

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
WORD AND SACRAMENT:  
HOLY COMMUNION  
OCTOBER 4, 2009  
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



*World Communion Banner by Berta Irwin*

# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

MEDLEY OF TRINIDAD CALYPSOS  
SCOTT DOUGLAS, STEEL DRUMMER;  
AFRICAN DRUMMING CHOIR, CLARK CAMPBELL-TAYLOR, DIRECTOR  
(As the opening voluntary begins, please use this time to center yourselves for worship.)

ALDWYN ROBERTS

## WELCOME

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

## RINGING OF THE BELL

## INTROIT

HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HAND

ARR. MARGARET BONDS

LESLIE HAMILTON, SOPRANO  
He's got the whole world in his hand;  
He's got the woods and the waters in his hand;  
He's got the sun and the moon right in his hand.  
He's got the birds and the bees right in his hand.  
He's got the beasts of the field right in his hand.  
He's got you and me right in his hand.  
He's got everybody in his hand.

## ✠OPENING SENTENCES

*People will come from east and west to sit at God's heavenly banquet;*  
People will come from Afghanistan to Austria.  
*People will come from north and south to join in God's great family reunion;*  
People will come from Cambodia to Chile.  
*Come all ye people, east and west, north and south,*  
To the One who holds the world closely with loving hands!

## ✠HYMN

JOY AND WONDER, LOVE AND LONGING

HYFRYDOL

TEXT: MARY LOUISE BRINGLE

Joy and wonder, love and longing, draw us to this festive day,  
Jubilee of transformation. Open wide our eyes, we pray:  
Like disciples gone before us, grant us, gracious God, to see  
In the emblems of this banquet shadings of your mystery.

Ivory of the stoneground flour, amber of the growing wheat,  
God of loaves, freshbaked and fragrant, where earth's bread and heaven's meet;  
Christ's own body, blessed and broken, now invites us to the feast  
Consecrated on the table furnished by the great High Priest.

Red of garnets, rubies, roses, glistens in the cup we lift.  
Wine becomes the blood of healing shed as life's most precious gift.  
Scarlet as the pomegranate, crimson as the morning skies,  
Christ as seed and fruit and flower lives to die, and dies to rise.

Like the colors of the rainbow all refracting from one light,  
Genders, races, tribes, and nations gather at this holy rite—  
Where the hungry and the thirsting taste from God's abundant store,  
And the Son's self-emptying splendor fills our hearts forevermore.

✠CALL TO CONFESSION

✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of every tongue and nation, hear our prayer. When we see you as only a God-for-us, clear our clouded sight. Give us eyes to see your presence in those much like us and those bearing no resemblance at all. When we see you as only a God-for-our-nation, clear our misguided minds. Give us eyes to see your presence in peoples we will never meet and lands we will never visit. Have mercy on us, O God, and open our eyes to see that the whole world is held closely in your loving hands . . .

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

✠KYRIE

(Cantor will sing, then congregation will join, singing in English.)

*calmly*

Ya, Tu - han - ku, ka - si - ha - ni - lah da - ku.  
O Lord, our God, have\_\_\_ mer - cy on us.

Lord have mer - cy.

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Lord, have mer - cy.

✠DECLARATION OF PARDON

✠RESPONSE

HYMN NO. 466, STANZA 3

AZMON

Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, and sets the prisoner free;  
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean, Christ's blood availed for me.

*PROCLAIMING THE WORD*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

HEBREWS 1:1-4; 2:5-12

PAGE 208, NT, PEW BIBLE

SECOND LESSON

MARK 10:13-16

PAGE 43, NT, PEW BIBLE

SERMON

LETTING DOWN OUR GUARD

GARY W. CHARLES

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✠HYMN No. 440

IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST

McKEE

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

#### MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

TUNAOMBA MUNGU ATAWALE

ARR. JOHN PARADOWSKI

WE PRAY GOD TO REIGN

NAZARETH AND JERUSALEM CHOIRS, RACHEL STEWART, DIRECTOR; MOVING LITURGY, JANE WELLFORD, DIRECTOR

*Tunaomba Mungu atawale.*

*Tunaomba Yesu atawale.*

*Tunaomba Roho atawale.*

We pray God to reign.

We pray Jesus to reign.

