



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
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CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAMILTON

October 19, 2025 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service

Minister – Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

Director of Music Ministries – Dr. Marcus Scholtes

Lector – Seke Fowode

Greeters – Jim & Myrna Evel

A Warm Welcome to Worship at Central this Morning!

* Indicates standing, as you are able.

PRELUDE *Meditation No. 246*

P. F. Page

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

INTROIT *God, You Touch The Earth With Beauty*

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*God, you touch the earth with beauty; make my heart anew;
With your Spirit recreate me, pure and strong and true.*

*Like your springs and running waters, make me crystal pure;
Like your rocks of towering grandeur, make me strong and sure.*

*Like your dancing waves in sunlight, make me glad and free;
Like the straightness of the pine tress, upright let me be.*

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God promises us justice,

People: **and teaches us persistence.**

God promises us compassion,
and teaches us not to lose heart.

God promises to be with us
and teaches us to tend to each other.

So let us worship our God of comfort and challenge,

We will offer prayers and praise to our God of hope and healing.

* HYMN – Sing Praise To God Who Reigns Above 327 (see pgs. 5-6)

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVE AND FORGIVENESS

* HYMN – Glory Be To God The Father 298 (see pgs. 7-8)

GOD SPEAKS TO US

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 121 in the Red Book of Psalms, **Refrain I**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Following the Time with the Children, children are invited to join our Faith Finders program for children SK – Grade 8 in the downstairs HUB area.

Children will return to the Sanctuary during the last hymn.

Children's bulletins and colouring sheets are available on the table in the Narthex entryway.

We offer a staffed nursery throughout the service for our young ones up to age 4.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 18:1-8 (pg. 81)

SERMON: **A Faith that Persists**

MEDITATION MINUTE

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

* HYMN – Thy Kingdom Come – On Bended Knee 784 (see pg. 9)

THE OFFERING

CHORAL OFFERTORY *God Sends The Night*

R. Somerville

*God sends the night to bid us rest From all our cares, in slumbers blest.
The turmoil and the oil are past, Peace o'er the earth descends at last;
Then aching hearts may rest awhile, And sadden'd lips in dreams may smile,
God send the night; at His behest The weary world is hushed to rest, is hushed to rest.*

*God sends the day to bid us wake: Fresh glories at each morning break.
The world lies glist'ning in the dew, Each day, each day a world begun anew,
In waking hearts the message rings, "oh, on to nobler better things!"
God sends the day; the shadows break, And His creation is awake!*

* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore, Praise Triune God, whom we adore.*

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND 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 – Lord Of All Power

626 (see pg. 10)

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Freu dich sehr, o meine Seele* ("Rejoice Greatly, O My Soul")

J. S. Bach



*The flowers are placed in the Chancel today by the Carey family
to the glory of God and in loving memory of David Carey.*

If you're new here, we rejoice that you've been led to "make a joyful noise to the Lord" with us today. Together, we are God's people. You need to know upfront though that none of us who gather here are perfect - and we don't always get it right, but we're doing our best to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. You're welcome to join us: there's a place for you here.

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.

327 Sing praise to God who reigns above

MIT FREUDEN ZART 8787887

D A7/E D/F# G /B D /C B Em D/F#

1. Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of
 2. The an - gel host, O King of kings, your praise for -
 3. What God's al - might - y power has made in mer - cy
 4. Then all my glad - some way a - long I sing a -
 5. All you that name Christ's ho - ly name, give God all

A /G D/F# Em7 Asus4-3 D A7/E D/F# G /B

all cre - a - tion, the God of power, the God of
 ev - er tell - ing, in earth and sky all liv - ing
 God is keep - ing, by morn - ing glow or eve - ning
 loud your prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful
 praise and glo - ry: all who con - fess Christ's power, pro -

D /C B Em D/F# A /G D/F# Em7 Asus4-3 D Bm

love, the God of our sal - va - tion; with
 things be - neath your sha - dow dwell - ing, a -
 shade, nor slum - ber - ing nor sleep - ing. Wher -
 song my voice un - wear - ied rais - es: be
 claim a - loud the won - drous sto - ry. Cast

Words: German, Johann Jakob Schütz (1640–1690), translation, Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812–1897), alt
 Music: Bohemian Brethren's Kirchengesänge 1566

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C#sus4-3 F#m Bm A/C# E A /G D/F# A7/E D /C#

heal-ing balm my soul is filled, and eve - ry faith - less
 dore the wis - dom which could span, and power which formed cre -
 e'er God rules in sov - ereign might there all is just and
 joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bo - dy
 eve - ry i - dol from its throne, for Christ is Lord and

