

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 up 5th grade are invited to Kid's Worship following the Children's Message. Activity bags are available in the narthex.

Hearing devices are available and are located at the entrance to the sanctuary.

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Central

United Methodist Church



NEW AND IMPROVED!
GOD'S PROMISES
for the NEW YEAR

a new worship series

JANUARY 8, 2023 | 11:00 AM
BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY



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

PRELUDE *Come, Thou Fount* arr. Gordon Young

WELCOME Rev. Sigrid Mottram
The Lord be with you!
And Also with you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

† **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* UMH 400

PSALM READING Psalm 29 UMH 761

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** *Fairest Lord Jesus* UMH 189

OFFERING

† **THE DOXOLOGY** UMH 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Mottram

Anthem *Come, Be Baptized* Gary Alan Smith

SCRIPTURE *Isaiah 42:1-10*

SERMON ***New and Improved!*** Rev. Lancaster

**CONGREGATIONAL REAFFIRMATION OF
THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT** UMH 50

† **HYMN OF DEDICATION**
Wash O God, Your Sons and Daughters UMH 605

† **BENEDICTION**

† **POSTLUDE** *Praise to the Lord* arr. Young



SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHER: Rev. Lanny Lancaster

WORSHIP LEADER: Rev. Sigrid Mottram

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

LAY READER: Dale Loberger

USHERS: Jack & Jackson Hargett and
Davey & Dale Ann Plyler

If you would like to put flowers on the altar in honor or memory of someone, the new Flower Calendar is up at the Crossroads.