

Theresa Fulk (8:00)

Jeannie Backes (10:30)

(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation.)

Communion Music

One: The bread which we break is our communion in the Body of Christ.

All: The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is our Communion in the blood of Christ. Amen.

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i> (vs. 1, 4, 5)	No. 618
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(After worship, a serving elder will be available at the back of each side aisle for personal prayer)

Postlude	<i>Westminster Abbey</i>	Henry Purcell
	Dee Dee Gain, organ	

**All who are able, please stand*

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Lent Week 3

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Sunday, March 23, 2025
Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *Serenade*
Charles-Marie Widor
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome Michael E. Karunas

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 16
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (vs. 1, 3)

*Responsive Reading Charlotte Ballance
Leader: We gather to worship our Creator God
who made all things – seeds and weeds.
**People: Seeds can teach us that each life has great potential
for good, bearing fruits of God's Spirit.**
Leader: Weeds can teach us many lessons: choices that have not
worked out and even perseverance and healing –
like a dandelion.
**People: In God's garden, God's love extends to weeds and
seeds. Be in our hearts, O Lord, as we seek to make
your world better for all.**

*Invocation

*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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory
forever, Amen.**

*Gloria Patri No. 35

A Time for All God's Children Vicky Woolridge

Prayer Hymn *Take My Life* (vs. 1, 5, 6) No. 609

Pastoral Prayer Melinda McDonald

(8:00) Prayer Response
(10:30) Special music, Central Men's Quartet

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication
(8:00) Special Music, Central Men's Quartet
(10:30) Anthem *How Beautiful* arr. Lloyd Larson

Scripture Reading Matthew 13:24-30 Pg. 14 NT

One: The Word of God for the People of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Side by Side*

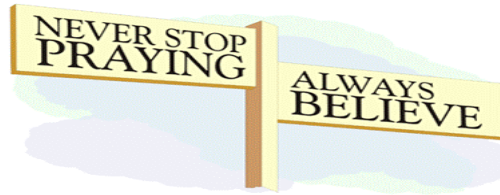
Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn No. 339
Just as I Am, Without One Plea (vs. 1, 2, 4)
*(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith
and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this
Hymn of Communion.)*

Meditation Jim Fitzpatrick

Words of Institution

Prayer List



Last updated 3/21/2025

Members

Evelyn Sanders
Debbie & Jim Hoffert
Gene Guthrie
Jim & Diane Denzer
June Moutray
Mike & Carole Holbrook
Mickie Wilmot
Misty Mochel
Linda Kuhns
Don & Brenda Tankersley
Jack Dixon & Sue Burkham
Bob Wade
Dave & Carol Withrow

We Pray for Those in the Military:

Katy & Matt Holden (granddaughter & grandson-in-law of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Phillip Johnston (son of Becky Johnston)
Mitchell Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Preston Wade (son of Larry & Karen Wade)
Lucas Ward (grandson of Marilyn Ward)
Ryan Smithson (grandson of Jim & Vicki Fitzpatrick)
Lucas May (nephew of Marci Baumann)
Nicholas Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Mason Penhallegon (nephew of Babs & Tom McKay)

Members in Nursing Home & Assisted Living

Merle Chapman (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Elaine Hynds (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Janet Deakins (Imboden Creek Living Center)
Marilyn Riley (Randall Residence)
Lawrence & Sally Thicksten (Randall Residence)
Leona Bray (Randall Residence)
Barb Tyler (Tanglewood)
Nancy Taylor (The Glenwood)
Bob & Peggy Garrett (Primrose)
Dan Brintlinger (Primrose)
Marilyn Ward
Chloe Hoaglin (Vonderlieth)
Eleanor Pritts (Hickory Pt. Christian Village)
Don Boyd (Lincolnshire)
Yvonne Purcell (Evergreen)
Glen Dalluge

Friends & Family

Jim Nuernberger (friend of Jim & Debbie Hoffert)
Harriette York (mother of David York)
Ron Price (brother of Debbie Hoffert)
Quentin Wilmot (brother of Kevin Wilmot)
Matt Andrews (son-in-law of Jean Maggioncalda)
Ruth & Randy Helm (friends of Donna Dash)
Shannon Borntreger (son of Kathy Kauzlarich)
Tracy Cearlock (friend of Brett Swallow)
Jean Lucas (friends of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Larry Baker (friend of Keith Backes & David Wagner)
Evelyn Drahovzal (friend of Charlotte Ballance)
Tina King (friend to many CCC members)
Cheryl McElroy (friend of Greg Barnes)
Sharyl Craggs (wife of Bob Craggs)
Paul Barnes (father of Greg Barnes)
Curt & Malinda Jackson (cousin of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Sharolyn Esgar (daughter of Nancy Flamm)
Tom Little (son-in-law of Dixie June Govro)
Jim Story (friend of Maria Jacobs)
Michelle Lockwood (friend of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Karen McFadin (daughter of Janet Gray)
Cloyd & Chris Thomas (friends of Dave & Nita Phillips)
The family of Alina Daberkow (friends of Dave & Nita Phillips)
Tom & Jerry White (sister & brother-in-law of Joy Adams)
Ruth Albin (cousin of Nancy Ellen Taylor)

Worship Extras

March 23, 2025

Matthew 13:24-30 NRSVUE

²⁴He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' ²⁸He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' "

Notes:



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Serving Schedule

Today, March 23, 2025

Elders: Jeannie Backes (10:30), Jim Fitzpatrick, Theresa Fulk (8:00)

March Prep Deacons: Mary Jane Linton, Lea West, Linda Zinn

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Sandy Garver, Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Dale Ford, David Martin

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 1 - Carolyn Sunderlik, Capt., Dianne Devore

10:30 - Team 6 - Mark Kincaid, Donna Dash

Greeters:

8:00 - Debbie & Jim Hoffert

10:30 - Dick & Sue Ann Cain

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Keith Backes

Liturgist: Charlotte Ballance

Next Sunday, March 30, 2025

Elders: Gretchen Kirby, Linda Rowden

March Prep Deacons: Mary Jane Linton, Lea West, Linda Zinn

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Julia Munos, Gail Prince

10:30 - Mike Kirby, Ron Oliver

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 2 - Bruce Campbell, Capt., Liz Campbell

10:30 - Team 7 - George Virgil, Capt., Linda Virgil,
Hugh & Linda Rowden

Greeters:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Gail Prince

10:30 - Suzie Miller, Brett Swallow

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Tom Ritter