

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Rescuing God, you brought us out of the land of captivity, out of the house of slavery. Forgive us when we willingly return to slavery, making divine the machine of production, crafting idols from the excess of consumption. Forgive us when we consider ourselves so grand that we do not rest and enjoy your presence, defining ourselves by our ability rather than your love. Forgive us when we esteem ourselves so little that we dare not rest and sit with ourselves, exposed, without the cloak of productivity. Forgive us when we deem our species so central that we do not rest and halt consumption, decimating Earth, denying her Sabbath and integrity. Forgive us through Christ, who redeems us from the brokenness of slavery that we might enjoy your presence, creation, and community. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Righteousness does not come from our own doing or not doing. Righteousness comes from God, by faith. Through the faithfulness of Christ, our Lord, 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 Exodus 20:1–4, 7–9, 12–20

Second Reading Matthew 21:33–46

Children’s Time

The Word in Music Heart & Soul

*Hymn “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” 39

Lord’s Supper

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

**Please stand if you are able.*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord

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

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

Minute For Mission

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 Breathe on Me, O Breath of God”
(Traditional Irish Melody)

*Doxology 606

*Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

As the bride offers all that she is and all that she has to her bridegroom, so we offer ourselves to you, our heavenly bridegroom. May these offerings increase our joy and reflect your glory. Amen.

*Hymn “God of Grace and God of Glory” 307

*Benediction

Postlude “My Lord What A Morning” (arr. Adam & Matt Podd)



In Our Prayers

We pray for PCUSA organizations around the globe doing the ministries of justice supported by the World Communion Offering. We pray for our Special Care Friends, Harry and Marty Hudlow.

Central Happenings

SUNDAY – October 4

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

WEDNESDAY – October 7

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 – October 8

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

Our greeter this morning is Jeannene Ackerman.

Join us today (Sunday) after worship for a catered buffet meal that we will share with the students of Heart and Soul and our other college students. The menu will be: Chicken Marsala, Cheese Vegetarian Lasagna, Gouda au gratin Potatoes, Sweet Baby Carrots, Buttered Broccoli, Apple Pecan and Baby Spinach Salad, and Pumpkin Cheesecake. No reservations are necessary. All are welcome.

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.

Pastor: Wil Reinowski
Transitional Administrator: Jessica Pisarski
Choir Director: Scott Hines
Adult Handbells: Janice Spitalniak
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Central Presbyterian Church

Stewardship & World Communion Sunday

Thriving

October 4, 2026



Welcome

Prelude

"Ave Verum Corpus"

(W.A. Mozart)

*Call to Worship

Cris King

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God!

People: The skies proclaim God's handiwork.

Leader: The day pronounces God's glory without a sound, the night expounds God's knowledge without a word,

People: and yet their voice goes out through all the earth.

Leader: Let us join our voices with the voice of creation

People: in declaring God's glory!

*Hymn

"O God, by Your Mercy, We Come to This Place"

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