

Welcome!

We welcome you in the name of Christ! Our website ChristCentralPCA.org offers a lot of helpful information about our church family. For questions or to share a prayer concern, call the office at 813-774-3881, ext. 700 or email us at church@ChristCentralPCA.org.

Here are some things that might be helpful to you:

- The Welcome Center is located in the lobby. If you are a first-time guest, we would love to meet you.
- Please join us for coffee and conversation in the lobby immediately after the worship service.

Order for the Divine Service of Worship

December 25, 2016 - 9:30 AM

Christmas Day

Please adjust all electronic communication devices so as not to disrupt the service.

Prelude

*Noel with Variations - Claude Louis Balbastre
and
Noel VI- Louis Claude Daquin*

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Hebrews 1:1-3

Leader: In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways,

People: but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.

All: The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

****Hymn**

Angels from the Realms of Glory
Hymn # 218

****The Invocation**

****The Apostles' Creed**

"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen."

****The Gloria Patri**

Hymn # 734

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

The First Scripture Lesson

Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain? 2 The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One. 3 "Let us break their chains," they say, "and throw off their fetters." 4 The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them. 5 Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying, 6 "I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill." 7 I will proclaim the decree of the LORD: He said to me, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father. 8 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession. 9 You will rule them with an iron scepter; you will dash them to pieces like pottery." 10 Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth. 11 Serve the LORD with fear and rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry and you be destroyed in your way, for his wrath can flare up in a moment. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Psalm 2

Leader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

The Confession of Our Sins

Mighty God, you came in weakness: forgive our grasping for power. Prince of Peace, you came in humility: forgive us for exalting ourselves. Everlasting Father, you came in poverty: forgive us for wanting more than others. Wonderful Counselor, you came in gentleness: forgive us for the anger we speak and the pain we cause. Child of Bethlehem, be born in us today: forgive us, heal us, make us new; We join the angels in singing your praises this Christmas and all the days to come.

(Based on Isaiah 9:6)

Assurance of Pardon

8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith-- and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God-- 9 not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

The Second Scripture Lesson

3 At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. 4 But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, 5 he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, 7 so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

Titus 3:3-7

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People: Thanks be to God

Pastoral Prayer & 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

Solo

Gesu Bambino

Pietro Yon

Soloist - Holly Edwards

When blossoms flowered 'mid the snows upon a winter night
Was born the Child, the Christmas Rose, the King of Love and Light.
The angels sang, the shepherds sang, the grateful earth rejoiced,
And at His blessed birth the stars their exultation voiced.
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Again the heart with rapture glows to greet the holy night
That gave the world its Christmas Rose, its King of Love and Light,
Let ev'ry voice acclaim His name, the grateful chorus swell,
From paradise to earth He came that we with Him might dwell.
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.
O come, O come, let us adore Him, Let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

The Third Scripture Lesson

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. 2 (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) 3 And everyone went to his own town to register. 4 So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. 5 He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. 6 While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, 7 and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. 8 And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. 11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. 12 This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." 13 Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, 14 "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."

Luke 2:1-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

****The Offertory Hymn**

It Came upon the Midnight Clear
Hymn # 200

**** Offertory Statement & Prayer of Dedication**

7 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. 8 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts. 9 Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

Psalm 96:7-9

The Offertory

Rejoice! He is Here
Mark Hayes

****The Doxology**

Hymn # 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children K4 - 2nd Grades may be dismissed to Children's Church in Rm. 8

The Message

Rev. John K. Keen
Senior Pastor

****Hymn**

Joy to the World! The Lord is Come
Hymn # 195

****Benediction**

Postlude

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!
Arranged by Lani Smith

***All who are able, please stand*

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Announcements

Program Note Reminder

Just a reminder that we will not have Sunday School today or next week, January 1 due to the Christmas and New Year holidays. However, please join us for coffee and conversation time immediately after the worship service.

Church Office Hours

The church office will be closed the week of December 26 through December 30.

End of Year Contributions

This is a reminder that for any contributions to count for 2016-tax year, they must be postmarked to the church by December 31, 2016. Also, if you are looking for alternative ways in giving, pcafoundation.org is a resource that may interest you. For more information, please contact Sara Royer.

Exploring Church Membership Class

We will be offering an *Exploring Church Membership* class beginning Sunday, **January 8, 2017**. Please mark your connection card if you would like to attend or learn more. **Note:** Attending this class is required for membership at CCPC. However, taking this class does not obligate anyone toward membership. It's a great way to learn more about the gospel, our church, and the specific vision we are working to accomplish.

Save the Date!

There will be a church work day on Saturday, **January 28** from 9 am - noon. Please plan to join us!

Birth Announcement

Congratulations on the birth of Aurora "Rory" Zak, daughter of Richard and Sarah Zak and granddaughter to Gregg and Sally Quick. Rory was born on December 18, 2016 weighing 7 lbs. 9 oz. Let us give thanks to God for this new covenant child!

This Week at Christ Central

December 25 – December 31

SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 am
Coffee and Conversation, 10:30 am

FRIDAY: Senior Group (Library), 10:00 am

December Birthdays & Anniversaries

Christian Education – Adults, Youth, & Children

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3/Toddlers	Bev Thomson	6
Ages 4-7 / K4/K5 -2 nd Grade	Connie Trim & Diane Keen	3
Ages 8-10 /3 rd - 5 th Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Gail Chang	8
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Gregg Quick	Rio Center
High School / 9 th -12 th Grade	Danny Dalton	Rio Center
Adult - The Lord's Prayer	Ben Lambers	15
Adult - Life and Writings of C.S. Lewis	Joe DeNitto	14
Adult - Hebrews	Randy Johnson	13

Volunteers

Greeters / Ordained Officer

	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>
<u><i>Greeters:</i></u>	Bryan Toenes	The Fernandez Family
<u><i>Ordained Officer:</i></u>	Servy Fernandez	Alex Fernandez
<u><i>Communion Set-up:</i></u>	Ken Jackson	Donna Waugh

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>	<i>Kaela Dalton</i>
<i>Jan. 1:</i>	<i>Tami Pothoven</i>	<i>Bryson Pothoven</i>

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Larry Dickey</i>
<i>Jan. 1:</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>

Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Nursery Closed/Please use Cry Room</i>
<i>Jan. 1:</i>	<i>Hannah Johnson</i>
<i>Jan. 8:</i>	<i>Ananta Rivera</i>

Fellowship Snacks

<u><i>Next Week - Jan. 1:</i></u> <i>Laura Strickland</i> <i>Marsha Craig</i> <i>Jamie Dalton</i> <i>Judy Wildeboer</i>	<u><i>Jan. 8:</i></u> <i>Gail Chang</i> <i>Eva White</i> <i>Beverly Thomson</i> <i>Carol Moberg</i>
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