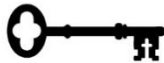




TO WORSHIP GOD,
to grow as disciples of Jesus,
TO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER,
to take God's love to the world.



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165 Charlton Ave. W., Hamilton, ON L8P 2C8

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAMILTON

July 30, 2023 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service

Minister – Rev. Dr. Nick Athanasiadis
Director of Music Ministries – Dr. Marcus Scholtes
Soloist – Emma Reilly McKay
Lector – Rev. Dr. Alan McPherson

A Warm Welcome to Worship at Central this morning!

* *Indicates standing, as you are able.*

PRELUDE Behold, A Branch Is Growing

G. Mueller

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Early in the morning, we gather
at the edge of heaven,

Congregation: **finding the gates flung wide open
by the One who welcomes all.**

Early in the morning, we come
to this holy place of worship,

**to be touched by the One
who offers us grace and peace.**

Early in the morning, we worship the Great Love,
which embraces us into community,

**to be filled by the One who would
pour us out in service to the world.**

PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE PEACE May the peace of Christ be with you; **and also with you.**

* HYMN – Christ is the King

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christ Jesus,

**though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.**

**And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

* HYMN – Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

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1. Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days:
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2. Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

3. Take my voice and let me sing
always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

4. Take my silver and my gold:
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart: it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

GOD SPEAKS TO US

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 30 in the Red Book of Psalms, **Refrain I**

During the summer, children are welcome to participate in the Faith Finders program in the air conditioned Fellowship Hall. Parents please pick up your children after the service. Staffed Nursery is available for our young ones aged 3 and under throughout the entire service.

SCRIPTURE READING (p. 127)

Acts 9:1-19

SCRIPTURE READING (p. 187)

Galatians 1:13-24

SCRIPTURE READING (p. 198)

Philippians 3:3-11

SERMON: *From Pharisee to Apostle*

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

* HYMN – Lord of All Power

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THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO *En Priere*

G. Faure

*If the voice of a child can reach up to you, O my Father,
listen to this prayer from Jesus, kneeling before You!*

*If you have chosen me to teach your laws here on earth,
I shall know how to serve You, mighty King of kings, O Light!*

*Place the salutary truth upon my lips, Lord
so that he who doubts, may revere you with humility!*

*Do not abandon me, give me the gentleness needed
to lessen pains, to relieve suffering and misery!*

*Reveal Yourself to me, O Lord in whom I believe and I hope:
For You I wish to suffer and to die upon the cross at Calvary!*

* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

***Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below:
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.***

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION & 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 trespasses,

As we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen

GOD SENDS US

* HYMN - To God Be the Glory

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* THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Draw Us To Thee*

J. G. Walther

Word of the Day:

'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?'
The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting.'

(Acts 9: 4-5).

Central Presbyterian Church is here to offer sacred space for worship, a safe space for community groups to gather, and a generous space to **Hamilton Out of the Cold** serving meals to those who need them. Your presence with us today and your support of our work means so much. May God bless you richly!

For any pastoral concerns in the next week, please contact Rev. Lois Whitwell (905-522-9098 ext. 2 or lois@cpchamilton.ca).

Central's Prayer Team is available to receive needs in confidence. Contact Pam Carpenter at 905-526-0631 or carpenterfamily@sympatico.ca.

If you would like to get to know Central better, please introduce yourself to an usher and/or spend some time going through our Website (www.cpchamilton.ca). If you would like to be added to our email list, please let Helena know (helena@cpchamilton.ca or 905-522-9098 ext. 0).

