

### 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

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to Kid's Worship following the Children's Message. Activity bags are available in the narthex.

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# Central United Methodist Church



**NOVEMBER 5, 2023 | 11:00 AM**

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



# Connect at Central

*God • Each Other • Community*

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

**PRELUDE** *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. Kevin McChesney  
Central Ringers

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY**

**PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT**

Gracious God, who reigns above all, gather us with the Great Cloud of Witnesses to praise your holy Name. Fill us with your Holy Spirit as we offer you our worship today.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, Amen.**

✠ **HYMN OF PRAISE** *For All the Saints* UMH 711

**PSALM READING** Psalm 34:1-10;22 UMH 769

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Erica Kirby

**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** *Shall we Gather at the River* UMH 723

**STEWARDSHIP WITNESS** Sandi Mills

**OFFERING**

✠ **THE DOXOLOGY** *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart, Stz. 5* UMH 160  
**Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore,  
the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore.  
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Rev. Mottram

**ANTHEM** *Find Us Faithful* Jon Mohr

We're pilgrims on the journey of the narrow road, and those who've gone before us line the way. Cheering on the faithful, encouraging the weary, their lives a stirring testament to God's sustaining grace. Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us run the race not only for the prize; But as those who've gone before us, let us leave to those behind us the heritage of faithfulness passed on through Godly lives. Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful, may the fire of our devotion light their way. May the footprints that we leave lead them to believe, and the lives we live inspire them to obey. Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful. After all our hopes and dreams have come and gone and our children sift through all we've left behind, may the clues that they discover and the memories they uncover become the light that leads them to the road we each must find.

**SCRIPTURE** Matthew 5:1-12

**SERMON** *The Long View* Rev. Lancaster

**HOLY COMMUNION** UMH 12

**REMEMBERING THE SAINTS**

Patricia Ann Finlay	Peggy Ann Morse Shell
Jean Godfrey Gordon	Jeffrey Dale Smith
Margaret McNelly McMillan	Paula Mohler Russell
Ivan Merritt Moon	Wayne Aubrey Ward
Anne Tice Morris	Nancy Dixon Williams
Steve Hunter Presson	Anita Kendrick Williamson

✠ **HYMN OF DEDICATION** *Sing with All the Saints in Glory* UMH 702

✠ **BENEDICTION**

✠ **POSTLUDE** *For All the Saints* arr. Lani Smith