



Central Presbyterian Church

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April 28, 2024
5th Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Announcements

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

Prelude

“Song of the Morning”

Hughes

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

Lord Jesus Christ, you said, “I am the vine, you are the branches.” Help us each day to see you more clearly, follow you more nearly; and love you more dearly, that we may be grafted more and more into your divine life and bear you good fruit, for the transformation of this hurting world. Amen.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Call to Worship – From Psalm 22:25-31

L: I will praise You in the great assembly. I will fulfill my vows in the presence of those who worship You.

P: The poor will eat and be satisfied. All who seek the Lord will praise Him. Their hearts will rejoice with everlasting joy.

L: The whole earth will acknowledge the Lord and return to Him. All the families of the nations will bow down before Him.

P: For royal power belongs to the Lord. He rules all the nations.

L: Let the rich of the earth feast and worship. Bow before Him, all who are mortal; all whose lives will end as dust.

P: Our children will also serve Him. Future generations will hear about the wonders of the Lord.

L: His righteous acts will be told to those not yet born. They will hear about everything He has done.

*Hymn

“Great is the Lord”

SF #2022

Call to Confession

Litany of Confession

L: Christ Jesus, we hear Your invitation: “follow Me.”

P: **And we want to follow,**

L: but we also want to stay where we are.

P: **We want to receive what You offer,**

L: but we also want to cling to what we already have.

All: **And so we are stuck.**

L: Holy One,

All: **Calm our fears. Forgive our selfishness. Loosen our grip
and liven our feet.** *(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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Time with Young Disciples

New Testament Reading.

1 John 4:7-21

Gospel Reading/Sermon Reading

John 15:1-8

Sermon

“Abide in the Vine”

Pastor Ryan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith – From Romans 8

“We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Amen.

***Hymn** **“I Need Thee Every Hour”** **RED #340**

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

L: God of Mercy,

P: hear our prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Offertory *“A Quiet Melody”* Martin

***Doxology** **PH #591**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

***Hymn** **“Abide With Me”** **RED #554**

***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude *“Precise God!”* Livingston

Please be seated for the Postlude.

Worship Leader:	Pastor Ryan Edgecombe
Greeter/Usher:	Rich Ford
Liturgist:	Janet Scheina
Pianist:	Rich Ford
Organist:	Emma Lou Denton

***Please stand, if able** CCLI License #2716138

Hymnals: PH-blue hard cover; Red-red hard cover; SF-small blue soft cover

*Litany of Confession and Assurance of Pardon taken from

www.spaciousfaith.com