



# Central Presbyterian Church

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**January 29, 2023**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

## Welcome

### Announcements

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

Prelude                    *“Toccata in the Style of Scarlatti”*                    Young

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

*Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### **\*Call to Worship [from Psalm 103:1-5]**

L: Let all that I am praise the Lord; with my whole heart, I will praise his holy name.

**P: Let all that I am praise the Lord; may I never forget the good things he does for me.**

L: He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases.

**P: He redeems me from death and crowns me with love and tender mercies.**

L: He fills my life with good things. My youth is renewed like the eagle's!

**\*Hymn “O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!” PH #476**  
Verses 1, 2, 4 & 5

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession

**We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Time with Young Disciples

Chaplain Ryan Edgecombe

Old Testament Reading

Micah 6:6-8

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon

*“Blessed are...”*

Chaplain Ryan Edgecombe

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### \*Affirmation of Faith:

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Hymn

*“Open My Eyes That I May See”*

PH #324

### Prayers of the People

As prayers are offered:

L: God of Mercy,

P: hear our prayer.

# The Lord's Prayer

## Offering

Offertory

*“Offertory in D”*

Smith

\*Doxology

PH #591

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*Hymn

*“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”*

PH #210

## \*Charge and Blessing

Postlude

*“Toccata in F Major”*

Buxtehude

*Please be seated for the Postlude.*

WORSHIP LEADER: Chaplain Ryan Edgecombe

ORGANIST: Emma Lou Denton

LITURGIST: Rhonda Plaeger

GREETER/USHER: Marilyn Montgomery

*\*Please stand, if able*

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