

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WORD AND SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION AND BAPTISM

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY

April 16, 2017

## RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



*The Risen Christ, He Qi*

# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

✠ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit

Today is Easter Sunday, the center of the Christian year. On this day we joyfully proclaim the good news at the very heart of the gospel: that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. We celebrate the miracle of Jesus' resurrection, which frees us to serve the God of life.

The two Lenten Prayer Trees in the narthex are the prayers of our congregation through the season of Lent which include: Courage, Confession and Forgiveness, Peace, Praise and Adoration, Strength, Thanksgiving, Wisdom and Discernment, and Wholeness and Healing. The trees have bloomed to new life in celebrating the resurrection of Christ!

Immediately after the resurrection, when Jesus found the disciples in hiding and afraid, he greeted them with "Peace be with you." In the early church the exchange of the peace was a sign of membership in the new community that is the body of Christ. Historically this passing of the peace was a part of the baptismal and/or Eucharistic liturgy. Today, it is a sign of our reconciliation with each other and with God, and is reflective of our commitment to peacemaking in the world.

## GREETING

DAVID COZAD

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
And also with you.*

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

JOHN LEAVITT

*(As the opening voluntary begins, please use the time to center yourself for worship.)*

## WELCOME

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
Christ is risen, Alleluia!*

## RINGING OF THE BELL

### ✠ OPENING SENTENCES

MOLLY MCGINNIS

*The Maker and Sustainer of earth, sea and sky  
Is present in the darkness before dawn.  
In the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands,  
The risen Lord Jesus transforms even death into life everlasting.  
In the presence of the risen Christ, we hear Jesus call each of us by name,  
And so we choose life over death, and light over darkness.*

### ✠ HYMN No. 232

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

EASTER HYMN

### ✠ CALL TO CONFESSION

MICHELLE HWANG

### ✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit we have been raised from the waters of baptism to share in your glorious resurrection. Yet we have not lived as Easter people. We are unsure of your promise, confused about your will, and afraid in the face of danger. Like Mary, we weep at the tomb, but do not recognize your presence. Call us by name, risen Lord, that we may know you with confidence. Forgive us our sin and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation . . .

*(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)*

### ✠ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### ✠ PASSING THE PEACE

### ✠ RESPONSE HYMN No. 251

CHRIST IS ARISEN, ALLELUIA

MFURAHINI, HALELUYA

(STANZAS 1 AND 5)

DANIEL OTU, DJEMBE

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PSALM 118:14, 22-24, 29

PAGE 576, OT, PEW BIBLE

**ANTHEM**

*HALLELUJAH FROM MOUNT OF OLIVES* LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN  
CHANCEL CHOIR, STRING QUARTET, ORGAN, AND TIMPANI  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah unto God's almighty Son.  
Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy.  
We proclaim God's grace and glory in holy songs of joy.

**GOSPEL LESSON**

JOHN 20:1-18

PAGE 109, NT, PEW BIBLE

**SERMON**

*BE THERE!*

DAVID COZAD

**RESPONDING TO AND SEALING THE WORD**

♣ **HYMN** No. 241

*WOMAN, WEeping IN THE GARDEN*

KINGDOM

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

DAVID WELDON NIX

PRESENTATION

VOW

♣ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED (TRADITIONAL)

P. 35, HYMNAL

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

ACT OF BAPTIZING

BLESSING

**RESPONSE**

*WE HAVE PUT ON CHRIST*

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

*(Please repeat as led.)*



We\_ have put on Christ, in him we have been bap - tized.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - - - lu - ia!

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

*(Please sign the Friendship Pad found at one end of your pew, and pass it along.)*

**MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY** ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!

JOHNSON/MATTHEW COMPTON

GENEVA HANDBELL CHOIR

♣ **AT THE PRESENTATION** HYMN NO. 248 (STANZA 3)

HYMN TO JOY

Christ is risen, Earth and Heaven nevermore shall be the same.  
Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.  
Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"  
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!

