

PARK CENTRAL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*First Sunday in Lent*

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**MARCH 1, 2020 10:30 AM**

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**Chiming of the Hour**

*The ringing of the bell invites us to quiet our hearts & minds as we gather for worship.*

**Words of Welcome & Announcements**

*Welcome to Park Central Presbyterian Church! May you experience God's grace and love within the worship service and in the greetings of those who have gathered here*  
*If you are visiting this morning, we are glad that you have joined us and hope that you will come again.*

**WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

**PRELUDE**

Soliloquy

David Conte

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: People of God, on this wilderness journey,  
what will you eat?

**All: The word of the Lord is our daily bread.**

Leader: People of God, in this time of temptation,  
how will you live?

**All: Our faith is in the faithfulness of God.**

Leader: People of God, at this kingdom crossroad,  
whom will you serve?

**All: We worship the Lord our God alone.**

**\*HYMN 83** O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

DEO GRACIAS

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*unison*)

**We keep silent before you, O God.  
We are often afraid to confront our transgressions;  
terrified to face the reality of our sin.  
We feel as if the weight of the world  
is on our shoulders.  
We no longer recognize ourselves  
or what we have become  
when we keep our failings and fears inside.  
Help us admit our sins and accept our vulnerability.  
Why is that simple act so difficult for us?  
Why do we hesitate, knowing that you stand ready  
to wash away our guilt?  
You are the sanctuary where distress cannot reach us.  
In your steadfast love, forgive us.  
With your healing caress, cleanse us.  
With the breath of your Holy Spirit, restore us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, we pray. Amen.**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA**

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ,  
and to the Spirit, One!  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen!*

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

# WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

## THE FIRST LESSON

Psalm 32 (pg. 496)

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## ANTHEM

The Kirk Choir  
Robert Lehman

A Prayer for Quiet Confidence

*O God of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved.*

*In quietness and in confidence shall be our strength:*

*By the might of thy spirit lift us, we pray thee, to thy presence*

*Where we may be still and know that thou are God;*

*Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

## THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11 (pg. 879)

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

J. Andrew McTyre

## SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

\*HYMN 512 Living Word of God Eternal KOMM, O KOMM, DU GEIST DES LEBENS

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS Kathleen Roland-Silverstein, Civic Morning Musicals

## SHARING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

*(If you are visiting, we invite you to fill out the Welcome Card  
and place it in the offering plate.)*

## OFFERTORY SOLO

Wait on the Lord

Julie McKinstry, *soprano*  
adapted from W. A. Mozart

*Wait on the Lord, and keep His commandments, for He shall save them that trust in Him.  
Wait on the Lord, and sing His praises; The earth is full of His goodness.*

*For God is our refuge, and our help in trouble;  
We will not fear though the earth be removed.*

*Wait on the Lord, and you shall find peace, for He shall give you the water of Life.  
Hope in the Lord, and rest in His love, and He shall give you the needs of your heart.  
Wait on the Lord, and rest in peace.*

## \*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

*The Invitation*

*The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Leader: May God be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to God.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to God.

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

Leader: We give you thanks and praise, O God...  
...Even dry bones in the valley of death  
stand to sing your praise:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ my heart, my heart a - dores you. \_\_\_\_\_ My

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heart is glad to say the \_\_\_\_\_ words: You are ho - ly God.

Leader: We give you thanks and praise for Jesus.....  
 ...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ \_\_\_\_\_ has died \_\_\_\_\_ Christ \_\_\_\_\_ is ri - sen \_\_\_\_\_

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Christ will come \_\_\_\_\_ a - gain.

Leader: Now pour out your Holy Spirit...  
 ... all glory is yours, O God, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

*The Breaking of the Bread*

*The Sharing of the Bread and Cup*

*Organ Music During Communion*

I call to thee, Lord Jesus Christ, BWV 639

J. S. Bach

*Prayer after Communion*

Thank you, gracious God,  
for giving us bread for the journey  
of these forty days.

As we travel on through the wilderness  
help us to share your grace with others  
and draw us ever closer to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

\***CHANT**      In God Alone

TAIZÉ

\***BENEDICTION**

\***CHORAL RESPONSE**

Threefold Amen

The Kirk Choir

Donald Moore

**POSTLUDE**

In peace and joy I now depart, BWV 616  
(*Mit Fried' und Freud' ich fahr' dahin*) [Nunc dimittis]

J. S. Bach

*During the postlude, some people sit or stand quietly and listen to the music.  
Others find it helpful to connect with those around them or greet visitors as they leave.  
Please feel free to make the transition between worship and re-entering the world  
in whatever way is meaningful to you.*

*Please join us for a Fellowship Luncheon  
downstairs in the Dining Hall after the worship service.  
All are welcome!*

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Greeters.....Baird Hansen, John Laidlaw  
Liturgist ..... Sharon Terry

*Young children and infants are welcome in worship or in our nursery each Sunday morning. Our greeters will be happy to show you to the nursery located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the parish house.*

*There are baskets on the front left pew with Children's Bulletins, colored pencils, crayons, and books for children to use during worship. Please help yourself!*

I imagine Lent for you and for me as a great departure  
from the greedy, anxious anti-neighborliness of our economy,  
a great departure from our exclusionary politics that fears the other,  
a great departure from self-indulgent consumerism that devours creation.

And then an arrival in a new neighborhood,  
because it is a gift to be simple, it is a gift to be free;  
it is a gift to come down where we ought to be.

~ Walter Brueggemann, *A Way Other Than Our Own: Devotions for Lent*

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