

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
- 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

April 17, 2022 - 11:00 AM

Easter Sunday

Prelude

Alleluia

By Mozart

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)*

Revelation 5:11-14

Leader: Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders.

People: In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

Leader: Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"

All: The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

****Hymn**

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Hymn #286

**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

In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: "We have a strong city; He sets up walls and ramparts for security. ²"Open the gates, that the righteous nation may enter, the one that remains faithful. ³"The steadfast of mind You will keep in perfect peace, because he trusts in You. ⁴"Trust in the LORD forever, for in GOD the LORD, we have an everlasting Rock. ⁵"For He has brought low those who dwell on high, the unassailable city; He lays it low, He lays it low to the ground, He casts it to the dust. ⁶"The foot will trample it, the feet of the afflicted, the steps of the helpless." ⁷The way of the righteous is smooth; O Upright One, make the path of the righteous level. ⁸Indeed, while following the way of Your judgments, O LORD, we have waited for You eagerly; Your name, even Your memory, is the desire of our souls. ⁹At night my soul longs for You, indeed, my spirit within me seeks You diligently; for when the earth experiences Your judgments the inhabitants of the world learn righteousness. ¹⁰Though the wicked is shown favor, he does not learn righteousness; he deals unjustly in the land of uprightness, and does not perceive the majesty of the LORD. ¹¹O LORD, Your hand is lifted up yet they do not see it. They see Your zeal for the people and are put to shame; indeed, fire will devour Your enemies. ¹²LORD, You will establish peace for us, since You have also performed for us all our works. ¹⁹Your dead will live; their corpses will rise. You who lie in the dust, awake and shout for joy, for your dew is as the dew of the dawn, and the earth will give birth to the departed spirits.

Isaiah 26:1-12,19 NASB

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

The Confession of Our Sins

Most holy and merciful Father; we acknowledge and confess before Thee; our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good; and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned; in wandering from Your ways; in wasting Your gifts; in forgetting Your love. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us; who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased Thee. Teach us to hate our sins; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins for the sake of Thy dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father; help us, we ask Thee; to live in Thy light and walk in Thy ways; according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

— *The Book of Common Worship, p. 12*

Assurance of Pardon

Come now, let us reason together,' says the Lord. 'Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

Isaiah 1:18

The Second Scripture Lesson

⁹I, John, your brother and fellow partaker in the tribulation and kingdom and perseverance which are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like the sound of a trumpet, ¹¹saying, "Write in a book what you see, and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea." ¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands; ¹³and in the middle of the lampstands I saw one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash. ¹⁴His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow; and His eyes were like a flame of fire. ¹⁵His feet were like burnished bronze, when it has been made to glow in a furnace, and His voice was like the sound of many waters.

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¹⁶ In His right hand He held seven stars, and out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword; and His face was like the sun shining in its strength. ¹⁷ When I saw Him, I fell at His feet like a dead man. And He placed His right hand on me, saying, “Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, ¹⁸ and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades.

Revelation 1:9-18 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 Choral Response

The Third Scripture Lesson

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. ² And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men suddenly stood near them in dazzling clothing; ⁵ and as the women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living One among the dead? ⁶ He is not here, but He has risen. Remember how He spoke to you while He was still in Galilee, ⁷ saying that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.” ⁸ And they remembered His words, ⁹ and returned from the tomb and reported all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now they were Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James; also the other women with them were telling these things to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words appeared to them as nonsense, and they would not believe them.

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¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen wrappings only; and he went away to his home, marveling at what had happened.

Luke 24:1-12 NASB

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

**The Offertory Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!
Hymn #297

**Offertory Prayer of Dedication

The Offertory

Come and Sing an Easter Praise

By Pethel

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Sing an Easter praise, this resurrection day
Lift a joyous song to the King.
Risen from the grave. The world He came to save.
Join our Easter praise, come and sing.

Christ the Lord is risen today. Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing all heaven and earth reply, Alleluia!

Worthy is the Lamb, He is the great I Am.
Sacrifice for all, He became.
Evermore to reign, Death could not Christ contain,
Join our Easter praise we proclaim.

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight the battle's won, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Come and sing an Easter praise.

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

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Hymn #277

**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

Allegro Maestoso

By Handel

***All who are able, please stand*

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

Announcements

Upcoming Work Day

No, we haven't forgotten! We had to press pause for a few other urgent matters, but we are finally ready to finish the landscape remodeling project along the south side of our building. Make plans to come out and help us finish this project on Saturday, May 14. We will provide details on the times in the coming weeks.

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Please join us at 5:30 pm Sunday, May 15 for our next congregational prayer meeting as we come before the throne of grace as a church body seeking God's blessings on our congregation and thanking Him for the many blessings he continues to pour out upon us.

Greeters Needed

Are you looking for a simple, yet vital way to serve at Christ Central? We are in need of several volunteers to help greet and welcome worshippers. There is no limit to who can serve as a greeter: adults, teenagers and children; new members and long-time members/attendees; families, single people and couples. Greeters are scheduled for an entire month to allow for consistency in scheduling and familiarity to our worshippers, but substitutes are available if a weekend assignment cannot be fulfilled. If you would like to serve in this important ministry, or have any questions, please contact Lisa Johnson at church@christcentralpca.org or mark your connection card.

This Week at Christ Central
April 17 – April 23

SUNDAY: Fellowship Time and Refreshments, 10:00 am
Morning Worship, 11:00 am

TUESDAY: Women's Bible Study, 10:00 am, Room 15

WEDNESDAY: Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 pm, Room 9

THURSDAY: ESL, 7:00 pm

CHRIST CENTRAL AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 101
Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 10,904.88

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 st -5 th Grades	Tami Lang	8
Middle School /High School 6 th -12 th Grade	Nick Betancourt & Randy Johnson	Rio Center
Adult - Ecclesiastes	Steve Strickland	15
Adult - Church History: The Last 500 Years	Bryan Toenes	Fellowship Hall

Volunteers

Greeters / Ushers

	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	Gregg & Sally Quick	TBD
<u>Ushers:</u>	Gregg Quick Bryan Toenes	Darby White

Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Cathy Armstrong</i>
<i>Apr. 24:</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>
<i>May 1:</i>	<i>Ginny Bremer</i>

Fellowship Snacks

April 24:	May 1:	May 8:
<i>Ginny Bremer</i>	<i>Lisa Johnson</i>	<i>Loretta Salgado</i>
<i>Raquel Fernandez</i>	<i>Gail Chang</i>	<i>Carol Moberg</i>

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays