



# 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

August 14, 2022

10:00am

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Concerto #23 in G Major*

Viotti

Emma Buckner, violin

Libby Alexander, piano

\*Opening Hymn

*How Firm a Foundation*

Morning Prayer

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.**

Children's Message

Mitch Hensley

Blessing of the Backpacks

Congregational Hymn

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Offertory

*O God, in a Mysterious Way*

Libby Alexander, organ

O God, in a mysterious way great wonders you perform

You plant your footsteps in the sea and ride upon the storm.

\*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.**

Anthem

*Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

arr. Miller

Chancel Choir

Libby Alexander, accompanist

Hallelujah!

Where cross the crowded ways of life,

where sound the cries of clan and race,

above the noise and selfish strife

we hear your voice, O God of grace.

Hallelujah!

In haunts of wretchedness and need

on shadowed thresholds fraught with fears,

from paths where hide the lures of greed,  
we catch the vision of your tears.  
'Til all the world shall learn your love,  
And follow where your feet have trod,  
'til shining from your heaven above,  
shall come the city of our God!  
Hallelujah!  
The cup of water given for you  
still holds the freshness of your grace,  
yet long these multitudes to view  
the sweet compassion of your face.  
O master, from the mountainside  
make haste to heal these hearts of pain,  
among the restless throngs abide,  
O tread the city's streets again.  
Hallelujah!

Sermon	"Back to School"	Rev. David Lee
*Closing Hymn	<i>God of Love and God of Power</i>	
*Benediction		
*Chiming the Trinity		
*Postlude	<i>Shine, Jesus, Shine</i> Praise Ensemble	arr. Fettke

\*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.

### **Open Table Needs Your Help**

In order to better meet the needs of our community Open Table is asking for different donations each month. We are asking for donations of **Small bottled water** (8-10 oz size bottles). We invite you every Saturday from 8 am to noon to help us provide a free hot meal to our community. Join our Open Table Remind text group to get updates and information. This is not a group text and you do not have to download the app. Text the message **@otcumc** to the number 81010.

### **COVID-19 Policy**

*Based on the recommendation by Dr. Mike and the Bishop's office, and recognizing the increasing Coronavirus in our community, the use of masks inside the church building is now highly recommended.*

**If you have tested positive for COVID-19:** You may return to church 10 days after onset of symptoms.

## 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 Joe Costner; Don Dedmon; Cathy Jones; Morgan Morrison; Jerry Clark; Kim Laughlin; Becky Hill; Lillian Blanton; Mitchell Self; Jo Marsh; Naushaba Samuels; Doris Pierce; Christy Miranda; June Miller; John Reid; Travis and Stacey Hoyle; William Pierce; Bill and Loretta Harris; Larry Brown; Marilyn Herndon; Anne Stevens Cicci; Larry Thomas; Dawn Russell; Dale Almond; Pat Ellison; Bill & Peggy Ledford; Brian Goff; Judy Beachley.
- Dino requests prayer to find God's will for his life.
- 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. Especially the family of Lillian Rogers; Donna Boggs on the passing of her mother, Phyllis Brackett; Rhonda Keeley on the passing of her stepfather, Wayman Shepard, Jr; Sherry Grenier on the passing of her father, James Barnette; and the families of Frankie Patterson, Jessie Sumrell, Barbara Wood, Iris Francis.
- 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 especially for the people of Ukraine. May God heal and unify all people.
- We lift up our first responders and those in the military.
- 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

### 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.