

WELCOME TO CENTRAL

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SEPTEMBER 24, 2023





IN OUR PRAYERS

Central is a caring community of faith that includes members, friends, and visitors. We give thought to those who are rarely or currently not able to attend worship here. **Today, we keep in our prayers Jim Wheeler.**

CHILDREN

Children are a beloved part of our community and always welcome in the sanctuary with you. At the back of the room are activity bags and books for them to enjoy during their time in worship. Infants through age 6 are also invited to spend the worship hour in our nursery on the upper level, playing and learning together. Changing tables are available in our restrooms with diapering supplies available in the nursery.

FLOWERS

Flowers given in celebration of the Installation of Reverend Christopher Chatelaine-Samsen as our Pastor. If you would like to bring flowers to place on the chancel for worship in recognition of a special moment or event, contact the office.

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Large print worship bulletins and hymns are available from the ushers or in back of the sanctuary.



The sanctuary is T-coil enabled for those with the hearing aid technology. Sound amplification devices are also available from ushers.



Reserved accessible parking and a wheelchair ramp are available in the MPR lot off 9th Street East. Accessible restrooms are in the hall by side sanctuary doors and on the lower level.

PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in the MPR lot, KCP lot, and the World Trade Center Parking Ramp across Cedar Street. If parking in the ramp, see an usher for a voucher to pay your ramp fees.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Central Presbyterian Church occupies the sacred land of the Dakota people. Broken treaties and the systematic loss of life and land led directly to the availability of this sacred space which we presume to possess today. Our faith demands confession of the evils from which we benefit, action to support Indigenous peoples seeking justice, and lives guided by love. We keep this in our minds and hearts as we worship today. For the full statement of our commitment to action, visit our website at www.centralforgood.org/land.

Service of Installation of
Reverend Christopher Chatelaine-Samsen
September 24, 2023

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION OF THE
PRESBYTERY OF THE TWIN CITIES AREA**

REV. LOU BENDER

Teaching Elder

REV. DONNA BUELL

Teaching Elder

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SUE HOFFMAN

Ruling Elder, Central Presbyterian Church in Saint Paul, Minnesota

AL ZDRAZIL

Ruling Elder, Central Presbyterian Church in Saint Paul, Minnesota

JOHN ZWIER

Moderator

MUSICIANS

CENTRAL CHOIR

with Alex Woods, piano

ARS NOVA BRASS QUINTET

Ehrich Koch, trumpet

Miriam Dennis, trumpet

Melissa Kalal, horn

Brent Rundquist, trombone

Dean Shea, tuba

ART

The banner for today's celebration
was created by the children and youth
at Central.

Special thanks to the following adults
who helped the kids paint the pieces:

Anna Sanchez, Laura Walls,
Maria Stokes, and Jess Garner.

RECEPTION

Following the installation service today there will be a reception for
Rev. Chris Chatelaine-Samsen in the Friendship Room. Please join us!

Welcome to Central Presbyterian Church

Whether you are sharing worship with us in our historic sanctuary or watching online, we hope you feel the vitality of our people, our ministry and our focus on the present. If you are looking for a place to put your faith into action or for a community to provide support and inspiration, we are looking for you. Central is open and affirming of all people. If you are visiting today, we invite you to fill out a Connect card in the pews and drop it in the offering plate.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

As we gather in this space to worship, let us listen for God's voice by silencing our cell phones and using the music to bring us into a time of reflection and prayer.

✦ Please rise in body or in spirit

We Gather in God's Presence

PRELUDE

Ars Nova Brass Quintet

Fugue No. 7 (by J.S. Bach)

Sarabande (by E. Grieg)

Canzona per Sonare No. 4 (by G. Gabriel)

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP - From Isaiah 6

Sophie & Addie

One: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of heavenly forces!

All: **All the earth is filled with God's glory!"**

One: I heard the Lord's voice saying, "Whom should I send, and who will go for us?"

All: **"I'm here; send me."**

✦ OPENING PRAYER

Lord, you call each of us and give us gifts for service. Help us to hear your call, and give us power to live out our gifts with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love.

✦ PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Here I Am, Lord (I, the Lord of Sea and Sky)

Hymn #69

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Chris Chatelaine-Samsen

One: The peace of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: In the sure hope of forgiveness, let us confess our sins to God.

