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September 13, 2026 10:00 A.M.
16th Sunday after Pentecost

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: Psalm Gordon Young
* Hymn (unannounced) 39 "God of mercy, God of grace"
Welcome and Announcements

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Responsive Call to Worship:

One: Praise the God of life.

All: Let us praise God together.

One: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is
God's steadfast love;

**All: as far as the east is from the west, so far God
removes our sins.**

One: So let us rejoice in God's gracious presence.

All: Let us praise the God of mercy together.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Genesis 50: 15-21 (p. 48)

* Responsive Psalm: 103: 1-13 (p. insert/554) -Cathie Trickey

* *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: There's a wideness in God's mercy John Van Maanen
Terri-Lyn Paterson, soloist

New Testament: Matthew 18: 21-35 (p. 20) -Cathie Trickey

* Hymn 740 "Make me a channel of your peace"

Sermon: "An Ermine by any other name"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 645 "Follow me, the Master said"

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 314 "God is love: come heaven, adoring"

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude: Sonatina in C (1) WA Mozart

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Welcome! Again we are pleased that you could be in worship this morning, as it is our hope, together, that everyone will find joy, peace, and community here. We welcome all those that have joined us via 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. It's a great forum for keeping up to date Rev. Larry's weekly message is posted there.

For Pastoral Care – If pastoral care is needed, please contact Carolyn via email centralpres97@gmail.com or contact Rev. Larry Amiro at 519-802-4590, if you can't reach either contact, please contact our Interim Moderator; Rev. Dean Adlam 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.

On Saturday, September 26th, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Crieff Hills Retreat will be one of the stops on the Fall Rural Romp – a self-guided tour of farms, markets, nurseries and local food & drink spots across Centre Wellington, Erin, Guelph/Eramosa, Puslinch, and Guelph. Come to talk with our farmers, meet the animals and learn about culinary farming at Crieff Hills. Then get out and explore more local farms, markets and makers to make a whole day of it. There's even a Treasure Hunt Contest along the way! Grab a map, dress for the weather, bring your curiosity and hit the road. Find the full list of stops and all the details here: <https://www.wellington.ca/experience-wellington/farm-food-experiences/rural-romp/fall-rural-romp>

Usher: Cathie Trickey

Scripture Reader: Cathie Trickey

Soloist: Terri-Lyn Paterson

Facebook Live Camera: Bruce Trickey

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

Joyce and Peter David are pleased to announce that their youngest granddaughter, **Emily Dutremble**, has graduated from **Université de Sherbrooke in Sherbrooke, Quebec**, with a **Bachelor of Law (LL.B.) degree**.

Emily will continue her legal studies as she prepares to write the **Quebec Bar Exam** and begin the next chapter of her career in law.

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)

The Session is inviting you to an interactive meeting on Tuesday, **September 15th at 10:30 a.m.** to help plan our way forward. Join us for conversation and light refreshments. Please plan to attend.

Six Nations Food Bank is in need of reuseable grocery bags, if you have any extras you do not need, please bring them in with your one dozen egg cartons.

Reminder of the taxi service available for anyone to use to get to and from church. We have set up an account with Brant Taxi/Bell City Cab if you need a ride to and/or 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, please quote the church account number: 397.**

Responsive Psalm - 103: 1-13

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name.

² **Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and do not forget all his benefits—**

³ who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

⁴ **who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

⁵ who satisfies you with good as long as you live
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

⁶ **The Lord works vindication
and justice for all who are oppressed.**

⁷ He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.

⁸ **The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

⁹ He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger forever.

¹⁰ **He does not deal with us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

¹¹ For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

¹² **as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.**

¹³ As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.

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TUESDAY, SEPT. 15

10:30 A.M. – Planning forward Congregational Meeting

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 16

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

National Day of Truth and Reconciliation Event – 5th Annual at
Mohawk Park, Friday, September 18th from 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Stedman Community Hospice is once again doing their Ingredients Initiative to restock our kitchen with most-needed baking supplies. Our dedicated volunteers bake 2,500 tasty snacks per month for families and patients who are in our care. **Donations can be brought to the church and we will take them to the hospice by Sunday, October 11th at the latest.** Thank you for your support!



BAKING INGREDIENTS

Requested items for donation

All Purpose Flour
Almond Extract
Almonds
Baking Powder
Brown Sugar
Butterscotch Chipits
Cake Mixes
Canned Pie Fillings
Caramels
Cinnamon
Cling wrap
Chopped Dates
Cocoa Powder
Corn Flake Cereal
Cranraisins
Aluminum Foil
Ginger

Graham Crackers/Crumbs
Honey
Icing Sugar
Individual Tea Packages - All Flavours
Instant Coffee
Marshmallows Lg/small
Milk Choc Chipits
Molasses
Oats/Oatmeal
Parchment paper
Peanut butter Chipits
Peanut Butter
Pecans
Raisins
Real Maple Syrup
Rice Krispies Cereal
Salted Peanuts

Semi Sweet Chipits
Shortening
Shredded Coconut
Skor Toffee Bits
Sprinkles
Sweetened Condensed Milk
Tins of Ground Coffee
Vanilla Extract
Walnuts
White Choc Chipits
White Sugar
Ziploc bags all sizes

**Donations may be delivered to the hospice at 445 Grey Street, Brantford
during the period of September 8 to October 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

Thank you for your support!