

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHER: Rev. Lanny Lancaster **LITURGIST:** Rev. Sigrid Mottram
MUSIC: Sung by Central Chancel Choir;
Jamie Bryson, organist/director; Kristi Shupe, pianist
LAY READER: Nathan Clements

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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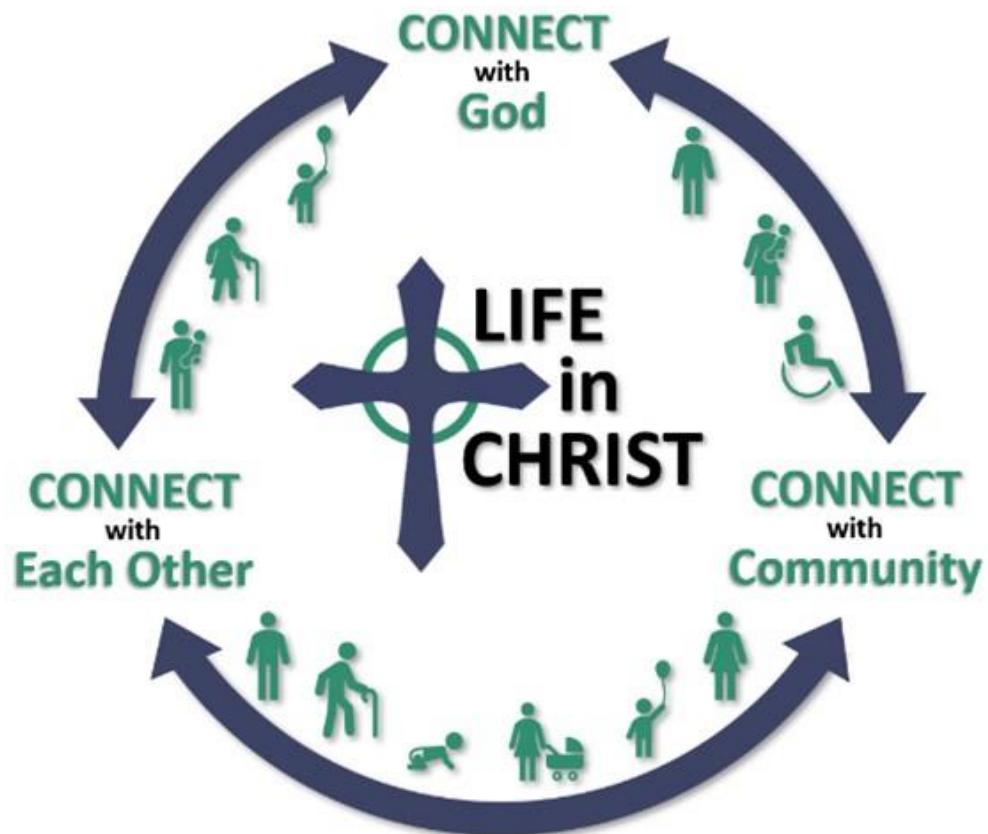
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Central

United Methodist Church



JULY 2, 2023 | 11:00 AM

FIFTH 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

America the Beautiful

arr. A. L. Page

WELCOME

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Rev. Sigrid Mottram

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMN OF PRAISE

God of the Ages

UMH 698

PSALM READING

Psalm 13

UMH 746

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LITANY FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

Gracious and Loving God,
**we give you thanks for this great nation
and all its chartered liberties.**

We give you thanks for all the women and men
who have worked for liberty and justice for all.
We give you thanks for the opportunity
to use our freedom to share the
Good News of Jesus Christ with all people.

Sovereign Lord,
you rule all the peoples of the earth.
Inspire the minds of all women and men
to whom you have committed
the responsibility of government and leadership
in the nations of the world.
Give to them the vision of truth and justice,
that by their counsel all nations and
peoples may work together.

Give to all of us
**zeal for justice and strength of forbearance,
that we may use our liberty
in accordance with your gracious will.**
Forgive our shortcomings as a nation;
purify our hearts to see and love the truth.
We pray all these things through Jesus Christ. Amen.
—adapted from Andy Langford, *The Book of Worship of the United Methodist Church*, used by permission

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.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT			Take Up Thy Cross		UMH 415
†HYMN OF PRAISE	<i>God of the Ages</i>	UMH 698	†HYMN	<i>Take Up Thy Cross</i>	
PSALM READING	Psalm 13	UMH 746	OFFERING		
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Erica Kirby	†THE DOXOLOGY	<i>They'll Know We are Christians</i>	
LITANY FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY		Rev. Lanny Lancaster		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.	
<p>Gracious and Loving God, we give you thanks for this great nation and all its chartered liberties.</p> <p>We give you thanks for all the women and men who have worked for liberty and justice for all.</p> <p>We give you thanks for the opportunity to use our freedom to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all people.</p> <p>Sovereign Lord, you rule all the peoples of the earth.</p> <p>Inspire the minds of all women and men to whom you have committed the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world.</p> <p>Give to them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all nations and peoples may work together.</p>			PRAYER OF DEDICATION	Rev. Mottram	
			SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>On Eagles Wings</i> <i>Nathan Clements, piano</i>	
			SCRIPTURE	Matthew 10:40-42	
			SERMON	<i>Welcoming the "holy other"</i>	
			SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION	Rev. Lancaster	
			†HYMN OF DEDICATION	<i>This Is My Song</i>	
			†BENEDICTION	UMH 437	
			†POSTLUDE	<i>Trumpet Tune</i>	
				Roy Brunner	