

WORD AND SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION

AUGUST 7, 2016 | NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*Starry Night*  
Vincent Van Gogh  
God's Covenant with Abraham -  
*Look toward heaven and count the stars . . . so shall your descendants be.*  
Genesis 15:5

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

FANTASIA IN C MINOR

J. S. BACH

*(As the opening voluntary begins, please use the time to center yourself for worship.)*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
And also with you.*

### RINGING OF THE BELL

#### ✦ OPENING SENTENCES

STEVE BACON

*The Israelites crossed the Red Sea-  
by **faith**.*

*The walls of Jericho fell-  
by **faith**.*

*Knowing that we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses-  
we walk by **faith**.*

*In faith, let us praise God.*

*The name of God be praised!*

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

✦ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

## For the younger ones among us:

Today's Old Testament scripture is about a promise God made to Abram. We all make promises to one another. Maybe you have made a promise to your friends or when you join a team you make a promise to be at practice and be kind if you win or lose. Promises are important. God promised Abram that Abram and his wife would have many offspring. As many as the stars in the skies. We are proof that God keeps promises. Why is it important to keep a promise?

### ✦CALL TO CONFESSION

SARAH PAULSEN

### ✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION

FROM THE IONA COMMUNITY

You walk among us, O Lord, hoping we will see your face in the crowd. We confess that most of the time, we are not looking. And when we do look, we are afraid of what we see. We close our ears when you call our names. When we are too wrapped up in our own concerns to recognize you, forgive us. When we are too certain, and there is no room for your mystery, forgive us. When we have locked our doors, our minds, and our hearts, forgive us. Show us your face again, living God. Teach us to see, and to welcome you we pray . . .

*(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)*

### ✦KYRIE

AVON GILLESPIE

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, O Lord.

### ✦ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### ✦PASSING THE PEACE

### ✦RESPONSE HYMN NO. 582 GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

PAUL VASILE

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST READING

HEBREWS 11:1-3, 8-16

PAGE 215, NT, PEW BIBLE

#### SECOND READING

GENESIS 15:1-18

PAGE 12, OT, PEW BIBLE

#### SERMON

MICHELLE HWANG

## RESPONDING TO AND SEALING THE WORD

### ✦HYMN NO. 503

LORD, WE HAVE COME AT YOUR OWN INVITATION

O QUANTA QUALIA

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*(Please sign the Friendship Pad found at one end of your pew, and pass it along.)*

## MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

AGNUS DEI

DOUGLAS E. WAGNER

CHANCEL CHOIR

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:  
Miserere nobis. Dona nobis pacem.*

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.  
Have mercy on us. Give us peace.

## ✦ AT THE PRESENTATION

DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDRETH

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.

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

## GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**It is right to give God thanks and praise . . .**

ANNA GEORGE TRAYNHAM

During the offering, take a minute to sign the friendship pads found in each pew. If you are visiting with us, please leave your contact information so that we can reach out to you! Newcomers and regulars alike can see who is sitting around them and greet each other by name. By signing in, you help us build stronger community connections at Central.

### 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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*(If you require gluten-free elements, please go to the center station to the second set of servers.*

*If you wish to be served in your pew, indicate your desire to an usher.)*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

BERCUESE

CAMILLE SAINT-SAËNS

KAREN BROWN AND JASON MAYNARD, PIANO

INTERMEZZO IN A MAJOR

JOHANNES BRAHMS

KAREN BROWN, PIANO

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

## ✦ HYMN No. 645

SING PRAISE TO GOD WHO REIGNS ABOVE

MIT FREUDEN ZART

## BLESSING AND SENDING *(See insert)*

## ✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## CHORAL RESPONSE

THE PEACE OF THE EARTH

GUATEMALA

CHANCEL CHOIR

The peace of the earth be with you, the peace of the heavens too;

The peace of the rivers be with you, the peace of the oceans too.

Deep peace falling over you. God's peace growing in you.

