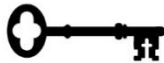




TO WORSHIP GOD,
to grow as disciples of Jesus,
TO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER,
to take God's love to the world.



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CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAMILTON

September 29, 2024 10:30 a.m.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Sunday Worship Service

Guest Preacher – Adrian Jacobs

Friendship song and dance with Mohawk drummer Sakoieta Widrick

Minister – Rev. Lois Whitwell

Director of Music Ministries – Dr. Marcus Scholtes

Lectors – Johanna DeBruin & Michelle Din

Greeters – Alex Prince & Cathy Keith

A Warm Welcome to Worship at Central this morning!

* *Indicates standing, as you are able.*

PRELUDE *Meditation*

D. F. Callender

INTROIT “Neesa” (*Haudenosaunee - Seneca*)

Neesa Neesa Neesa x3, Gaiweyo x2

Translation: Grandmother moon, Creator is everywhere.

THE PEACE: Peace be with you; **and also with you.**

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are called together

Congregation: To worship God as the people of God.

God calls us by name and knows what rests in our minds and our hearts,
and calls us:

To worship God as the people of God.

We come yearning to be transformed and redirected to paths of justice
and in ways of love so that in truth we can turn to God:

To worship God as the people of God.

God invites us to worship as beloved and loving people and together:

To worship God as the people of God.

* HYMN – We Cannot Own The Sunlit Sky

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PRAYERS OF APPROACH AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

* HYMN – Oh For A World Where Everywhere

730 (see pg. 6)

GOD SPEAKS TO US

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalms 124 in the Red Book of Psalms, **Refrain I**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Following the Time with the Children, a program for children SK – Grade 8 will be available in the upstairs Faith Finders room. Parents can meet the children there following worship. Staffed Nursery is available for our young ones up to age 4 throughout the entire service.

SCRIPTURE READING (p. 447)

Esther 4:13-14; 7:1-6, 9-10

SCRIPTURE READING (p. 45)

Mark 9:38-42

SERMON: **A Kairos Moment for Canada**

FRIENDSHIP SONG AND DANCE with Mohawk drummer Sakoieta Widrick

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

* HYMN – Draw the Circle Wide

(see pg. 7)

THE OFFERING

CHORAL OFFERTORY *This Path We Walk*

Tune: “O WALY WALY (GIFT OF LOVE) 600
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*1. This path we walk, through joy and tears,
a living Way of faith and fears,
through each step's risk, each sorrow's pain,
when walked in love, we'll rise again.*

*2. When life is shared, together, free
we'll grow to be all we can be:
a circle wide will call us home,
when wrapped in love, we're not alone.*

*3. These gifts we bring, this light we hold,
our songs of grace, our stories told,
remain un-done, told just in part,
till shared in love, and known by heart.*

*4. When life is shared, together bound,
God's richest gifts, together found;
together walk the Spirit's Way
when love's the guide, we shall not stray.*

*5. This life we share, a blessing deep;
a promised gift, now ours to keep.
God grant our words were spoken true,
now clothed in life, each day anew.*

* 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 – Spirit, Spirit Of Gentleness

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* BENDICTION

POSTLUDE *Toccata Animato*

L. Smith

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!

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Guest Preacher Adrian Jacobs

Adrian Jacobs is Ganosono (Deer Lodge), Turtle Clan, Cayuga Nation, Six Nations Haudenosaunee Confederacy, Grand River Country in Southern Ontario, Turtle Island. He serves NAIITS An Indigenous Learning Community as Elder Liaison for the NAIITS Elders Circle and is Senior Leader for Indigenous Justice and Reconciliation for the Christian Reformed Church in North America in Canada. Adrian is a single father of five and a grandfather of four. A storyteller and artist at heart he writes poetry and poetic prose about passionate matters of Indigenous justice and the vicissitudes of life. Public speaking has taken him to collaborations with Indigenous and decolonizing communities in Canada, the United States and globally.

We cannot own the sunlit sky

ENDLESS SONG 8 7 8 7 D

1. We can-not own the sun-lit sky, the moon, the wild-flowers
 2. When bod-ies shiv-er in the night, and, wea-ry, wait for
 3. God calls hu-man-i-ty to join as part-ners in cre-

grow-ing, for we are part of all that is with-
 morn-ing, when chil-dren have no bread but tears, and
 a-ting a fu-ture free from want or fear, life's

in life's riv-er flow-ing. With o-pen hands re-
 war horns sound their warn-ing, God calls hu-man-i-
 good-ness cel-e-brat-ing. That new world beck-ons

ceive and share the gifts of God's cre-a-tion, that
 ty to wake, to join in com-mon la-bour, that
 from a-far, in-vites our shared en-deav-our, that

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all may have a-bun-dant life in eve-ry earth-ly na-tion.
 all may have a-bun-dant life in one-ness with their neigh-bour.
 all may have a-bun-dant life and peace en-dure for-ev-er.

Oh for a world where everyone

AZMON 8 6 8 6 CM

G/B G D G D7 Em D G D7/F# G D

1. Oh for a world where eve - ry - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
 2. Oh for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
 3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
 4. The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the fool - ish ones are wise.
 5. Oh for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,

G /B C G/D D7 G

where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
 where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
 that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
 Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
 where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

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Draw the Circle Wide 418

Creation

Refrain Eb Ab Bb Eb Ab Bb

Draw the cir - cle wide. Draw it wid - er still.

