

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Mothering God, we have chased after foolish things, and spent our strength on vanity. Our labor has been in vain. Deliver us from arrogance and forgive our self-concern, that we may find our reward with you, as servants of your dream. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Beloved, you are forgiven in Christ, the Lamb who bears our sin.

People: Happy are those who put their trust in God.

*Congregational Response “Glory to God” (back cover Hymnal)

*Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Isaiah 49:1-7

Children’s Time

Second Reading John 1:29-42

Message “The Gift of Unbridled Curiosity” Rev. Wil Reinowski

*Hymn “Open My Eyes, That I May See” 451

*Affirmation of Faith

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

* Please stand as you are able.

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 “O How He Loves You and Me” (Kaiser)

*Doxology 606

*Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

Holy God, you raise us up when we fall and place our feet on steady ground. Receive the gifts we bring, and use them—and us—for the common good, that your saving love may reach to the ends of the earth. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

*Hymn “Arise, Your Light Is Come!” 744

*Benediction

Postlude “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” (Duffield)



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 Chip Goldsberry for continued healing. We pray for Carol Davis for health concerns. We also pray for our Special Care friends, especially Pat and Tom Smith.

Central Happenings

SUNDAY – January 18

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

MONDAY – January 19

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

WEDNESDAY – January 21

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

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

5:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rehearsal Hall)

THURSDAY – January 22

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

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of Central Presbyterian Church is called for Sunday, January 25, immediately after the 10:00 a.m. service. The Annual Report will be posted online, and printed copies will be available at the meeting and by request. Members, please plan to attend.

We're glad to offer free WiFi access throughout the building. Join the network *CPC – Guest* and use the password: *Welcome2025!* (don't forget the exclamation point).

All college students are invited to have lunch on Central. Please find Terry and Lynne Phillips in the Gathering Space immediately after the service to say you're joining in.

The greeter this morning is Kristie Sherman.

Pastor: Wil Reinowski
Congregation Coordinator: Jessica Pisarski
Adult Handbells: Janice Spitalniak
Organist: Doug Fletcher
Custodian: Bob Hill

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Central Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Gifts That Keep on Giving

Sunday, January 18, 2026



Welcome

Prelude

"Prelude in G Minor"

(J. S. Bach)

*Call to Worship

Alex Moon

Leader: Sing a new song,

People: A song of thanks and praise.

Leader: For God has done wondrous deeds,

People: And is great beyond compare!

*Hymn

"Be Thou My Vision"

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