



Central Presbyterian Church

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Media Advisory

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Central Presbyterian Church to Paint Rainbow Steps to Emphasize that the Church Welcomes All and is Fully Inclusive.

Central Presbyterian Church, a longstanding faith community in downtown Austin, is showing our City what it means to proudly and publicly celebrate diversity.

- What:** Downtown Austin Beautification Event
When: Sunday, November 2nd 12:30 p.m. – 2:00pm (best visuals 12:45pm–1:45pm)
Where: Central Presbyterian Church, East Side Steps at 8th Street & Brazos Street
200 E. 8th Street, Austin

Central Presbyterian Church stands behind Mayor Kirk Watson who recently stated, “My proposal is that we immediately create a task force on the use of public spaces (including sidewalks and other transportation items) to celebrate Austin’s love, diversity, and creativity.”

“Our goal is to share uplifting imagery and beauty with our downtown neighbors as we embody CPC’s commitment to inclusion. This project is more than a color refresh; it is a public reminder that everyone belongs. Our members and visitors come from all walks of life. We aim to reflect the warmth, creativity, and hospitality that define downtown Austin and our church family. Our congregation will never discriminate. This rainbow of colors will show our surrounding community that all people are valued and welcome here” says Pastor Jack Barden.

We will paint the 18-step staircase leading from Brazos St. & East 8th St. up to the church grounds. Our volunteers and neighbors will transform the steps into a joyful rainbow gradient, a visible welcome to all from the bustling corridor just one block east of Congress Avenue.

Founded in the heart of downtown, Central Presbyterian Church (CPC) is a PCUSA congregation committed to worship, service, and neighborly love. Learn more at cpcaustin.org.

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