



Holypalooza Worship

Sunday
12 September 2021
10:30 a.m.

All attendees are required to wear masks
while in Central Presbyterian Church,
regardless of vaccination status

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We come together today as one people joined by One Lord, One faith, One Baptism. This entire morning is one liturgy, one work of the people. We recognize that we have our particularities of custom and habit. Yet, we share so much.

In crafting our worship this morning, we have tried to hold up for all to see those things which shape our denominational identities, but more importantly, those things which we hold in common: confession, scripture, preaching, prayer, and communing. These ancient practices tie us together as they tied our different, and common, ancestors.

We hope everyone will find something familiar. Occasionally, everyone will be discomforted a bit. Those are the places where we will learn the most about ourselves and what we hold most dear. Let us be gracious with our different habits of posture and phrase and enjoy our worship this morning. It has been a joy for us as the clergy leadership of these congregations to get to know each other and to share worship planning. We've learned so much and appreciate each other's denominations much more.

In Christ,

The Rev. Mike Riggins, Pastor, Central Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Drew Downs, Rector, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

The Rev. Mel Camp, Pastor, Centenary United Methodist Church
and Seelyville United Methodist Church

The Rev. Dawn Black, Campus Minister
and Pastor, Sullivan First Presbyterian Church

Our friends at Second Christian Church

The loose offering today will go to United Campus Ministries.

Nursery care is available. Please ask an usher for directions.

Prelude

Organ

Prelude in G

Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome and Call to Worship

led by the Rev. Mike Riggins

All stand as you are able

Leader We will extol you, O Lord, for you have raised us up;
People **O Lord, you have raised our souls from the depths.**

Leader Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,
People **Let us give thanks for God's holy name.**

Leader You have turned our mourning into dancing,
People **Let our souls praise you and not be silent.**

All **O Lord, our God, we will give thanks to you forever.**

(based on Psalm 30)

Hymn of Praise

Joyful, joyful, we adore You

tune: *Ode to Joy*
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1 Joy-ful, joy-ful, we a-dore You, God of glo-ry, Lord of love;
 2 All your works with joy sur-round You, earth and heav'n re- flect your rays,
 3 Al-ways giv-ing and for-giv-ing, ev-er bless-ing, ev-er blest,
 4 Mor-tals, join the might-y cho-rus, which the morn-ing stars be-gan;

hearts un-fold like flow'rs be-fore you, op'n-ing to the sun a-bove.
 stars and an-gels sing a-round you, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise;
 well-spring of the joy of liv-ing, o-cean-depth of hap-py rest!
 God's own love is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing peo-ple hand in hand.

melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way;
 field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
 lov-ing Fa-ther, Christ our broth-er, let your light up-on us shine;
 ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife;

Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day!
 chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain prais-ing you e-ter-nal-ly.
 teach us how to love each oth-er, lift us to the joy di-vine.
 Joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

Confession of Sin

led by the Rev. Mel Camp

Stand or sit as you are able as we make our common confession

Leader Let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Praying together:

All Merciful Creator,
we are a people that suppress the joy you offer to us.
We walk in the darkness
and fear what is lurking in the shadows.
We refuse to step into the wilderness,
we do not celebrate the many joys that you give us each day.
We do not seek to share your story and redemption
with those who need it most.
Forgive us, and open our hearts and ears to your wonder.
Remind us not to live in fear,
to seek out new adventures in life,
and to celebrate the small moments.
Guide us to live in your way,
and turn towards your will,
by loving all with whom we encounter. Amen.

Leader The mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
Amen.

Peace

Minister Christ offers us a peace that is beyond our understanding. We attempt to connect to this peace, by sharing it with one another, and opening ourselves to feel welcome and abundant love. Let us share the Peace of Christ with one another this day.
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The congregation greets one another in the Name of the Lord

The congregation may be seated

Service of the Word

Children's Moment

led by Ellie Templeton

Lesson Psalm 31:1-5

read by Gracen Black

In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me.

Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily.

Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.

You are indeed my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake lead me and guide me,

take me out of the net that is hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.

Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Choir Anthem

I am not afraid

Lyrics by Pamela Martin
Music by Lloyd Larsen

In the emptiness of silence when the world has turned away;
beneath the weight of sorrow when I can no longer pray;
in the wilderness of worry, in the desert of despair;
in the never-ending darkness when it seems that no one cares,

I am not afraid, I am not alone,
you hold me in your hands and will not let me go.
Though the waters rise and though the winds may blow,
I will not be afraid, I am not alone.

