Parlor)

12:00pm Charity Knitters (Discipleship)

5:30pm Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY – November 16

10:00am Library Team (Fitch Parlor)

7:00pm Central Choir Practice (Rehearsal Hall)

The LUM Community Thanksgiving dinner needs 10 turkeys cooked. Please call or email the church office to let us know how many turkeys you are willing to cook. Turkeys, pans and instructions will be provided.

Hanging of the Greens will take place immediately after the worship service on November 26. Many hands make light work to transform our sanctuary for Advent and Christmas.

Jubilee is Saturday, December 9. We are very excited to support 11 families, including 23 children and 5 teens. Gift wish lists will be available soon. Please mark unwrapped gifts with family number and child number. Gifts can be dropped at Central Presbyterian, Monday - Friday 9:30am - 12:00noon. Ring the door at the 7th Street entrance. You may also leave the toys in the collection barrels during worship. Just think of the smiles on Christmas morning!

Poinsettias are given and displayed in the sanctuary during Advent in memory or honor of loved ones or friends. Please use the order form or email the church at receptionist@centralpreschurch.org. Be sure to include your name, the name(s) of the person(s) being memorialized/honored and a check for \$17.00 each.

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Adult Music & Organist: Jeffry Stearns
Adult Handbells: Janice Spitalniak
Celebration Music: Paul Foster
Custodian: Bob Hill

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Central Presbyterian Church

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2023



Welcome

Prelude “A Joyful Carillon” (Michael Bedford)

***Call to Worship** Cris King

Leader: People of God, listen:

People: the Lord has done marvelous things.

Leader: Teach your children all that God has done

People: so that they may live in hope and die in peace.

***Hymn** “O Lord My God” 625

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy and gracious God, you are all light and wonder and glory. You are our strength and our delight; you give us all we need to live. Yet we are distracted by all that glitters, continually grasping for more. Rather than trust in your provision, we chase after our own happiness. Forgive us, Lord, and turn us back to you. Overwhelm us with your goodness and cover us with grace, for we know that you are the source of life, the fount of all that is good. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Hear the good news: Nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Believe the gospel! We are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Congregational Response**

“Glory to God in the Highest” (back cover Hymnal)

***Passing of the Peace**

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Anthem “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee” (St. Bernard/Clark)

Second Reading Matthew 25:1-13

Message “Oil for Our Journey” Rev. Wil Reinowski

***Hymn** “Seek Ye First” 175

***Affirmation of Faith** Apostles’ Creed (page 35 Hymnal)

***Congregational Response** “Gloria Patri” 581

Call To Prayer

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Offering

The offering basket is located at the back of the west aisle of the sanctuary. Feel free to leave your offering at any time.

Offertory “Better Is One Day” (Matt Redman)

***Doxology** 606

***Prayer of Dedication (Unison):**

Gracious God, receive our gifts, tokens of thanks for your extravagant blessings, signs of trust in your coming reign of justice, peace, and love; in Jesus’ name. Amen.

***Hymn** “Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers” 362

***Benediction**

Postlude “Postlude” (Adolph Hesse)



** Please stand as you are able.*

MUSIC NOTES-The anthem “Jesus the Very Thought of Thee” is based on a 12th century text by St. Bernard of Clairvaux (see hymn 629). St. Bernard was a French religious student of sacred scripture and wrote the treatise “Grace and Free Will.” Arlen Clark is a living contemporary composer. Clark wrote the anthem melody and accompaniment using the medieval Gregorian Chant mode I.



In Our Prayers ✨

We pray for healing and comfort for Shirley West, Don Racheter, Peg Wier and Ben Camilotto son of Lou and Carol. We also pray for our Special Care friends Marty & Harry Hudlow.