

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Gail Prince

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

Communion Music

Douglas E. Wagner

Meditation on "Foundation"

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

No. 560

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (vs. 1, 3)

(After worship, a serving elder will be available at the back of each side aisle for personal prayer)

Postlude

Prelude in Classic Style
David Williams, organ

Gordon Young

**All who are able, please stand*

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Central
Christian
Church

(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois

Sunday, August 10, 2025

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *Retrospect on "Leaning"*
John M. Rasley
David Williams, organ

Words of Welcome Michael E. Karunas

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 618
How Firm a Foundation (vs. 1, 4, 5)

*Responsive Reading Shirley Swarthout
Leader: We come to worship the Lord our God today, not only
with rituals and routines, but with hearts ready to obey.
**People: We come to seek the Lord – not with empty words,
but with lives ready to reflect God's mercy and truth.**
Leader: God says, "Do not bring me meaningless offerings.
Instead, learn to do right and to seek justice."
**People: God calls us to defend the oppressed,
to care for the orphan and plead for the widow.**
**All: We come to be made clean; to worship the Lord
in action; to share compassion with others;
and to bring peace to our world.**

*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 No. 581
Near to the Heart of God (vs. 1, 3)

Pastoral Prayer

(8:00) Prayer Response
(10:30) Special music, Larry Wade

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Larry Wade
(10:30) Anthem *Oh How Good It Is* arr. Joshua Spacht

Scripture Reading Isaiah 1:2, 11-17 Pgs. 630-631 OT

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

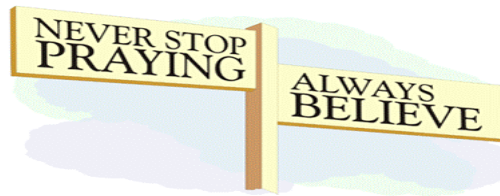
Sermon *Good News Goodness*

Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn No. 562
Because He Lives (vs. 1, 3)
*(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 Susan Bryant

Prayer List



Last updated 8/8/2025

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
Dave Withrow
Ken Jacoby
Karen McFadin
Larry & Debbie Foster

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)
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 Gardens)
Marilyn Riley (Randall Residence)
Sally Thicksten (Randall Residence)
Bob Garrett (Primrose)
Dan & Nedra Brintlinger (Primrose)
Eleanor Pritts (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)
Don Boyd (Lincolnshire)
Yvonne Purcell (Evergreen)
Leona Bray (Tanglewood)
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)
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)
Sharyl Craggs (wife of Bob Craggs)
Curt & Malinda Jackson (cousin of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Sharolyn Esgar (daughter of Nancy Flamm)
Jim Story (friend of Maria Jacobs)
Tom & Jerry White (sister & brother-in-law of Joy Adams)
Sara Foreman (friend of Susan Bryant)
Joyce Wakeland (mother of Rebecca VanMeter)
Kim Edwards (friend of Gale Barnes)
Deborah Stokes (Angie Ingram's stepmom)
Renee Spencer (daughter of Cecil & Sheila Griffith)
Jerry & Crystal Ridgely (friends of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Jeff & Lori Powers (son-in-law of Dave & Nita Phillips)
Dream (daughter of Unique Hess, friend of Janelle Beedle)
Pat Berry (friend of Angie Ingram)
Brett Moroney (grandson of Jeannie Rade)
Lee TerHark (brother of Kelly Hildum)

Worship Extras
August 10, 2025

Isaiah 1:2, 11-17 NRSVUE

² Hear, O heavens, and listen, O earth,
for the LORD has spoken:
I reared children and brought them up,
but they have rebelled against me.
¹¹ What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the LORD;
I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;
I do not delight in the blood of bulls
or of lambs or of goats.
¹² When you come to appear before me,
who asked this from your hand?
Trample my courts no more!
¹³ Bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.
New moon and Sabbath and calling of convocation —
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.
¹⁴ Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;
they have become a burden to me;
I am weary of bearing them.
¹⁵ When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;
even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.
¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove your evil deeds
from before my eyes;
cease to do evil;
¹⁷ learn to do good;
seek justice;
rescue the oppressed;
defend the orphan;
plead for the widow.

Serving Schedule

Today, August 10, 2025

Elders: Susan Bryant, Gail Prince

August Prep Deacons: Nancy Hanover, Jean & Jud Pease

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Sandy Garver, Carolyn Sunderlik

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 - Al & Chris Fagin

10:30 - Larry & Michele Bafford

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Bobby Munos

10:30 - Keith Backes

Liturgist: Shirley Swarthout

Next Sunday, August 17, 2025

Elders: Krista Rohrscheib, Shirley Swarthout

August Prep Deacons: Nancy Hanover, Jean & Jud Pease

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Jane Davis, Debbie Hoffert

10:30 - Gretchen Kirby, Steve Swarthout

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 - Dianne Devore, Carolyn Sunderlik

10:30 - Dale & Judy Ford

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Luke Kirby

Liturgist: Keith Backes