

Welcome to Worship at Central UMC!

We are blessed by your presence today! Please complete a **Connect Card** located in the pew back. Doing so allows you to connect with your church family by sharing prayer concerns, learning about new ministries and lets us know you joined us for worship.

Children are welcome to remain in the worship service. Our nursery is located in Room 107. Toddlers and Children through 2nd grade are invited to Kid's Worship following the Children's Message. Activity bags are available in the narthex.

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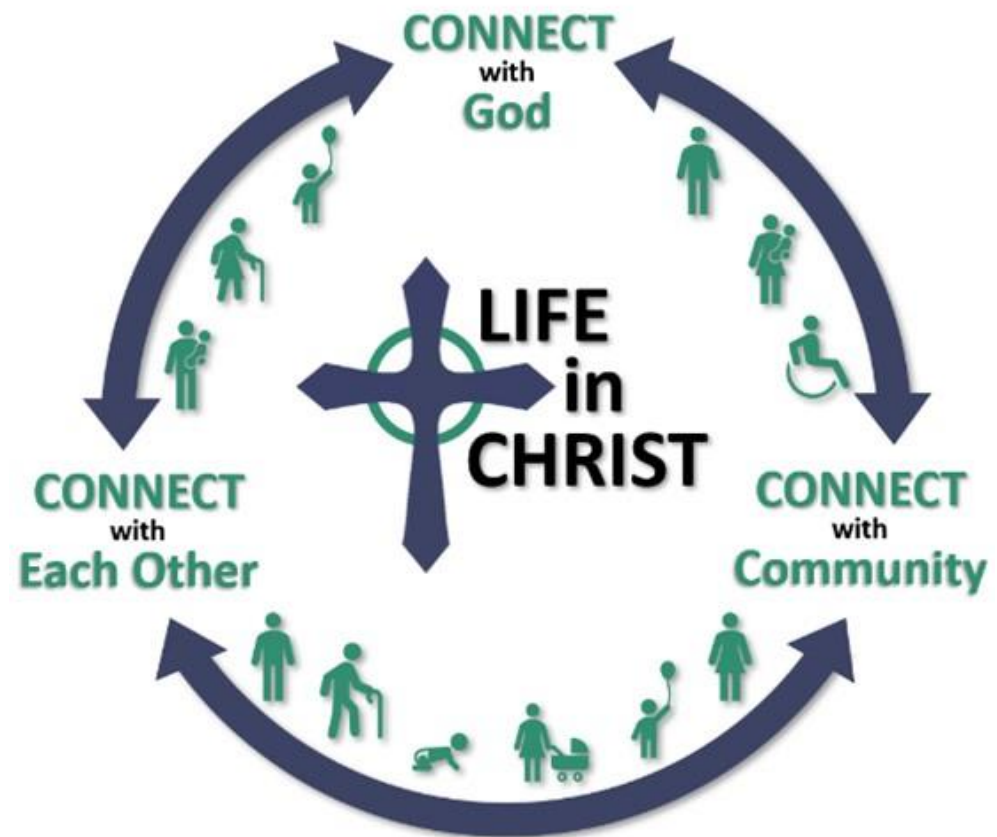
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Central

United Methodist Church



AUGUST 27, 2023 | 11:00 AM
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



✠ Please stand in body or spirit. | UMH - United Methodist Hymnal
Congregational responses in **bold**.

PRELUDE *Bells at Dusk* Tom Birchwood

WELCOME Rev. Sigrid Mottram
The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

✠ **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* UMH 127

PSALM READING Psalm 124 UMH 846

WITNESS FOR CHALK IT UP 2 LOVE Virginia Duncan

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES Erica Kirby

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

MORNING PRAYER Rev. Lanny Lancaster

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. Amen.

✠ **HYMN** *Give to the Winds Thy Fears* UMH 129

OFFERING

✠ **THE DOXOLOGY** *They'll Know We are Christians*
All praise to the Father from whom all things come;
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
They'll know we are Christians by our love.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Mottram

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

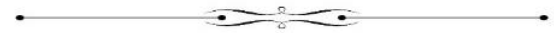
SCRIPTURE Exodus 1:8-2:10

SERMON *Rescued for a Purpose* Rev. Lancaster

✠ **HYMN OF DEDICATION** *Trust and Obey* UMH 467

✠ **BENEDICTION**

✠ **POSTLUDE** *Festal Song* Gordon Young



SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Lanny Lancaster Liturgist: Rev. Sigrid Mottram
Music: Sung by Central Chancel Choir;
Jamie Bryson, organist/director; Kristi Shupe, pianist