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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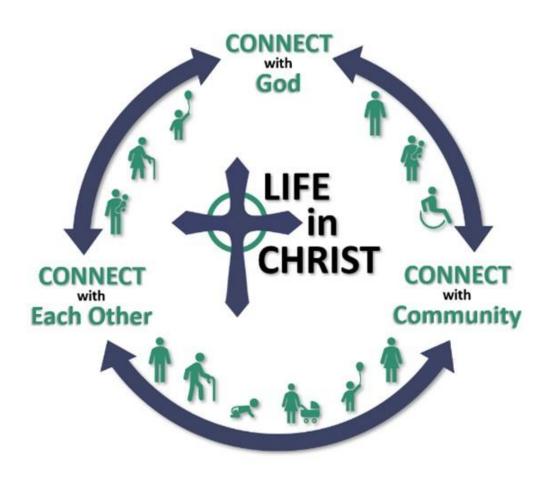
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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT FEBRUARY 25, 2024 | 11:00 AM



[♣]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

Lord, open our lips

And our mouths shall declare your praise.

Send your Holy Spirit to open our minds

And we will hear your Word,

Create in us clean hearts

And we will reflect your Light,

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, as

it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,

world without end, Amen.

†HYMN OF PRAISE Lift High the Cross UMH 159

PSALM READING Psalm 22 UMH 752

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 OF PRAISE Jesus Calls Us UMH 398

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY UMH 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE Mark 8:31-38

SERMON Rev. Lancaster

The Depths of Love-For the Sake of the Gospel

⊕HYMN OF DEDICATION Where He Leads Me UMH 338

†BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Lanny Lancaster Worship Leader: Eric Shupe Psalm Reader: Cat Evans Organist: Donna Martel Music: Central Chancel Choir