CPC Statement of Welcome: www.cpchamilton.ca/welcome-statement/

Christ is the King

VULPIUS 8 8 8 with hallelujahs

C Em F G /F C/E F /E G7/D C C Am G/B C /B Am

1. Christ is the King! O friends, re-joice; broth-ers and sis-ters,
 2. Oh mag-ni-fy the Lord, and raise an-thems of joy and
 3. They with a faith for-ev-er new fol-lowed the King, and
 4. O Chris-tian wom-en, Chris-tian men, all the world o-ver,
 5. Christ through all a-ges is the same: place the same hope in

G/B C6 D G C F C/E Dm6 C/E F6 G C

with one voice let the world know he is your choice.
 ho-ly praise for Christ's brave saints of an-cient days.
 roud him drew thou-sands of faith-ful serv-ants true.
 seek a-gain the way dis-ci-ples fol-lowed then.
 his great name, with the same faith his word pro-claim.

C G Am /G F C/E C D G/B G7 Am F6 C/G G C

Hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah!

6. Let love's unconquerable might
 your scattered companies unite
 in service to the Lord of light.
 Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

7. So shall God's will on earth be done,
 new lamps be lit, new tasks begun,
 and the whole church at last be one.
 Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Alternate tune: Victory

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Lord of all power

SLANE 10 11 11 11

1. Lord of all power, I give you my will,
 2. Lord of all wis - dom, I give you my mind,
 3. Lord of all boun - ty, I give you my heart;
 4. Lord of all be - ing, I give you my all.

in joy - ful o - be - dience your tasks to ful - fil.
 rich truth that sur - pass - es our know - ledge to find.
 I praise and a - dore you for all you im - part:
 If e'er I dis - own you, I stum - ble and fall,

Your bond - age is free - dom, your serv - ice is song,
 What eye has not seen and what ear has not heard
 your love to in - spire me, your coun - sel to guide,
 but, sworn in glad serv - ice your word to o - bey,

and, held in your keep - ing, my weak - ness is strong.
 is taught by your Spir - it and shines from your word.
 your pres - ence to cheer me, what - ev - er be - tide.
 I walk in your free - dom to the end of the way.

Chords: Eb /G Ab Bb /Ab Eb/G Ab/C Fm6 Eb
 Eb/G Bb Fm /Eb Bb/D Eb /G Ab Eb/G Eb6 Bb
 Eb/G Ab Ab/Eb Eb Bb/D Cm Gm 7 Ab
 Bb/Ab Eb/G Eb /D Cm Eb/G Ab6 /C Eb

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To God be the glory

TO GOD BE THE GLORY 11 11 11 11 with refrain

G /B D 7 G /B D G

1. To God be the glo - ry, who great things has done!
 2. Oh per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood,
 3. Great things God has taught us, great things God has done

C G (/B) A9 (/C#) D

God so loved the world!—free - ly send - ing the Son,
 to eve - ry be - liev - er the pro - mise of God,
 and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son,

7 G /B D 7 G /B D G

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
 that when the of - fen - der, re - pent - ing, be - lieves,
 but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

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7 Csus2 C6 G D G/D D7 G

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 through Je - sus' a - tone - ment, full par - don re - ceives!
 our won - der, our glad - ness, when Je - sus we see!

Refrain G G/B D7/A G D

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear God's voice!

D G/B D7/A G

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the peo - ple re - joice!

D7 G /B D 7 G /B D G

Oh come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,

G7 Csus2 C6 G/D D G/D D7 G

and give God the glo - ry, who great things has done.

Mission Committee Reminder:

There is a basket in our main entrance to the sanctuary for [Hamilton Food Share](#). You may bring non-perishable items anytime which supports those in need.

Prayer Shawl

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is beginning to take shape. If you are interested in knitting or crocheting a prayer shawl speak to Lois Whitwell. We have three shawl kits prepared. The kit includes instructions and wool.

Come Sing With Us . . .



Add your voice to the chorus of praise that lifts our songs in worship at Central!

The choir of Central Presbyterian Church seeks singers with good music reading abilities to join our regular weekly ministry.

We also welcome additional singers to join us temporarily for special events in the Christmas and Easter seasons.

For information, please contact Dr. Marcus Scholtes, at music@cpchamilton.ca

Central Presbyterian Church - Land Acknowledgement *

We acknowledge with gratitude and respect that Central Presbyterian Church is located on the traditional territories of the Anishnaabek and Haudenosaunee peoples.

