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Sunday, June 21, 2026 10:00 A. M.
4th Sunday after Pentecost
National Indigenous Peoples Day
Father's Day

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: O love that will not let me go Daniel Burton
* Hymn 377 (unannounced) "Come, children, join to sing"
Welcome and Announcements

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Responsive Call to Worship:
One: To you, O God, we lift our hearts.
All: Listen to our voices and answer.
One: The Lord is good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast
love.
All: God does wondrous things with grace and mercy.
One: So let us glorify God's holy name together!
All: We come to worship God in love and faithfulness.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament: Genesis 21: 8-21 (p. 17)
* Responsive Psalm: 69: 7-10, 16-19 (p. 531/insert)
-Joyce/Peter David

* 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: Father in Heaven (Judas Maccabeus) GF Handel
Katie Barr, soloist

New Testament: Matthew 10: 24-39 (p. 10-11) -Joyce/Peter David

* Hymn 373 "Jesus loves me, this I know"

Message: "A Bird in the Hand"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 441 "Can a little child like me"
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 485 "Saviour, like a shepherd lead us"
Benediction and Choral Amen
Postlude: O Praise the Lord with One Consent William T. Best

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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.

On Saturday, June 27, 2026 at 7:30 PM, for one night only, the beautiful musical drama *Ruth* will be presented by acclaimed performing company **Arcady Ensemble at St. James United Church in Simcoe, ON.** *Ruth* is a moving story of immigration and welcoming newcomers into one's homeland. The drama follows the life of Ruth, an independent, strong, and hopeful woman as she searches for a better life for herself and her people. Written in 1996 with words by librettist Roger Bayley and music by Simcoe native Ronald Beckett, *Ruth* has been performed by Arcady and other ensembles in Canada and the US over the past 30 years. This special production will feature a cast of past and present Arcady Emerging Artists headed by Cristina Pisani as Ruth, Laurence Williams as Boaz, Anjelique Croteau as Naomi, and Sophia Korz as Orpah. This outstanding cast will be supported by Arcady's professional chorus, orchestra, dancers, and youth chorus with the composer himself, Ronald Beckett, leading the company as musical director. Arcady looks forward to bringing *Ruth* once more to Southern Ontario audiences! Tickets at \$40 (general) or \$15 (student) are available at www.arcady.ca, through email at info@arcady.ca (email to inquire about group rates), in person at Norfolk Holistic Foods, 17 Peel St., Simcoe, or by calling 519-428-3185. For more information, please

Ushers: Joyce & Peter David
Scripture Reader: Joyce/Peter David
Soloist: Katie Barr
IPad Camera: Bruce Trickey

Strawberries and ice cream will be served for Sunday coffee time this morning!

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

Anniversary Sunday - Sunday, June 28th. Come and help us celebrate our 101st Anniversary!

Please note - summer office hours and phone hours will remain the same, but Carolyn will be working from home as of June 29th. If you need to phone the church office, hours are Monday - Friday; 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., or you can email the church office anytime at: centralpres97@gmail.com

If you wish to add an announcement into the bulletin, the information is needed by Tuesday morning each week.

For Summer Pastoral Care – If pastoral care is needed, please contact Carolyn via email centralpres97@gmail.com or contact Rev. Larry Amiro at 519-802-4590, or if you can't reach the above contacts 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.

Produce collection of the month - *Our next collection date is: today Sunday, June 21st.*

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

10:00 A.M. – Session meets with Rev. Bill

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.

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. It's a great form of free advertising for any events! Rev. Larry's messages are posted on our page weekly.

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 (centralpres97@gmail.com)

Our Daily Bread – popular daily devotional books are available for July – September on the side table in the sanctuary. There is no charge for the booklets, help yourself to a copy.

Responsive Psalm 69: 7-10, 16-19

⁷ It is for your sake that I have borne reproach,
that shame has covered my face.

⁸ **I have become a stranger to my kindred,
an alien to my mother's children.**

⁹ It is zeal for your house that has consumed me;
the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.

¹⁰ **When I humbled my soul with fasting,
they insulted me for doing so.**

¹⁶ Answer me, O Lord, for your steadfast love is good;
according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.

¹⁷ **Do not hide your face from your servant,
for I am in distress—make haste to answer me.**

¹⁸ Draw near to me; redeem me;
set me free because of my enemies.

¹⁹ **You know the insults I receive
and my shame and dishonor;
my foes are all known to you.**