



# Central Presbyterian Church



## THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 7, 2021

Today's service will be livestreamed to Facebook ([facebook.com/centraldenver](https://facebook.com/centraldenver))  
and our website ([centraldenver.com/livestream](https://centraldenver.com/livestream))

*All are welcome to share Communion; please bring bread and something to drink as you tune in.*

## **PRELUDE**

*Me Alone*

arr. Noel Dexter  
Charles Moore, tenor

## **LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE & WELCOME**

Louise Westfall

Please feel free to post comments, greetings, and prayer requests in the "Facebook comment" section throughout the service.

## **GATHERING MUSIC**

*God be the love to search and keep me;  
God be the prayer to move my voice;  
God, be the strength to now uphold me;  
O Christ, surround me. O Christ, surround me (2x)*

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 19

Sarah Dixon

## **HYMN**

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

CWM RHONDDA

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but thou art mighty.  
Hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me till I want no more;  
feed me till I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain,  
whence the healing stream doth flow.  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,  
be thou still my strength and shield;  
be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side.

Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to thee;  
I will ever give to thee.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Tim Mooney

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, believe the good news: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored to new life!**

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 16:2-15

## **SERMON**

A Gift in the Wilderness

Rev. Dr. Ted Wardlaw

## **MOMENT FOR SILENCE**

## **OUR LIFE TOGETHER**

**Join us after the service for our Zoom fellowship time.** All are welcome!

Zoom link to join <https://rb.gy/encvhz>

### **Congregational Meeting Today | Sunday, March 7, 11:30am**

The Session has called a congregational meeting for the purpose of approving a loan with the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program for construction costs associated with our capital renovation.

Zoom link to join <https://rb.gy/encvhz>

**For more ways to worship and connect this week, check our website:** [centraldenver.com/stayconnected](https://centraldenver.com/stayconnected)

## **OFFERTORY**

*Come and Find the Quiet Center*

Sarah Eaton, soloist

## **OFFERING**

**To give by text**, please text “centraldenver” to 73256. You will be asked to enter your credit card and donation amount.

**To give online**, go to <https://onrealm.org/centraldenver/-/give/CPC>

## **THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

Louise Westfall

## **GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

## CHARGE AND BLESSING

## PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

[Share signs of peace with those around you or by adding a greeting in the Facebook comments.]

## POSTLUDE

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

Helmut Walcha

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We welcome guest preacher, Reverend Dr. Ted Wardlaw to Central this morning. The Rev. Dr. Theodore J. Wardlaw is president and professor of homilectics at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Austin, TX.

A consummate Presbyterian, Wardlaw has served the larger church with distinction. In 2001, Wardlaw was moderator of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta as well as a commissioner to the 213th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) where he chaired the committee on church polity. Wardlaw is a member of the Pastors Working Group of the Louisville Institute. He has twice been editor-at-large of the Presbyterian Outlook and served on the board of directors for the Journal of Reformed Liturgy and Music.