



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

September 4, 2022

10:00am

Gathering Music David Parker, guitar

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude David Parker, guitar

*Opening Hymn *The Solid Rock*

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 Caroline Laney

Offertory David Parker, guitar

*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 *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* Hendrix
Chancel Choir

Scripture Luke 14: 25-33

Sermon "Carrying the Cross" Rev. David Lee

Holy Communion

*Closing Hymn TFWS#2130 *The Summons*

*Benediction

*Postlude *I Will Follow* arr. Allen
Praise Ensemble

*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.

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 Gus Gregory; Claudia Rose; Joe Costner; Don Dedmon; Cathy Jones; 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 Rieta Maxwell; and Laura Rucker and family on the passing of her father.
- 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

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 **Rolls of Paper Towels and 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.

Women's Wellness Retreat September 17th, 9am to noon

Women of all ages are invited to Aldersgate United Methodist Church for a day retreat as we focus on our spiritual, mental, and physical wellness.

Our sessions will be led by:

Rev. Carrie Carpenter, Spiritual Wellness

Sadie Simpson, Physical Wellness

Rev. Dr. Stacey Watkins-Griffith, Mental Wellness.

This event is free of charge.

RSVP by September 8th to 704.487.8491,

<https://tinyurl.com/aldersgatemw2022> , or
office@aldersgateshelby.com

*Child care is available upon request prior to September 8.

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.

Sermon Notes

 **CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**



PARENTING COURSE

**WHY DO THEY ACT THIS WAY AND
WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT IT?**

With Loraine Barker-Witkowski
Child Development Specialist

**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS FROM
5:15-6:00, SEPT 14 - NOV 16**

Dinner will be provided the first week, which will be an introduction and get to-know-you night for the whole family. The final week will be a fun night with dinner included as well.

**CHILDCARE
PROVIDED**

ABOUT THIS COURSE

Join us for a thorough look at what's going on in the minds and brains of our precious children at different developmental stages. We'll explore how we can best respond to help them *and* learn strategies to deal with the tough moments we all face as parents.

COVERING NEWBORN TO AGE 11

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