

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

August 17, 2025, 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.



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# **TODAY** is Bless the Backpacks Sunday

As a new school year begins soon, we want to offer a blessing to everyone who is going to school – children of all ages, teachers, all school staff, and our Sunday School teachers and assistants.

We will offer a blessing and have a small gift for you to attach to your backpack or bag, as a reminder that you are loved by your church family.

# Parent Meetings - Save the Date

Parents of Central children and youth - from infants through high school - are invited to join us for a conversation. We want to hear from you about what you love about church and what else you would like for your family.

We will gather on Sunday, August 24 from 4-5:15pm at church and also on Monday, August 25 from 6-7:15pm on Zoom. Choose a time to meet with us. We would love to hear your thoughts! Watch for your email invitation.

# Memorial Service for Bob Wade

Bob Wade passed away several months ago, and while Central was not involved in any of the arrangements the family chose for him, Bob was a big part of this church. A longtime choir member who periodically blessed us by singing his favorite hymn, "How Great Thou Art" during worship. He was a regular member of the Thursday afternoon Journeymen men's bible study when that group met. He brought joy to many with this kind and gentle nature. Since we, his church family, have not had a chance to celebrate his life and his faith, we will have an informal, but very reverent, prayer and memorial service for Bob on Thursday, August 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. All are welcome.

# **God Brings Us Together For Fun Times, Too!**

Rev. Melinda is presenting our biblical and spiritual content for the Central Women's Retreat that will take place locally from Friday evening 10/10 through Saturday, 10/11. Come for a time of fun and relaxation and learning about Ruth. Great food, enjoyable games, and easy craft activities along with each other's company! For more details contact Christine Lyman-Harm or Gretchen Kirby or you can also email Rev. Melinda at Melinda.mcdonald@cccdisciples.org. - Rev. Melinda

# 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 confess your faith, or transfer your membership 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 a pastor know after worship.

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# Jeremiah 1:4-10 NRSVUE

<sup>4</sup> 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."

<sup>6</sup> Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." <sup>7</sup> 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."

<sup>9</sup>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:



Jesus Loves, Jesus Saves

#### Serving Today, 8/17

Elder – Shirley Swarthout Deacon – Deb & Randy Trei Greeter – Deb & Randy Trei Liturgist – Travis Wilcoxen Snacks – Deb & Randy Trei

# Serving Next Sunday, 8/24

Elder – Keela Neumann
Deacon – Ellen & Ryan Damery
Greeter – Ellen & Ryan Damery
Liturgist – Greg Barnes
Snacks – Ellen & Ryan Damery