



Central Presbyterian Church



The Red Vineyard at Arles, Vincent Van Gogh

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 20, 2020

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

PRELUDE

You're Worthy of My Praise

Lloyd Larson
Paul Griggsby, soloist

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE/WELCOME

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

Tim Mooney

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

Katie Aron

HYMN

For the Fruit of All Creation

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1 *For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For the gifts to every nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.*

2 *In the just reward of labor,
God's will be done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will be done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will be done.*

3 *For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us,
thanks be to God.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Louise Westfall

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

READING

Exodus 16:1-5

Matthew 20:1-16

MESSAGE

Good Trouble - Generosity

Tim Mooney

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 children's church, their welcome is assured;
Through Godly play, sacramental grace, they're blessed as family too.
This is our children's church, and they shall know Christ's name.
God's covenant of transforming love, for all the years the same.*

MOMENT FOR SILENCE

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Anniversary Greetings from Nadine Ross

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=TT9ybzI2ZlR1ZWU1ZcFhMMWwwTG05QT09>

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

Join our new private Facebook Group! We've set up a new "virtual narthex" on Facebook. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/centralfellowship> and click "Join Group."

OFFERTORY

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Mark Hayes

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

Louise Westfall

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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Helmut Walcha