



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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## **THE GATHERING**

### **Call To Worship**

Jesus said: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

On this day

**Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.**

On this day

**Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.**

On this day

**Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet, giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us.**

On this day Christ,

**our God gave us this holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may here proclaim his holy sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection, and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.**

### **Prayer Of The Day: All**

**Holy God, source and sovereign, DPG**

**you put all power and authority into the hands of Christ**

**Christ, who washes our feet in humble service.**

**Teach us to love one another as Christ has loved us,**

**so that everyone will know that we are his disciples;**

**through Jesus Christ, our Teacher and Lord, we pray. Amen.**

### **\*Hymn 693 Though I May Speak (The Gift of Love)**

### **Call To Confession**

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence let us confess our sin before God and one another.

## **Confession Of Sin**

**Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken, we confess that we fail to fulfill your will. Though you have bound yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love one another as you command. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once again to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace. We do not love you fully or love one another as you command. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once again to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## **Assurance Of Pardon**

**The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.**

The Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**Peace be with you.**

## **Affirmation Of Faith**

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.**

## **THE WORD**

**FIRST READING PSALM 116:1–2, 12–19**

**SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 11:23–26**

**GOSPEL READING John 13:1–17**

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon**

## **Prayers Of The People**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying: "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For leaders of the church, for our minister(s), and all ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who do not yet believe, and those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust (especially N., N.), that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who live and work in this community (especially N., N.), we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this congregation [for those who are present, and for those who are absent], that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

For our families, friends, and neighbors; that, being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your church, that, strengthened by their witness, we may be grateful for their example, living in justice and love until we join them in life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us entrust ourselves, and one another, and all of life to Christ our God. To you, O Lord our God.

(Silence)

Yours is the majesty, O God, holy and eternal; yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **THE EUCHARIST**

### **The Institution**

#### **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

### **Breaking Of The Bread**

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Loving God, we thank you  
that you have fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
in your eternal realm.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Departure in Silence (There is no benediction in this service)**

### **Scripture**

#### **FIRST READING PSALM 116:1-2, 12-19**

**I love the Lord, because He hears  
My voice and my supplications.  
2 Because He has inclined His ear to me,  
Therefore I shall call upon Him as long as I live.**

**12 What shall I render to the Lord  
For all His benefits toward me?  
13 I shall lift up the cup of salvation  
And call upon the name of the Lord.  
14 I shall pay my vows to the Lord,  
Oh may it be in the presence of all His people.  
15 Precious in the sight of the Lord  
Is the death of His godly ones.  
16 O Lord, surely I am Your servant,  
I am Your servant, the son of Your handmaid,  
You have loosed my bonds.  
17 To You I shall offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
And call upon the name of the Lord.  
18 I shall pay my vows to the Lord,  
Oh may it be in the presence of all His people,  
19 In the courts of the Lord's house,  
In the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the Lord!**

## **SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 11:23–26**

**23** For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which He was betrayed took bread; **24** and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” **25** In the same way He took the cup also after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” **26** For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

## **GOSPEL READING John 13:1–17**

Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His hour had come that He would depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.<sup>2</sup> During supper, the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, to betray Him, **3** Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come forth from God and was going back to God, **4** got up from supper, and laid aside His garments; and taking a towel, He girded Himself.

**5** Then He poured water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded. **6** So He came to Simon Peter. He said to Him, “Lord, do You wash my feet?”<sup>7</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “What I do you do not realize now, but you will understand hereafter.” **8** Peter said to Him, “Never shall You wash my feet!” Jesus answered him, “If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me.” **9** Simon Peter said to Him, “Lord, then wash not only my feet, but also my hands and my head.” **10** Jesus said to him, “He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you.” **11** For He knew the one who was betraying Him; for this reason He said, “Not all of you are clean.”

**12** So when He had washed their feet, and taken His garments and reclined at the table again, He said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? **13** You call Me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am. **14** If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. **15** For I gave you an example that you also should do as I did to you. **16** Truly, truly, I say to you, a slave is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. **17** If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.”

Welcome to Central Presbyterian Church, where we come together to **celebrate God's love, nurture growth, share our faith and serve the needs of others.** This congregation opens wide its doors and hearts and welcomes all in the name of Jesus Christ.

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## ***Announcements***

**Friday March 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Good Friday Service**

**7:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm**

**Sunday April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Easter Breakfast Buffet at 8am.**

**Easter Egg hunt is happening at 9am.**

**Easter Morning Cantata Service at 10am.**

**We'll be taking up the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Easter Sunday.**

**Senior High Youthquake Registration is open! Youth in Grades 9-12 are welcome to attend. Deadline to register is April 2nd. Fee is \$95 per person. Scholarships are available!**

**Sunday School 9:30 am**

**Young Adults Sunday School 9:30 am  
(New class forming)**

**Choir Practice Wednesdays at 6:30 pm**

**Noon Bible Study Thursdays**

**Evening Bible Study Thursdays at 6:30 pm**