Central Presbyterian Church

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Call Us What We Carry: Restoration

April 3, 2022 | 10:30am

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Please silence electronic devices during the service. Hearing assistance devices are available from the sound booth.

Bold signifies congregation participation.
*Rising as able

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Prelude
Michael McBride
Jesu, meine Freude (Jesus, Priceless Treasure) J.S. Bach

Welcome
Louise Westfall

Call to Worship
Emily Nease

The Lord says "I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" May we find courage here—

Courage to follow our call, courage to live out our vision.

May we find hope here—

Hope for a better world, hope that refuses to let us go.

May we find truth here—

Truth that lives in sacred community, truth that lives in ancient stories and ritual.

With courage, hope and truth may we seek the new thing God is doing.

Let us worship God who makes all things new, including us.

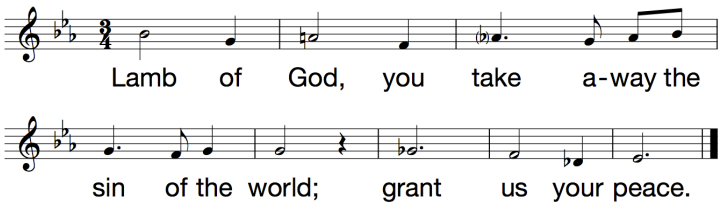
*Hymn 830
Jesus, Priceless Treasure JESU, MEINE FREUDE

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession
Gracious God, hungry and thirsty, weary and wondering, we seek the treasure of your presence. Forgive us when the shaking world or our own quaking hearts keep us from experiencing your love and peace. Even in our wilderness, cultivate a garden and nourish us with what we need to be restored and whole again. We pray in your name.

Silent Prayer

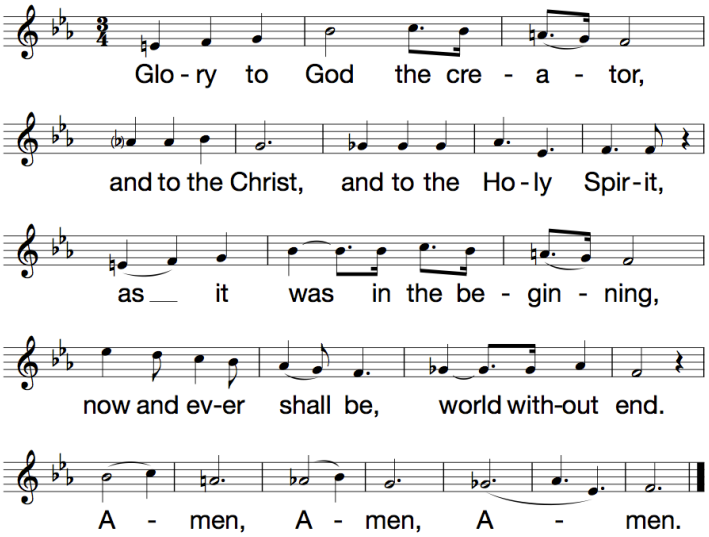
Lamb of God



Assurance of Forgiveness
Friends, take hold of the good news:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored to new life!

*Glory to God the Creator
Wil Smith



*The Peace
The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

[Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.]

This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine (3x)
Let it shine! Let it shine! Let it shine!

Scripture Reading
Isaiah 43:16-21 p. 659

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Sermon
Call Us What We Carry (5): Restoration Louise Westfall

Closure by Amanda Gorman
read by Jacque Howard

Moments for Silence

Offering of Tithes and Gifts
Green Prayer Request Cards and Welcome Cards are located in the pew racks. Please place them and your offering in the collection plates as they are passed.

To give by text, please text "centraldenver" to 73256. You will be asked to enter your credit card or bank info.

Offertory

E'en So Lord Jesus Quickly Come Paul Manz

Peace be to you and grace
from Him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all, and shed
His blood
That we might saved be.

Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God.
Who was and is to come
Sing Holy, Holy Lord.

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that
dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth ye saints below
For Christ is coming soon.

E'en so, Lord Jesus
quickly come
And night shall be no more
They need no light, nor lamp,
nor sun
For Christ will be their All.

*Doxology

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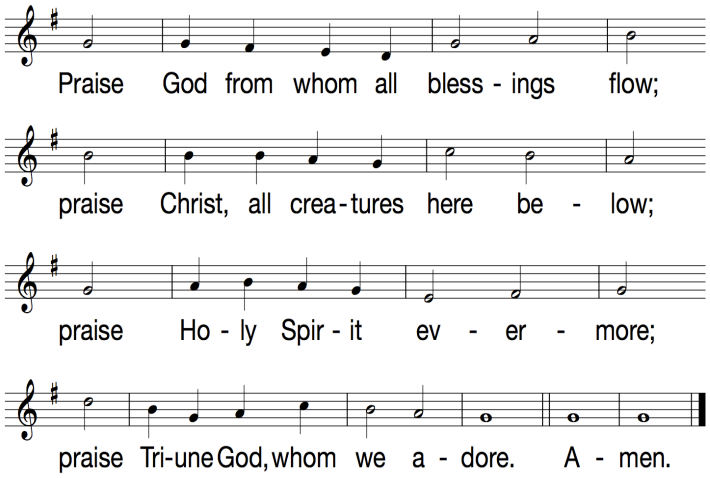

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

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 our thanks and praise.

