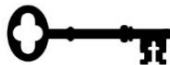




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TO WORSHIP GOD,  
*to grow as disciples of Jesus,*  
TO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER,  
*to take God's love to the world.*

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# CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAMILTON

July 19, 2026 10:30 a.m.

## Sunday Worship Service

Minister – Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

Director of Music Ministries – Dr. Marcus Scholtes

Lector – Christy Cummings

Soprano and Viola Soloist – Elspeth Thomson

Greeters – Rod Frketich & Christy Cummings

### A Warm Welcome to Worship at Central this morning!

*Welcome, Families! We offer a staffed **nursery** throughout the service for young ones up to age 4. Children's bulletins and colouring pages are available on the table in the Sanctuary entryway. Following **God's Word For The Children**, children are invited to join our Faith Finders program for children SK - Grade 8 in our air-conditioned Fellowship Hall. Children who attend Faith Finders will return to the Sanctuary during the last hymn to receive the blessing alongside the entire congregation.*

\* Indicates standing, as you are able.

PRELUDE *Pass Me Not, O Gentle Saviour*

E. L. Ashford

## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Surely the Lord is in this place, and we did not know it.

**All: We do not know when and where God's glorious presence will show up.**

Leader: Surely we are the Body of Christ.

**All: We cannot say to one another, "I have no need of you."**

Leader: Surely our God is a mystery that cannot be contained.

**All: Let us worship our unpredictable and uncontrollable God!**

\* HYMN – This Is My Father's World

Hymn # 328 (see pgs. 6-7)

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, you have searched us and found us wanting. You have known our inmost thoughts and called us to better things. You have set us in this world to love and serve you by loving and serving one another, to worship you by tending to those most vulnerable among us. When we fail, do not abandon us. When we go astray, call us back home.**

**Search us O God, and know our hearts. Test us and know our thoughts. Root out the wicked ways in us, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE AND FORGIVENESS

Where can we go from God's spirit, or where can we flee from God's presence? Even if we take the wings of the morning or settle at the farthest limits of the sea, God's hand will find us and hold us fast.

Proclaim the good news with me:

**Our God does not abandon us to sin or brokenness. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and called back home. Thanks be to God.**

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

### GOD'S WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

*Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear,  
things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:  
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,  
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.*

Hymn # 348 v.1

\* HYMN – Wherever I May Wander

Hymn # 319 (see pg. 8)

SCRIPTURE READING (p.25)

Genesis 28:10-19a

SERMON

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

\* HYMN – O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

Hymn # 209

1. O Love that wilt not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
that in thine ocean depths its flow  
may rich er, fuller be.

2. O Light that followest all my way,  
I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
my heart restores its borrowed ray,  
that in thy sunshine's blaze, its day  
may brighter, fairer be.

3. O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
and feel the promise is not vain  
that morn shall tearless be.

4. O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
and from the ground there blossoms red,  
life that shall endless be.

### THE OFFERING

Tithes and offerings can be given electronically through Canada Helps website, found using the QR code to the right.



OFFERING SOLO *Andante from the Concerto in G Major for Viola* - G. P. Telemann

\* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.*

### 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 – Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

Hymn # 651

1. Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,  
pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
hold me with thy powerful hand:  
bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.

2. Open now the crystal fountain,  
whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through:  
strong deliverer, strong deliverer,  
be thou still my strength and shield;  
be thou still my strength and shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side:  
songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.

\* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Allegro from the Concerto in G Major for Viola*

G. P. Telemann

*As the postlude is offered,  
you may stay and receive the music,  
or go and bless the world God loves.*



# This is my Father's world

TERRA BEATA 6 6 8 6 D SMD Irregular

E♭ /G B♭6 7 E♭ (Fm/Ab C7/G) Fm B♭/D E♭

1. This is my Fath-er's world, and to my lis-tening  
 2. This is my Mak-er's world; the birds their car-ols  
 3. This is my Sav-iour's world; oh let me not for -

B♭ /Ab E♭/G E♭ B♭6 Cm G 7 Cm B♭/D

ears; all na - ture sings, and round me rings the  
 raise; the morn - ing light, the li - ly white, de -  
 get that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God

E♭ Cm E♭/G B♭7 E♭ B♭/Ab E♭/G Ab Cm E♭/G

mu - sic of the spheres. This is my Fath-er's world; I  
 clare their Mak-er's praise. This is my Mak-er's world; God  
 is the Rul - er yet. This is my Sav-iour's world; the

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Ab Eb/G Bb/F F7 Bb /Ab Eb/G Eb Bb6 Cm

rest me in the thought; of rocks and trees, of  
 shines in all that's fair; in the rus - tling grass, God's  
 bat - tle is not done; Je - sus, who died, shall be

G 7 Cm Bb/D Eb Cm Eb/G Bb7 Eb

skies and seas God's hands the won - ders wrought.  
 foot - steps pass; God speaks to me eve - ry - where.  
 sat - is - fied, and earth and heaven be one.

