

You are invited to worship with us
during Lent and Holy Week.

All Services are in Rand Chapel.

Taizé Prayer Services

7:00 p.m. Each Tuesday during the month of March & April 7

Lenten Mid-Week Communion Services

12:15 p.m. Wednesdays
March 4 through April 1

Daily Holy Week Services

12:15 p.m. Monday through Friday
April 6 through April 10

You are also invited to visit the art exhibit in Tull Hall, the "Way of the Cross," or to spend a few moments in the Meditation Room off Tull Hall, or to visit our website at www.cpcatlanta.org for Lenten devotional materials.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Ushers

Roger Smith, captain
Max Gallman • Michael Lloyd
Carolyn Porter • Mike Sizemore
Bennett Wiggins
And Children of Central

Greeters

Ruth Dinkins • Marci Bozeman
Roland Kinser • Deanna Robbins
Carleen Savage

Elders of the Day

Campbell-Eagan: Sarah Paulsen
Washington Street:

Deacons of the Day

Marcia Hunter
Charlotte Crosland

Cashier

Roger Smith

Choir Guild

Alice Veldhuis

Caring for

Our Youngest Members

Infants & Toddlers
Larry & Kate Mosley

Preschool Room

Rosie Hughes and Olivia Roorbach

Pre-K Room

Nancy Wilkes and Shea Tuttle

Counters

Lee Biola • M. E. Pope
David Messer • Jill Barry-Kessler

Sound Engineer

Thomas Banyai

Collectors of Friendship Pads

Carol McCullough Messer
JoAlice Halsell
Angela Long

THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

Sunday, March 8

12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
12:15 p.m. Lunch
Montgomery Anniversary
Celebration
12:30 p.m. Youth Ministry Committee
2:00 p.m. Memorial Service for
Bill and Gay Culp
4:50 p.m. Jerusalem Choir
6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Monday, March 9

1:30 p.m. Staff Devotions
2:00 p.m. Worship Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting
6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 10

1:00 p.m. Genesis Handbell Choir
6:00 p.m. OAC Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. Taizé Prayer Service
Rand Chapel

Wednesday, March 11

12:15 p.m. Lenten Mid-week Service
Rand Chapel
5:30 p.m. Geneva Handbell Choir
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 12

No Events Scheduled

Friday, March 13

No Events Scheduled

Saturday, March 14

Florrie Palmer's 100th Birthday!

Sunday, March 15

9:00 a.m. Children's Choirs
9:00 a.m. Youth Handbell Choir
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day
Emily Wilmarth preaching
12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
1:00 p.m. Covenant/Pollard Fund Mtg.
4:50 p.m. Jerusalem Choir
6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship

INQUIRY CLASS

If you are interested in becoming a member of Central Presbyterian Church or would like to learn more about any aspect of our mission or programs, join Gary Charles and other members of the Central staff on Sunday, March 15, immediately after worship in the Community Room off Tull Hall. Please go to the front of the lunch line, get your lunch and proceed to the Community Room. Lunch is on us!

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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WORSHIP STAFF

Gary W. Charles, Pastor • Caroline M. Kelly, Associate Pastor
Lynn A. Turnage, Christian Educator • Molly Kent, Director of Youth Ministries
David A. VanderMeer, Director of Music Ministries • J. Michael Morgan, Organist
Catherine Neelly, Erika Rembert, and Emily Wilmarth, Resident Pastors
Stephen A. Bacon, Coordinator, Pastoral Residency Program

PASTOR EMERITUS

P. C. (Buddy) Ennis

IN PREPARATION FOR THE MINISTRY OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