All: **God, we confess before you and in the presence of one another that we have sinned. You have called us to love the world after the model of your own transformative love. You call us to compassion that knows no bounds. And yet we are reserved, failing to offer the same love that we have received.**

In your mercy, forgive our shortcomings, and by your Spirit empower us to follow your call once again.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: From the beginning of all things, God had in mind to create, redeem, and sustain all things for good. Therefore, with the confidence of the children of God, we proclaim:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

We Listen for God's Voice

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Jennifer Anderson

At this time, we invite children to participate in our children's ministry. Please see announcements for details on today's programs. If you are new to Central, please come with your child in order to meet our staff and provide emergency contact information.

SENDING SONG

Go now in peace, Go now in peace
May the love of God surround you,
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Al Zdrazil

Lord, you are speaking. Open our hearts and minds to hear your voice and follow your call. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING - 2 Corinthians 4:5-11

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Central Choir; Shanta Hejmadi & Abbie Betinis, vocalists;
Alex Woods, piano; Lucy Hiestand, djembe

Christ Has No Body Here But Yours (by Abbie Betinis)

Commissioned for Central Choir in honor of Rev. Chris Chatelaine-Samsen's Installation as Pastor of Central Presbyterian Church, St. Paul, MN. Jennifer Anderson, conductor.

Teresa of Avila (16th c) with new lyrics by Abbie Betinis

When cued, please sing:

The image shows a musical score for a two-part setting of the hymn 'Christ Has No Body Here But Yours'. The score is written on two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is primarily composed of chords, with some eighth notes. The lyrics 'We are God's bod - y, God's bod - y here.' are written below the treble staff, with the words 'bod - y' and 'here.' having long horizontal lines underneath them to indicate a sustained note. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and some eighth notes.

We Respond to God's Gifts

✦ HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Hymn #182

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - From *A Brief Statement of Faith*

Elder Sue Hoffman

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

INSTALLATION

Moderator John Zwier

One: There are varieties of gifts,

All: **but it is the same Spirit who gives them.**

One: There are different ways of serving God,

All: **but it is the same Lord who is served.**

PRAYER

Elder Sue Goodspeed

PASTORAL CHARGE

Rev. Lou Bender

CALL FOR OFFERING

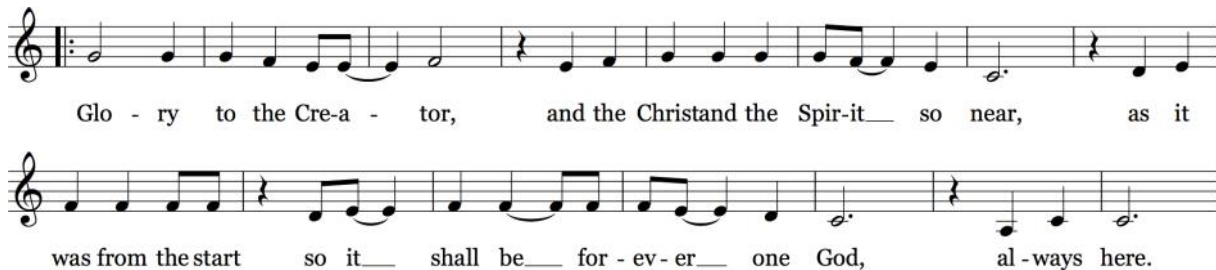
You may designate a special offering for the Shared Grant Fund, a ministry of the Presbytery to clergy in need of financial assistance. You are invited to place offering gifts and completed pew cards in the plates as ushers pass them. You may also give online at www.centralforgood.org/give or submit to the office during normal office hours.

OFFERTORY

Ars Nova Brass Quintet

Amazing Grace (Traditional)

✦ SUNG RESPONSE



Glo - ry to the Cre-a - tor, and the Christ and the Spir-it so near, as it
was from the start so it shall be for - ev - er one God, al - ways here.

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord, you are generous. As we return a portion of what you have given us, may it be used to proclaim your love in words and actions, here and everywhere. Amen.

We Are Sent into God's World

✦ CONGREGATIONAL CHARGE

Rev. Donna Buell

✦ HYMN

Will You Come and Follow Me

Hymn #726

✦ CHARGE & BLESSING - Adapted from Jeremiah 29

One: We have gathered together in this sacred place to worship God, be formed as disciples of Jesus, and be empowered by the Holy Spirit. God is now sending us out to bless the world.

All: Therefore we will seek the good of the city where God has called us. We will pray for it, open our doors with compassion, serve our neighbors, and be attentive to God's presence; for in its good we will find our own.

