**Central Baptist Church**

**Sunday, April 24, 2022**



[*As you walk through the valley of the unknown, you will find the footprints of Jesus both in front of you and beside you.*](https://www.azquotes.com/quote/777813?ref=walking-with-god) *~*[*Charles Stanley*](https://www.azquotes.com/author/14004-Charles_Stanley)*, Baptist Minister*

**\*Processional Hymn** *Holy, Holy, Holy*No. 262

**Meditation with soft music**

***As we begin our worship this morning please look at the two sets of footprints in the sand. Now close your eyes and sense the presence of Jesus with you, always walking beside you. Feel the Holy Spirit’s peaceful embrace. Be still during this sacred space and time, savoring moments of peace and quiet, as you and I release ourselves into God’s loving arms sensing Her goodness, love, and grace. Release any feelings of anxiousness and let Christ’s gentle support fill your heart and soul with the hope that we may know the deep calm and serenity only our Creator can provide.***

**Welcome/Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

One: God of glory and majesty, we come before You with hungry hearts and thirsty

minds to fill our entire being with divine wisdom.

***All: We come together to celebrate the gift of life You have bestowed on each of***

***us and offer our gratitude that Your presence is filling our hearts.***

One: Saturate our minds with Your infinite wisdom; open our ears to hear Your voice in

scripture; expose our hearts to Your overflowing and absolute love leading us to

pray and pay it forward in word and deed.

***All:***  ***Let us lift our voices in praise to God bearing witness to God’s acts of mercy***

***and love. Let us proclaim God’s glory to all.***

**Unison Prayer of Invocation**

**May we be the body of Christ's presence in the world, renewing our life together, renewing the world. Lord Jesus, free us from fear. Give us courage to speak of Your marvelous ways and of Your hope so that we may live each day to its fullest. Holy Spirit, come and be our new reality. Come as comforter and offer us and all people relief, consolation and soothe our woundedness. Create in us a clean heart, that we might embrace Your resurrection and live as a people who are renewed, Amen.**

**Gloria Patri** No. 623

***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, Amen***

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Description automatically generated** *Glorious Morning*

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

*~Silent Meditation~*

**Pastoral Prayer & 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, forever. Amen.*

**Offering & Friendship Forms**

*Please pass the black friendship pad along your pew so that each person may sign. If you would like to set up a visit or meeting with the pastor or know of another who may want a visit, please make a notation on the forms. They are collected by our Deacons each week*

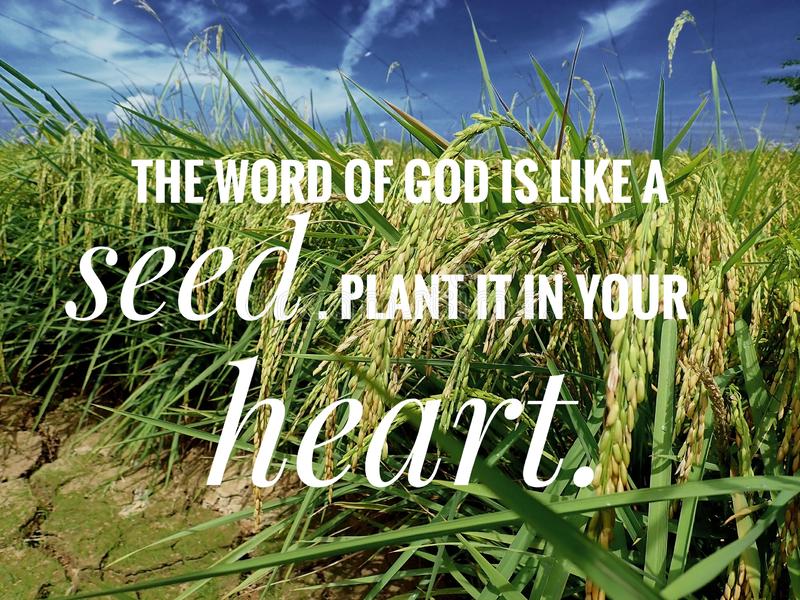
*for the pastor.*

\***Doxology** No. 625

***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.***

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**SCRIPTURE**



**Luke 24:13-53**

**Sermon** *If Jesus Were Here Today….*

**\*Hymn** *In the Garden* No. 425

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

***The Worship is ended...Our Service Now Begins***

\*Please stand if you are able