



**CHRIST CENTRAL CHURCH**

Virtual Stream Worship Service  
May 24, 2020

## WELCOME

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### *Update on Christ Central's COVID-19 Outreach*

Several weeks ago, we shared our commitment to support local outreach ministry partners who have been impacted by COVID-19 by giving away \$25,000 to support direct needs as part of the mercy and justice component of our [BECOME initiative](#). Thanks to the ongoing generosity of our congregation, we have been able to walk alongside many of our outreach partners and support them financially, in turn allowing them to continue the important work they do in our city. We have supported Families Moving Forward, StepUp Durham, the NC Bail Fund, Student U, CC Spaulding and Glenn Elementary Schools, and World Relief. Supporting these local missional organizations has been one way for the church to be “in Durham, for Durham” during this unprecedented time. Your giving goes a long way and makes a direct impact—thank you!

#### *Starting Point*

Whether you're a visitor and have questions about who we are or have been coming for a while and are curious about how to get connected, Starting Point is for you! We'll be hosting our first-ever virtual Starting Point after today's service. Join the pastors on a Zoom call to learn more about our church and ask any questions you may have! We'll start at 11:30am. Details and link to join [here](#).

#### *Join a Summer Huddle*

Enjoy weekly, in-person community by participating in a group of three or four. Summer Huddles will begin when the stay-at-home order is lifted. Sign up by May 27 at <https://tinyurl.com/summerhuddle>.

### CALL TO WORSHIP\*

#### *Psalms 9:1-2*

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name,  
O Most High.

### PRAYER OF INVOCATION\*

### SONG OF PRAISE\*

Sing Allelu

### BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Leader: What is our prayer for our children at Christ Central Church?

All: May the word of the Lord grow in their hearts.

### CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

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. Amen.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*

*Titus 3:4-7*

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

### SONGS OF RESPONSE\*

All The Poor And Powerless  
(Leslie Jordan and David Leonard)

Glorious  
(Anthony Evans)

### CONFESSION OF FAITH

*Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church\*,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*means universal

### OFFERING

Your tithe and offering goes directly toward helping Christ Central Church follow Jesus in His mission during this time. In lieu of passing the plate, you can give [online](#), via the app, or by mailing a check.

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*Church of the week:*

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and Father Chris VanHaight

*Prayer focus for the week:*

Summer Huddles and increased connectivity during a season of isolation

## SERMON PASSAGE\*

*Psalms 27*

<sup>1</sup>The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup>When evildoers assail me  
to eat up my flesh,  
my adversaries and foes,  
it is they who stumble and fall.

<sup>3</sup>Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear;  
though war arise against me,  
yet I will be confident.

<sup>4</sup>One thing have I asked of the Lord,  
that will I seek after:  
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord  
all the days of my life,  
to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord  
and to inquire in his temple.

<sup>5</sup>For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will lift me high upon a rock.

<sup>6</sup>And now my head shall be lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

<sup>7</sup>Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud;  
be gracious to me and answer me!

<sup>8</sup>You have said, "Seek my face."

My heart says to you,  
"Your face, Lord, do I seek."

<sup>9</sup>Hide not your face from me.  
Turn not your servant away in anger,

O you who have been my help.  
Cast me not off; forsake me not,  
O God of my salvation!  
<sup>10</sup>For my father and my mother have forsaken me,  
but the Lord will take me in.  
<sup>11</sup>Teach me your way, O Lord,  
and lead me on a level path  
because of my enemies.  
<sup>12</sup>Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;  
for false witnesses have risen against me,  
and they breathe out violence.  
<sup>13</sup>I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord  
in the land of the living!  
<sup>14</sup>Wait for the Lord;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
wait for the Lord!

## SERMON

Rev. Daniel Mason

## SONGS OF CELEBRATION\*

Psalm 27 (One Thing)

In The Hours

(Helen Parmelee and Kevin Twit)

## BENEDICTION\*

*\*Congregation stand as able.*

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