



Central Presbyterian Church

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May 19, 2024
Day of Pentecost/ Homecoming Day

Welcome

Announcements

Please take a quiet moment to prepare your heart for worship.

Prelude *“See How Great A Flame Aspires”* Smith

Prayer of Preparation *(for your personal use, during Prelude)*

Lord, as we worship today on Pentecost Sunday, give us a vision. Move us by Your Holy Spirit. Bring good news to us all. Bring freedom and peace to broken people, and let us get a taste of Heaven here on Earth. Amen.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Call to Worship – From Romans 8:22-27

L: We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now;

P: **and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.**

L: For in hope, we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen?

P: **But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.**

L: Likewise, the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.

P: **And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.**

***Hymn** *“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”* RED #313

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Spirit of God, we hesitate and doubt. You call us to act boldly but our fear keeps us from following Your call. Forgive our lack of courage. Embolden us to dream big and trust the Spirit to fill us and use us. Help us be Christ’s church without hesitation. Guided by Your Holy Spirit, help us usher in Your kingdom to come. Amen. *(Time of silence for personal reflection)*

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

L: Peace be with you.

P: And also with you.

*Gloria Patri *“Glory Be to the Father”*

PH #579

Chancel Choir *“A Canticle of Peace”*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Thanking God for Our Church Family

Pastor Ryan

New Testament Reading/Sermon Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon *“It’s A Homecoming!”*

Pastor Ryan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith – From Philippians 2

“Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted Him and gave Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” Amen.

*Hymn *“Just As I Am”*

RED #260

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

L: God of Mercy,

P: hear our prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Offertory

“Simple Gifts”
(With Tallis’ Canon)

*Doxology

PH #591

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD
INTO THE WORLD**

*Hymn	“<i>Spirit</i>”	PH #319
*Charge and Blessing		
Postlude	“<i>Jubilate</i>”	Wolford

Please be seated for the Postlude.

Worship Leader:	Pastor Ryan Edgecombe
Greeter/Usher:	Brianne, Ava & Ethan Satorius
Liturgist:	Brianne Satorius
Choral Director:	Rich Ford
Organist:	Emma Lou Denton
Pianist:	Julia Territo

FYI: There is a potluck luncheon in the Fellowship Hall following today’s worship service. Please join us for food and conversation!

****Please stand, if able*** CCLI License #2716138
Hymnals: PH-blue hard cover; Red-red hard cover; SF-small blue soft cover

****Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, and Prayer of Illumination taken from *The Presbyterian Outlook*.**