

Central Presbyterian Church, Brantford, ON
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Director of Music: Mr. Ron Beckett, B.Mus.,M.Mus.,A.R.C.T.

APRIL 12, 2026 10:00 A.M.
2nd Sunday of Easter

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

(* Please stand as able, where asterisk shown)

Prelude: Andante Cantabile Peter Tchaikowsky
* Hymn 243 (unannounced) "Jesus Christ is risen today"
Welcome and Announcements

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Responsive Call to Worship:

One: All things of God, all the heavens,
All: Worship and praise your Maker.
One: Sun, moon and stars; wind, rain and thunder,
All: Worship and praise your Maker.
One: Mountains and forests, streams and waterfalls,
All: Worship and praise your Maker.
One: Creatures beneath the seas, birds throughout the skies,
all that leaps or crawls, all who walk or worry or wonder,
All: Let us worship and praise our Maker together.

Prayers of Adoration and Confession
Assurance of Pardon

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

New Testament: 1 Peter 1: 3-9 (p. 232)
* Responsive Psalm 16 (p. 495-495/insert) -Ron Beckett

* Gloria Patri: *"Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen"*

Solo: Eternal source of light divine GF Handel
Katie Barr, soloist

Gospel: John 20: 19-31 (p. 115) -Ron Beckett

* Hymn 248 "At the dawning of salvation"

Message: "Let's Do An Escape Room"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 257 "The strife is o'er, the battle done"
Receiving our morning offering:
* 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."*

Offertory Prayer
Prayers of Thanksgiving and intercession
The Lord's Prayer (sins/sin against)

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD

* Hymn 247 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"
* Benediction and Choral Amen
Postlude: Trio en Chaconne (Kyrie eleison) André Raison

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Welcome to Central! We are so glad that you've joined us this morning. We hope that together we will find the joy and peace of Christian community. We also welcome those that are joining us remotely on Facebook Live today.

We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the Haldimand Tract, traditional territory of the Attawandaron (Neutral), Anishnawbe, and Haudenosaunee peoples. We recognize and deeply appreciate their historic connection to this place. We also recognize the contributions Indigenous peoples have made in shaping and strengthening this community. We are grateful for the opportunity to meet here and re-affirm our collective commitment to make the promise and the challenge of Truth and Reconciliation real in our community.

If you haven't already "liked" us on **Facebook**, log on and set up a Facebook account and once you have found the church under Central Presbyterian Church, Brantford, click "like" and all your contacts will see anything that we post on the church site. Rev. Larry's weekly message is posted on our page each week.

For Pastoral Care – If pastoral care is needed; during office hours, please contact Carolyn in the church office at 519-752-4932, if after office hours please contact Rev. Larry Amiro at 519-802-4590, if you can't reach either please contact Rev. Dean Adlam, our Interim Moderator at: deanandnadine@bell.net or 519-758-5516.

Hospital Pastoral Visits - if you know of anyone in hospital, please let the office know 519-752-4932 so we can arrange a pastoral visit, the Brantford General Hospital has a privacy policy that won't allow clergy to know if someone from their church is in hospital.

Reminder of the taxi service available to anyone to use to get to church and/or get home from church. We have set up an account with **Brant Taxi/Bell City Cab** if you need a ride to and from church on any Sunday, at no cost to you. Just call them for a ride at **519-752-1010** and the church will cover the fare. **When you call, the church account number is 397.** If you can quote this number when you call the dispatch office for a ride, it will bring up the church account at their end and is the easiest way for them to see we have an account with them. You can also quote the church name, but the number is a bit faster. Please make sure to tell the driver the new address for the church at 442 Grey Street, Unit E, it might be an idea to mention it as well during phone calls just to be safe, so they don't take you to or try to pick up at the old building on Wellington Street.

Ushers: Jeanette McKay

Scripture Reader: Ron Beckett

Soloist: Katie Barr

IPad Camera: Bruce Trickey

Reminder - to shut off your cell phone before the worship service starts every Sunday.

Central Church Annual Meeting - will be held on **Sunday, April 19th**, following the worship service. A light lunch will follow the meeting.

Annual reports are available today for you to pick up a copy on the side table at the back of the sanctuary.

Produce collection of the month for Friendship House - *Our next collection date is: next Sunday, April 19th.*

We have chosen to collect **tomatoes (any kind)** this month. **Please drop off your donation in the bushel basket as you enter church.** Thank you in advance for supporting this community Outreach!

Sunday, May 3rd – we will be meeting for worship on **Zoom** due to the "Hike or Bike for Hospice" and the entrance to the road to get to the church will be blocked off that morning. The parking lot will also be in use for the volunteers.

Red Dress Day – Sunday, May 3rd, wear a red dress in honour of National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls.

Women's Federation Annual Meeting – Tuesday, April 14th at 11 a.m. Please send any reports to Joyce David if you are unable to attend the meeting to: joycedavid@rogers.com

Women's Federation ongoing Mission Project – Six Nations Community Food Bank can use good clean used one dozen egg cartons. If you could save them and bring them to church, we will ensure they get to the food bank. They will not accept 18 egg or 24 flats. Thank you in advance for supporting this Mission Project.

Responsive Psalm 16:

¹ Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

² **I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you.”**

³ As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones
in whom is all my delight.

⁴ **Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out
or take their names upon my lips.**

⁵ The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.

⁶ **The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
I have a goodly heritage.**

⁷ I bless the LORD, who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.

⁸ **I keep the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.**

⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;
my body also rests secure.

¹⁰ **For you do not give me up to Sheol
or let your faithful one see the Pit.**

¹¹ You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Reminder – if you would like to visit with Rev. Bill, he is in the building most Wednesday’s between 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. please call first to make sure he is in the building and not out on a pastoral care visit; 519-616-9252.

If you have any news that you would like to share with your Central church family, please send an email to the church office at:
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TUESDAY, APR. 14

11:00 A.M. – Women’s Federation Annual meeting

12:00 P.M. – St. Andrew’s Circle lunch meeting

WEDNESDAY, APR.15

10:00 A.M. – Board of Managers meeting