**For the younger ones among us:**

When Mary Magdalene found Jesus' tomb empty on Easter morning, she thought someone had taken his body. Even when the risen Jesus appeared and asked her whom she was looking for, she was too upset to recognize him. Only when he called her name did she realize that it was him. Does it make you feel good when grownups and other children know your name? Part of the message of Easter is that Jesus loves each of us and cares for you and me by name.

During the offering, take a minute to sign the friendship pads found in each pew. If you are visiting with us, please leave your contact information so that we can reach out to you! Newcomers and regulars alike can see who is sitting around them and greet each other by name. By signing in, you help us build stronger community connections at Central.

**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.

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*The God of new life be with you.*

ANNA GEORGE TRAYNHAM

**And also with you.**

*People of Easter hope, lift up your hearts!*

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

*People of Easter joy, give thanks to the One who raises us to new life.*

**It is right to give God thanks and praise . . .**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

*(Grape juice is in the silver chalices, wine in the crystal.*

*If you require gluten-free elements, please go to the center station to the second set of servers.*

*If you wish to be served in your pew, indicate your desire to an usher.)*

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION** BOURÉE, GAVOTTE, AND GIGUE FROM SUITE #3 IN D MAJOR

J. S. BACH

SHAWN PAGLIARINI AND ELONIA VARFI, VIOLINS

WILLIAM JOHNSTON, VIOLA

MARY KENNEY, CELLO

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD  
INTO THE WORLD**

✠ **HYMN**

HALLELUJAH FROM MESSIAH

GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL

CHANCEL CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

✠ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

AMEN FROM MESSIAH

GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL

CHANCEL CHOIR, STRING QUARTET, ORGAN, AND TIMPANI

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

TOCCATA, SYMPHONIE V

CHARLES-MARIE WIDOR

*(Please return the Messiah scores to the narthex as you leave the sanctuary.)*

*(There will be no Fellowship Lunch today.)*

It is the custom at Central for the congregation to join the choir in singing the *Hallelujah Chorus* from *Messiah* by G. F. Handel. Ushers will distribute scores to those who wish to participate. They may be returned to the Narthex following worship. *Messiah* was written in 1741, and since that time has become one of the best-known and most frequently performed choral works in Western music. The text, written by Charles Jensen, is based on passages from the King James translation of Isaiah and the Gospels.



4:30 - 5:00 p.m. | Silent Auction in Tull Hall  
 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. | Variety Show in Sanctuary

Tickets | \$15 adults, \$5 children and youth

Proceeds to benefit  
 the Youth Mission Trip  
 and Chancel Choir Reformation Tour.



**CEILIDH!**  
**SCOTTISH FOLK DANCING**

Saturday, April 29 | 6:00 p.m.  
 Includes a light supper

**St. Luke's Presbyterian Church**  
 1978 Mount Vernon Rd., Dunwoody, GA 30338



## Artist's Reception

*Through the Checkpoint: Israel/Palestine Art Exhibit*

Meet the artist - Katie Archibald-Woodward

Sponsored by the Music & Liturgical Arts, Global Mission and Events  
 Committees

Saturday, May 13 | 4:00–6:00 p.m.

Tull Hall Art Gallery



September 2-4, 2017

Matthew 22:34-40

# ADULT LEARNING

## Adult Studies Class

Sunday, 9:45 a.m. | April 23 - May 21

Class Convener | Beth Johnson

Location | Parlour

Debby Irving's *Waking Up White: And Finding Myself in the Story of Race*, is a memoir that explores white privilege, systemic racism in the United States, and invites readers to work on anti-racism in their own lives. We will take five weeks to read the book and reflect on our own white privilege, the racist society in which we live, and what we can do to become anti-racist.

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## Sojourners Class | Covenant Bible Study

Sunday, 9:45 a.m. | April 23 - May 21

Class Convener | Ed Carwile

Location | Brotherhood Room

Many people like to hear stories from their friends, which are true 99 percent of the time. Sometimes they are stories you have never heard before.

During our last five Sundays series after Easter, we've invited some Centralites to speak to our class. The topic is, *Over the years, how I've changed my mind about...* After you've heard their story, usually 20-25 minutes, there will be time to ask questions and make comments. Maybe you can identify with the story told. This series is unique.

