



# 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

July 4, 2021

10:00 am

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude                      *This Is My Song*                      arr. Leatherman  
   Libby Alexander, organ

Congregational Hymn                      *God of Our Fathers*

Morning Prayer    Savanna Craig  
The Lord's Prayer

Children's Message                                      Julianne and LeeAnne McDowell

Congregational Hymn                      *My Country, 'Tis of Thee*

Sermon    Savanna Craig  
   Habakkuk 2:1-5

Offering    arr. Giamanco  
   *America*  
   Libby Alexander, organ

Doxology #95

**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**  
**Amen**

Prayer of Dedication                                      Savanna Craig

\*Closing Hymn                                      *America The Beautiful*

\*Benediction

\*Chiming of The Trinity

\*Postlude    arr. McDonald  
   *God of Our Fathers*  
   Libby Alexander, organ

\*Please stand as you are able.

### Church Office Closed

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, in celebration of July 4<sup>th</sup>. The office will close early at 3 pm on Tuesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>.

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 including if and when they need to use the restroom during service. We appreciate your assistance as we strive to ensure the safety of all.

**Childcare** is available for infants and preschool aged children. Our nursery staff awaits you in room E107.

### **Prayer Concerns**

We invite you to pray during the week for the following:

- All of those recovering or suffering from medical issues, physical and emotional, including Frankie Patterson; Bill Jack; Brian Daley; Jessie Sumrell; Dawn Russell; Gina Blanton; Dale and Peggy Almond; Bill Story; Sandy Poston; Emily Ousley; Carrie Richardson; Rita Hamrick; Pat Ellison; Bill Ledford; Brian Goff; and Diana Stanley.
- We pray for those who experience injustice. Give us hearts of compassion to stand united with all people.
- We pray for our world as we continue the COVID battle. May we continue to persevere with wisdom and care for each other.
- For caregivers carrying more burdens than we may understand
- Those who grieve, may they find comfort. We pray especially for the families of Margaret Dedmond; Betty Jackson, mother of Kellie Ledford; Suzy Buckner, mother of Danny Buckner; and the family of Cecil Jenkins.
- Our shut-ins and others feeling alone. May we be arms reaching out, enfolding them into the body of Christ.
- Our children as they experience Sabbath during these summer months.
- The church universal and the United Methodist Church.
- We pray for peace in our world, nation and communities. May God heal and unify all people.
- Pray for Pastor Mark and Pastor Fawn as they begin new journeys and prepare to leave CUMC and the Shelby community.
- Pray for Rev. David Lee and his family as they prepare to move to Shelby and serve with CUMC.
- The ministries of Central United Methodist Church. May God give our pastors, leaders and congregation wisdom and discernment, grace and mercy, as we go through a period of transition.
- And though unknown and unspoken, may we help carry each other's burden and praise God for each other's joys.

## **UMYF**

Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 5-9 pm  
Rollerskating at Kylie's Skating Rink  
RSVP to Savanna so she knows you're coming.

### **Save the Date!**

**Sunday, July 11, CUMC Fellowship Hall  
Welcome Reception for Pastor David Lee**

You are invited to join us in welcoming Pastor David to our church. For the next few weeks we will be collecting your Words of Welcome for Rev. David Lee. There will be baskets outside the sanctuary near the Choir Room and in the office (or you may mail them to the office. Please include Attn: Rev. David Lee on the outside of your envelope).

### **Bible Studies**

**JUDGES** Thursdays, 7 pm. The Israelites have safely arrived into the Promised Land, yet they need help in understanding how to live as God's people. God provides Judges – remarkable men and women providing leadership, wisdom and discernment. Join Daniel Sprinkle for this exciting Bible Study via Zoom:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77730182181?pwd=cXRkbFJNekExSUp2RW4xVU43RFpOUT09>

**WORD AND WINE** – will be taking the summer off. See you again in September!

### **VBS Volunteer Sign Up**

This year, our children need to be reminded that they are known, they belong, they are forgiven, they can change, and they can make a difference. That's what this Vacation Bible School is all about! We need help in teaching them those lessons though. Would you all be willing to serve in some way? There are lots of ways to help! Shelley and Savanna will provide all necessary curriculum, supplies, etc. Just sign up here:

<http://bit.ly/CUMCVBSVolunteer>.

### **Vacation Bible School**

VBS dates are July 26th-29th, 9 AM-12 PM, and our kickoff event is on Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 2-4 PM. Registration is available at

<https://forms.gle/xBYLC6tQ6avHU99n6>

Be sure to check out our Summer Schedule at

[http://cumcshelby.org/grow/children/childrens-ministry/!](http://cumcshelby.org/grow/children/childrens-ministry/)