

# *Welcome!*

We welcome you in the name of Christ! Our website [ChristCentralPCA.org](http://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](mailto: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.
- 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.

# *Order for the Divine Service of Worship*

*February 21, 2021 - 11:00 AM*

*First Sunday in Lent*

## **Silent Reflection**

“Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.” — *Book of Common Prayer, p. 251-252*

## **Prelude**

*Præludium*  
*By Kern*

*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**

*Psalm 92:1-4*

**Leader:** It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High,

**People:** to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night,

**Leader:** to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.

**All:** For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD; I sing for joy at the works of your hands.

## **\*\*Hymn**

For the Beauty of the Earth  
Hymn #116

## **\*\*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**

<sup>8</sup> Once when the king of Syria was warring against Israel, he took counsel with his servants, saying, "At such and such a place shall be my camp."<sup>9</sup> But the man of God sent word to the king of Israel, "Beware that you do not pass this place, for the Syrians are going down there."<sup>10</sup> And the king of Israel sent to the place about which the man of God told him. Thus he used to warn him, so that he saved himself there more than once or twice.<sup>11</sup> And the mind of the king of Syria was greatly troubled because of this thing, and he called his servants and said to them, "Will you not show me who of us is for the king of Israel?"<sup>12</sup> And one of his servants said, "None, my lord, O king; but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedroom."<sup>13</sup> And he said, "Go and see where he is, that I may send and seize him." It was told him, "Behold, he is in Dothan."

*(Continued...)*

<sup>14</sup> So he sent there horses and chariots and a great army, and they came by night and surrounded the city. <sup>15</sup> When the servant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was all around the city. And the servant said, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" <sup>16</sup> He said, "Do not be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." <sup>17</sup> Then Elisha prayed and said, "O LORD, please open his eyes that he may see." So the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

2 Kings 6:8-17 ESV

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

## **The Confession of Our Sins**

"Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; Through Jesus Christ your Son, Amen."

Book of Common Worship, John Knox Press, 1993

## **Assurance of Pardon**

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14

## The Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>15</sup> For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup> having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup> that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup> And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Ephesians 1:15-23 ESV

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

## The Reception of New Members and The Sacrament of Christian Baptism

*The Pilecki Family*

## 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

<sup>10</sup> Then the disciples came and said to him, “Why do you speak to them in parables?” <sup>11</sup> And he answered them, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. <sup>12</sup> For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>13</sup> This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. <sup>14</sup> Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says: ““You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive.” <sup>15</sup> For this people’s heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.’ <sup>16</sup> But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. <sup>17</sup> For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

Matthew 13:10-17 ESV

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

## \*\*The Offertory Hymn

Like a River Glorious  
Hymn #699

## \*\*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**

Lead On, O King Eternal!  
Hymn #580

## **\*\*Benediction**

## **Postlude**

*\*\*All who are able, please stand*

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

# *Announcements*

## Welcome New Members!

Please welcome the Pilecki family as new members of Christ Central!

By grace, Chris became a believer at 26, and strives to hold on to the joy and rest that belonging to Jesus brings each day. Chris and Tara met at Bible study in Richmond, VA. He loves talking with Tara, eating her cooking, and playing with sons, Joshua and Joel. Chris also enjoys time outside and doing home projects. He is blessed to work for his brother as a stock trader and quantitative analyst. The Lord drew him and his family to Christ Central through Gospel centered expositional preaching and God centered worship. He grew up in Fairfax County, VA outside Washington, DC.

Tara came to know Jesus' love for her as a young girl in Raleigh, NC, and her faith deepened throughout her time in college and as a young adult in Richmond, VA. She met Chris in Richmond and is grateful for their 16 years of marriage. She loves her roles as wife, mom, homeschool teacher, and accountant. In her spare time, she enjoys reading and cooking. She feels very blessed to be a part of the church body at Christ Central where Jesus is preeminent in the teaching and worship.

Joshua Pilecki was born in Richmond, Virginia. He is in 8th grade and is homeschooled. He enjoys youth group, reading, studying Government, and playing video games. He is a black belt in Shotokan karate.

Joel Pilecki was born in Richmond, Virginia and moved to Tampa six years ago. He is homeschooled and is in 6th grade. He enjoys playing video games, reading, building, and Bible study with Dad. He is also a black belt in Shotokan karate.

## Women's Bible Study CHANGE IN TIME!

The New Women's Bible Study will begin meeting virtually on Tuesday EVENINGS from 7-8:30 PM beginning February 23.

Ladies, if you're interested in joining this blessed time of study, fellowship, prayer, please call or text Kelly Fernandez at (813) 420-8662 or e-mail [womensministry@christcentralpca.org](mailto:womensministry@christcentralpca.org) for the link to join and instructions on ordering the workbook, Jesus Christ: Teacher, Servant, Savior by John Stott.

## **Save the date for a Trip around the World!**

Mark your calendars for our annual **International Dinner on Saturday, May 23 at 5:30 pm.** Come celebrate our church's diversity as we fellowship with one another and sample dishes from around the world! More information will be given as we near the event.

## **Covid-19 Update**

Your Session continues to study and prayerfully reevaluate our strategies to mitigate the threat of Covid-19 at our church gatherings. Until changes are made known, please adhere to the following requirements:

- While inside the building, all attendees are to wear a face mask, though teachers may be unmasked while teaching at the front of the room. We have a limited supply of masks available. If you do not have one, simply ask one of our ushers.
- We ask that all attendees adhere to social distancing while on the church campus.
- When sanctuary seating is at capacity, latecomers will be seated in the church lobby, which has a TV displaying the service.

If you are experiencing any symptoms or if you have been exposed to someone who has tested positive to the coronavirus, out of an abundance of caution, please refrain from attending.

***This Week at Christ Central***  
***February 21 – February 27***

**SUNDAY:** Sunday School, 9:30 am  
Morning Worship, 11:00 am  
MS/HS Large Group Meeting (Rio Center),  
5:30 pm  
Kid Builders, Room 10, 5:30 pm  
Adult Fellowship and Prayer, Lobby, 5:30 pm

**TUESDAY:** Ladies' Bible Study, Via Zoom, 7:00 pm

***Christian Education – Adults, Youth, & Children***

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3/Toddlers	Bev Thomson	6
Ages 6-10 / 1 <sup>st</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades	Jane Lambers	8
Middle School / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton	Rio Center
High School / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Ben Lambers	Rio Center
Adult - Outreach	Randy Johnson	Fellowship Hall
Adult - Chosen By God	Luis Salgado	15

**CHRIST CENTRAL AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: 77  
Last Sunday's Offering: \$7,226.00

*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>February</u>	<u>March</u>
<i><u>Greeters:</u></i>	Salgado Family	Waugh Family
<i><u>Ushers:</u></i>	Luis Salgado Steve Strickland	Brain Waugh Scott Hickerson

### *Nursery Volunteers*

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Stephanie Williams</i>
<i>Feb. 28:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>
<i>March 7:</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>

## *February Birthdays & Anniversaries*

*Birthdays*