God of Compassion,
we offer these prayers to you.

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 the Cup

[The bread today contains wine, so you will have both elements in a single piece. Please come forward and take one and return to your seat so we may partake together. Gluten-free elements are also available on the Table.]

Communion Music

Improvisation on
Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread Michael McBride

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Jesu, meine Freude (Jesus, Priceless Treasure) Flor Peeters

Easter Cards for Homebound Members
Please take a few minutes to stop by the table located on the front east side of the sanctuary, and sign the Easter cards for our homebound members. These cards will be delivered along with some spring flowers to let our members who can't make it to worship know we are thinking of them this Easter.

Easter Lily Dedications
Share the beauty of Easter by sponsoring a lily or lilies to be used as decoration in the Sanctuary. Easter lilies can be given in memory of a loved one or to honor family and friends. All dedications will be printed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. Suggested donation is $15 per plant. Fill out the online form: www.centraldenver.com/easter-lilies/ or fill out a paper form from the Welcome Table and place in the offering plate by April 10.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
Sunday, April 10
On Palm Sunday, April 10, we will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing offering all of which will be sent to PCUSA for use in disaster and hunger relief and for self development. Including humanitarian aid to Ukraine and support for communities affected by the Marshall Fire. Our goal this year is $3500. Envelopes are on the table as you enter the sanctuary.

Lent Faith Formation | *Forgiveness: A Lenten Study*
Sundays, March 6—April 10, on Zoom
Lent, a time to reflect on our Christian journey, is an appropriate time to deepen our understanding and practice of forgiveness. Join us on Zoom as we examine both our ability to forgive and our own need for forgiveness. Use the Zoom Fellowship link at: centraldenver.com/livestream

The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession are adapted from a prayer by Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

We are glad to be worshiping with you today

and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Central Presbyterian Church!

Free Sunday Parking | 8:00am – 12:30pm

Key Park (formerly Star Park) is across the street, entrance on 16th Avenue. Please fill up spaces 91-149 first.

Elderly and differently-abled individuals may park in the three staff parking spaces and the three handicapped parking spaces in front of the church.

Online Giving

Set up one-time or automatic giving for your offerings. www.centraldenver.com/give

Indoor Worship Guidelines

We are so glad you joined us for worship! Please be mindful of the following:

- Because Covid-19 infections and hospitalizations are declining in the metro Denver area, the Session has lifted the requirement to wear masks during indoor worship and programming. We encourage those who wish to wear masks to continue to do so. The Central Recovery Team will continue to monitor conditions to ensure our practices promote community health.
- Indoor restrooms are not accessible due to construction. A portable toilet is available outside by the entrance/exit.

Children in Worship

Central values having all generations worshiping together! All children are welcome in the worship space each and every Sunday. We enjoy and expect the joyful noises of children as they are a vibrant part of our faith community.

- Worship activity bags are available from our nursery staff in the front right-hand box seats in the Sanctuary. Children may remain in that area throughout the service, where nursery staff will be present.

Contact Molly Brown at molly@centraldenver.com with questions or to be added to the Children, Youth and Families mailing list (weekly emails with events and more).

Join Us for Worship Online

For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we continue to livestream our morning worship service at 10:30am on Facebook: facebook.com/CentralDenver and our website: centraldenver.com/livestream. *Those without internet access are invited to listen to the morning service via phone by calling 1.339.207.6673 at the time of the service.*

Zoom Fellowship, Sundays, 11:30am
Zoom link on Central's Livestream page: centraldenver.com/livestream. Join us for 15 minutes of online fellowship on Zoom following the service.

Weekly Email Newsletter

The best way to stay informed about activities at Central is to subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter. Sign up at: www.centraldenver.com/contact

Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday
Sunday, April 10, 10:30am
Join us on April 10 at 10:15am for a donkey-led procession around the block and at 10:30am into the church waving palms. Experience the drama of Holy Week through special music, prayers, and first person narratives of those who shared Jesus' last days. Join us in person, online or call in to hear the audio.

Maundy Thursday Worship & Service
Thursday, April 14, 6pm
Metro Caring, 1100 E 18th Ave, Denver
Jesus washed his disciples feet as a demonstration of serving love. We're not foot washing, but we will remember Jesus' example of service on Maundy Thursday, April 14, 6pm at Metro Caring. We'll have a service project (suitable for all ages), and conclude with the celebration of the Lord's Supper. All are welcome.

Good Friday at United Church of Montbello
Friday, April 15, 7pm
4879 Crown Blvd, Denver
On Good Friday join us for solemn worship remembering Jesus' sacrificial death on the cross with our neighbors at Trinity United Methodist Church (Rev. Ken Brown, pastor), and United Church of Montbello (Pastor James Fouther).

Easter Sunday
Sunday, April 17, 10:30am
Celebrate the resurrection and the joy of new life with Central on Easter, April 17, 10:30am. Choir, organ and brass quintet will provide festive music, children will lead the procession with lilies, and Pastor Louise Westfall will offer a message of hope emerging from an empty tomb. Join us in person, online or call in to hear the audio.

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