

Prayer of Consecration

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

Linda Rowden

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 *O Morning Star* (vs. 1, 3) No. 105

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

Postlude *Psalm 150* Charles F. Gounod
Dee Dee Gain, organ

**All who are able, please stand*

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**Central
Christian
Church**
(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois

Sunday, January 11, 2026
Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude

Walking in the Air
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Howard Blake

Words of Welcome

Michael E. Karunas

*Introit

*Opening Hymn
Come, Christians, Join to Sing (vs. 1, 3)

No. 90

*Responsive Reading
Ellen Hearn

Leader: Come, all who long for healing and wholeness,
and who carry broken and divided hearts.

People: We come seeking the peace of God.

Leader: God calls us from resentment into forgiveness,
and from separation into community.

People: We come to be made new and to make things right.

Leader: In Christ, barriers are broken
and grace is poured out freely.

**People: We come to worship the God who restores,
renews, and reconciles all things.**

*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

O God, Our Help in Ages Past (vs. 1, 3, 6)

No. 67

Pastoral Prayer

(8:00) Prayer Response

(10:30) Special music, Jane Cussins

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology

No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Jane Cussins

(10:30) Anthem

Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone

Scripture Reading Genesis 32:9-12

Pg. 29 OT

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Coming Home*

Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn

No. 340

Softly and Tenderly (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

David Wagner

Words of Institution

Prayer List



Last updated 01/09/2026

Members

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

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)
Cameron Hauhe (grandson-in-law of Cecil & Sheila Griffith)

Members in Nursing Home & Assisted Living

Merle Chapman (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Elaine Hynds (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Janet Deakins (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Bob Garrett (Randall Residence)
Dan & Nedra Brintlinger (Primrose)
Dixie June Govro (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)
Eleanor Pritts (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)
Don Boyd (The Loft of Rock Springs)
Yvonne Purcell (Mt. Zion Health & Rehab Center)
Leona Bray (Tanglewood)

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)
Tracy Cearlock (friend of Brett Swallow)
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)
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)
Jeff & Sally Brown (friends of many CCC members)
Lynne Clark (daughter of Bob Sarver)
Lucy Rapp (granddaughter of K & J)
Mary Peck (friend of Keith Backes)
Jennifer Maddox (sister of Fran Rutherford)
Byron Fast (husband of Martha Fast)
Sid Stone (brother of Cindy Soebbing)
Joe Sprinkle (nephew of Janet Gray)
Julie Chastain (sister of Mary Little)

Worship Extras
January 11, 2025

Genesis 32:9-12, NRSVUE

⁹ And Jacob said, "O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, O LORD who said to me, 'Return to your country and to your kindred, and I will do you good,'

¹⁰ I am not worthy of the least of all the steadfast love and all the faithfulness that you have shown to your servant, for with only my staff I crossed this Jordan, and now I have become two companies.

¹¹ Deliver me, please, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau, for I am afraid of him; he may come and kill us all, the mothers with the children.

¹² Yet you have said, 'I will surely do you good and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which cannot be counted because of their number.' "

Notes:

Serving Schedule

Today, January 11, 2025

Elders: Linda Rowden, Dave Wagner

January Prep Deacons: Gregg & Linda Foltz*, Becky VanMeter
Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Gail Prince, Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - David Martin, Ron Oliver

Ushers:

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

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

Greeters:

8:00 - Sandy Garver, Karen Penn

10:30 - Dick & Sue Ann Cain

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Luke Kirby

Liturgist: Ellen Hearn

Next Sunday, January 18, 2026

Elders: Jim Fitzpatrick, Kim Maple

Outreach Communion Elders: Jim Fitzpatrick, Kim Maple, Linda Rowden, Tom Spry, Karen Wade, David Wagner

January Prep Deacons: Gregg & Linda Foltz*, Becky VanMeter

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Jane Davis, Julia Munos

10:30 - Mike Kirby, Steve Swarthout

Ushers:

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

10:30 - Team 9 - Suzie Miller, Capt., Martha Fast

Greeters:

8:00 - Al & Chris Fagin

10:30 - Bob & Mary Jane Linton

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Jordan Backes

Liturgist: Keith Backes