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

PAEAN

KENNETH LEIGHTON

*(Please remain seated for the Closing Voluntary)*

## WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our liturgists today** are Anna George Traynham, Steve Bacon, and Sarah Paulsen.  
**Our lector today** is Jan DeLong.  
**Audio recordings** of sermons may be found at [www.cpcast.org](http://www.cpcast.org). You may subscribe to podcasts at that site and find us on Facebook as "Central Presbyterian Church."  
**Music is printed** under Onelicense.net AA-710014.

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|---|---|
| Steve Bacon                             | Acting Head of Staff  |
| Michelle Hwang                          | Associate Pastor for<br>Christian Education and Spiritual Formation |
| Anna George Traynham and Molly McGinnis | Pastors in Residence  |
| P. C. (Buddy) Enniss                    | Pastor Emeritus   |
| David A. VanderMeer                     | Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries                          |
| Jason Maynard                           | Organist  |
| Michael Morgan                          | Organist Emeritus   |

## MEMBERS IN PREPARATION FOR ORDINATION AS TEACHING ELDERS

Sarah Paulsen  
Erin Burt

## WELCOME VISITORS

Welcome to Central! We are glad you are here! All are invited to worship God in this place. Wherever you are on the journey of faith, may Central be a community in which you can be nurtured and supported along the way and a place where you may serve and be served in the spirit of Christ. Contact Anna George Traynham at [atraynham@cpcatlanta.org](mailto:atraynham@cpcatlanta.org) to learn more about life at Central. We hope to see you again soon!

## THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

### Ushers

Beth Grashof, captain ▪ Corie Cox  
Brian Bishop ▪ Lee Ebeling  
Em McNair ▪ Rick Hertzberg  
Keith Pascoe ▪ Jeff Figueroa

### Deacons of the Day

Vanessa Hunter ▪ Ben Evans

### Greeters

Tom Holcomb ▪ Michael Lloyd  
Nancy Wilkes

### Sound Engineer

Dean Hammond

### Counters

Kevin Byers ▪ Tom Holcomb

### Collectors of Friendship Pads

The Partridge Family  
Michelle, Joshua, Naiomi

The Bliss Family  
Melanie, Jason, Ally, and Tyler

### Bell Ringer

Judy Kisla

### Narthex Greeters

Jan DeLong  
Patrice Darden

## THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

### Sunday, August 7

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| 12:15 p.m. | Peace Vigil                                  |
| 12:15 p.m. | Fellowship Lunch                             |
| 1:00 p.m.  | Viewing - <i>Rand Chapel</i>                 |
| 2:00 p.m.  | Funeral Service<br>Floyd Rhodes<br>Sanctuary |

### Monday, August 8

No events scheduled

### Tuesday, August 9

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| 10:00 a.m. | All-Staff Meeting |
| 11:00 a.m. | Worship Staff     |

### Wednesday, August 10

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| 5:30 p.m. | Finance Committee Meeting |
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### Thursday, August 11

No events scheduled

### Friday, August 12

No events scheduled

### Saturday, August 13

No events scheduled

### Sunday, August 14

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| 9:45 a.m.  | Summer Series continues                                |
| 9:45 a.m.  | Children's Sunday School                               |
| 11:00 a.m. | Worship for the Lord's Day<br>Molly McGinnis preaching |
| 12:15 p.m. | Peace Vigil  |
| 12:15 p.m. | Fellowship Lunch                                       |
| 12:45 p.m. | Invitation Committee Mtg.                              |
| 3:00 p.m.  | Pool Party<br><i>Lum Home</i>                          |

## SUMMER FUN WITH THE EVENTS COMMITTEE

The Event Committee has been working hard to bring you a slam bang group of events for your summer enjoyment. Join us for a **Pool Party at the home of Jill and Brady Lum** – Sunday, August 14 from 3:00-7:00 pm. An event which is sure to please the young and the young at heart. The Lums have graciously opened their house and pool to a summer evening pool party perfect for families and anyone else who likes to be around kids having fun! The Event Committee will supply the main course and drinks and requests that all bring a side or dessert to finish off the meal. (Register on the church website to sign up for the event and indicate a side dish/dessert that you will bring).



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Summer Series 2016 has begun and continues each Sunday through August 28, at 9:45 a.m. in the Atrium. The leader on August 14 will be Brennan Breed. The topic will be *Is the Old Testament a Political Document?*