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## Issues in Theology

Sunday, 9:45 a.m. | February 12 - May 21

Class Convener | Michael Lloyd

Location | OAC Art Room, Ground Floor, Oglesby Building

Studying the book, *Modernity and Its Discontents: Making and Unmaking the Bourgeois from Machiavelli to Bellow*, by Steven B. Smith

Embedded with many theological issues and arguments, Smith's powerfully lucid intellectual history of modernity offers a new take on the dialogue between ancients and moderns, showing how a diverse group of modern philosophers and writers became more aware of their own ideas and identity by engaging with perennial issues. As an account of who we in the West have become, *Modernity and its Discontents* should inform discussions of what we might mean by progress in the future.

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## A Keystone Class | Sacred Journeys

Sunday, 9:45 a.m. | February 12 - May 21

Class Convener | Mary Amos

Location | Taylor Conference Room

In Sacred Journeys, we will recall our own sacred journeys using the writings of Richard Rohr, *Immortal Diamond*, Brene Brown, *Daring Greatly*, and our own genograms. This class will be led by Rev. Mary G. Amos, pastoral counselor and marriage and family therapist. You are invited to come along on the journey and be willing to share your own sacred story, daring greatly to be vulnerable and risking having your life transformed.

## WORSHIP NOTES

**Liturgists today** are Michelle Hwang, Anna George Traynham, and Molly McGinnis.

**Our lector is** Charlie Richards.

**Today we will receive** our denomination's One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. These funds enable the Presbyterian Church (USA) to bring healing and hope to areas struck by natural disaster, war, and famine. Please give as generously as you are able.

**We celebrate** the Sacrament of Baptism today as Abi Joy and John Nix bring their son, David, born February 14, 2017, to be baptized. Participating are the Rev. Randall Shields, David's grandfather, and Elder Emily Hilimire along with Kate Hollowell, representing the children of the church.

**Thank you to our Liturgical Artists** for creating and cutting our Easter paper-lace cut banners: Ellen Phillips, designer; Marcia Crosland, Jan DeLong, Sandra McDonald, and David VanderMeer, cutters.

**Our vestibule banners** are by Liturgical Artists Berta Irwin and Beth Taylor, and the paraments were made by Camille Gaffron.

**Audio recordings** of today's sermon may be found on the Central website:  
[www.cpcatlanta.org](http://www.cpcatlanta.org).

**Music is printed** under Onelicense.net AA-710014.

## THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

### Sunday, April 16

12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil

### Monday, April 17

Church offices closed.

### Tuesday, April 18

10:00 a.m. All Staff Meeting

11:00 a.m. Worship Staff Meeting

1:30 p.m. Revelation Ringers

7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee

### Wednesday, April 19

No events scheduled

### Thursday, April 20

7:00 p.m. Central Women

### Friday, April 21

No events scheduled

### Saturday, April 22

No events scheduled

### Sunday, April 23

9:00 a.m. Children's Choirs

9:00 a.m. Youth Handbell Choir

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

11:00 a.m. Worship for the Lord's Day

Kim Wagner preaching

12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch

12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil

4:30 p.m. Silent Auction and Variety Show

(See schedule elsewhere in bulletin)

## THANKS TO THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

### Ushers

Becky Battle, captain

Vicki Collier ▪ Philip Covin

Sandy Hoke ▪ Jeff Dake

Ella Ruth Hunnicut ▪ Kevin Byers

Jean Ellen Jones

### Greeters

Katie Leware ▪ Nancy Wilkes

### Deacons of the Day

Rick Wornat ▪ Ben Evans

### Sound Engineer

Jeff Spruell

### Counters

Craig Knight ▪ Michael Davis

John Heidbreder ▪ Chris Sciarrone

### Collectors of Friendship Pads

The Heidbreder Family:

Ginger & Russell

The Lewis Amos Family:

Anne, Lewis, and Elizabeth

Katie Leware

### Bell Ringer

Tusher Family

### Choir Guild

Ann Hunter