



Central Presbyterian Church



The Love that Holds Us-All People's Church, Tia Richardson

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 13, 2020

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

PRELUDE

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

Charles W. Ore

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 96

Kirsten Schatz

HYMN

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

DETROIT

*Forgive our sins as we forgive
You taught us, Lord, to pray,
But you alone can grant us grace
To live the words we say.*

*How can your pardon reach and bless
The unforgiving heart
That broods on wrongs and will not let
Old bitterness depart?*

*In blazing light your cross reveals
The truth we dimly knew:
What trivial debts are owed to us;
How great our debt to you!*

*Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
And bid resentment cease;
Then, by your mercy reconciled,
Our lives will spread your peace.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Tim Mooney

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

READING

Matthew 18:21-35

MESSAGE

Central at 160: The Debt We Owe

Louise Westfall

MOMENT FOR SILENCE

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Anniversary Greetings from Sue Wilcox

In Person Worship Begins September 27

Central will begin offering simple in-person worship from 9:30-10am on Sunday mornings for 50 or fewer people on September 27. All worshippers will need to RSVP online or by calling the church office. Register at centraldenver.com/inperson/ beginning September 20. Online worship will continue at 10:30am as our main service, and we encourage most members to join us online.

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

Link to join <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85427351186?pwd=TThyb2gvb1ZlWUE1ZcFhMMWwwTG05QT09>

For more ways to worship and connect this week, check our website: centraldenver.com/stayconnected

OFFERTORY

160th Anniversary Hymn

TERRA BEATA

Words by Louise Westfall to the tune of *This Is My Father's World*
(We'll sing additional verses in upcoming weeks)

*This is our forebears' church, for one hundred sixty years;
They worshiped, served, cared for one and all, were faithful and sincere.
This is our forebears' church, we celebrate their call
to preach and teach the Word of God; Swing wide the door to all.*

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

To give to Central's COVID-19 Relief Fund Text "centraldenver COVID" to 73256 or donate online at <https://onrealm.org/centraldenver/give/COVID>

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

Lobt Gott, Ihr Christen Allzugleich

D. Buxtehude