This land is protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to share and care for the lands, air, and waters around the Great Lakes.

We further acknowledge this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

We recognize that we must learn about the rich history of this land to better understand our role as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers. We are all treaty people.

* Our website has a guide explaining the above Land Acknowledgement <https://www.cpchamilton.ca/land-acknowledgement/>

Congregational Givings

OFFERING in support of the worship and mission of Central

You can choose to support this good work by placing a gift on the offering plate, through pre-authorized remittance (PAR), donating online, via Interac E-Transfer or cheque. Please send to bookkeeper@cpchamilton.ca, include your envelope # or mailing address for tax receipt purposes. For ways to give, visit cpchamilton.ca/giving

Revenues as of June 30, 2023

	Budget	Actual	Over (Short)
Congregational Givings	\$ 114,550	\$ 86,719	\$ (27,831)
Other Revenue	31,746	36,487	4,741
Trustees as budgeted	90,217	90,217	-
	\$ 236,513	\$ 213,423	\$ (23,090)

Note: There is a shortfall between budgeted and actual revenues and Trustees providing support.

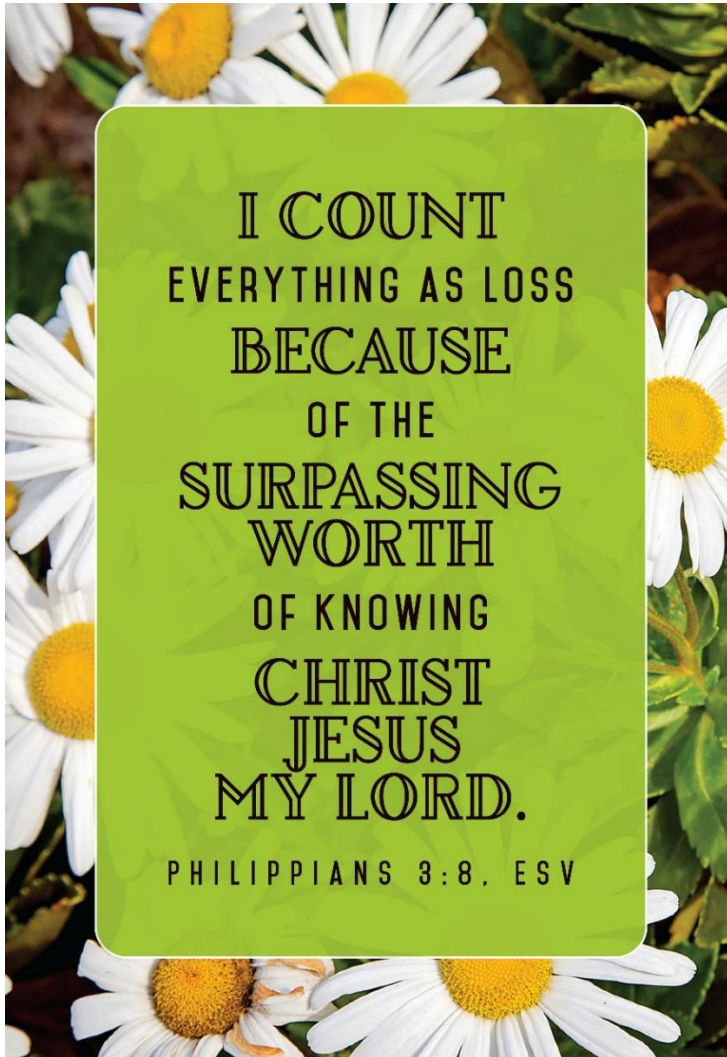
Please ensure your information is up-to-date with your elder or the church office, if you have moved, are moving, or have changed any of your contact information.

Stewardship Moment

**For if eagerness is there,
the gift is acceptable
according to what one has –
not according to what
one does not have.**

2 Corinthians 8:12

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