

# *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*

*January 16, 2022 - 11:00 AM*

*Second Sunday after Epiphany*

## **Prelude**

*Abide With Me with Chopin's Etude, Op. 10, No. 3  
Arr. Marilyn Ham*

*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 24:7-10*

Leader: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

**People: Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.**

Leader: Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

**All: Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty-- he is the King of glory.**

## **\*\*Hymn**

Come, Thou Almighty King  
Hymn #101

## **\*\*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 First Scripture Lesson**

Saul was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty-two years over Israel. <sup>2</sup>Now Saul chose for himself 3,000 men of Israel, of which 2,000 were with Saul in Michmash and in the hill country of Bethel, while 1,000 were with Jonathan at Gibeah of Benjamin. But he sent away the rest of the people, each to his tent. <sup>3</sup>Jonathan smote the garrison of the Philistines that was in Geba, and the Philistines heard of it. Then Saul blew the trumpet throughout the land, saying, "Let the Hebrews hear." <sup>4</sup>All Israel heard the news that Saul had smitten the garrison of the Philistines, and also that Israel had become odious to the Philistines. The people were then summoned to Saul at Gilgal. <sup>5</sup>Now the Philistines assembled to fight with Israel, 30,000 chariots and 6,000 horsemen, and people like the sand which is on the seashore in abundance; and they came up and camped in Michmash, east of Beth-aven. <sup>6</sup>When the men of Israel saw that they were in a strait (for the people were hard-pressed), then the people hid themselves in caves, in thickets, in cliffs, in cellars, and in pits. <sup>7</sup>Also some of the Hebrews crossed the Jordan into the land of Gad and Gilead. But as for Saul, he was still in Gilgal, and all the people followed him trembling. <sup>8</sup>Now he waited seven days, according to the appointed time set by Samuel, but Samuel did not come to Gilgal; and the people were scattering from him. <sup>9</sup>So Saul said, "Bring to me the burnt offering and the peace offerings." And he offered the burnt offering. <sup>10</sup>As soon as he finished offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him and to greet him.

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<sup>11</sup> But Samuel said, "What have you done?" And Saul said, "Because I saw that the people were scattering from me, and that you did not come within the appointed days, and that the Philistines were assembling at Michmash, <sup>12</sup> therefore I said, 'Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and I have not asked the favor of the Lord.' So I forced myself and offered the burnt offering." <sup>13</sup> Samuel said to Saul, "You have acted foolishly; you have not kept the commandment of the Lord your God, which He commanded you, for now the Lord would have established your kingdom over Israel forever. <sup>14</sup> But now your kingdom shall not endure. The Lord has sought out for Himself a man after His own heart, and the Lord has appointed him as ruler over His people, because you have not kept what the Lord commanded you."

1 Samuel 13:1-14 NASB

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

## The Confession of Our Sins

*"Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen."*

## 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>7</sup> But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, <sup>9</sup> and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith,

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<sup>10</sup> that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; <sup>11</sup> in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. <sup>13</sup> Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:7-14 NASB

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**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

<sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening came, He said to them, "Let us go over to the other side." <sup>36</sup> Leaving the crowd, they took Him along with them in the boat, just as He was; and other boats were with Him. <sup>37</sup> And there arose a fierce gale of wind, and the waves were breaking over the boat so much that the boat was already filling up. <sup>38</sup> Jesus Himself was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup> And He got up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Hush, be still." And the wind died down and it became perfectly calm. <sup>40</sup> And He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?" <sup>41</sup> They became very much afraid and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?"

Mark 4:35-41 NASB

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**People:** Thanks be to God

## **\*\*The Offertory Hymn**

*Across The Lands*

*Words and music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend*

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You're the Word of God, the Father,  
From before the world began.

Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet  
Has been fashioned by Your hand.

All creation holds together  
By the power of Your voice.

Let the skies declare Your glory;  
Let the land and seas rejoice!

You're the Author of creation;  
You're the Lord of ev'ry man;  
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.

Yet You left the gaze of angels,  
Came to seek and save the lost,  
And exchanged the joy of heaven  
For the anguish of a cross.

With a prayer You fed the hungry;  
With a word You calmed the sea;  
Yet how silently You suffered  
That the guilty may go free!

