

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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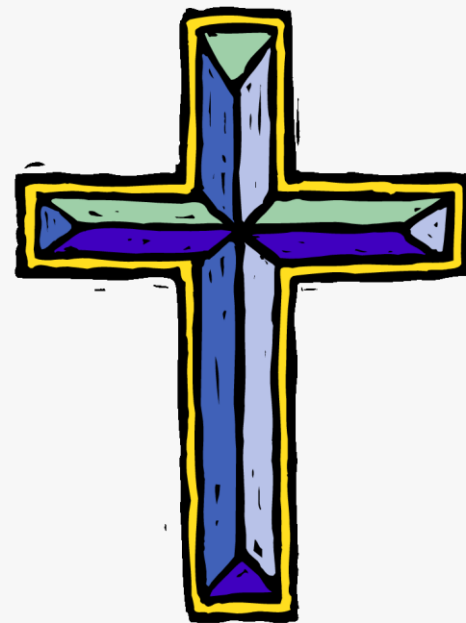
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Central United Methodist Church



Children's Sabbath

OCTOBER 22, 2023 | 11:00 AM
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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

PRELUDE *Lift High the Cross* arr. Gordon Young
Nathan Clements, organ

WELCOME Aubree Helms
The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT Norah Shupe
Dear Jesus, You are the source of Life, Light, and Love. **Breathe your Holy Spirit into and among us. Open our hearts. Open our minds. Open our Lives. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.**

✠ **HYMN OF PRAISE** *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God* UMH 712

PSALM READING Psalm 100 UMH 821
Hannah Shupe

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Central Kids

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** *Come, Sinners to the Gospel Feast* UMH 339

✠ **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. Sigrid Mottram

ANTHEM *If I Were a Butterfly* Celebration Singers

SCRIPTURE Matthew 19:13-15

SERMON *Let the Children Come* Rev. Lancaster

✠ **HYMN OF DEDICATION** *All Things Bright and Beautiful* UMH 147

✠ **BENEDICTION**

✠ **POSTLUDE** *Holy, Holy, Holy* John B. Dykes

Serving in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Lanny Lancaster

Liturgist: Rev. Sigrid Mottram

Music: Sung by Central Chancel Choir;

Jamie Bryson, organist/director;

Celebration Singers, Barbara Pfau, director

Ushers: Addie Baucom, Realynn Helms, Luna Martinez, Norah Shupe