

Central Happenings

SUNDAY – May 5

10:00am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)

WEDNESDAY – May 8

10:00am WOW (Fitch Parlor)

12:00pm Charity Knitters (Discipleship)

5:30pm Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY – May 9

7:00pm Central Choir Practice (Rehearsal Hall)

Musical News: The choir anthem “Non Nobis, Domine” is a paraphrase of Psalm 115:1 with music by William Byrd (1534-1623). Translation of the original Latin is “Not unto us, O Lord, but unto your great name be the glory, Alleluia!”

Fellowship News: There are two celebration opportunities coming up in June that we are planning!

~ **Calling all Graduates:** if you, or someone you know, has graduated since 2020 (CPC is a little behind), please call/email the church office to share that exciting news. We want to celebrate all grads on June 9.

~ **Calling all baseball fans:** CPC is sending congregants to the June 23 Lafayette Aviators baseball game (at Columbia Park). First pitch is 3 pm. We just need to know how many tickets to reserve in your name. Please contact the church office to let us know!

Pastor: Wil Reinowski
Traditional Music & Organist: Jeffrey Stearns
Adult Handbells: Janice Spitalniak
Contemporary Music: Paul Foster
Custodian: Bob Hill
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Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 28, 2024



Welcome

Prelude

“City of God”

(Dan Schutte)

*Call to Worship

Roy Johnson

Leader: Let us offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God,
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

People: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

*Hymn

“You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaims”

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin, but we confess that we have not obeyed your word. We have harbored malice toward our enemies; we have been deceitful in our relationships; we have been insincere in our commitments; through gossip we have slandered our friends. Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance. Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk that we may grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Sisters and brothers, once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

***Congregational Response** "Glory to God" (back cover Hymnal)

***Passing of the Peace**

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Psalm 22:25-31

Anthem

"Non Nobis, Domine" (Wm. Byrd)

Second Reading

John 15:1-8

Message

"Rooted and Grounded" Rev. Wil Reinowski

***Hymn**

"God of the Sparrow" 22

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed (page 35 Hymnal)

***Congregational Response** "Gloria Patri" (back cover Hymnal)

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

"I Will Rise" (Chris Tomlin)

***Doxology**

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

Almighty God, receive the gifts we bring in gratitude for your astounding goodness. Make our lives to be an acceptable offering in union with our risen Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever. Amen.

***Hymn**

"I Danced in the Morning" 157

***Benediction**

Postlude

"You Servants of God" (Hanover)



** Please stand as you are able.*

In Our Prayers

We pray for the family of Don Jafvert as he enters the Church Triumphant, especially his wife, Bess, and son, Chad. We also pray for our Special Care friends Joyce Herendeen and Lens Hernandez.

Ongoing prayers

Barbara Doering, Pam Young, Bill Hatfield, and Peg Wier.

Announcements

There is a congregational letter this week for Don Jafvert's family.

Please use the Ritual of Friendship pads to let us know you're with us today. Whether you are in person or on-line, you can also sign in at centralpreschurch.org/friendship

In our effort to be inclusive of those who are unable to be with us in person, we live stream our worship services online. For those who are camera-shy, seating is available in the back two rows of the main floor or anywhere in the balcony.

A gentle reminder that Per Capita gifts connect us to the work of the Presbytery of Wabash Valley, the Synod of Lincoln Trails, and the Office of the General Assembly. This year, Per Capita is \$43 per Member. Members, please place your check in the offering basket or mail it to the church office with "Per Capita" in the memo line. Thank you!