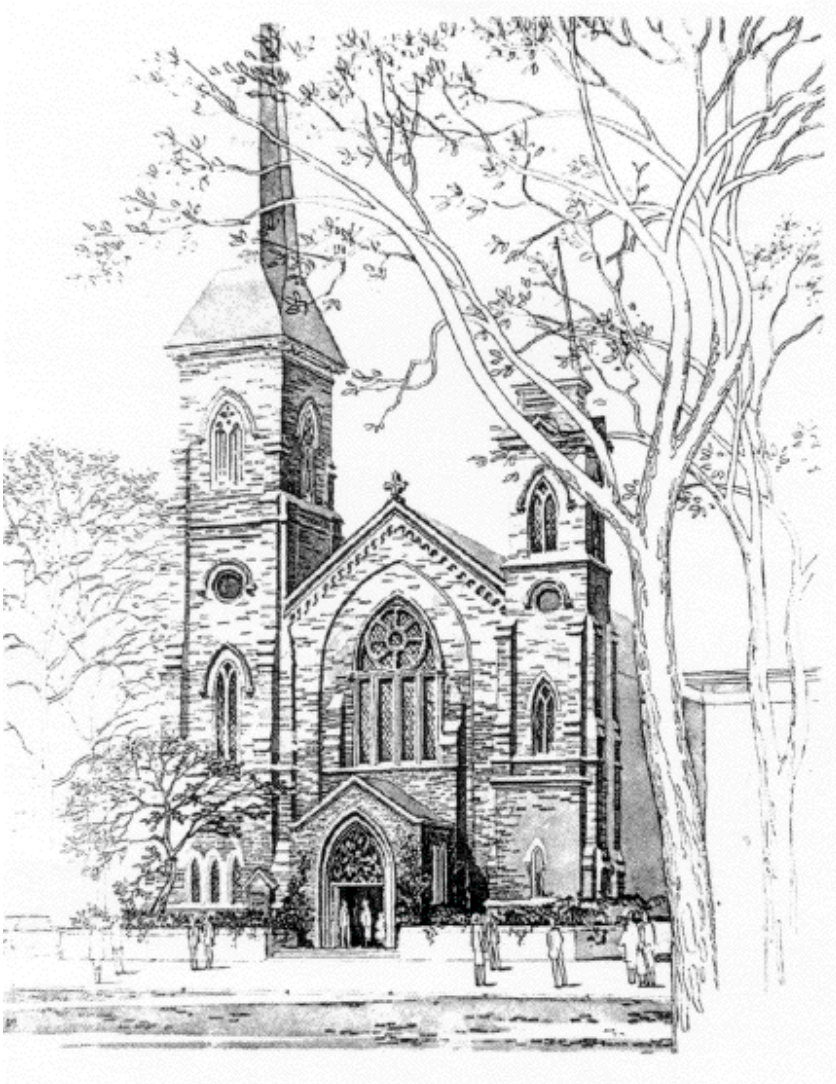


PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

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OCTOBER 17, 2021 10:30 AM

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 worship at Park Central Presbyterian Church! May you experience God's grace and love within the worship service.

Please wear a mask and maintain 6 feet of distance from other household groups.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Pastoral"

Anton Bruckner

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God is our dwelling place,

a home of peace and plenty.

God is our dwelling place,

a refuge when trouble is near.

God is our dwelling place.

Let us worship together with gratitude and joy.

***HYMN 461 God Is Here!**

ABBOT'S LEIGH

There will be no congregational singing. Only the soloist will sing.

God is here! As we Your people

Meet to offer praise and prayer,

May we find in fuller measure

What it is in Christ we share.

Here as in the world around us,

All our varied skills and art

Wait the coming of the Spirit

Into open minds and hearts.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom,

In an age of change and doubt

Keep us faithful to the gospel,

Help us work Your purpose out.

Here, in this day's dedication,

All we have to give, receive:

We, who cannot live without You,

We adore You! We believe!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful and gentle God,
we confess that we have often reached for honor
rather than humbling ourselves in obedience.
We are eager to sit beside you in glory,
but we fail to serve and
make room for our neighbors.
Forgive us, gracious God.
Guide and teach us
that we may follow your way
more deeply through servanthood.
Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Psalm 91:9-16

⁹ Because you have made God your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling place,
¹⁰ no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.

¹¹ For God will command the angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.
¹² On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.
¹³ You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

¹⁴ Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.
¹⁵ When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honor them.
¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.

Leader: This is the word of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Michael Spencer, *guitar and vocals*
Dan Blumenthal, *violin*
Marty Haugen

Gather Us In

*Here in this place new light is streaming
Now is the darkness vanished away
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this day*

*Gather us in, the lost and forsaken
Gather us in, the blind and the lame
Call to us now and we shall awaken
We shall arise at the sound of our name*

*We are the young, our lives are a mystery
We are the old who yearn for your face
We have been sung throughout all of history
Called to be light to the whole human race
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty
Gather us in, the proud and the strong
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly
Give us the courage to enter the song*

*Not in the dark of buildings confining
Not in some heaven light years away
But here in this place the new light is shining
Now is the kingdom, now is the day*

*Gather us in and hold us forever
Gather us in and make us your own
Gather us in, all peoples together
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Mark 10:35-45

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward and said to Jesus, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶ And Jesus replied, “What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷ And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸ But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” ³⁹ They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴² So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them.

⁴³ But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must minister to you, ⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be servant of all.

⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Beth Schafer, Jail Ministry

SHARING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

The offering plate will not be passed. You may place gifts to the church in the offering plate as you exit.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN 212** Within Your Shelter, Loving God

ABBAY

There will be no congregational singing. Only the soloist will sing.

*Within Your shelter, loving God,
My refuge and my tower,
I safely walk by day and night
Beneath Your guiding power.*

*As often as I call You,
You kindly hear my prayer.
In times of trouble and distress
I rest in Your own care.*

*All those who know Your name on earth
Shall life abundant know.
On all abiding in Your love
Your saving grace bestow.*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Festive Piece”

Dennis Eliot

*Please fill out the contact tracing slip and place it and the pen in the box as you exit.
Take this bulletin with you when you leave.*

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist.....Susan Stinson

Piglet noticed that even though he had a very small heart,
it could hold a rather large amount of gratitude.

from *Winnie the Pooh*
by A.A. Milne

Portions of today's liturgy are adapted from
Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion

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**Please stand if you are able to comfortably*

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