

Words of Institution

Melinda McDonald

Prayer of Consecration

Shirley Swarthout

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

Communion Music

Ben Logan

Meditation on "Showalter"

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. 585

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (vs. 1, 3)

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

Postlude

Festive Voluntary
David Williams, organ

Robert Lau

**All who are able, please stand*

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Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois

Sunday, August 17, 2025

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *How Can I Keep From Singing?*
Tom Birchwood
David Williams, organ

Words of Welcome Michael E. Karunas

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 619
My Life Flows On (vs. 1, 2, 4)

*Responsive Reading Keith Backes

Leader: We come to worship God,
who knew us before we were born.

People: God's steadfast love gives us hope.

Leader: We come to worship God, who is our deliverer.

People: God's steadfast love gives us hope.

Leader: We come to worship God,
who calls us to share the Good News.

People: God's steadfast love gives us hope.

*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. 711
O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines

Pastoral Prayer

(8:00) Prayer Response
(10:30) Special music, John Baird

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, John Baird
(10:30) Anthem arr. Donald Moore
Simple Gifts/Pachelbel's Canon

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 1:4-10 Pgs. 698 OT

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Hope... There It Is!*

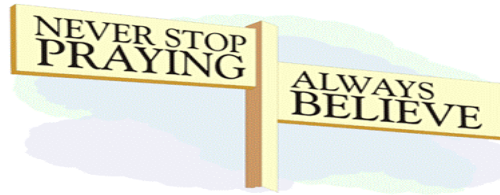
Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn No. 576
My Faith Looks Up to Thee (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 Krista Rohrscheib

Prayer List



Last updated 8/15/2025

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
Shane Garver

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)
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 17, 2025

Jeremiah 1:4-10 NRSVUE

⁴ Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

⁵ **“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”**

⁶ Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak,
for I am only a boy.” ⁷ But the LORD said to me,

**“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy,’
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you.**

⁸ Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,
says the LORD.”

⁹ Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth, and
the Lord said to me,

“Now I have put my words in your mouth.

¹⁰ **See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant.”**

Notes:

Serving Schedule

Today, 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

Next Sunday, August 24, 2025

Elders: Gretchen Kirby, Keela Neumann

August Prep Deacons: Nancy Hanover, Jean & Jud Pease

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Mike Munos

10:30 - Roberta Gorden, Luke Kirby

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 3 - David King, Capt., Nancy King

10:30 - Team 8 - Tom & Diana Ritter, David Sheffer

Greeters:

8:00 - Karen Penn

10:30 - Mary Jane & Ron Oliver

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Janet Lyman