Bm E7 A /G D7/F# G Em A /G D/F# Em7 Asus4-3 D

mur-mur stilled:
 a - tion's plan:
 all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
 bear your part:
 Christ a - lone:

Glory be to God the Father

REGENT SQUARE 878787

Descant

3. "Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!" an - gel choirs their

B♭ /D B♭ /F F/E♭ B♭/D E♭ B♭/D Gm

1. Glo - ry be to God the Fath - er, glo - ry be to
 2. Glo - ry to the One who loved us, washed us from each
 3. "Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!" an - gel choirs their

hymns pro - long; "Hon - our rich - es, power, do - min - ion!"

F/A F7 B♭ /F /D B♭ Cm Gm/D D

God the Son, glo - ry be to God the Spir - it,
 sin and stain; glo - ry to the One who bought us,
 hymns pro - long; "Hon - our, rich - es, power, do - min - ion!"

See also: Regent Square 143

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 descant, C.S. Lang (1891–1971)

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ech - oes all cre - a - tion's song. Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 Gm D Gm/Bb Gm F/C C7 F F

God al - might - y, Three - in - One! Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 raised us up to serve and reign. Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 ech - oes all cre - a - tion's song. Glo - ry, glo - ry,

glo - ry, glo - ry, prais - es to our God be - long.
 Bb 7 Eb Cm Bb/D Cn/Eb Gm F 7 Bb

glo - ry, glo - ry, while e - ter - nal a - ges run.
 glo - ry, glo - ry, to the Lamb that once was slain.
 glo - ry, glo - ry, prais - es to our God be - long.

Optional Verse

1. Glory be to God our Maker,
 God Redeemer, holy Son;
 glory be to God the Spirit,
 God almighty, Three-in-One!
 Glory, glory, glory, glory,
 while eternal ages run.

784 Thy kingdom come—on bended knee

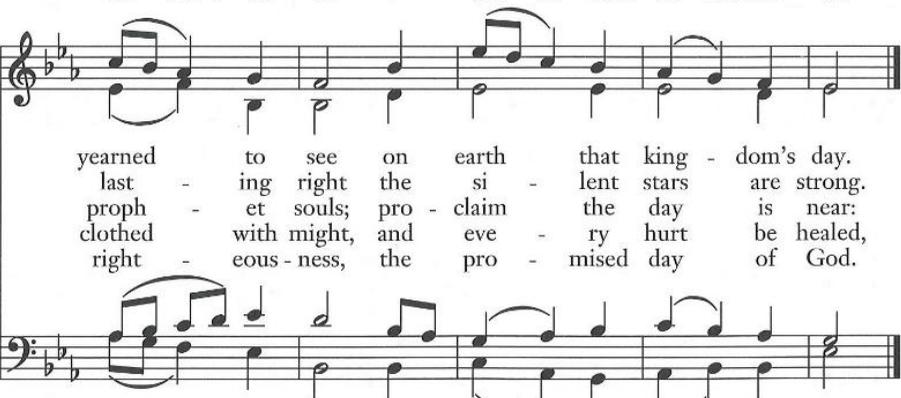
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Eb Bb/D Cm Bb Eb Ab Eb/Bb Bb Eb Bb/D


1. Thy king - dom come— on bend - ed knee the
 2. But the slow watch - es of the night not
 3. And lo! al - read - y on the hills the
 4. the day in whose clear shin - ing light all
 5. when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall

Eb Ab/C Eb/G C Fm/Ab Bb Eb /G Eb Ab Eb/G Bb 7/DEb


pass - ing a - ges pray, and faith - ful souls have
 less to God be - long, and for the ev - er -
 flags of dawn ap - pear; gird up your loins, O
 wrong shall stand re - vealed, when jus - tice shall be
 walk the earth a - broad, the day of per - fect

Ab Fm 6 Eb Bb 7 Cm Ab Eb/G Ab Eb/Bb Bb7 Eb


yearned to see on earth that king - dom's day.
 last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.
 proph - et souls; pro - claim the day is near:
 clothed with might, and eve - ry hurt be healed,
 right - eous - ness, the pro - mised day of God.

Words: Frederick Lucian Hosmer (1840–1929) Music: Hymns and Sacred Poems, Dublin 1749;
 harmony, The English Hymnal 1906

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Lord of all power

SLANE 10 11 11 11

Eb /G Ab Bb /Ab Eb/G Ab/C Fm6 Eb
 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.

