

TO WORSHIP GOD,

to grow as disciples of Jesus,

TO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER,

to take God's love to the world.



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CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAMILTON

June 2, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Communion Worship Service Minister - Rev. Dr. Nick Athanasiadis

Director of Music Ministries - Dr. Marcus Scholtes

Lector - Dr. Chris Allen

Greeters – Judy Johnson & Jean Williams

A Warm Welcome to Worship at Central this morning!

* Indicates standing, as you are able.

PRELUDE Adagio from First Sonata

F. Mendelssohn, Arr. by A. Schreiner

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

INTROIT One Bread, One Body

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Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless, and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Raise a song of joy and gladness before God.

Congregation: We will make music and sing God's praises.

Sing aloud to God, our strength!

We will shout for joy to the God who made us.

Worship God who makes all things new!

We will celebrate God's goodness in prayer and praise.

* HYMN - God of Mercy, God of Grace

1. God of mercy, God of grace, show the brightness of your face. Shine upon us, Saviour, shine; fill your world with light divine, and your saving health extend unto earth's remotest end.

2. Let the people praise you, Lord; be by all that live adored. Let the nations shout and sing glory to their gracious King; at your feet their tribute pay, and your holy will obey.

3. Let the people praise you, Lord; earth shall then its fruits afford. Unto us your blessing give; we to you devoted live, all below and all above, one in joy and light and love.

PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE PEACE May the peace of Christ be with you; and also with you.

Please share a word or sign of the Peace of Christ with those around you as you are comfortable. In doing so, please be mindful of the preference of others in how you offer or receive this sign (smile, handshake, fist bump, nod or elbow tap). **May the peace of Christ be with you!**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN - Speak, Lord in the Stillness

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- 1. Speak, Lord, in the stillness, speak your word to me; hushed my heart to listen in expectancy.
- 2. Speak, O gracious Master, in this quiet hour; let me see your face, Lord, feel your touch of power.
- 3. For the words you give me they are life indeed; living bread from heaven, now my spirit feed.
- 4. Speak, your servant listens, be not silent, Lord; let me know your presence; let your voice be heard.
- 5. Fill me with the knowledge of your glorious will; all your own good pleasure in my life fulfil.

At the end of the second hymn, a program for children SK – Grade 8 will be available in the upstairs Faith Finders room. Parents can meet the children there following worship. Staffed Nursery is available for our young ones up to age 4 throughout the entire service.

GOD SPEAKS TO US

SCRIPTURE READING (p. 74)

Luke 12:22-34

SERMON: Two Kinds of Grace

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

* HYMN - Now Thank We All Our God

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- 1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom God's world rejoices, who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
- 2. Oh may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with everjoyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, and keep us all with grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
- 3. All praise and thanks to God who reigns in highest heaven, the Father and the Son and Spirit now be given, the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore, for thus it was, is now and shall be evermore.

THE OFFERING

CHORAL OFFERTORY All People That On Earth Do Dwell

T. Tallis

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice. The Lord ye know is God indeed, without our aid He did us make, We are His flock, He doth us feed, and for His sheep He doth us take. O enter then His gates with praise, approach with joy His courts unto. Praise, Laud, and bless His name always, for it is seemly so to do. For why? The Lord our God is good, His mercy is for ever sure, His truth hath always firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure. Amen.

* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below: Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

HYMN - All Who Hunger; Gather Gladly

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GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three,

You are source of all that exists.

You are beyond the galaxies, deeper than the oceans;

You pour down rain and bring forth the fruit of the earth.

You carry us through deep waters and hold us in the darkest night.

So with all your creatures, great and small,

with angels and archangels, with saints and servants in every generation we join in the rejoicing of your creation:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy is your Son Jesus, O God,

Walking this earth, feeding the hungry, calling the lost, noticing the forgotten,

healing those who reached out, teaching those who sought wisdom,

he revealed your kingdom in our midst.

Today we thank you for all Jesus shared with us

to show us that you are always with us in times of plenty and times of pain.

And so we celebrate the mystery of our faith in him:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

Holy God,

When the sounds of our rejoicing fall silent, we remember those who cannot rejoice today, who face times of pain or fear or upheaval.

