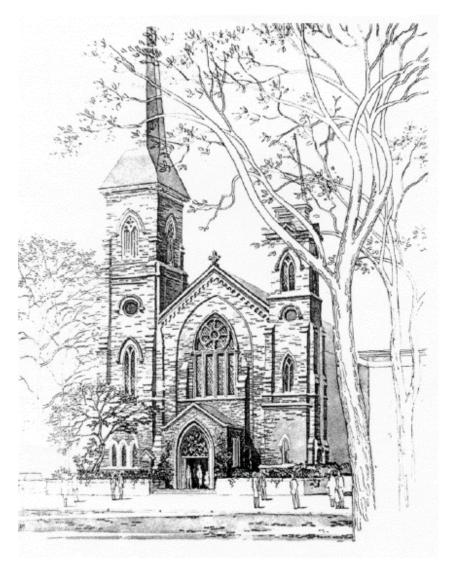
PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Seventh Sunday of Easter

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 16, 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

"Prelude and Fugue in e minor"

Sandra Murphy, *guest organist*J. S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Happy are those who delight in God's teachings and meditate on them day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water.

They yield fruit in due season, and their leaves do not wither.

Come! Let us worship God together.

*HYMN 158 The One Is Blest

DUNFERMLINE

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

The one is blest who, fearing God, Walks not where sinners meet, Who does not stand with wicked ones, And shuns the scorner's seat. How blest the one who in God's law Finds goodness and delight, And meditates upon that law With gladness day and night.

That one is nourished like a tree Set by the river's side; Its leaf is green, its fruit is sure: The works of such abide.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, though you call us to delight in your teachings, we can become cynical and full of doubt. Forgive us when we lose our way. Root us again in your love. Nourish and restore our hearts with your word.

Strengthen us that we may bear fruit

in Jesus' name Amen

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON & PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST LESSON Psalm 1

¹Blessed are those

who do not follow the advice of the wicked,

or take the path that sinners tread,

or sit in the seat of scoffers:

² but their delight is in the law of God, and on that law they meditate day and night.

³ They are like trees

planted by streams of water,

which yield their fruit in its season,

and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴ The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

⁶ for God watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Kent Bradshaw, baritone

God Hath Led His People On

Felix Mendelssohn (posthumous)

God alone hath led His people on. His laws are in their mind, written in their hearts.

All shall know that He is God.

A God of truth without iniquity, both just and right.

And as an eagle stirreth up her nest of young, taketh them and beareth them on her wings, So God alone didst lead His children onward, there was no strange God with them.

God alone hath led His people on. His laws are in their mind, written in their hearts.

All shall know that He is God.

A God of truth without iniquity, both just and right.

Ascribe ye greatness unto our God.

THE SECOND LESSON John 17:6-19

⁶ "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 8 for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy God, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵ I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON J. Andrew McTyre

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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 211 Lord, You Have Been Our Dwelling Place LOBT GOTT IN SEINEM HEILIGTUM

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

Lord, you have been our dwelling place,
A refuge where our feet have trod.

Before You placed all things in space,

Return, O Lord, accept our praise,

From everlasting You are God. That through our lives Your love may shine.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE"Bouree" from *Suite No. 3 for Violoncello*

Sandra Murphy, *guest organist*J. S. Bach
arr. Birchwood/Heinz

Please maintain social distance as you exit through the Fayette Street doors.

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

Liturgists	Michael and Susan Barbour
Soloist	Kent Bradshaw

Our life is all grounded and rooted in love, and without love we may not live.

~ Julian of Norwich

Pastor	J. Andrew McTyre
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Parish Associate	Brigid Boyle
Office Administrator	Briana Vaught
Finance Manager	Michael Sayles
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