



Central United Methodist Church

Our Mission:

To make disciples of Christ who WORSHIP God,
GROW in their faith and SERVE in the church and world.

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The Worship of God

June 18, 2017

10:00am

Gathering *The Power of the Cross*
Sweet, Sweet Spirit
Heavenly Sunlight arr. Hayes

Welcome and Announcements Danny Leonard

Lighting the Candles of Worship Maggie Alexander

Prelude *This Is My Father's World* arr. Chapman
Praise Ensemble Instrumentalists

*Congregational Praise *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty #139*
Inheritance
Days of Elijah

Moments with Children Lori Wilson

Prayers of the People Laura Rucker

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.**

Song of Preparation *Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)* arr. Galbraith
Praise Ensemble
Emma Buckner, solo

Sermon "For All That Has Been—Thanks.
For All That is to Come—Yes!"
Deuteronomy 6:10-12

Offertory *The Church's One Foundation* arr. Smith
Marilyn Jack, piano and Libby Alexander, organ

An Order of Farewell to A Pastor (see insert)

*Closing Song *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms #133*

*Benediction

Nick Richart

*Chiming the Trinity

*Postlude

Postlude on "Old Hundredth"

arr. Bock

*Please stand as you are able.

Please, no food or drink in the sanctuary.

Central UMC is a *Safe Sanctuaries* church. Please be sure that your children are accompanied at all times by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

The Altar Arrangement begins the Time of the Church. It is a season of growth in faith, hope and love. A symbol of this growth is green.

K.R.O.S.S.

Hope to see all rising 1st-6th graders join us during Sunday School for the telling of the story of Jonah.



VBS is coming soon!

July 16-20

The Craft Class has started collecting old CD's and DVD's, bottle caps, and clean, empty vegetable/soup cans. A box for donations is outside of the choir room.

An Order of Farewell to A Pastor

Leader:

Danny, two years ago you came to be our pastor: to proclaim God's Word, to announce God's forgiveness to us, and to preside at our celebrations of the Lord's Supper. With the Gospel we have been challenged to live lives of service. With the Gospel you have comforted us in times of sickness and trouble and at the death of our loved ones. Sharing our joys and our sorrows, you have been important to our life together in the Church and in our service to this community.

Congregation:

We release you from our church to share God's gifts as the pastor at Central United Methodist Church in Monroe.

Pastor

I thank you, members and friends of Central United Methodist Church, for the love and support you have shown me while I have ministered among you. I am grateful for the ways my leadership has been accepted. I ask forgiveness for the mistakes I have made. As I leave, I carry with me great memories and all that I have learned here.

Congregation

We receive your thankfulness, offer forgiveness, and accept that you now leave to minister elsewhere. We express our gratitude for your time among us. We ask your forgiveness for our mistakes. Your influence on our faith and faithfulness will not leave us with your departure.

Pastor

I accept your gratitude and forgiveness, trusting that our time together and our parting are pleasing to God. I release you from turning to me and depending on me. I encourage your continuing ministry here and will pray for you and for your new pastor, Rev. Mark Barden.

The stole is removed and placed on the altar table where it will remain until it is placed on the incoming pastor.

Pastor:

As a sign of having completed my time among you as your pastor, I leave this stole, a symbol of one who will shepherd you and as a sign of pastoral authority; Word, Sacrament and Order.

Leader Prayer (in Unison)

Eternal God, whose steadfast love for us is from everlasting to everlasting, we give you thanks for cherished memories and commend one another into your care as we move in new directions. Keep us one in your love forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.