

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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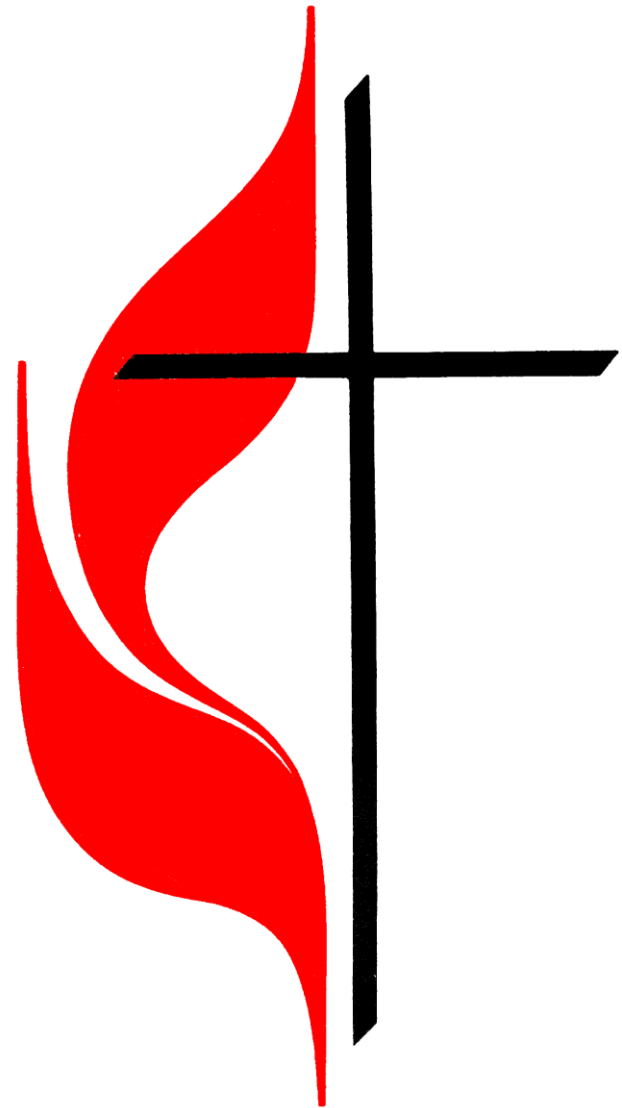
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Central United Methodist Church



SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 | 11:00 AM
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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

PRELUDE *Glorify Thy Name* arr. Carolyn Hamlin

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Almighty God, to you all hearts are opened, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

✝ **HYMN OF PRAISE** *One Bread, One Body* UMH 620

PSALM READING Psalm 67 UMH 791

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** *Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart* UMH 500

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 *Redeemed* Crosby/Butler
Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it! Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child, and forever, I am. Redeemed, redeemed, Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb! Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it! His child, and forever, I am. Redeemed, and so happy in Jesus, No language my rapture can tell; I know that the light of His presence with me doth continually dwell. I think of my blessed Redeemer, I think of Him all the day long; I sing, for I cannot be silent; His love is the theme of my song.

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 12:1-26

SERMON *What's Your Gift?* Rev. Lancaster

✝ **HYMN OF DEDICATION** UMH 550
Christ, From Whom All Blessings Flow

✝ **BENEDICTION**

✝ **POSTLUDE** *Take the Name of Jesus With You* arr. Rick Parks

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