We think especially of those who have been displaced from their homes by tornado or by fire, by conflict, landslide or famine.

(silence is kept)

Draw near to them in the power of the Spirit to strengthen and sustain them through Christ's compassion and ours.

Holy Spirit, come now and settle on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.

May they become for us Christ's body and life blood, healing, forgiving and making us whole.

So may we become Christ's body, the Church, loving and caring throughout the whole world until that day when all creation feasts with you in the fullness of your mercy and peace that we savour today in the name of our Saviour who taught us when we pray to say together:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth,
As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC Communion Medley - R. W. Thygerson

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION (unison)

Loving God, Christ our Lord, Holy Spirit, you have nourished us, body and soul, in this meal. We have heard your love, so send us out to speak it. We have seen your love, so send us out to show it. We have been fed by your love, so send us out to share it. And let all things be done for your glory. Amen.

GOD SENDS US

* HYMN - Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!

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* THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *At Length There Dawns The Glorious Day*- Based on St. Michel from W. Gawler's Hymns and Psalms, 1789

Central Presbyterian Church is here to offer sacred space for worship, a safe space for community groups to gather, and a generous space to **Hamilton Out of the Cold** serving meals to those who need them. Your presence with us today and your support of our work means so much. May God bless you richly!

If you would like to get to know Central better, please introduce yourself to an usher and/or spend some time going through our Website (www.cpchamilton.ca). If you would like to be added to our email list, please inform Helena (helena@cpchamilton.ca or 905-522-9098 ext. 0).

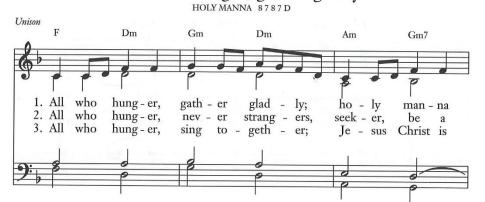
For any pastoral concerns, please contact the Rev. Lois Whitwell (905-522-9098 ext. 2 or lois@cpchamilton.ca). Central's Prayer Team is available to receive needs in confidence. Contact Pam Carpenter at 905-526-0631 or carpenterfamily@sympatico.ca.

Our **Prayer Shawl Ministry** is becoming an integral part of Pastoral Care. While we do not name the recipients, we encourage you to remember them in your prayers. Simply pray for those who have received our prayer shawls. But we do have one need. To date we have been cleaning out individuals' yarn "stash." But we are running low.

The wool we have been using is *Lion Brand Homespun* which is a number 5 in weight. But any wool of a similar weight will work. We have other patterns that use other kinds of wool. If you would like to support this ministry through donating wool or a donation towards buying wool, please speak to Lois. You can email her at lois@cpchamilton.ca or call her at 905-522-7266 ext. 2.

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All who hunger, gather gladly



