

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.
- 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.
- Please join us for coffee and conversation in the lobby before the worship service.
- 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

October 5, 2020 - 11:00 AM

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Worship

By Wyrzten

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

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Welcome & Announcements

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

Psalm 107:1-3; 43

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

People: **Let the redeemed of the LORD say this-- those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,**

Leader: those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.

All: **Whoever is wise, let him heed these things and consider the great love of the LORD.**

***Hymn**

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Hymn #119

****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

O come, let us sing for joy to the Lord, let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation. ²Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. ³For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods, ⁴in whose hand are the depths of the earth, the peaks of the mountains are His also. ⁵The sea is His, for it was He who made it, and His hands formed the dry land. ⁶Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. ⁷For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand. Today, if you would hear His voice, ⁸do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as in the day of Massah in the wilderness, ⁹"When your fathers tested Me, they tried Me, though they had seen My work. ¹⁰"For forty years I loathed that generation, and said they are a people who err in their heart, and they do not know My ways. "Therefore I swore in My anger, truly they shall not enter into My rest."

Psalm 95 NASB

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

Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man [Jesus] forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you

Acts 13:38

The Second Scripture Lesson

Therefore, let us fear if, while a promise remains of entering His rest, any one of you may seem to have come short of it. ² For indeed we have had good news preached to us, just as they also; but the word they heard did not profit them, because it was not united by faith in those who heard. ³ For we who have believed enter that rest, just as He has said, “As I swore in My wrath, they shall not enter My rest,” although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴ For He has said somewhere concerning the seventh day: “And God rested on the seventh day from all His works”; ⁵ and again in this passage, “They shall not enter My rest.” ⁶ Therefore, since it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly had good news preached to them failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷ He again fixes a certain day, “Today,” saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, “Today if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts.” ⁸ For if Joshua had given them rest, He would not have spoken of another day after that. ⁹ So there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God. ¹⁰ For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His. ¹¹ Therefore let us be diligent to enter that rest, so that no one will fall, through following the same example of disobedience. ¹² For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³ And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.

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¹⁴ Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4 NASB

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

The 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.

The Third Scripture Lesson

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, "I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have revealed them to infants. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this way was well-pleasing in Your sight. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to Me by My Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father; nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and anyone to whom the Son wills to reveal Him. ²⁸ "Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Matthew 11:25-30 NASB

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

****The Offertory Hymn**

Blessed Assurance
Hymn #693

****Offertory Prayer of Dedication**

At the conclusion of the service, tithes and offerings can be placed in trays held by ushers as you exit from the sanctuary.

****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.

The Message

*Rev. John K. Keen
Senior Pastor*

****Hymn**

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting
Hymn #188
(v. 1-2 only)

The Words of Institution & The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Wine is served in the outer most ring of the tray; Grape juice in the inner rings.
Communion bread is gluten-free.*

- Each row will be dismissed by one of our deacons in order to come forward to receive the elements.

- Please return to your seat with the bread and cup, as we will all partake together.

****Hymn**

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting
Hymn #188
(v. 3-4 only)

****Benediction**

Postlude

***All who are able, please stand*

**Unless specified, all Scripture texts are from the NIV-1984*

Announcements

Sunday School Classes

If you would like to participate in any of the Sunday school classes offered via Zoom, you can contact the respective teachers:

- Adults: The Early Church (Acts 1-12) - 9:00 am - Bryan Toenes
- Middle School - 9:00 am - Danny Dalton
- High School - 5:30 pm - Brian Waugh

Children's lessons for Toddlers, Preschool, Lower Elementary (grades K4-2), and Upper Elementary (grades 3-5) are located on the Welcome Desk.

Worship Information and Covid-19 Adjustments

Our state governor has recently moved to a phase 3 reopening status. At our next schedule session meeting, our elders will discuss and implement new guidelines that will accommodate phase 3. However, until that time, please be aware of the continued following requirements:

- As an act of loving our neighbor, all worshipers are to wear a face mask. We have a limited supply of masks available. If you do not have one, simply ask one of our ushers.
- We ask that there be a minimum of three empty seats between each household.
- Please be aware, when sanctuary seating is at capacity, latecomers will be seated in the church lobby, which will have a TV displaying the service.

This Week at Christ Central
October 4 – October 10

- SUNDAY:** Adult Study: The Early Church (Acts 1-12), via Zoom, 9am
Middle School Sunday school, via Zoom, 9am
Morning Worship, 11:00am
High School Sunday school via Zoom, 5:30 pm
- TUESDAY:** Ladies' Bible Study, via Zoom, 10:00 am

CHRIST CENTRAL AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 90
Last Sunday's Offering: \$9,105.48
September 20, 2020 Offerings: \$6,409.76

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

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays