

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Psalm 82

Children's Time

Second Reading Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Message "Leaning on a Great Cloud" Rev. Wil Reinowski

***Hymn** "Lord, When I Came into This Life" 691

Receiving New Member Ellie Zadeh

***Affirmation of Faith** [Adapted from *A Brief Statement of Faith*, PC(USA)]

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

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

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

****Please stand as you are able.***

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 "Come Thou Fount" (Gordon Young)

***Doxology** 606

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

Surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, we faithfully add our gifts to those who have gone before us throughout the generations. Bless these gifts that they may yield an increase for the spreading of your love in the world. Amen.

***Hymn** "Today We Are All Called to Be Disciples" 757

***Benediction**

Postlude "Adante in F" (Beethoven)



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.

In Our Prayers ✝

We pray for David Strand and Shirley West for health concerns. We pray for our Special Care Friends, Don Nead and Marilyn Pryor.

Central Happenings

SUNDAY – August 17

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

11:00 a.m. Willowstone Reception (Fitch Parlor)

MONDAY – August 18

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

WEDNESDAY – August 20

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

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

THURSDAY – August 21

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

Please sign the congregational letter for the family of W. Perry Thayer, III on the table in the Gathering Space, and keep the family in prayer.

Rise Against Hunger meal packing event is Sunday, August 31 from 1-3pm. To register for this fun and high energy hunger fighting activity use this link: <https://www.riseagainsthunger.org/register/?id=701Pj00000amS6wIAE> or sign up at the reception desk. Flyers are available to share with friends, family and other organizations.

Come meet Willowstone – TODAY following worship in the Fitch Parlor. Willowstone is a United Way Agency that provides outpatient mental health counseling, child development support, teen drug prevention classes, and parenting support groups.

Our greeter this morning is Joe Riley.

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

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Final Instructions

August 17, 2025



Welcome

Prelude

“Marching to Zion”

(Lowry)

*Call to Worship

Kristie Sherman

Leader: God rescues the weak and the needy.

People: Blessed be the one, holy and living God, now and forever.

*Hymn

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy God, we have failed to seek after your wisdom and have followed paths that have led away from you. Forgive our foolish ways, and lead us in your truth, that we may live in the fullness of life as you intend through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: God is merciful and just. Therefore, be reconciled to the Lord and to one another, walking in the light of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Congregational Response

“Glory to God”

(back cover Hymnal)

*Passing of the Peace