

## 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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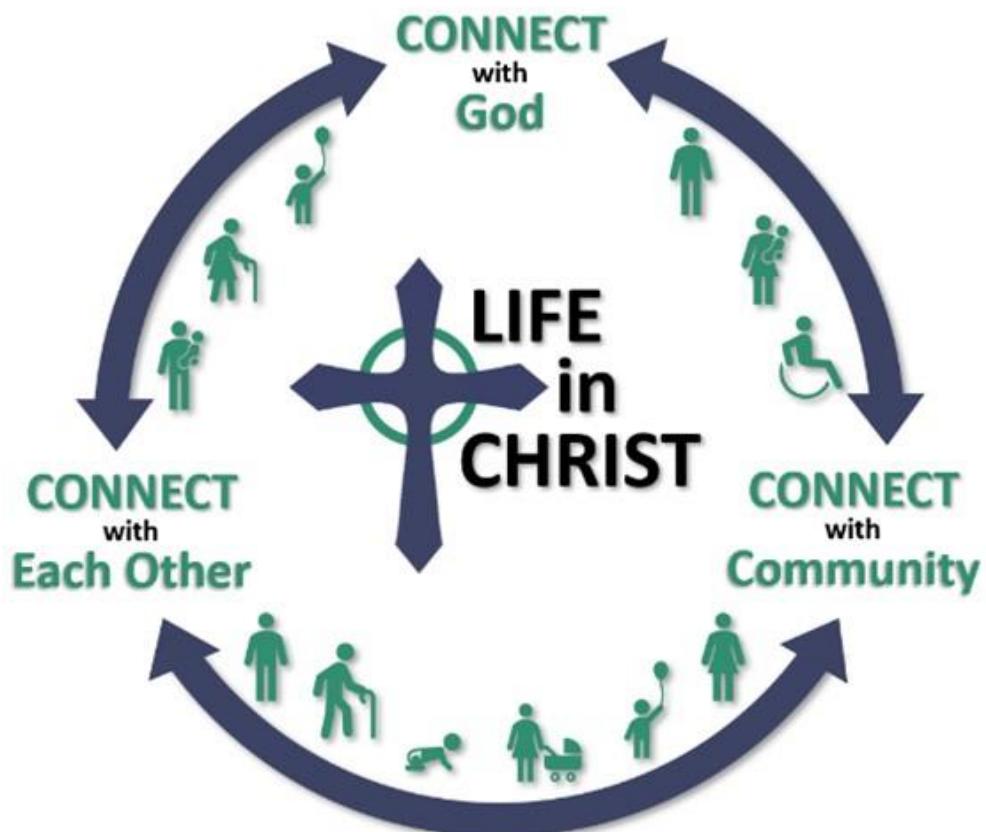
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# Central

## United Methodist Church



**JULY 16, 2023 | 11:00 AM**

**SEVENTH 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

*Morning Tribute*

Lyndell Leatherman

## WELCOME

The Lord be with you!  
**And also with you!**

Mr. David Paschal

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

## PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

†HYMN OF PRAISE *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

UMH 694

## PSALM READING

Psalm 25

UMH 757

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Erica Kirby

## MORNING PRAYER

Rev. Sigrid Mottram

## 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

*Wonderful Words of Life*

UMH 600

## 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

Mr. Paschal

## VBS WITNESS

## SCRIPTURE

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

## SERMON

Rev. Mottram

†HYMN OF DEDICATION *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

UMH 454

## †BENEDICTION

## †POSTLUDE

*Praise Him, O Praise Him*

W. J. Reynolds



## SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHER: Rev. Sigrid Mottram

WORSHIP LEADER: David Paschal

MUSIC: Sung by Central Chancel Choir;  
Jamie Bryson, organist/director