

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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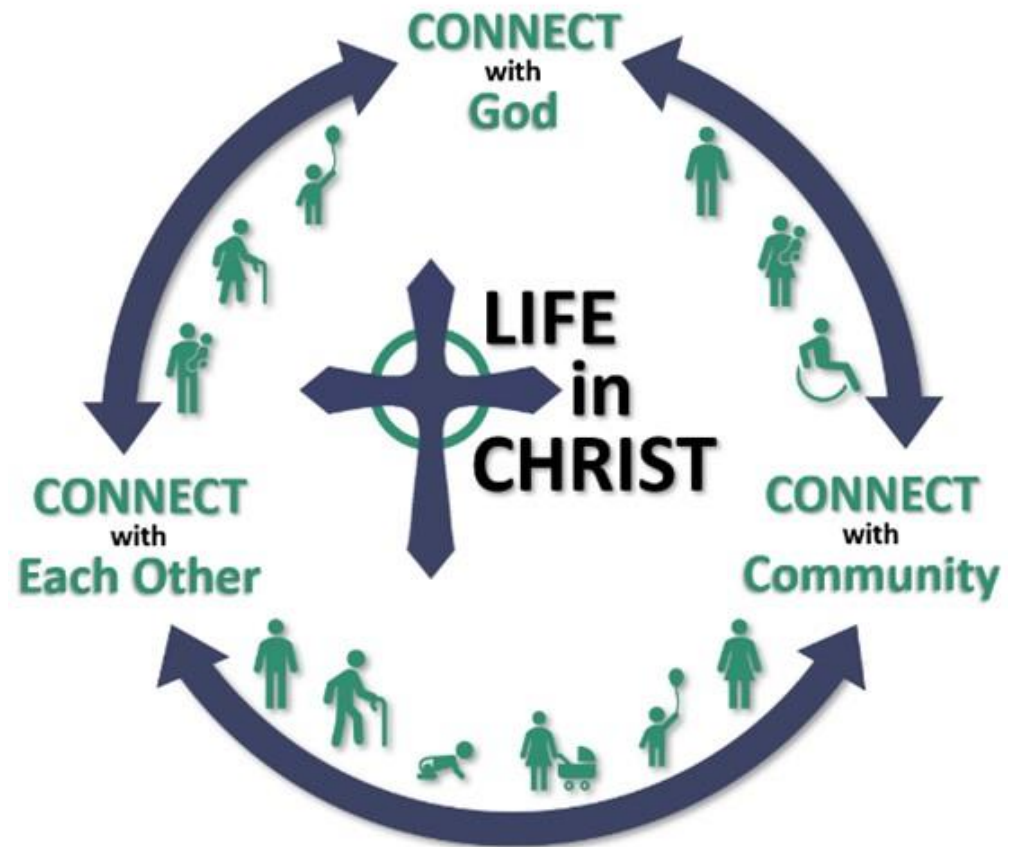
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Central

United Methodist Church



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 4, 2024 | 11:00 AM



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

PRELUDE *There Is a Balm in Gilead* arr. Robert Lau

WELCOME

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Beloved of our Souls, you welcome us into your gracious presence
Lord, have mercy!
We breathe deep of your Holy Spirit
Christ, have mercy!
We are tired, worn down, and carrying heavy burdens,
Lord, have mercy!
Strengthen us that, in your grace, we might carry one another's
burdens. Let us join together in wonder and thanksgiving
For your love lifts us up on wings like eagles.
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

✠ **HYMN OF PRAISE** *God of the Ages* No. 698

PSALM READING Psalm 147 No. 859

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** *A Mighty Fortress* No. 110

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling* arr. Will Thompson

✠ **THE DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 40:21-31

SERMON *The Sacred Now: The Power of Wings* Rev. Lancaster

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION No. 7

✠ **HYMN OF DEDICATION** *Jesus is All the World to Me* No. 469

✠ **BENEDICTION**

✠ **POSTLUDE** *The Emperor's Fanfare* arr. E. Power Biggs



Serving in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Lanny Lancaster | Worship Leader: Robert Hinson
Organist: Anne Kimball | Music: Central Chancel Choir

*Prayer for the Holy Spirit adapted from Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2023. Used by permission