

In Our Prayers ✠

We pray for Roslynn Bol for continued healing. We also pray for our Special Care friends, Edith Short and Ralph Smith.

Central Happenings

SUNDAY – June 1

10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary/Online)

MONDAY – June 2

6:00 p.m. Scouts (Scout Room)

WEDNESDAY – June 4

10:00 a.m. Women of the Word (Fitch Parlor)

12:00 p.m. Charity Knitters (Discipleship)

THURSDAY – June 5

10:00 a.m. Library Team (Fitch Parlor)

6:15 p.m. Saints Softball versus Heath CPA (Arni Cohen Field 2)

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.

Our greeter this morning is Monie Krueger.

Pastor: Wil Reinowski
Adult Handbells: Janice Spitalniak
Organist: Doug Fletcher
Custodian: Bob Hill

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Central Presbyterian Church

Ascension of the Lord

Living with the End in Mind

June 1, 2025



Welcome

Prelude

"Ave Verum Corpus"

(W.A. Mozart)

*Call to Worship

Roy Johnson

Leader: The Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

People: The Lord has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

Leader: The Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

People: Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.

Leader: The Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

People: Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.

Leader: The Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

People: Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O Lord, forever and forever more.

Unison: The Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

*Hymn

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, day by day we have failed to believe in your presence and your promised forgiveness. We have not trusted in your power to give the riches we cannot see. We have not honored our sisters and brothers as heirs of your desired peace. We have not forgiven others or ourselves. Give us the wisdom and faith to be your body on earth, that we may rejoice in the presence of your saving bounty, to the glory of your ascended Son. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: By the power of the Holy Spirit, as a witness to the death and resurrection of Christ Jesus and the assurance of pardon in Jesus' name, know that our sins are forgiven, that with renewed life we may serve this creation and the people of God in peace and strength. God is with us.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

***Passing of the Peace**

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Psalm 97

Children's Time

Second Reading Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

Message "Come, Lord Jesus!" Rev. Wil Reinowski

***Hymn** "My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout (Canticle of the Turning)" 100

Lord's Supper

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

** Please stand as you are able.*

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The prayer continues, ending with "sing to the glory of your name..."

Response "Holy, Holy, Holy" (back cover Hymnal)

The prayer continues with an invitation to the Lord's Prayer. Please join in the language God has it on your heart.

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Lord's Supper

Prayer After Communion

***Hymn** "Let Us Break Bread Together" 525

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 "O How He Loves You and Me" (Kurt Kaiser)

***Doxology** 606

*Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

Gracious and giving God, you are the One who first has given to us all that we need for life. Guide us to use what we now gather for the well-being of your church, for those in need of shelter and food, for all who suffer for want of your Word, and for nurturing faith in your people. In the name of Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn** "Soon and Very Soon" 384

*Benediction

Postlude "Credo" (J. Haydn)