One: God is out there.

All: Let us go forth!

POSTLUDE

Glory to God (by J.S. Bach)

Ars Nova Brass Quintet

GIVE IN A DIFFERENT WAY: Via Text Message!



Simply text **givecentral** to **73256** on your smart phone, then follow the prompts to give your offering via credit card or bank account transfer. You can donate one time or set up a recurring gift.

Explore other ways to give on our website at www.centralforgood.org/give.

Announcements

View our church calendar and share upcoming events at www.centralforgood.org/calendar.

Children & Youth Ministry Today

CHILDREN AGE BIRTH – 6: Our beautiful nursery is staffed by professional caregivers and full of fun toys and good friends. Childcare is available from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. today. Please sign your child in and out.

GRADES 1 – 5: Sunday Connection class follows the Time for Children. Sign your child in at the back table near the Ushers. Pick up in the Orange Room upstairs at 11:30.

GRADES 6 – 8: Gathers upstairs in the Galilee Room following the Time for Children.

If you are new to Central, or have questions about ministry for those under 18, we invite you to reach out to Jennifer Anderson at jennifera@centralforgood.org.

Family Campfire & Game Night

Wear your play clothes and bring your favorite game to share with others during this family-friendly event on Saturday, September 30 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. There will be games for all ages and activities both inside and out.

Open to all children and youth, as well as their people, this event will be hosted at the Klaehn family home. (You will receive the address when you RSVP.) All are asked to bring a side dish to go with dinner, games if you like, and chairs to sit around the campfire.

To RSVP, email Jennifer Anderson at jennifera@centralforgood.org by this Sunday, September 24 or talk with Jackie Klaehn.

Adult Faith Formation Class Begins October 1

Does the Bible still matter? Does it make a case for social justice? If so, how do we read it in a way that helps us understand God's intentions for the world?

Explore many social justice issues with Pastor Chris, including what the Bible does (and does not) say about social justice, and how to read the Bible holistically to help us navigate some of the most consequential issues of our time. We'll meet on the first Sunday of each month at 11:45 a.m. in the upstairs Meeting Lounge. To see other topics on the horizon, go to www.centralforgood.org/adult or pick up a September newsletter.

Save the Date(s) for These Fall Happenings!

Community Event Against Gun Violence

On Saturday, October 14, Central will host an event of Lament and Hope in the face of the epidemic of gun violence in our community and beyond.

We invite members of Central and partners across the community to stand together as we honor the work of those who stand for non-violence and reform, and lament the grievous injury that gun violence does to those – all humans – made in God’s sacred image.

During the time we gather – from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – we will memorialize neighbors lost to gun violence, hear testimony from members of the community, and reflect on how our faith urges us towards a more just and peaceful future. Included will be an outdoor memorial and a striking visual representation of the work we are called to do – blacksmiths transforming disassembled firearms into garden tools, a reminder of the Biblical call to transform our tools of violence into tools of life.

Volunteers are needed to greet, set up, offer hospitality, and clean up afterwards. If you’d like to volunteer or receive more information, email the Central office, speak with Virgie Bundy, or sign up in the Friendship Room on Sundays.

Interested in Membership?

Join us after worship on October 22 to learn more about membership at Central – who we are, what we believe, and why being a member matters. We’ll gather from 11:45 to 1:00 p.m., including a brief tour of parts of our historic building you may not have seen yet! RSVP to Pastor Chris at chriscs@centralforgood.org.

Gathering of Presbyterian Women

The Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area will hold its annual Fall Gathering on Saturday, October 14 at Calvin Presbyterian Church in Long Lake. If you plan to attend, please confirm via email to women@centralforgood.org no later than September 25.

All-Church Variety Show

Do you juggle or dance? How about play guitar or know a joke or two? Come share your talent, and cheer on others, at our All-Ages Talent Show on Sunday, October 29 at 6:30 pm.

A little nervous about doing something on your own? Find a few friends to join you! It’s more fun when more people are involved! (If we have more acts than space, preference will be given to the acts that have more people involved.)

To learn more, watch for the October newsletter to read how you can sign up!

Central is You. Every day of the week, and especially Sundays, **we rely on one another to minister** through worship, education, fellowship, and more.

Following are a few ways we need you (sign in the Friendship Room or at centralforgood.org/volunteer):

PRAY

Support our children and youth by writing notes of encouragement, pray for them, and connect with them in church.

