

Central Presbyterian Church

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April 27, 2025 2nd Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Announcements

Please take a quiet moment to prepare your heart for worship.

Prelude

Prayer of Preparation (for your personal use, during Prelude)

We bring to you all who doubt your love for whatever reason; shine your resurrection light in their lives. Risen Christ, breathe your Spirit of peace. Living God, we bring you all our prayers, spoken and silent, through the power of Christ's new life. Amen.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Call to Worship – Revelation 1:4-8

- L: Grace and peace to you from the One who is, who always was, and who is still to come; from the sevenfold Spirit before His throne;
- P: and from Jesus Christ. He is the faithful witness to these things, the first to rise from the dead, and the ruler of all the kings of the world.
- L: All glory to Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by shedding His blood for us.
- P: He has made us a Kingdom of priests for God His Father. All glory and power to Him forever and ever! Amen.
- L: Look! He comes with the clouds of heaven. And everyone will see Him—even those who pierced Him.
- P: And all the nations of the world will mourn for Him. Yes! Amen!
- L: "I am the Alpha and the Omega—the beginning and the end," says the Lord God. "I am the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come—the Almighty One."

*Hymn

"Grace Alone"

SF #2162

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of new life, restore hope throughout our bodies. Help us to breathe again. Strengthen us for the joy that is before us. Grant us eyes to see your beloved people all around us, and ears to hear your good news through all the noise. Even as we have looked away, come to see us, call us forth from our locked rooms and bring us out to walk with you in the world you so love. Amen. (*Time of silence for personal reflection*)

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

L: Peace be with you.

P: And also with you.

*Gloria P	atri <i>"Glory Be to the Father"</i>	PH #579		
	PROCLAIMING THE WORD			
Prayer for Illumination				
Time with Young Disciples				
New Testa	Acts 5:27-32			
Gospel Reading		John 20:19-31		
Sermon	"Walking By Faith!"	Pastor Ryan		
*Hymn	"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"	PH #399		

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith – From Philippians 2:5-11

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.

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer			
L: God of Mercy,			
P:	P: hear our prayer.		
The Lord's Prayer			
Offering			
Offe	ertory "He Did"	Video	
(Doubting Thomas' Song)			
*Doxology		PH #591	
Prayer of Thanksgiving			
BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD			
INTO THE WORLD			
*Hym	n <i>"Spirit"</i>	PH #319	
*Charge and Blessing			
Postlude			
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Please be seated for the Postlude.

Worship Leader:	Pastor Ryan Edgecombe
Greeter/Usher:	Ron Sanert
Liturgist:	Brianne Satorius
Pianist:	Bethany Edgecombe

*Please stand, if able CCLI License #2716138

Hymnals: PH-blue hard cover; Red-red hard cover; SF-small blue soft cover

*Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, and Prayer of Illumination edited from the Presbyterian Outlook.