



# Central Baptist Church

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## Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026

Mother's Day

10:55 am

### The Meditation

*Creator God, as we are made in your image,  
we give you thanks for the divine presence You plant within each person.  
Help us to live in appreciative awe of your creativity;  
and give us the patience and courage to nourish the gifts you place in each of us,  
and the strength and persistence to express them for Your glory. Amen.*

### The Westminster Chimes

The Prelude

*Blessed Assurance*

arr. Kim

The Introit

*God Made Me*

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The Music Friends Choir

### The Welcome and Call to Worship

Mrs. Amanda Willoughby

O God, you summon the day to dawn; you teach the morning to waken the earth.

For you, the valleys shall sing for joy; the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

**Great is your name. Great is your love.**

You loved us before we were yet born; you know us even better than we know ourselves.

Your love and mercy are with us always, fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

**Great is your name. Great is your love.**

Your praise rises from all corners of creation, and we joyfully join the chorus.

With grateful hearts made new by your Son, Jesus, we come to worship you, O God.

***Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done wonderful things!***

\*The Hymn No. 58

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

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The Dedication of Children

Rev. Matt Sapp

The Litany of Dedication

Mrs. Willoughby

Minister: We welcome these children, brought by their parents, into the love and care of our congregation. Parents, why are you here today?

Parents: *We are here to dedicate our child to God's love, care, and instruction lived out through the Church.*

Minister: As your community of faith, we celebrate with you this morning, and we acknowledge our role in raising your children, too.

Congregation: **As your church family, we will partner with you because this task is too Holy to be done alone. We promise to support you with our prayers, with our love, with our time, and by our example.**

Parents: *We promise to teach our children the traditions of our faith and to surround them with "a great cloud of witnesses."*

Congregation: **We promise to teach these children the stories of Jesus and to show them that they are loved by God.**

Minister: Having made these promises together, we joyfully commend these children to the divine care and protection of our Lord.

All: ***May the blessing of the Lord Jesus Christ be upon these children.***

**The Prayer of Dedication**

**\*The Litany Hymnal No. 257 Church as Community**  
**(The leader and congregation will read responsively)**

Rev. Katie Faison  
Mrs. Jessica Griffith

**\*The Gloria Patri No. 705**

*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.*

**The Children's Sermon**

**The Georgia Baptist Children's Home Offering**

**The Psalm Reading**

**Psalm 66:8-16, 20**

**(pew Bible, p. 900)**

...This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Mrs. Willoughby

Rev. Sapp

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**The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**\*The Hymn No. 59**

*My Lord is Near Me All the Time*

**\*The Offertory Prayer**

**The Offertory**

*Bright and Beautiful*

**Mrs. Becky Pruitt**

Dr. Ronnie Oliver

FOREST PARK

Mrs. Griffith

arr. Hayes

**\*The Doxology**

**The Music Makers Choir**

**The New Testament Reading**

**Acts 17:22-31**

**(pew Bible, p. 1722)**

Rev. Faison

**The Special Music**

*Sometimes My Prayer*

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**The Young Musicians Choir**

**The Sermon**

***Fumbling About for God***

Rev. Sapp

**\*The Hymn of Response No. 57**

*Be Still My Soul*

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**(Stanza 1)**

*Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.*

*Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;*

*leave to your God to order and provide;*

*in every change God faithful will remain.*

*Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend*

*through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.*

**\*The Benediction**

**The Postlude**

*Psalm XIX*

Rev. Sapp

Marcello

*The floral arrangement in the sanctuary is placed  
in memory of Myrtle Arnall Sanders Page, and in honor and memory of every mother,  
by Jennifer Leigh and Nick Murphy's family.*

**The Music Friends Choir**

Leaders: Mrs. Julie Sapp, Mrs. Eileen Walls, Ms. Barkley Yancey

**The Music Makers Choir**

Leaders: Mrs. Sherri O'Mahoney, Mr. Coleman Ryan, Miss Sara O'Mahoney,  
Mr. Ryan O'Mahoney

**The Young Musicians Choir**

Leaders: Mrs. Lilith Tate, Mr. Josh Tate, Mr. Chance McCoy

**Psalm 66:8-16, 20**

Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard; he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping. For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver. You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs. You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance. I will come to your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows to you—vows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble. I will sacrifice fat animals to you and an offering of rams; I will offer bulls and goats. Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me.

Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!

**Acts 17:22-31 (NRSV)**

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we, too, are his offspring.' "Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Sunday, May 10**

8:45 am • Worship Service  
9:45 am • Sunday School  
10:55 am • Worship Service  
4:00 pm • NCYC Rehearsal

**Monday, May 11**

7:15 am • Youth Prayer Breakfast  
7:00 pm • Lavinia Barron Book Group

**Tuesday, May 12**

7:00 am • Men's Bible Study  
10:00 am • Feeding Our Friends

**Wednesday, May 13**

9:00 am • Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country  
5:00 pm • Church Wide Picnic at Newnan Utilities Park

# 58 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
 4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;  
 in all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 Thy jus - tice, like moun - tains, high soar - ing a - bove  
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,  
 all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.  
 Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 and with - er and per - ish — but naught chang - eth Thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee!

WORDS: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867 (1 Tim. 1:17)  
 MUSIC: Welsh hymn tune, from John Roberts' *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839

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 11.11.11.11  
 Lower key, No. 197

## My Lord Is Near Me All the Time

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1. In the light-ning flash a - cross the sky His might - y power I  
 2. When the thun - der shakes the might - y hills and trem - bles ev - ery  
 3. When re - fresh - ing show - ers cool the earth and sweep a - cross the

see, and I know if He can reign on high, His light can shine on  
 tree, then I know a God so great and strong can sure - ly har - bor  
 sea, then His rain - bow shines with - in my heart, His near - ness com - forts

me.  
 me. I've seen it in the light - ning, heard it in the thun - der, and  
 me.

felt it in the rain; my Lord is near me all the

time, my Lord is near me all the time.

WORDS: Barbara Fowler Gaultney, 1960

MUSIC: Barbara Fowler Gaultney, 1960

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FOREST PARK  
9.6.9.6 with refrain

## Be Still, My Soul

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1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.  
 2. Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take  
 3. Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on

Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain; leave to your  
 to guide the fu - ture as in a - ges past. Your hope, your  
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord, when dis - ap -

God to or - der and pro - vide; in ev - ery change God  
 con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake; all now mys - te - rious  
 point - ment, grief, and fear are gone, sor - row for - got, love's

faith - ful will re - main. Be still, my soul: your best, your heaven - ly  
 shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still  
 pur - est joys re - stored. Be still, my soul: when change and tears are

friend through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
 know the Christ who ruled them while He dwelt be - low.  
 past, all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

WORDS: Katharina von Schlegel, 1752; tr. Jane Borthwick, 1855

MUSIC: Jean Sibelius, 1899; arr. *The Hymnal*, 1933, alt.

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*Higher key, No. 680*