

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

August 27, 2023, 9:15 AM
Central Christian Church

#### About our service:

We want worship to be comfortable for you. Feel free to bring your **coffee** with you into the worship area.

You are welcome to leave an **offering** with us if you are motivated. Simply deposit your offering in the box on the south wall of the worship area or follow prompts to text-to-give or to give online.

#### **MEDITATION TABLE:**

#### **STONES & VASE**

Use the stones as a physical representation of your burden. Put the stones in the vase and leave the burden with God.

#### **CANDLE**

Light a candle for any praise or prayer concerns you have.

#### **COMFORT CROSS**

Feel free to pick up a cross and take it with you as a reminder that Jesus loves you unconditionally. His comfort, care, and transformative power is at work for you, in you, and through you today and always. Receive it. Praise God and share His never-ending love with others.

#### SCRIPTURE CARDS

Feel free to read and take one of the Scripture cards with you. You are encouraged to place it where you will see it throughout your week as a reminder of God's message for you.

#### PRAYER WALL

Stop by our prayer wall and leave a prayer for others to offer with you or to pray for those already posted.



Wifi= CCCGuest No password needed.

# 2022-2025 Capital Campaign Update

Phase 1 Renovation of the former Heritage Center in the lower level has begun. The Renovation will last approximately 8 weeks long but will create a modern and welcoming gathering place for all.

Please watch for progress notices and take an update flyer located at the Welcome Center Counter and the Great Hall Welcome Table.

We appreciate everyone's flexibility and patience during the renovation.

- Décor Committee

## "Deep Roots, Wild Branches" Discussion

Come to the Great Hall on Monday, August 28, at 6:00 pm, and have a semiformal discussion with Pastor Michael about the book and conversations about what was shared in small groups. Everyone is welcome, even if you didn't read the book.

### **Elderberries September Event**

The Fall-themed Elderberries event will be held on Wednesday, September 13 starting at 11:30am. We'll enjoy playing bingo games with prizes and then share a meal together.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by September 7th by calling the church office or with sign-up sheets at the Welcome Center or in the Great Hall.

# **Northeast Food Pantry Drive**

The next food collection for the Northeast food pantry will be on Sunday, September 3rd.

Cereal, canned fruits & vegetables, canned meat, & soup are always good contributions. The shopping cart to place donated goods is located in the Connection Café. Thank you for your support.

# **Congratulations on 50 years!**

Mary Jane & Robert Linton are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary! If you see them, please congratulate them and wish them many more years to come!

## Are you interested in joining Central?

The only thing required to be a member of Central Christian is having faith in Jesus Christ. If you are moved during the service to <u>confess</u> your faith, or <u>transfer your membership</u> to Central, simply come up to the minister at the communion table **during the communion time**. If you wish to talk with a minister more about membership, simply let Pastor Vicky or Pastor Scott know after worship.

# Wolship Extrus

#### I Samuel 1:12-17 NRSVUE

<sup>12</sup> As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. <sup>13</sup> Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. <sup>14</sup> So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." <sup>15</sup> But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. <sup>16</sup> Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." <sup>17</sup> Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him."

# "Pouring out my soul before God"

- 1. Worries / Fears (What is making me anxious today?)
- 2. Hopes ("What do you want me to do for you?")
- 3. Thanksgivings (What can I feel good about today?)

# **Responsive Reading**

Leader: I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised.

People: The Lord will incline an ear to me, hear my words and answer me.

Leader: I will pour out my soul before the Lord. I will cry aloud to the God of my salvation.

People: The Lord will give heed to the words of my prayer.

Leader: Jesus said, "What do you want me to do for you?" So I will share my hopes with him. **People:** I will trust that he will not reject my prayer, nor withhold his steadfast love from me.

Leader: I will call up on the Lord, who is worthy to be praised.

People: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.

### **Serving Today**

Elder – Brett Swallow Deacon – Matt & Laura Moma Greeter – Dave & Cheryl Zollinger Liturgist – Greg Barnes Snacks – Susie Turner

# Serving Next Sunday, 9/3

Elder – David Wagner
Deacon – Steve & Marci Baumann
Greeter – Steve & Marci Baumann
Liturgist – Marci Baumann
Snacks – Steve & Marci Baumann