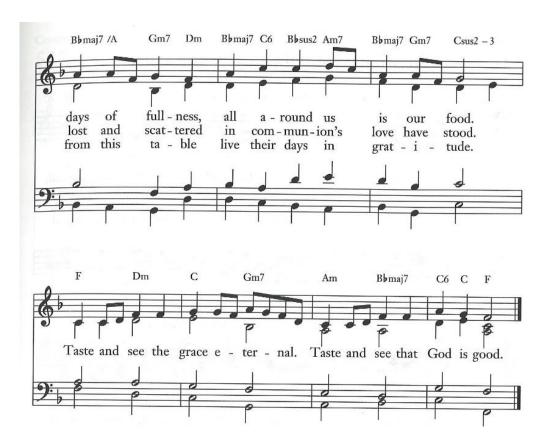


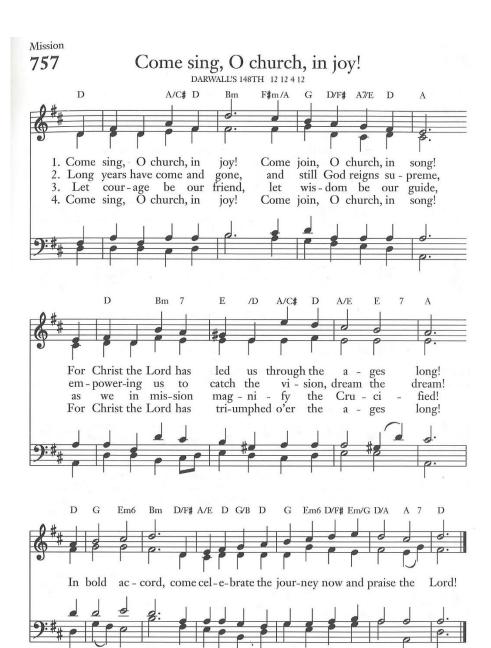


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Status of the Search for our New Minister: The Search Committee is currently collating all the information from the recent Congregational Self-Analysis forms, and collecting relevant community data for the creation of Central's Congregational Profile. That document will then be distributed to potential candidates. Please pray for the committee members as they continue to engage in this holy task on behalf of the congregation. During the Search process, if you have any questions or concerns please contact Philip - our Interim Moderator - either in-person at coffee-time following the Sunday services; by phone @ 905-574-4383; or by email at revpmw@outlook.com.

Statement of Welcome and Inclusion Central Presbyterian Church God's Love Includes Everyone

We strive to be a welcoming, nurturing, loving, and supportive community unified in Jesus Christ. As an inclusive congregation, we joyfully affirm and honour the diversity of God's creation. Our community is richer when we include people of all ages, gender identities, racial and cultural backgrounds, sexual orientations, abilities, economic circumstances and family configurations. We proclaim this statement of inclusion to all who have experienced the pain of exclusion or discrimination by the church and society. All are invited to join a body of believers, to participate fully in



the life, leadership, witness and ministry of Central Presbyterian Church. We acknowledge we are imperfect and in different stages of our faith journey. No matter who you are, how you identify, whom you love, or where you are on life's journey: know you are welcome here, and you are loved by God.

CPC Statement of Welcome: www.cpchamilton.ca/statement-of-welcome-and-inclusion/

Central Presbyterian Church Calendar

~ Sunday, June 2, 10:30 a.m. Sunday Communion Worship Service

~ Monday, June 3, 7:30 p.m. Search Committee Meeting

~ Tuesday, June 4, 10:00 a.m.- noon Knit and Knatter Group

~ Sunday, June 16, 10:30 a.m. Intergenerational Worship Service

~ Monday, July 22 - Friday, July 26 Vacation Bible Camp at Chedoke Presbyterian Church

Congregational Givings

OFFERING in support of the worship and mission of Central

You can support this good work by donating in various means. You can place a gift on the offering plate, use pre-authorized remittance (PAR), donate online, send money via Interac E-Transfer, or send a cheque to bookkeeper@cpchamilton.ca.

Please make sure to include your envelope number or mailing address for tax receipt purposes. For ways to give, visit <u>cpchamilton.ca/giving</u>

Please ensure your information is up-to-date with your elder or the church office, if you have moved, are moving, or have changed any of your contact information.

Central Presbyterian Church - Land Acknowledgement *

We acknowledge with gratitude and respect that Central Presbyterian Church is located on the traditional territories of the Anishnaabek and Haudenosaunee peoples. This land is protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to share and care for the lands, air, and waters around the Great Lakes. We further acknowledge this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. We recognize that we must learn about the rich history of this land to better understand our role as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers. We are all treaty people.

* Our website has a guide explaining the above Land Acknowledgement

https://www.cpchamilton.ca/land-acknowledgement/

Word of the Day:

Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these (Luke 12.27).

Prompts for Reflection

Emily Dickinson once quipped that considering the lilies is the only commandment she ever obeyed.

Through the Dark Sod —
as Education —
The Lily passes sure —
Feels her white foot — no
trepidation —
Her faith — no fear —
Afterward — in the Meadow —
Swinging her Beryl Bell —
The Mold-life —
all forgotten — now —
In Ecstasy — and Dell —



Emily Dickinson, Johnson, #392

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Minister Emeritus – The Rev. Dr. Alan M. McPherson
Interim Moderator – The Rev. Dr. Philip Wilson
Director of Pastoral Care – The Rev. Lois Whitwell
Director of Music Ministries – Dr. Marcus Scholtes
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