Let this be our song, no one stands a - lone, stand - ing side by

side, draw the cir - cle wide.

1 God the still - point of the cir - cle, 'round whom all cre - a - tion turns;
 2 Let our heart touch far hor - i - zons, so en - com - pass great and small;
 3 Let the dreams we dream be lar - ger, than we've ev - er dreamed be - fore;

no - thing lost, but held for - ev - er, in God's gra - cious arms.
 let our lov - ing know no bor - ders, faith - ful to God's call.
 let the dream of Christ be in us, o - pen ev - ery door.

Last time Eb Ab Bb

To refrain Bb7

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BROWNING

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness

SPRIT, SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS Irregular

Unison
Refrain

D G A D

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the
Souf - fle, vent doux du Saint-Es - prit; ta grâ - ce

Bm E Asus4 - 3

wil - der - ness, call - ing and free.
me con - duit hors du dé - sert.

D G A D

Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness, stir me from
Souf - fle, grand vent du Saint-Es - prit, se - coue notre

Bm G A7 D G D Fine

pla - cid - ness, Wind, Wind on the sea.
a - pa - thie, vent, vent sur la mer.

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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 inform Helena (helena@cpchamilton.ca or 905-522-9098 ext. 0).

For any pastoral concerns, please contact the 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

Status of the search for our new minister: The congregational profile has now been forwarded to the Church Vocations Office at 50 Wynford Drive in Toronto (the PCC Head Office) for distribution to potential candidates. It is also now available for all to see on the church website. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit would lead us to that special someone God has in mind to lead the congregation into the future. During the search process, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Rev. Dr. Philip Wilson (our Interim Moderator) either in-person at coffee time following Sunday services; by phone at 905-574-4383; or by email at revpmw@outlook.com.



We must strive
to become
good ancestors.

Ralph Nader



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Central Presbyterian Church Calendar

Dr. Nick Athanasiadis will be on vacation September 11-October 4

~ Tuesday, October 1, 10:00 a.m. – Noon	Knit & Knatter Group (Guild Room)
~ Wednesday, October 2, 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Durand Market
~ Thursday, October 3, 7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
~ Sunday, October 6, 10:30 a.m.	World Communion Sunday
~ Sunday, October 6, 3:00 p.m.	Music @ Central: Dr. Marcus Scholtes – Violin and Piano Chamber Concert
~ Monday, October 7, 7:30 p.m.	Search Committee Meeting
~ Sunday, October 13, 10:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving Worship Service
~ Sunday, October 20, 10:30 a.m.	Stewardship Theme Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none">- PCC Speaker Karen Plater- Lunch and Talk after service
~ Tuesday, October 29, 7:30 p.m.	Book Club (Allan Room)

Knit & Knatter Update:

Due to the Knitters availability, the Knit & Knatter group have decided to meet on Tuesdays beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at noon (in the Guild Room). Newcomers are invited, and needles and yarn are available. Feel free to contact Jean Williams if you have any questions.



Congregational Givings

OFFERING in support of the worship and mission of Central

You can support this good work by donating in various means.

You can place a gift on the offering plate, use pre-authorized remittance (PAR), donate online, send money via Interac E-Transfer, to

bookkeeper@cpchamilton.ca

or send a cheque. Please make sure to include your envelope number or mailing address for tax receipt purposes.

For ways to give, visit cpchamilton.ca/giving

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.

A Deeper Dive into Mark's Gospel

You are invited to a group study of *the gospel of Mark*, led by Dr. Nick Athanasiadis.

5-part study: Sundays 9 - 10 A.M.

October 27 November 3/10/17/24



Register using the link in our Weekly Email, or contact the office (helena@cpchamilton.ca 905-522-9098 ext. 0)

As commentary we will be using **Mark for Everyone by Tom Wright**

Books are available through the office for a suggested price of \$22. If you order a book, you may connect with Shirley Fredlander on Sundays starting October 5.



In a different context from Sunday worship, this is your opportunity to experience Christian spirituality through guided reading, reflection and learning.

Some Goals:

- insight into the person of Jesus—who was he? What was he about?
- Insight into who disciples are. What is meant by discipleship, what is the Christian journey which we are on at different stages?
- enjoying fellowship with others who are on this journey with us
- risk personal transformation by tapping into the deepest spiritual sources which usher us into joy, peace, energy and desire to be part of the redemption of our world.

Statement of Welcome and Inclusion

Central Presbyterian Church God's Love Includes Everyone

We strive to be a welcoming, nurturing, loving, and supportive community unified in Jesus Christ. As an inclusive congregation, we joyfully affirm and honour the diversity of God's creation. Our community is richer when we include people of all ages, gender identities, racial and cultural backgrounds, sexual orientations, abilities, economic circumstances and family configurations. We proclaim this statement of inclusion to all who have experienced the pain of exclusion or discrimination by the church and society. All are invited to join a body of believers, to participate fully in the life, leadership, witness and ministry of Central Presbyterian Church.

We acknowledge we are imperfect and in different stages of our faith journey.

No matter who you are, how you identify, whom you love, or where you are on life's journey: know you are welcome here, and you are loved by God.

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



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/>

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