ASSIST IN WORSHIP

Serve during worship as a liturgist - leading prayers, reading scripture, and speaking from the pulpit (no prior public speaking experience necessary!).

SERVE FELLOWSHIP

Prepare coffee and refreshments for the fellowship hour before church from 10 - 10:30 a.m., or serve after worship.

NURSERY CARE

Care and play with our youngest members of the Central community in the nursery during worship or other upcoming events.

USHER AND GREET

Welcome guests to worship, distribute bulletins, help with wayfinding, and assist with receiving the offering.

SUPPORT OUR LIVE STREAM

Help as a camera operator and editor for our worship video broadcast. Don't worry, training is provided!

We also **reach out into our community** in service, witnessing to God's generous love-without-walls. Here are a few ways you can join alongside:

HELP PREPARE LUNCH

Each Wednesday, volunteers work alongside Chef Barb Westman to prepare and serve a catered meal for guests from the surrounding community. Central Closet also distributes clothing at no cost to our guests.

SERVE HOUSING NEEDS

Along with our other service and justice projects, our Beacon Interfaith Housing team works to advocate and provide housing for low-income people around the metro area.

WORK FOR ANTI-RACISM

Our Anti-Racism Task Force resources the congregation and our community to advocate for justice and do the hard work of turning away from systemic racism.

If you have a musical itch, consider joining one of our many music ensembles. Learn something new or **share your talents** with others in worship or other events.

CENTRAL CHOIR

This SATB adult choir sings in worship weekly from September – May. While reading music isn't required, this choir moves quickly, learns a lot of repertoire, and throughout the year sings some challenging music, often highlighting the work of local composers! Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m.

HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

This is an ensemble for adults and high school youth with music-reading experience. This group experiments with sounds and timbres, playing an interesting bell repertoire. Come and experiment with us when rehearsals resume on September 20 and continue Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Open to adults and youth (grade 8 and up) who have played traditional band/orchestra instruments for at least three years. We rehearse on Sundays as necessary at 11:45 a.m. for about 30 minutes and play in worship every-other-month or so. First rehearsal is October 15.

CABARET

This year Central will again create a fun, semi-staged musical production featuring our children, choir, and chamber ensemble! This intergenerational event welcomes singers, musicians, and support 'backstage' in production design. Show announcement coming soon!

YOUTH PERCUSSION ENSEMBLES

At various times, children and youth are invited to share in percussion ensembles in worship, with an emphasis on discovering unique sounds.

If you are interested in being a part of our music ministry, reach out to Jennifer Anderson, Director of Music & Youth Ministry at jennifera@centralforgood.org or call her at (651) 224-4728 ext. 103.

Did You Know?

Central was originally designed with a gravity-fed air circulation system, which circulated the air every twenty minutes, even with all the doors and windows closed. Large intake ventilation shafts paired with the portholes in the dome, which can be opened or closed depending on the season, allowed hot air to rise to the cupola. A member recalled that there was "a comfortable flow of fresh cool air" in the summers.

When the east rooms of the church were renovated in the 1950s, creating the Friendship Room, the offices, and what is now the Galilee Room, this system was terminated. Air conditioning was installed in the office, the Friendship Room, and the Dining Room in 1994.

A proposal obtained in 2019 to install air conditioning in the sanctuary put the cost close to \$1 million.

STAY CONNECTED!



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This Week at Central

SUNDAY 09/24

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship with Installation of
Rev. Chatelaine-Samsen,
Sunday Connection
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Reception
11:30 a.m. Knitting Group Meets
7:00 p.m. St. Paul AA Speaker Meeting

TUESDAY 09/26

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. Anti-Racism Task Force Meets

WEDNESDAY 09/27

- 11:45 a.m. Wednesday Community Lunch
2:30 p.m. Beacon Leadership Meets
6:00 p.m. Bell Ensemble Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. Central Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY 10/01

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion
11:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship
11:30 a.m. LifeBoats Fellowship Meets
11:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation (Lounge)
6:30 p.m. Compass Fellowship Meets
7:00 p.m. St. Paul AA Speaker Meeting

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

Executive Presbyter Rev. Dr. Libby Shannon preaches as we celebrate God's global church on World Communion Sunday. Music includes Central Choir with Alex Woods, and new artist-in-residence Clara Osowski. We will collect a special offering for Peace & Global Witness.

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