

Central Presbyterian Church

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May 4, 2025 3rd Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Announcements

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

Prelude "Land of Rest" Elliot

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

Lord Jesus, as the Good Shepherd, I trust in your guidance and protection. May I always listen to your voice and follow your path, knowing that you are my shepherd, and I am one of your sheep. Amen.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Call to Worship – Psalm 30:1-5

- L: I will exalt you, Lord, for you rescued me. You refused to let my enemies triumph over me.
- P: O Lord my God. I cried to you for help, and you restored my health.
- L: You brought me up from the grave, O Lord. You kept me from falling into the pit of death.
- P: Sing to the Lord, all you godly ones! Praise his holy name.
- L: For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime!
- P: Weeping may last through the night, but joy comes with the morning.

*Hymn "Crown Him with Many Crowns" RED #85

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We hear the song of the angels in Revelation; "Worthy is the lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing." We are not always faithful or consistent in honoring the Lamb of God who has taken away our sins as we ought. Thank you, Lord, for your grace. Thank you, Lord, for continuing to work with us and mold us. Thank you, Lord, for never giving up on us. Amen.

(Time of silence for personal reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

L: Peace be with you.

P: And also with you.

*Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" PH #579

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Time with Young Disciples

New Testament Reading Acts 9:1-15

Gospel Reading John 21:1-19

Sermon "Feed My Sheep!" Pastor Ryan

*Hymn "More Like Jesus Would I Be" RED#334

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith – "A New Creed"

We are not alone; we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

L: God of Mercy,

P: hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebration of the Lord's Supper (Insert)

The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(Wine is in the outer circle of the trays)

Offering

Offertory "Fill Me Now"

*Doxology PH #591

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn "Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult" RED #503

*Charge and Blessing

Postlude "Jubilee!" Martin

Please be seated for the Postlude.

Worship Leader: Pastor Ryan Edgecombe

Greeter/Usher: Pat Claussen
Liturgist/Communion Steward: Jane Stephenson
Organist: Emma Lou Denton

*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 written by Pastor Ryan.