## **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

The Sacred Now: Today's Challenges and Opportunities

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY JANUARY 21, 2024 | 11:00 AM



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

**PRELUDE** 

**WELCOME** 

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

**†HYMN OF PRAISE** *I Know Whom I Have Believed* UMH 714

**PSALM READING** Psalm 62 UMH 787

**CELEBRATION SINGERS** *I've Got the Joy* Jamison Statema

**ANOINTING OF CHURCH LEADERS** 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.

**OFFERING** 

**OFFERTORY** 

**†THE DOXOLOGY** No. 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**SCRIPTURE** Jonah 3:1-10

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**HYMN OF DEDICATION** 

UMH 399

Take My Life and Let it Be

**⊕BENEDICTION** 

**POSTLUDE** 

**Serving in Worship Today** 

Preacher: Rev. Lanny Lancaster Worship Leader: Eric Shupe Psalm Reader: Cat Evans Pianist: Dr. Kristi Shupe Music: Central Chancel Choir Celebration Singers