



# 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

November 21, 2021

10:00am

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Welcome and Announcements

Savanna Craig

Prelude

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

arr. Childers

Central Ringers  
Katie Duncan, Flute

\*Congregational Song

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

Morning 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.**

Congregational Hymn #102 *Now Thank We All Our God*

Children's Message

Daniel Sprinkle

Sermon

"Peter and Cornelius"  
Acts 10:1-17a

Rev. David Lee

Offertory

*We Gather Together*  
Libby Alexander, organ

arr. McConnell

\*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

\*Congregational Song

*Give Thanks*

\*Benediction

\*Chiming the Trinity

\*Postlude

*Thanks Be to God*  
Central Ringers

arr. Childers

\*Please stand if able

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.

### **Sunday Night Hangs**

Sundays 5:30-7 PM, all **6th-12th grade students**

### **Office Closed for Thanksgiving**

Please note that the office will close Wednesday, November 24th at 1 pm for the Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend. All music and children/youth events are cancelled for Tuesday and Wednesday. **Deadline for the newsletter will be Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at noon.** Normal hours will resume Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **Bible Study**

**1st & 2nd Samuel Bible Study** will not meet this week—have a Happy Thanksgiving!

### **Upper Room Devotions**

Upper Rooms for November/December are now available outside the office and the sanctuary.

#### **To Our Guests:**

Thank you for sharing in worship today. We are honored that you have chosen to spend a portion of your day with us and we want to help you have a meaningful experience. Here are a few things that you may find helpful.

-**Childcare** is available for infants and preschool aged children. Our nursery staff awaits you in room E106.

-**Hearing devices** are available for those who need them.

-**Large print Bibles & Hymnals** are available for those who need them.

The Ushers are at each door and will happily assist you with any of these.

*Based on the recommendation by the CDC, Governor Cooper, and the Bishop's office, and recognizing the ongoing Coronavirus in our community, we are requiring the use of masks inside the church building.*

**Return Policy for COVID positive/exposure**

Under the advisement of United Methodist Church guidelines, local health care leaders, and the CUMC COVID-19 Task Force, we are implementing the following plan for re-entry back into church life after having COVID-19 or being exposed to COVID-19 within a family household.

**If you have tested positive for COVID-19:** Before participating in any activities at Central UMC, you must quarantine for 10 days beginning the first day you had symptoms and/or a positive COVID test.

**If you have been exposed to COVID-19 within your family household or high-risk exposure outside of household:** You must quarantine until the last person in your household that tested positive for COVID has completed their 10 day quarantine (beginning the first day they had symptoms and/or a positive COVID test). Following that 10 day quarantine period, wait an additional 5 days or test negative for COVID-19.

\*This standard will be the same for both vaccinated and non-vaccinated church members and will apply to all church activities- worship attendance, music rehearsals, Sunday School, Open Table, Children's Ministry gatherings, Youth Ministry gatherings, etc.)

Sermon Notes

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## 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 Sarah Beam; June Miller; Wayne Black; John Reid; Morgan Morrison; Talmadge Strickland; Jimmy Toole; Travis and Stacey Hoyle; Sarita Verma; William Pierce; Bill and Loretta Harris; Larry Brown; Lillian Rogers; Marilyn Herndon; Anne Stevens Cicci; Larry Thomas; Claudia Rose; Frankie Patterson; Bill Jack; Jessie Sumrell; Dawn Russell; Gina Blanton; Dale Almond; Emily Ousley; Rita Hamrick; Pat Ellison; Bill Ledford; Brian Goff; Judy Beachley; and Alan & Scarlett Funderburke.
- ❖ 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-19 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 family of Jean Eaker; Ellen Benfield whose mother, Jane Corriher passed away; Virginia Story on the passing of her husband, Bill; Iris Francis on the passing of her son, Steven; and Claudia Rose on the passing of her sister, Sue Willis (aunt to Jennifer Rose Cook), and the families of Doris Kunkle, Peggy Almond, and Jackie Guy
- ❖ Our shut-ins and others feeling alone. May we be arms reaching out, enfolding them into the body of Christ.
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ The ministries of Central United Methodist Church. We especially pray for the CUMC youth group. May our young people continue to grow together and in relationship with God as they make a huge impact in our community.
- ❖ And though unknown and unspoken, may we help carry each other's burden and praise God for each other's joys.

**Community Thanksgiving Worship Service**  
**The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer**  
**Tuesday, November 23 at 7 p.m.**

This year's Community Thanksgiving Worship Service will be at **The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer** on Tuesday, November 23 at 7 pm. The worship service will be streamed online also. More information regarding online viewing will be forthcoming.

If possible, please bring an offering of canned goods for the Shepherd's Table feeding ministry at the Episcopal church. Winter coats are also being collected for West Shelby, and women's clothing is being collected for Cleveland County Rescue Mission. A financial offering will also be received for the Cleveland County Rescue Mission, Trailhead Resources, the Abuse Prevention Council and Common Ground Cafe.

**Advent Devotion**

Beginning November 28th, Savanna will be providing a weekly Advent Devotion via email for all of those who are interested. Please sign up by emailing her at [savannamcraig91@gmail.com](mailto:savannamcraig91@gmail.com) or by calling the office 704-487-6336. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, November 24th.

**Angel Tree**

Shelby Middle will have an Angel Tree for some of their students.

Suzanne Hensley is looking for sponsors for her students. You can call or text at 336-327-6503 or email her at [sghensley@clevelandcountyschools.org](mailto:sghensley@clevelandcountyschools.org)

**Backpack Ministry**

We need your help in filling our closet with food for the backpacks we deliver to James Love and Shelby Middle each week. Each month we will request a specific item that will be included in the backpacks. You may drop them off at the office **Mon.-Thur. 9AM-4 PM and Fri. 9 AM-1 PM**. These will be added to weekly bags of food sent home from school with food insecure students for weekend meals. For November, we are requesting **individual ravioli/spaghetti—any brand is fine**.