

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Hear the good news! Our guilty hearts have been sprinkled clean, our bodies washed with pure water. Live in peace, forgiven and freed.

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Receiving New Members

Keith Cotter

***Congregational Response** “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (verse 1) 306

*Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Psalm 16

Anthem

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” (arr. Foster)

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-25

Message

“Encouragement in Community” Rev. Wil Reinowski

*Hymn

“O God, Be Gracious” 776

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles’ Creed (page 35 Hymnal)

***Congregational Response** “Gloria Patri” (back cover Hymnal)

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 “Hosanna” (Ligertwood)

***Doxology** 606

*Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

How can we thank you, O God, for all that you have done? You give us life; you give us hope; you give us your very self. Take our offerings—and our very selves—that your will may be done in our church, in our community, and throughout your wide and beautiful world. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

*Hymn

“Build Your Kingdom Here”
(Gilkeson, Llewellyn, Herron)

*Benediction

Postlude “Come, Thou Almighty King” (arr. Hustad)



** Please stand as you are able.*

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 centralpreschurchurch.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.

The LUM Community Thanksgiving dinner needs 2 more 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.

It is time to work on Jubilee Christmas for the families at LUM. Please see the insert that outlines our needs. We are still looking for cookies and volunteers for the event on December 14. If you do not want to shop, please consider a financial gift to help us meet the needs of the 11 families we are serving.

Central will be hosting the Presbytery of Wabash Valley Assembly meeting on Tuesday December 3. Several volunteers are needed to help with greeting, checking in, serving morning coffee, handing out lunch boxes, set-up and clean-up. Times needed: 9a.m – 1p.m. See Kathy Meeks.

In Our Prayers

We pray for Jennifer Shook on the death of her mother; please sign the congregational letter for her family located in the gathering area.
We also pray for our Special Care Friends Terry West and Rita Zachariah.

Central Happenings

SUNDAY – November 17

10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00 a.m. Book Signing (Fitch Parlor)

WEDNESDAY – November 20

10:00 a.m. WOW (Fitch Parlor)
12:00 p.m. Charity Knitters (Discipleship)
5:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Cover, former Associate Pastor at Central, will sign copies of his new book, *Going Public: How Biblical People Help Us Find Our Voices for Public Life*, following worship today in Fitch Parlor. Light refreshments will be provided. Copies of the book will be available for purchase by cash or check.

The Hanging of the Greens will take place immediately after the worship service next week on November 24. Many hands make light work to transform our sanctuary for Advent and Christmas. Plus, it's fun!

Pastor: Wil Reinowski
Adult Handbells: Janice Spitalniak
Director of Contemporary Music: Paul Foster
Interim Organist: Doug Fletcher
Custodian: Bob Hill
Administrator & Christian Educator: Jennifer Shook

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Central Presbyterian Church

The Reign of God: Love, Commitment, and Hope

Sunday, November 17, 2024



Welcome

Prelude "Rejoice and Ring Praises" (Robert B. Allen)

***Call to Worship** Deb Hester

Leader: Bless the Lord who counsels and guides us.

People: **Because we keep the Lord ever before us, we shall not be moved.**

Leader: Rejoice! Let your hearts be glad!

People: **Let your spirits rejoice and your bodies rest secure.**

Leader: For God does not give us up to death, but shows us the path of life.

People: **Praise the Lord!**

***Hymn** "This Is My Father's World" 370

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of grace, all around us are wars, and rumors of wars, and we are afraid for ourselves and our world. We follow false leaders and grasp for whatever security we can find. Forgive us, Lord, for we are quick to forget that all of life is in your hands. Renew our hope, increase our courage, and keep us watchful for the signs of your just and peaceful reign that is to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.