

Welcome!

We are thankful you are worshipping with us today.

- Have children with you? Our nursery staff awaits you in Room 107. Toddlers up to children in 5th grade are invited to join us for “Kids Worship” with music, scripture, offering, praises and prayer concerns, as well as a recap of the day’s message. Children are welcome to remain in the worship service. Activity bags are available in the narthex.
- Hearing devices are available and are located at the entrance to the sanctuary.
- Connect cards are available in the seat-back pocket in front of you. This is a simple way for you to connect with the ministries at Central, request more information, share prayer requests, and let us know that you joined us for worship.

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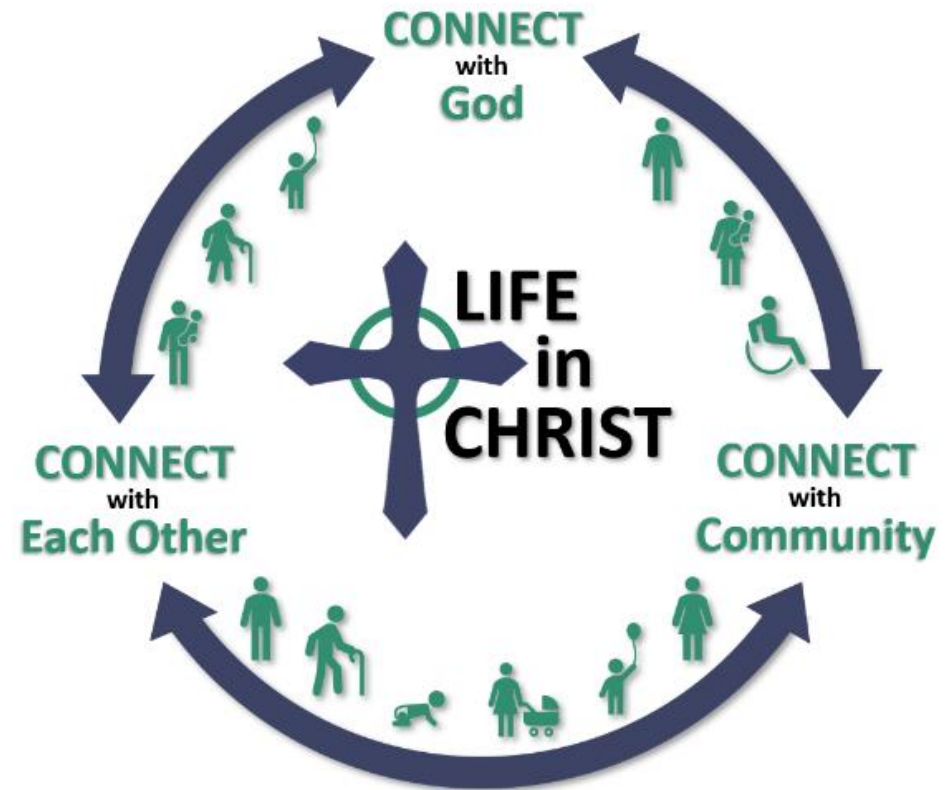
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CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

801 S Hayne Street | Monroe, NC 28112

17th Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022 | 11:00 am

PRELUDE *Bells at Dusk* Tom Birchwood

WELCOME

The Lord be with you!
And Also with you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Almighty God, who heals us by your correction and preserves us with your pardon;
Grant that we may rejoice in the comfort of a true faith
And use the gift of your peace for the amendment of our lives
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.
—from The Leonine Sacramentary

✠**HYMN OF PRAISE** *O Church of God, United* No. 547

PSALM READING Psalm 138 UMH 853

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Erica Kirby

MORNING PRAYER

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** *Blest Be the Tie that Binds* No. 557

OFFERING

✠**THE DOXOLOGY** No. 95

✠PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANTHEM *Come, Share this Feast of Love* Beall/Larson
Here is my body that's broken for you. Come share this feast of love. Here is the blood that I shed for you. Come, share this feast of love. Here is the life that I lived for you. Come, share the feast of love. Here is the life that I gave, I gave for you. Share this feast of love. Come, come, come in prayer. Bring your pain; bring your care. Come, my child, and share. Here is the peace that your soul has sought. Come, share the feast of love. Here is the peace that my dying, dying brought. Share this feast of love.

SCRIPTURE *John 15:1-11*

SERMON *Following Jesus: PRESENCE* Rev. Lanny Lancaster

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION No. 12

✠**HYMN OF RESPONSE** *One Bread, One Body* No. 620

✠BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. Charles Callihan

✠ *Those who are able are invited to stand.*
Items in bold indicate congregational response.

SERVING TODAY

LAY READER: Janet Lancaster

USHERS: Dale & Shelley Loberger and Ken Neese & Jimmy Parker

OCTOBER ALTAR GUILD: Edie Anderson & Elaine Davis