

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.
- We have bible study / Sunday school classes for all ages. You can find the time, topic, and location for each class at the Welcome Center.
- We have a clean, efficient and safe nursery available for infants and toddlers in the education wing of the church. We also have a cry room in the back of the sanctuary, so please feel free to use it when needed.
- As part of the covenant community, children are invited to participate in worship. We also offer a *Children's Worship* program during the sermon for children ages K4 through 2nd grade in Room 8. The children are dismissed during the singing of the Doxology by walking to the back of the sanctuary and following the Children's Worship leader out.

Order for the Divine Service of Worship

November 19, 2017 - 9:30 AM

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude

*Voluntary IV - anonymous
17th Century English*

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord

Welcome & Announcements

****Call to Worship** *(Please Stand)*

Psalms 65:1-4

Leader: Praise awaits you, O God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled.

People: **O you who hear prayer, to you all men will come.**

Leader: When we were overwhelmed by sins, you forgave our transgressions.

All: **Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your courts! We are filled with the good things of your house, of your holy temple.**

****Hymn**

Now Thank We All Our God
Hymn #98

****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

20 "Gather together and come; assemble, you fugitives from the nations. Ignorant are those who carry about idols of wood, who pray to gods that cannot save. 21 Declare what is to be, present it-- let them take counsel together. Who foretold this long ago, who declared it from the distant past? Was it not I, the LORD? And there is no God apart from me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none but me. 22 "Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other. 23 By myself I have sworn, my mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: Before me every knee will bow; by me every tongue will swear. 24 They will say of me, 'In the LORD alone are righteousness and strength.'" All who have raged against him will come to him and be put to shame. 25 But in the LORD all the descendants of Israel will be found righteous and will exult.

Isaiah 45:20-25

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

The Confession of Our Sins

"Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my peace I leave with you:" Forgive us all our sins and strengthen the faith of your children, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly city, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and forever. Amen."

Assurance of Pardon

I have swept away your offenses like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist. Return to me, for I have redeemed you."

Isaiah 44:22

The Second Scripture Lesson

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach 2 until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. 3 After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. 4 On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. 5 For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." 6 So when they met together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." 9 After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. 10 They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. 11 "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Acts 1:1-11

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

The Anthem

Be Still and Know That I am God

David Lantz III

Be still and know that I am God, the God of strength, the God of truth; I am your refuge in your time of fear, and you will know that I am near. Be still and know that I am God, the God who gave My only Son to you; You will find hope in His great sacrifice. Your faith leads to eternal life.

Though waters may roar and mountains may shake, and danger fills your heart with deep despair, with faith and hope and love, you'll find Me through your prayers, and know that I am near. Be still and know that I am God.

In times of pain, in times of war; In Me, find solitude and perfect peace. Keep faith, My wonders never cease. Be still, and know that I am God, the God of strength, the God of truth. With love, I speak the heav'nly words you hear so you will know that I am near. Trust in Me, for I am here. Be still and know that I am God.

A Time of Sharing – Rodney and Jana Davila

Mission to the World Missionaries to Costa Rica

The Third Scripture Lesson

18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

****The Offertory Hymn**

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Hymn #521

****Offertory Prayer of Dedication**

The Offertory

We Gather Together/Count Your Blessings

Arr. Brant Adams

****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 Room 8

The Message

Rev. John K. Keen

Senior Pastor

****Hymn**

Macedonia

Hymn # 452

****Benediction**

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God

Arr. Sigrid Karg-Elert

***All who are able, please stand*

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Announcements

Today's Activities

Davila Report Luncheon

We welcome our supported Costa Rica missionaries, Rodney and Jana Davila to CCPC today! There will be a luncheon immediately following Sunday School in order to enjoy fellowship with the Davila's and to hear an extended report concerning ministry in Costa Rica.

Thanksgiving Vespers Service

Please join us at **6:00 pm** for our annual Thanksgiving Vespers Service. We will enjoy singing hymns, a brief message and a time of sharing together. Everyone is welcome!

Special Nursery Assistance Needed

During the Advent season, one of our instrumentalists will be bringing a 4 month old baby and arriving by 8:30am to practice with the choir. We need **2 volunteers** (per our policy) for each Sunday to arrive no later than 8:15am and stay until the scheduled nursery assistants arrive (approximately 9:15am). If you are willing to arrive early and be a blessing to this newborn baby, please contact Sara Royer, sroyer@christcentralpca.org or [813.453.3221](tel:813.453.3221). **Note:** *All volunteers will be screened.*

Hanging of the Green

We will be decorating the sanctuary for the Advent season next **Sunday, November 26 from 11 am – noon**, immediately after an extended fellowship time. **Note:** *Due to the Thanksgiving holiday all Sunday school classes will be cancelled that day.*

This Week at Christ Central

November 19 – November 18

SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 am
Coffee and Conversation, 10:30 am
Sunday School, 11:00 am
Davila Luncheon, 12:00 pm
Thanksgiving Vespers Service, 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY: Adult Bible Study (Room 12), 10:00 am

November 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	Jane Lambers & Diane Keen	3/5
Ages 8-10 /3 rd - 5 th Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Gail Chang	8
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Danny Dalton	Rio Center
High School / 9th -12 th Grade	Steve Pothoven	Rio Center
Adult - Galatians	Brian Waugh	13
Adult - Martin Luther: 500 Years	Bryan Toenes	14
Adult - Exploring Ezekiel	Ben Lambers	15

CHRIST CENTRAL AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 110

Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 7,234.25

For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have. 2 Cor. 8:12

Volunteers

Greeters / Ordained Officer

	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
<u><i>Greeters:</i></u>	The Waugh Family	Bryan Toenes
<u><i>Ordained Officer:</i></u>	Bill Cutler	Servy Fernandez
<u><i>Communion Set-up:</i></u>	Randa Gravanti	Ken Jackson

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>	<i>Emily Strickland</i>
<i>Nov. 26:</i>	<i>Geena Lang</i>	<i>Kaela Dalton</i>
<i>Dec. 3:</i>	<i>Stephanie Williams</i>	<i>Kaleigh Williams</i>

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>
<i>Nov. 26:</i>	<i>David Campbell</i>
<i>Dec. 3:</i>	<i>Glenda Williams</i>

Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Sara Royer</i>
<i>Nov. 26:</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>
<i>Dec. 3:</i>	<i>Shannon Pothoven</i>

Fellowship Snacks

Next Week Nov. 26: <i>Laura Strickland</i> <i>Marsha Craig</i> <i>Judy Dostal</i> <i>Andy Thomson</i>	Dec. 3: <i>Kelly Fernandez</i> <i>Gail Chang</i> <i>Cathy Armstrong</i> <i>Raquel Fernandez</i>
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