When there are no words of comfort for my tears;
when I'm stranded by the rising tide of fear;
when there is no path before me,
when my feet have lost their way,
I remember you are with me and I am not afraid!

I am not afraid, I am not alone,
you hold me in your hands and will not let me go.
Though the waters rise and though the winds may blow,
I will not be afraid, I am not alone.

Lesson II Corinthians 5:16-20

read by the Rev. Dawn Black

A Reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

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Sermon

The Rev. Mike Riggins

Prayers of the People

led by the Rev. Drew Downs

Leader With our tongues we bless the Lord and Father and beg for mercy on all in need.

Leader For this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For abundant fruits of the earth, and for safety from violent storms.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the sick and the suffering, travelers by land, by water, and by air, prisoners, captives, and their families, and all those in desperate need.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our city and those who live in it, and for our families,
companions, and all those we love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who rest in Christ and for all the dead.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Jesus' mother Mary and
all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the
living God through Christ.

To you, O Lord.

God of infinite mercy, hear the prayers we offer this day and
save our lives through the good news of your Messiah; through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Holy Communion

The Rev. Mike Riggins will describe the plans for sharing communion

The loose offering today will go to United Campus Ministries

The ushers receive the offering

Offertory Music

Pastorale (Sonatine No. 1)

Hedwige Chrétien

All stand as you are able for the Doxology NEXT PAGE

Doxology

From all that dwell below the skies

tune: *Old 100th*

1. From all that dwell be - low the skies let the Cre -
2. E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and truth e -
3. Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

Name be sung thru ev - 'ry land, by ev - 'ry tongue!
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

All remain standing as you are able

Mel Camp The Lord be with you.

People 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 all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

tune: *Land of Rest*

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 6/4. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho-". The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

san - na in the high- est. Bless- ed is the one who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high- est.

The image shows a three-system musical score for a hymn. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: 'san - na in the high- est. Bless- ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high- est.' The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with block chords and moving lines.

Dawn Black continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,
 as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Ancestors; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

AMEN.

Drew Downs continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

You are invited to pray in your first language, or as follows

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept

Mike Riggins We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People **We who are many are one body,
 for we all share in the one bread.**

Mike Riggins The Gifts of God for the People of God.

This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. We prepare it for those who love God and those who want to love God more.

All bread used today is gluten free.

The clergy will commune the ministers first, then the choir. The ushers will then deliver the bread to the congregation.

Please hold the bread until all have received it, that we might partake together.

At the indicated time, please take a cup and we will partake of them together, as well.

Please stand for the Postcommunion Hymn NEXT PAGE

Postcommunion Hymn

All creatures of our God and King

tune: Lasst uns erfreuen

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1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift
 2. O broth-er wind with clouds and rain, you
 3. O broth-er fire, so warm and bright, chase
 4. O sis-ters, broth-ers, take your part, and



up your voice and with us sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le -
 nur-ture gifts of fruit and grain. Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le -
 off the shad-ows of the night. Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le -
 wor-ship God with hum-ble heart. Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le -



lu - ia! O broth-er sun with gold-en beam, O
 lu - ia! O sis - ter wa - ter, flow-ing clear, make
 lu - ia! Dear moth-er earth, who day by day un -
 lu - ia! All crea-tures, bless the Fa - ther, Son, and



sis - ter moon with sil - ver gleam, Sing prais - es!
 mu - sic for your Lord to hear. Sing prais - es!
 folds such bless-ings on our way, Sing prais - es!
 Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One! Sing prais - es!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

All remain standing as you are able

Presider Let us pray together.

People God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people
in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.

Announcements

The Rev. Dawn Black

Blessing

The clergy will together bless the assembly

The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you, and remain with you for ever.
Amen.

Postlude

Organ

Sortie Toccata

Théodore DuBois

Organist: Dennis Dieken, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church; **Choir Director:** Mark Carlisle, Central Presbyterian Church

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Annual Barbecue

11 am - 2 pm

Central Presbyterian Church
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Enter Larry Bird Dr. via 7th St. to check-in or place your order.

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and drive around the church to pick-up your order.

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