## Wherever I may wander

NEW ENGLAND FOLK MELODY 7 6 8 6 D

F Dm Am/C B♭ F /E

1. Wher - ev - er I may wan - der, wher - ev - er I may be,  
2. Through - out the whole cre - a - tion, I see God's lov - ing care

Dm Gm B♭ Am B♭ F/C (Gm/Bb)

I'm cer - tain of my Mak - er's love; God's care is o - ver me.  
for eve - ry - one in eve - ry land, God's chil - dren eve - ry - where.

F/A B♭ /D C Gm Dm

God made the great high moun - tains, and made the wide blue sea;  
Wher - ev - er I may wan - der, wher - ev - er I may be,

Cm B♭ Dm7 Gm Bb/D F/C C7sus4-3 F

God made the sky where air - planes fly; God made the world, and me.  
I'm cer - tain of my Mak - er's love; God's care is o - ver me.



**Welcome to Central. If you're new today, we're glad you've come.**

We're a community seeking to live with courage, kindness, and grace. We don't have all the answers, but we trust God is with us as we learn and grow together. 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](http://www.cpchamilton.ca)). If you would like to be added to our email list, please inform the office ([info@cpchamilton.ca](mailto:info@cpchamilton.ca) or 905-522-9098 ext. 0).

**Summer Schedule Updates:**

Rev. Hannah and Michael Lovagio will be out of the office and at Camp Kintail, from July 26 following worship until August 3.

Please contact your elder, Mark Stupple or Rev. Lois Whitwell as needed during Rev. Hannah's vacation.

For any pastoral concerns, please contact the Rev. Lois Whitwell (905-522-9098 ext. 2 or [lois@cpchamilton.ca](mailto: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](mailto:carpenterfamily@sympatico.ca).

If you would like to dedicate **Chancel flowers** in memory or honour of a loved one, contact either Johanna DeBruin or Jim Watson from the Flower Committee.

**Central Presbyterian Church Calendar**

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|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| ~ Sunday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.                        | <b>Sunday Worship Service</b>                         |
| ~ Sunday, July 19, 11:45 a.m.                        | <b>Odyssey Book Club</b> (Allan Room)                 |
| ~ Sunday, July 19, 2:30 p.m.                         | <b>Youth World Cup Final Party</b> at Lovaglio's      |
| ~ Tuesday, July 21, 5:00-8:00 p.m.                   | <b>Central Community Game Night</b>                   |
| ~ Wednesday, July 22, 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.               | <b>Durand Market</b> (Forecourt)                      |
| ~ Wednesday, July 22, 7:30 p.m.                      | <b>Concert on the Steps</b> - rescheduled (Forecourt) |
| ~ Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, August 4-6, 2-4 p.m. | <b>Summer STEM for Grades 5-10</b>                    |
| ~ Wednesday, August 26, 7:00 p.m.                    | <b>Societus Vicorum</b> (Guild Room)                  |

**Summer STEM at Central for students in grades 5-10.** Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, August 4th, 5th, and 6th, from 2-4pm. Tuesday and Wednesday, Fellowship Hall. Thursday, downstairs Hub. Discover how your own senses inspire robot sensors — while building your very own robot car! Please contact Michael with any questions.

**Central Community Game Night ~ Tuesdays, 5:00 - 8:00 pm**

Join us this summer on Tuesdays from 5-8pm, for a weekly community game night. Bring your favorite game to play, or enjoy one of the many games provided. Open to the community at large, and game lovers of all ages. Bring friends, and make new ones!

**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](mailto: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](http://cpchamilton.ca/giving) (see above for the for the QR code for Canada Helps to give electronically).

**Stewardship Moments: *Inspiring Generosity***



**The generous  
will themselves be  
blessed, for they  
share their food  
with the poor.**

*Proverbs 22:9, NIV*



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**Sermon Notes:**



**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/](http://www.cpchamilton.ca/statement-of-welcome-and-inclusion/)

***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.***

**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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