We pray the Spirit to reign.

We pray that our God may be praised here forever.

May we find strength in God's mercy and love.

We thank our creator, redeemer, sustainer;

sing out our song to all people everywhere.

#### ✠AT THE PRESENTATION

DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## SEALING THE WORD

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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

(*"Forgive us our debts..."*)

*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...**

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

#### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

WANA BARAKA

TRADITIONAL KENYAN

CHANCEL CHOIR AND CLARK CAMPBELL-TAYLOR, DJEMBE

They have blessings, those who pray;

Jesus himself said so. Alleluia!

They have peace...

They have joy...

They have well-being.

TASTE AND SEE

JAMES E. MOORE

CHANCEL CHOIR; KIM LONG AND MICHAEL ROBINSON, SOLOISTS; VICKI FEY, PIANO

*(The congregation is invited to sing the refrain. See facing page.)*

I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall always be on my lips;

My soul shall glory in the Lord for God has been so good to me.

Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us all praise God's name.  
I called the Lord who answered me; from all my troubles I was set free.

Worship the Lord, all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good; in God we need put all our trust.

*Refrain*



Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the  
Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the  
good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD*

☩ HYMN

GOD, YOU CALL US TO THIS PLACE

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

God, you call us to this place, where we know your love and grace.  
Here your hospitality makes of us one family,  
Makes our rich diversity richer still in unity,  
Makes our many voices one, joined in praise with Christ your Son.

Now assembled in Christ's name, all your mercies to proclaim—  
In the hearing of your word, in our prayer through Christ the Lord,  
In the ministries we share, learning how to serve with care—  
In the Spirit let us be one in faith and unity.

In the water we were born of the Spirit in the Son.  
Now a priestly, royal race rich in every gift of grace—  
Called, forgiven, loved, and freed, for the world we intercede:  
Gather into unity all the human family.

☩ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

WILLIAM SLOAN COFFIN

☩ CHORAL RESPONSE

*THE PEACE OF THE EARTH BE WITH YOU*  
CHANCEL CHOIR

GUATEMALA

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

FINAL, SYMPHONIE I

LOUIS VIERNE

## WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ Please rise in body or spirit.

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

**Our liturgists today** are Caroline Kelly, Erika Rembert, and Catherine Neelly.

**Our lector** today is Kristeen Sorrells.

**Harry Suazo, Aysha Miller, and Emily Sciarrone** led the Opening Sentences today.

**Today we celebrate** World Communion Sunday along with churches and congregations from all over the world. It is also the Sunday we receive the Peacemaking Offering to support global and local efforts toward peace and reconciliation.

**We welcome** Moving Liturgy, a liturgical dance ensemble from Burlington, North Carolina. Yesterday they led a Master Class in Liturgical Dance, offered by Central as a part of our *Arts of the Spirit* series. They will offer a concert this afternoon at 1:30 p.m. See the back of the bulletin for more information.

**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>.

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### May Prayers of Peace Be Lifted to God

Soaring overhead in our sanctuary is a brilliantly hued representation of the prayers of the people. Each flash of color is an origami crane folded by someone in our church. And inside each bird is written the subject of a prayer. These include the name of each member of our congregation, prayed for as the crane was created.

Yet the focus of this artwork is larger than any individual or congregation. The work—completed over the course of two years—was installed to mark September 21, the International Day of Peace. On this date, people around the globe are encouraged to participate in acts of peace. That theme directed worship planning for September 21.

Why origami cranes? Early in 1955, a twelve-year-old girl named Sadako Sasaki (佐々木 禎子) developed leukemia as a result of exposure to radiation from the nuclear bomb dropped on her hometown, Hiroshima, at the end of World War II. Visiting her in the hospital, Sadako's best friend reminded her of the Japanese legend that, if she could fold one thousand cranes, her wish to be made well might be granted. Stories differ as to whether Sadako was able to finish one thousand cranes before her death in October 1955, or whether her friends completed the task in her memory.

Regardless, a statue of Sadako holding a golden crane now stands in the Hiroshima Peace Memorial and, every day, cranes arrive from people all over the world who hope and pray and work for peace.

Like Sadako's cranes, the exact number of Central's cranes is unknown. We estimate it to be more than 2000. Many thanks to all who prayed these three-dimensional prayers and helped create our "A Wing and a Prayer" art installation that can now inspire us all to serve the Prince of Peace.

