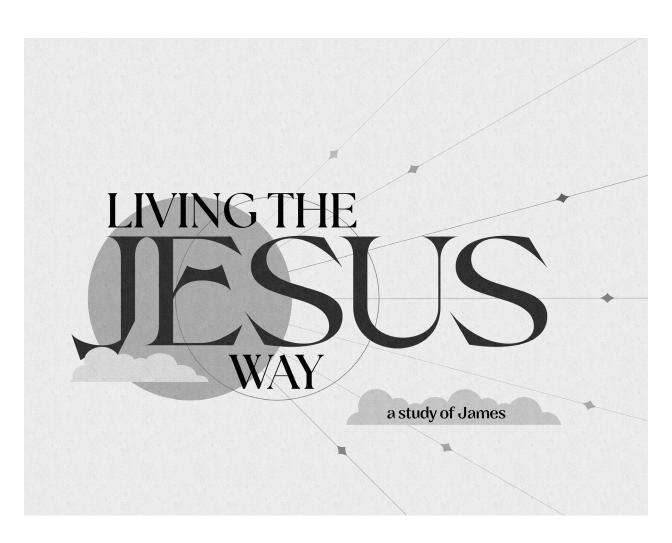
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Get connected at Central

Whether you're just beginning to explore the Christian faith or a longtime believer, we're glad you're here and pray you will experience the love and grace of Jesus today. Central is for anyone who wants to learn more about Jesus Christ and grow together in real community.



Especially if this is your first time as our guest, welcome. We are thrilled you are here, and would love to connect with you. You are encouraged to fill out a connection card at one of our welcome tables in either lobby or in the Fellowship Hall, or simply scan the QR code.

Sundays at Central

Worship: 8:30am & 11:15am

Sunday school: 10:00am-11:00am

Worshiping as a Family

Children are always welcome to participate in worship with their families.

During both services, nursery care is available for families with children ages 8 weeks through 3 years. The nursery entrance is on the first floor.

A nursing mother's room is located on the first floor off of the Fellowship Hall.

For kids ages 3 through kindergarten, we offer "children's worship" during the sermon. After worshipping with their family during the first part of the service, kids ages 3 through kindergarten will be invited to join our leaders at the front of the sanctuary. After the sermon, the kids return to the sanctuary to meet their parents.

Accessibility

Large print bulletins are available from our ushers. Amplification devices are also available from the ushers at the rear of the sanctuary.

Welcome Registry

Located in each pew is a "Welcome Registry." We encourage you to please use this to let us know you worshiped at Central today. After putting your name down, please pass the book down your pew.

Prayer

At Central, we believe in the power of prayer. You are invited to submit your prayer requests using the cards located in the pew, or online at *centralpres.com/prayer*. You can also email your prayer requests to *prayer@centralpres.com*. If you would like to pray with someone today, please visit the prayer room after either service.

He That Shall Endure from Elijah

Central Brass Ensemble

Standing (if able)

Praise the Lord!
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens!
Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his excellent greatness!

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

F. Mendelssohn

Prelude

from Psalm 150:1-2, 6

God Calls Us To Worship

God gathers us before his heavenly throne for a special time to renew our relationship with him together.

We Praise God

We respond to God's call by honoring his majesty and goodness in song.

A Mighty Fortress



Text: Martin Luther, 1529; tr. Frederic Hedge, 1852 Tune: EIN FESTE BURG; Martin Luther, 1529

We Pray For God To Help Us Worship

We ask the Lord to work in us by his Holy Spirit to give us the desire and ability to respond to him in worship. Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

He died for us that we might live for him.

from James 4:8, 10

God Calls Us to Confess Our Sin

Cleanse your hands, and purify your hearts. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Our Father, you have created and redeemed us to live by the wisdom of Christ from above.

But we have not loved you and your wisdom with all of our heart, mind, and strength, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are prone to reject meekness as weakness and gentleness as cowardice and compromise, to close ourselves to the truth and to correction from your Spirit and from others.

We have been filled with jealousy and selfish ambition, and we have responded to others with harsh attitudes, words, and actions that are impatient, impure, and unkind.

Lord, we are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. Have mercy on us.

(silent prayers of confession)

Gracious Father, fix our eyes on Jesus and lead us by your Spirit to walk in the way of your wisdom. Transform us so that we are more and more peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and the good fruit of your Spirit in Christ. Amen.

Standing (if able)

from Colossians 3:1, 3-4

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

For all who have turned from sin in sorrow and look to God for mercy, this is God's gift. In Jesus Christ, God loves you, God forgives you, God accepts you, and God rejoices over you as beloved daughters and sons.

Hallelujah, Amen!

We Confess Our Sin

Together as the people of God, we acknowledge honestly to God what is wrong and broken in us and ask for his forgiveness and transforming grace.