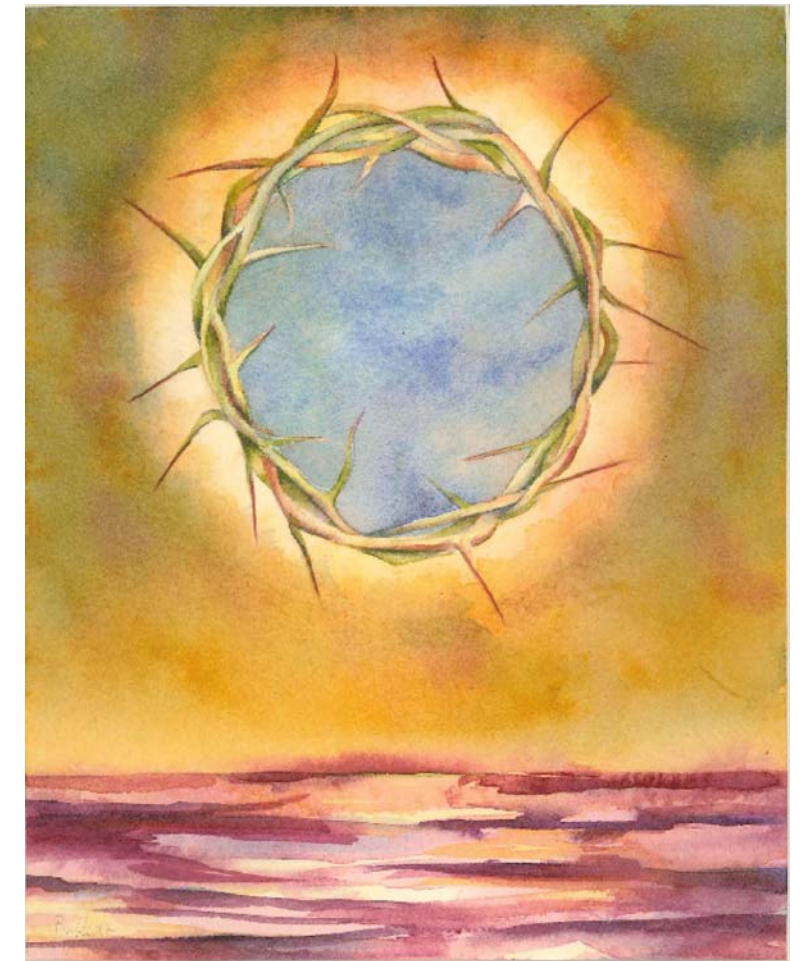
Matthew Flemming & Jillian Embrey

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WORD AND SACRAMENT:
HOLY BAPTISM

MARCH 8, 2009

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



Kathrin Burleson

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY PRELUDE ON "DETROIT" WILBUR HELD
(As the opening voluntary begins, please use the time to center yourself for worship.)

WELCOME

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

RINGING OF THE BELL

✠OPENING SENTENCES FROM THE IONA COMMUNITY

The God of heaven has made a home among us,
Christ dwells among us and is one with us.
Highest in all creation, he lives among the least,
He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.
Come now all who thirst
And drink the water of life.
Come now all who hunger
And be filled with good things.
Come now all who seek
And be warmed by the fire of love.

✠HYMN NO. 356 COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING NETTLETON

✠CALL TO CONFESSION

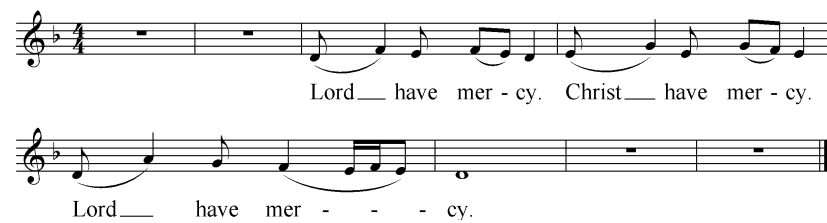
God's grace is measured neither by our deserving, nor by our desiring.
When we earnestly confess our sins before the Lord,
we can be assured of God's mercy and boundless love.

✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide,
and too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us
a consuming fire of judgment.
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more
in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world...

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

✠KYRIE DAVID VANDERMEER



✠DECLARATION OF PARDON

With confidence, let us declare together the gift of salvation:
As far as the east is from the west,
as near as the penitence of Lent is to the redemption of Easter,
so are we delivered and made whole.
Let us proclaim the good news: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

✠RESPONSE DETROIT

Let grace unlock each prisoned heart, uncoil each fistened hand,
Until from hate our hearts are freed, our hands in love extend.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON REVELATION 12:10-11 PAGE 242, NT, PEW BIBLE

SECOND LESSON MARK 8:31-38 PAGE 41, NT, PEW BIBLE

SERMON GET A LIFE! GARY W. CHARLES

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM JORDAN THOMAS DAVIS
SEAN THOMAS PAYNE

PRESENTATION

VOWS

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED P. 14, HYMNAL

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

ACT OF BAPTIZING

BLESSING

✠HYMN NO. 492 BAPTIZED IN WATER BUNESSAN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OUR LORD'S PRAYER (ECUMENICAL)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

(Please locate, sign and pass the Friendship Pad so we can greet each other by name.)

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS GILBERT M. MARTIN
CHANCEL CHOIR

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.
See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine demands my soul, my life, my all. Amen.

✠AT THE PRESENTATION DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDETH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts,
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✠PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✠HYMN NO. 335 THOUGH I MAY SPEAK O WALY WALY

✠CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✠CHORAL RESPONSE GOD TO ENFOLD YOU JOHN BELL

CHANCEL CHOIR
God to enfold you, Christ to uphold you.
Spirit to keep you in heaven's sight.
So may God grace you, heal and embrace you,
lead you through darkness into the light.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY TOCCATA ON "COME, THOU FOUNT" GORDON YOUNG

WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠Those who are able, please stand.
Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

We celebrate two baptisms today. Sara and Bryan Payne bring their son Sean Thomas, born July 20, 2008, to be baptized, and Christina and James Davis bring their son Jordan Thomas, born May 15, 2008, to be baptized. Bruce Edenfield, Jordan's grandfather, is the elder for the baptisms. Jackson Hills and Kael Wornat will represent the children.

During the season of Lent we will be using a different version of the Lord's Prayer each week. Today we pray using the Ecumenical text.

The flowers in the vestibule are given in celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of Howard and Margaret Montgomery by their children.

The Lenten Banners in the vestibule, which are changed each week to include a part of the text for the day, are the work of liturgical artist Ellen Phillips. The drapes in the sanctuary mark our progress through the Lenten season as the colors change each week.

Caroline Kelly and Catherine Neelly are away on mission trips today with other members of our congregation - Caroline to Merida, Mexico, and Catherine to New Orleans.

Audio recordings of today's sermon may be found on the Central website: <http://cpcatlanta.org/worship/sermons.html>. You may also subscribe to the podcast of sermons preached at Central by visiting <http://cpcatlanta.org/worship/podcast.html>.