### WORLD COMMUNION BANNERS

The World Communion Banners are the work of Central quilter Berta Irwin. The designs, *Mariner's Star* and *Crazy Quilt* symbolize the entire community of Christ seated at a common table. A *Mariner's Star* is constructed using many crosses and has often been used as a symbol of Christianity. At the top of the *Mariner's Star* is a fleur-de-lis. Cartographers of early maps often used the fleur-de-lis for the northern point, but Christians know this as a symbol of the Trinity. The *Mariner's Star* is inserted into a map of the world that is cut and pieced together in the style of a "Crazy Quilt." The symbolism is intended to suggest Christ coming into a fragmented and broken world. The golden thread of the quilting represents the Holy Spirit that holds the world together.

## THANKS TO THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ushers</b></p> <p>Willie Phillips &amp; Beth Grashof, co-captains Brian Bishop ▪ Bede Campbell Jo Alice Halsell Rick Hertzberg ▪ Elizabeth Neil</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Counters</b></p> <p>Kevin Byers ▪ Tom Holcomb Don Robinson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Greeters</b></p> <p>Lamar Oglesby ▪ Tom Holcomb Bill Thompson ▪ Michael Lloyd Nancy Wilkes</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Elders of the Day</b></p> <p><i>Campbell-Eagan</i> – Sandy Hoke <i>Washington Street</i> – Kathy Harben</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cashier</b></p> <p>Philip Covin</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Collectors of Friendship Pads</b></p> <p>The Ferguson Family Mark, Corie, Lucy &amp; Harry</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Deacons of the Day</b></p> <p>David Messer ▪ Frances St. John</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sound Engineer</b></p> <p>David Harris</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Caring for Our Youngest Members</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Infants &amp; Toddlers</u> Bill Thompson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Pre-School and Pre-K Room</u> Mary C. Hay</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Choir Guild</b> Doris Beachy</p>
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## THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

### Sunday, October 4

- 12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 12:15 p.m. Youth Committee Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship:  
*Greek Festival*
- 1:30 p.m. Moving Liturgy Concert

### Monday, October 5

- 1:30 p.m. Staff Devotions  
*Rand Chapel*
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Staff Meeting
- 5:45 p.m. Ministry Night

### Tuesday, October 6

- 1:00 p.m. Genesis Handbell Choir
- 7:00 p.m. Taizé Prayer Service  
*Rand Chapel*

### Wednesday, October 7

- 5:30 p.m. Geneva Handbell Choir
- 6:15 p.m. Family Worship
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### Thursday, October 8

- 9:00 a.m. Mothers of Young Children
- 10:00 a.m. Administrative Staff Meeting

### Friday, October 9

- 9:00 a.m. Mothers of Young Children

### Saturday, October 10

No activities scheduled

### Sunday, October 11

- 9:00 a.m. Children's Choirs
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Handbell Rehearsal
- 9:15 a.m. Men's Gathering
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day  
Erika Rembert preaching
- 12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 4:50 p.m. Jerusalem Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship

For more information about any of the above events,  
please call the Church Office - 404-659-0274.

CONCERT BY *MOVING LITURGY*



TODAY AT 1:30 P.M.

SANCTUARY

JANE WELLFORD, DIRECTOR

*Moving Liturgy* is a professional liturgical dance company from Burlington, North Carolina, with a repertory that includes hundreds of classical and contemporary works. Their director, Jane Wellford, brings 30 years of experience as a teachers, performer, choreographer, write and lecturer. She is a faculty member at Elon University, where she teaches dance history, sacred dance, choreography and dance improvisation.



UPCOMING *ARTS OF THE SPIRIT* EVENTS

*CONCERT WITH A CAUSE*

WESTMINSTER CHOIR COLLEGE

CONCERT HANDBELL CHOIR

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2010, 8:00 P.M.

SANCTUARY

*GATHERED TO SING*

HYMN FESTIVAL WITH MARK SEDIO

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2010



Please join us for our next

**Taizé Prayer Service**

Tuesday, October 6, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

in Rand Chapel

*(a service of songs, scripture, silence, meditation, prayer, and candles)*

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