Eb/G Bb Fm /Eb Bb/D Eb /G Ab Eb/G Eb6 Bb
 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,

Eb/G Ab Ab/Eb Eb Bb/D Cm Gm 7 Ab
 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,

Bb/Ab Eb/G Eb /D Cm Eb/G Ab6 /C Eb
 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.

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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 Calendar

~ Sunday, October 19, 10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service of Worship
~ Sunday, October 19, 1:30 p.m.	Funeral for David Carey
~ Tuesday, October 21, 10:00 a.m.-noon	Knit & Knatter Group (Guild Room)
~ Tuesday, October 21, 7:30 p.m.	Central's Book Club (Allan Room)
~ Wednesday, October 22, 3:00-7:00 p.m.	Durand Market (Forecourt)
~ Thursday, October 23, 7:30-9:30 p.m.	Central Choir Rehearsal
~ Sunday, October 26, 3:00 p.m.	Music@Central: Halloween Family Concert
~ Tuesday, November 4, 7:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
~ Sunday, November 9, 3:00 p.m.	Music@Central: Bud Roach & Friends
~ Friday, December 5, 5:00-7:30 p.m.	"Waiting in Wonder: Advent for All Ages"
~ Saturday, December 13, 12:00-3:00 p.m.	Durand Christmas Market (Fellowship Hall)

We extend condolences to the family and friends of David Carey, who passed away on September 18, 2025. Please remember in your prayers, David's children: Tom & Alana Carey; David's siblings: Jan & Beth Carey; and David's nieces and nephew: Eric, Genna & Sydney. The funeral for David Carey is scheduled at Central today, Sunday, October 19 at 1:30 p.m.

Position Opening - Coordinator of Discipleship

Central is seeking a dynamic and passionate Coordinator of Discipleship to coordinate and support our children's ministry (Faith Finders and nursery programs), assist with organizing congregation wide family events, implement and lead our youth programming, coordinate and support our adult discipleship programs, and foster integration of new members in the life of the congregation. The position is part-time (20 hours per week), starting January 2026. If you are interested in applying for the position or know someone who may be interested, please contact Helena at the church office who will put you in touch with the Discipleship Committee.

Dr. Marcus Scholtes, Our Director of Music, is looking for volunteers to distribute fliers and posters for Choir and Music@Central concerts. Please reach out to Marcus (or Helena in the office), if you are willing to assist with this.



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

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.



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/>

Stewardship Moments: *Inspiring Generosity*

**If you can't feed a
hundred people, then
just feed one.**

Mother Teresa – nun, missionary





Why That Hymn? – *Lord of All Power*

This Sunday our final hymn is *Lord of All Power* (Book of Praise #626), one of the beloved hymns of Central. It's set to the familiar Irish tune *Slane* – the same melody we know from *Be Thou My Vision*. That tune, rooted in ancient Irish folk tradition, carries a sense of both strength and tenderness, perfectly matching this hymn's prayerful tone.

Why This Hymn? *Lord of All Power* was written by Jack C. Winslow in 1969. Each verse pairs an aspect of human life—work, relationships, worship, rest—with a petition that God would guide and sustain us through it all. It's a hymn of dedication: offering the whole of life, not just our Sunday selves, to God's service. As we close the service, our focus shifts to what is required of us between Sundays; how will we leave this service uplifted, "sworn in glad service your word to obey, I walk in your freedom to the end of the way."

When we sing *Lord of All Power*, we join a familiar melody to new words of faith, blending old and new just as we're learning to do together as a congregation. It's a hymn that feels like home while still calling us forward in faith. This is the first time I've sung this hymn (at least to my memory), and I'm grateful to get the words stuck in my head right alongside you.

Yours, singing along,
Rev. Hannah

Minister – The Rev. Hannah Lovaglio
Interim Moderator – The Rev. Dr. Philip Wilson
Director of Pastoral Care – The Rev. Lois Whitwell
Minister Emeritus – The Rev. Dr. Alan M. McPherson
Director of Music Ministries – Dr. Marcus Scholtes
Nursery and Faith Finders Coordinator – Kristel Forcier
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***As you leave this place today,
you're reminded that no matter
who you are,
or what your past may be,
you are a beloved child
of the Living God.***

***As you now live
your life from day to day,
don't forget who
– and whose, you are;
So that you may indeed be light
and salt to this world.
In the name of Jesus the Christ.***