You're the Author of creation;  
You're the Lord of ev'ry man;  
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.

With a shout You rose victorious,  
Wresting vict'ry from the grave,  
And ascended into heaven,  
Leading captives in Your way.  
Now You stand before the Father,  
Interceding for Your own;  
From each tribe and tongue and nation,  
You are leading sinners home!

You're the Author of creation;  
You're the Lord of ev'ry man;  
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.

## **\*\*Offertory Prayer of Dedication**

## The Offertory

*God Be in My Head*

*John Leavitt*

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God be in my head and in my understanding.  
God be in my eyes and in my looking.  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.  
God be in my heart and in my thinking.

God be in my head and in my understanding.  
God be at my end and my departing.

Amen

## 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

What'er My God Ordains is Right

Hymn #108

## \*\*Benediction

## \*\*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.*

## Postlude

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

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

## *Announcements*

### **Middle School/High School Large Group Meeting**

Large group meeting resumes **TONIGHT** from 5:30 - 7:00 pm. This is a meeting with a positive environment, an element of fun, strong student involvement, and an understandable, gospel-centered message that challenges students to take the next step in their faith.

### **College & Career Bible Study TONIGHT**

John and Diane Keen will reactivate the College & Career bible/fellowship time in their home tonight from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Pizza will be served after a time of study and prayer. If you have not already done so, please RSVP via text, phone call or email (text: 813-449-0376 or email: [jkeen@christcentralpca.org](mailto:jkeen@christcentralpca.org)). Bring your bible and a friend! The Keen's address is: 11412 Paldao Road, Tampa, FL 33618.

### **Meet The Betancourt Family**

The Session would like to have a time when we all can become better acquainted with the Betancourt's, so a "Meet and Greet" covered dish luncheon has been planned for next **Sunday, January 23** immediately after the worship service. If you plan to attend, please bring a main dish and a side dish or dessert. Drinks will be provided. Please make plans now to join us for this special time!

### **Spring Women's Bible Study**

Come join us as we begin our 12-week study of Deuteronomy, one of the most frequently quoted books in the New Testament. The contents of this book help shape our understanding of God's grace towards his people in the midst of their failures to obey. It is a call to love God with all our heart, soul and might. Through it, we gain a better understanding of our need for the grace and work of Christ in our own lives.

This study will begin on **Tuesday, February 8**. We are offering a morning class in person at the church at 10:00 am. In addition, there will be a Tuesday evening online meeting at 7:30 pm.

If you would like to join one of these sessions or simply want more information, please contact Donna Waugh (813) 956-7551.

***This Week at Christ Central***  
***January 16 – January 22***

- SUNDAY:** Sunday School, 9:30 am  
Morning Worship, 11:00 am  
HS/MS Large Group Meeting, Rio Center, 5:30 pm  
College & Career Bible Study, Keen Home, 5:30 pm
- TUESDAY:** Women's Bible Study, 10:00 am, Room 15
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 pm, Room 9

**CHRIST CENTRAL AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: 89  
Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 3,035.96

*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*

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

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3/Toddlers	Bev Thomson	6
Ages 4-5 / K4-K5 Grades	Diane Keen	5
Ages 6-10 / 1 <sup>st</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades	Tami Lang	8
Middle School /High School 6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Matthew Pearson & Brian Waugh	Rio Center
Adult - PCA Study on Human Sexuality	Randy Johnson	13
Adult - The Belgic Confession	Ben Lambers	15

## *Volunteers*

### *Greeters / Ushers*

#### January

#### February

*Greeters:*

Randy & Lisa Johnson

The Salgado  
Family

*Ushers:*

Randy Johnson  
Bill Bergen

Luis Salgado  
Steve Strickland

### *Nursery Volunteers*

*Today: Ginny Bremer*  
*Jan. 23: Laura Strickland*  
*Jan. 30: Cathy Armstrong*

### *Fellowship Snacks*

**January 23:**  
*Ginny Bremer*  
*Raquel Fernandez*

**January 30:**  
*Nancy Burks*  
*Lisa Johnson*

**February 6:**  
*Andrea Cawley*  
*Kelly Melendi*

## *January Birthdays & Anniversaries*

*Birthdays*