



Central College  
Presbyterian Church

January 13, 2019  
8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am



# The Gospel-Centered Church

We welcome you to worship this morning!

The † indicates everyone standing, when possible.

### Call to Worship

#### Leader:

Meredith Howell

The prelude is an arrangement of two popular American hymn tunes. The first is "Foundation," the tune of our opening hymn. This tune was first published in 1787 by Joseph Funk. The second tune is "Simple Gifts," a Shaker tune written by Joseph Brackett in 1882. The arrangement is by American composer Charles Callahan, who visited Columbus a few years ago and gave a recital downtown.

**Please sign the attendance pad in the pocket on each pew.** (In the balcony, pass it across both aisles.) The ushers will collect the pages with the offering.  
**Thank you.**

## Gathering in Shared Worship

### Prelude

**Prelude on Two American Folk Hymns** | Charles Callahan  
Mark Meuser, organist

### Welcome and Announcements

#### † Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: I will sing of the LORD's great love forever;  
with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known  
through all generations.

**People: I will declare that your love stands firm forever,  
that you have established your faithfulness in  
heaven itself.**

Leader: Who is like you, LORD God Almighty? You, LORD,  
are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

**People: Righteousness and justice are the foundation  
of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.**

**All: Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim  
you, who walk in the light of your presence, LORD.**

#### † Hymn

### How Firm a Foundation | 361 vs. 1, 3, 5

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!  
What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

## Humbly Bowing Before God

### Unison and Silent Prayers of Confession

God of light and life, you set before us today the challenges of laying aside the works of darkness and putting on the light of Christ. As the people of God in this place, we know that a crucial part of our witness is in revealing Christ to the world through sharing Christ in word and in works. Forgive us when people do not see any evidence in us of the One who is to come. So many people, young and old, grope helplessly in the gloom of despair and suffering, yearning for the light of hope to dawn in their lives. Remind us that the light of Christ shines through people like us. Merciful God, cleanse our hearts and minds of all that hinders us from loving you and loving our neighbor, so that our lives radiate faith active in love, as we watch and wait for your breaking into our world once more in the person of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### Congregational Response

#### Breathe on Me, Breath of God | 316

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure,  
Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly Thine,  
Until this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I never die,  
But live with Thee the perfect life Of Thine eternity.

## Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

† **Doxology** 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. *Amen.*

### Offering

**Christ of the Upward Way** | arr. Gilbert M. Martin  
Chancel Choir

## Hearing and Proclaiming God's Word

**Scripture Lesson** | Acts 17:1-9 & 1 Thessalonians 1:1-3

### Message

**The Gospel-Centered Church** | Pastor Malcolm Davis

### Call to

#### Confession:

Colossians 3:1-2

#### Affirmation of

#### Grace:

Colossians 3:3-4



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#### Scripture Response:

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: *Thanks be to God!***

#### Scripture Readers:

8:00-Larry Grant

9:30-Patrick Kirk

11:00-Carole Cole

## Responding with Thanksgiving in Mission

### Prayers of the People 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### † Closing Hymn

#### My Faith Looks Up to Thee | 383

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine:  
Now hear me while I pray, Take all my guilt away,  
O let me from this day Be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart, My zeal inspire;  
As Thou has died for me, O may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs around me spread,  
Be Thou my guide; Bid darkness turn to day, Wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray From Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream, When death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll, Blest Savior, then, in love, Fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!

### † Benediction

### † Postlude

**Grand Jeu** | arr. Jean Adam Guilain

*Interested members of the congregation are welcomed to the organ console during the postlude.*

As we leave our worship today, be sure to send others on their way with a smile and a kind word!

*Grand jeu* is a French phrase which refers to the reed pipes of the organ. Those pipes figure prominently in this piece, especially at the end.

## **Worship Service Times Today**

**8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am**

Pastor Malcolm Davis - preaching traditional services

Pastor Jim Zippay - assisting at 8:00 and leading 9:30 contemporary service

Pastor David Redding - assisting at 9:30 and leading Stephen's Ministry class at 11:00

Pastor Ronald Lokhorst - assisting at 11:00



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **DivorceCare & DivorceCare4Kids**

DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Join us for a welcome session at 3pm on January 13. Are you going through a divorce with kids involved? DivorceCare For Kids (DC4K) provides a safe, fun place where your children will learn to understand their feelings, express their emotions appropriately, feel better about themselves and develop coping skills. DC4K begins January 20 at 3pm. For more information, contact the church office.

### **Confirmation Class for Youth**

This is a class for 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders who would like to learn more about the faith and becoming a member of the church. This class starts on February 2. For more info, please contact the Director of Youth Ministries, Matt Kerns at [mattkerns@ccpc.us](mailto:mattkerns@ccpc.us).

### **Congregational Luncheon & Meeting**

Join us for a Congregational Luncheon & Meeting on February 10 after the morning services at 12:15pm in Kirk Hall. This will be a great time of fellowship and important information on church operations. Please RSVP by calling the church office.

### **Share Music in Worship**

In the upcoming weeks we will have additional opportunities for you to share your musical gifts with the congregation in worship. If you (or a group) would like to provide music during the offering time of the worship services, please email David at [davidmeulenberg@ccpc.us](mailto:davidmeulenberg@ccpc.us) or call the church office.

### **Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast Celebration: "Remaining Awake"**

We invite everyone to attend Westerville's Martin Luther King, Jr. breakfast celebration! Enjoy a delicious breakfast, music by the Tony Hagood Trio and an annual Awards ceremony, which recognizes students and community members who have put the ideals of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. into action. This year's featured speaker is the Reverend Dr. Gayle Fisher-Stewart, a former police officer of 20 years currently serving as associate rector of Calvary Episcopal Church. This event will take place on January 21 at 8am at the Villa Milano Banquet & Conference Center. Tickets are between \$20-30; online registration ends January 14. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Matt Lofy, Leadership Westerville Program Manager at 614-882-8917.

# SERMON NOTES

1/13/2019 | 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00

## The Gospel-Centered Church:

Acts 17:1-9 & 1 Thessalonians 1:1-3

## WORSHIP SERVICES

### Sunday Morning

#### Traditional:

8:00 (Chapel)

9:30 & 11:00 (Sanctuary)

#### Contemporary:

9:30a (Kirk Hall)

## CCPC PASTORS

- Malcolm S. Davis
- David M. Redding
- Ronald D. Lokhorst
- Jim Zippay
- Richard D. Ellsworth,  
"Rev," *Pastor Emeritus*

*If you have any questions about today's service or about the info in this bulletin, please call the church office.*

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If the Lord Jesus Christ is becoming more real to you today, or if you would like to make a commitment to Him or reaffirm your relationship to Him, please speak to one of our Pastors.

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**If you're visiting, we welcome you,** and hope to see you again soon. We invite you to find out how you can be involved here, too! Please stop at our Welcome Center, visit our website, or call the church office for more information about Central College Presbyterian Church.