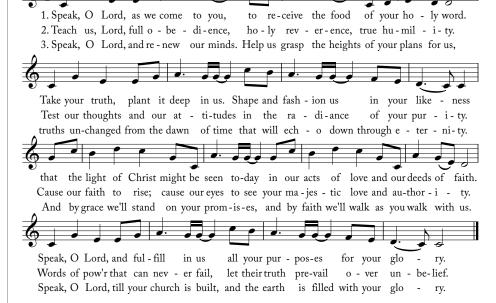
God Declares Our Forgiveness

God responds joyfully to our confession by declaring his forgiveness and the security of his grace and delight in us as his beloved daughters and sons.

We Praise God

Having been assured of God's favor, we offer thanks and praise for salvation from sin and reconciliation with God through Jesus Christ.

Speak, O Lord



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Seated

Children ages 3 - kindergarten are invited to Children's Worship and will return during the offering.

James 3:13-18

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God Instructs Us In Scripture Reading

God speaks to us through the Bible to instruct, encourage, correct, comfort, and equip us to know, love, and follow him.

The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Isaiah 40:8

We respond to God by affirming our trust in his word.

"Godly Wisdom" – Rev. Dr. Dan Doriani

God Instructs Us In Preaching

God speaks to us to explain what his word means and how to respond to him with loving obedience in our daily lives. Give electronically at centralpres.com/giving, or by texting CENTRALPRES to 77977

We Offer Ourselves in Gifts and Song

We respond to God's word by offering ourselves to God with renewed love and commitment both in song and in gifts of money to support God's mission in the world.

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts



Text: Bernard of Clairvaux, ~1160; tr. Ray Palmer, 1858 Tune: Brian T. Murphy © 2003 Red Mountain Music

We Hear Testimony of God's Mission

Lizzie Avery and Molly Bruce Student Ministry

Standing (if able)

(prayers for the church and the world)

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.

We Pray For The Church And The World

We respond to God's word by asking him to transform our lives, our communities, and the world through the renewing work of Jesus with the Lord's Prayer as a summary prayer for the mission of God's kingdom.

We Praise God

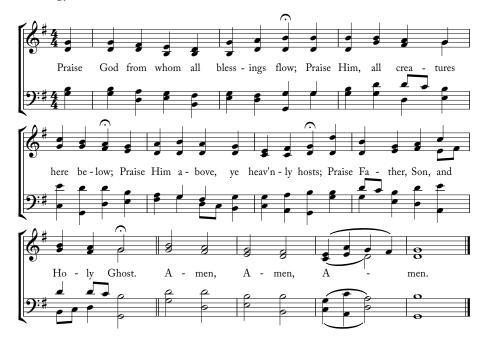
The Church's One Foundation



Text: S. J. Stone, 1866 Tune: AURELIA; Samuel S. Wesley, 1864 And all God's people said...

Hallelujah! Amen.

Doxology - Old 100th



Text: Thomas Ken, 1709 Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH; Louis Bourgeois, *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

A Mighty Fortress

C. Ore

Postlude

Liturgist: Rev. Taylor Bruce

Musicians: Matthew Mazzoni (director), piano, organ; Young Kim, piano.

Central Brass Ensemble: Allen Stith (director), Pat Stark, Peter Baartman, *trumpet*; Tim Arrington, Jill Clayton, *horn*; Paul Arrington, Susan Griesedieck, *trombone/euphonium*; Richard Johnston, Austin Winkleman, *tuba*.

God Blesses Us And Sends Us Out

God sends us out into the world with his blessing to live with him and serve the mission of his kingdom. Connect, Grow, Serve

At Central, we seek the transformation of our lives, communities, and the world through the renewing work of Jesus Christ, for the glory of God. This vision becomes more and more a reality when we **connect**, **grow**, and **serve**. Below are a few opportunities coming up for you to belong to God's mission and his work at and through Central.

Connect and Grow - Men's Ministry

We have our next "Journey Men" coming up on Thursday evening, November 6 at 6pm here at church. It's a time of food, fellowship and faith, where we get to hear how the Lord Jesus is at work in the life of another man through testimony and discussion. Iron sharpens iron, and this is a powerful time of encouraging each other in the Lord. Contact us at *info@centralpres.com* for questions or more information.

Community Night Wednesday - Dinner, Bible Studies and More

Our Wednesday night ministry – "Community Night" – continues this Wednesday evening. Join us for dinner at 5pm. If you haven't been part of our Wednesday night ministry before, maybe this week is a great time to start. Bible studies begin at 6pm. We hope to see you this Wednesday!

Central Blood Drive on November 10

Giving blood is a very practical and important way to serve and love our neighbors. Mark your calendars for Monday, November 10 when we will host our next blood drive here at Central, beginning at noon. If you are able, please drop by and participate with us anytime between noon and 6pm! Contact us at *info@centralpres.com* if you have any questions or to reserve a time slot.

A Beneficial Way to Give

Did you know that you can give stock directly to the church? When you do, you avoid paying gains tax on appreciated assets. It can be a very beneficial way to give, especially with the markets near all-time highs. If you would like to learn more about how to give in this way, please contact us at *info@centralpres.com*. We have a system in place to make the process clear and easy for you.

If you would like more information about these or other upcoming opportunities, please scan the QR code to the right, email us at *communications@centralpres.com*, or call the church office at 314-727-2777.

CONNECT

GROW

SERVE

