Central Presbyterian Church

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

PRELUDE

Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us — William P. Rowan

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 — Beth Groff

HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth — DIX

1 For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies:

Refrain:
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

2 For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon, and stars of light: [Refrain]

3 For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight: [Refrain]

4 For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild: [Refrain]

5 For thyself, best gift divine
to the world so freely given;
for that great, great love of thine,
peace on earth and joy in heaven: [Refrain]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Tim Mooney

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

BIBLE STORY

Dorcas Helps the Poor in Judea
Acts 9: 36-42 — Molly Brown

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 32:18; Isaiah 49:15 — Kathleen Eckert
Isaiah 66:13 — Molly Brown
Matthew 23:36-38 — Louise Westfall

SERMON

Our Mother Is Divine — Louise Westfall

SILENT REFLECTION

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Join us after the service for our Zoom fellowship time. All are welcome!
Zoom link to join https://rb.gy/encvhz

Adult Faith Formation: Caring for Creation - *The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for New Beginnings*
Sundays, April 18-June 6, 11:30am
Join us as staff and church members lead us in an eight-week journey of reimagining new beginnings using John Phillip Newell's book The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for New Beginnings.
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For more ways to worship and connect this week, check our website: centraldenver.com/stayconnected

OFFERTORY

I Love to Tell the Story — Emma Lou Diemer

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

Pentecost Offering, May 23
On May 23 we will receive our Pentecost offering for which the Mission Committee has set a goal of $1700 designated to ministries for children, youth, and young adults with 40% of the offering staying locally. The remainder is sent to PCUSA to help with programs for children at risk, the Young Adult Volunteers program and the Triennium program for high school students. Thank you for your generosity!

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Tim Mooney

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.

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

The Church's One Foundation Charles W. Ore