

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 *Blessed Assurance* (vs. 1, 3) No. 543

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

Postlude *Marche Romaine*
Charles F. Gounod
Dee Dee Gain, organ

**All who are able, please stand*

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(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois

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Sunday, September 28, 2025

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude

Invocation

Alexandre Guilmant

Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome

Michael E. Karunas

*Introit

*Opening Hymn

No. 668

For the Healing of the Nations (vs. 1, 2, 4)

*Responsive Reading

Janet Lyman

Leader: We come to worship God who loves us just as we are.

People: God knows both our strengths and our weaknesses.

Leader: We come to be renewed, encouraged, and empowered.

People: May we strive to be the people God calls us to be.

Leader: May we let go of shame and fear that hold us back.

People: And with God's blessing

may we experience God's gifts for us in new ways.

*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

David Martin

Prayer Hymn

No. 558

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us (vs. 1, 3)

Pastoral Prayer

(8:00) Prayer Response

(10:30) Special music, Ava Coletta

Offertory Invitation

Kim Maple

*Doxology

No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Ava Coletta

(10:30) Anthem

Jesus Loves Me

arr. Michael Hassell

Scripture Reading

Genesis 3:1-13

Pg. 2 & 3 OT

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Try It You'll Like It

Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn

No. 387

Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken

(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

Theresa Fulk

Words of Institution

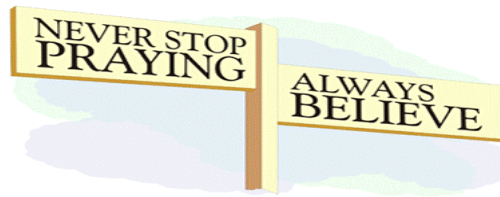
Vicky Woolridge

Prayer of Consecration

Tom Spry

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

Prayer List



Last updated 9/26/2025

Members

Evelyn Sanders
Debbie & Jim Hoffert
Gene Guthrie
Jim & Diane Denzer
Mike & Carole Holbrook
Mickie Wilmot
Misty Mochel
Linda Kuhns
Don & Brenda Tankersley
Jack Dixon & Sue Burkham
Dave Withrow
Karen McFadin
Larry & Debbie Foster
Shane Garver
Bill Moutray
Brett Garver
Shovann Romero

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)
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)
Mary Schilling (sister of Susan Bryant)
JeanEva Smallwood (mother of Nanette Frank)
Joyce Wakeland (mother of Becky VanMeter)
All students, teachers, & school personnel
Keyva Kingston (cousin of Carley & Jarrett Bednar)
Jeff & Sally Brown (friends of many CCC members)
Paul & Verlyn Rosenberger (friends of Nancy Taylor)

Members in Nursing Home & Assisted Living

Merle Chapman (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Elaine Hynds (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Janet Deakins (Imboden Creek Gardens)
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

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)

Worship Extras
September 28, 2025

Genesis 3:1-13 NRSVUE

Leader: ¹ Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

Right: ² **The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'** "

Leader: ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die, ⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

Left: ⁶ *So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.*

Leader: ⁸ They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

Right: ⁹ **But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"**

Left: ¹⁰ *He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself."*

Right: ¹¹ **He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"**

Leader: ¹² The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate."

Left: ¹³ *Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."*

Serving Schedule

Today, September 28, 2025

Elders: Theresa Fulk, Tom Spry

September Prep Deacons: Carol Bischoff, Susan Bryant,
Carolyn Sunderlik

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Dianne Devore, Bobby Munos

10:30 - Scott Bicknell, Diana Ritter

Ushers:

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

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

Greeters:

8:00 - Julie & Ken Jacoby

10:30 - Gregg & Linda Foltz

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Luke Kirby

Liturgist: Janet Lyman

Next Sunday, October 5, 2025

Elders: Angie Ingram, David York

October Prep Deacons: Kim Miller, Suzie Miller

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Sid Rohrscheib

10:30 - Christine Lyman-Harm

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 4 - Hazel Perry, Capt., Karen Penn, Charlotte Ballance

10:30 - Team 9 - Suzie Miller, Capt., Donna Dash

Greeters:

8:00 - Sandy Garver

10:30 - Suzie Miller, Brett Swallow

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Janet Lyman