

Prayer of Consecration

David York

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

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

No. 453

Called as Partners in Christ's Service (vs. 1, 3, 4)

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

Postlude

Chaconne

Couperin

Dee Dee Gain, organ

**All who are able, please stand*

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Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois

Sunday, February 8, 2026

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *Eternal Source of Light Divine* G. F. Handel
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome Melinda McDonald

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 88
All My Hope on God Is Founded (vs. 1, 3)

*Responsive Reading Janet Lyman

Leader: Come, all who are seeking a place to belong.

People: We come trusting the God who walks with us.

Leader: Where love calls us forward, we will not turn back.

People: Where God leads, we will follow.

Leader: In joy and in sorrow, in certainty and in risk,

People: we choose faithfulness over fear.

Leader: For the Lord is our God,
and God's people are our people.

**People: We gather to worship the One who
binds us together in steadfast love.**

*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 *It Is Well with My Soul* (vs. 1, 3, 4) No. 561

Pastoral Prayer

(8:00) Prayer Response

(10:30) Special music, Millikin Interns

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Millikin Interns

(10:30) Anthem *Offertory*

Scripture Reading Ruth 1:16-22 Pg. 241 & 242 OT

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Wherever You Go*
Michael E. Karunas

Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn No. 638

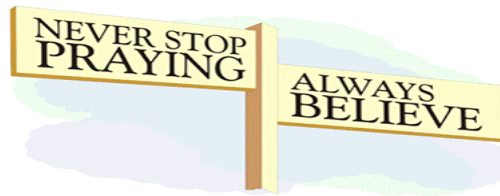
In the Bulb There Is a Flower (vs. 1, 2)

(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 Martin

Words of Institution

Prayer List



Members

Evelyn Sanders
Debbie & Jim Hoffert
Gene Guthrie
Jim & Diane Denzer
Mike & Carole Holbrook
Misty Mochel
Linda Kuhns
Jack Dixon & Sue Burkham
Dave Withrow
Karen McFadin
Larry & Debbie Foster
Shane Garver
Bill Moutray
Shovann Romero
Bob Smith
Jean Maggioncalda
Nedra Brintlinger & family
Karen Wade & family

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)
Nicholas Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)

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)
Nedra Brintlinger (Primrose)
Dixie June Govro (Evergreen)
Eleanor Pritts (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)
Yvonne Purcell (Mt. Zion Health & Rehab Center)
Leona Bray (Tanglewood)

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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)
Sebastian Smallwood (great-nephew of Bill & Nanette Frank)
TJ & Paulette Jackson & family (friends of Donna Dash)

Worship Extras
February 8, 2026

Ruth 1:16-22, NRSVUE

¹⁶ But Ruth said,

“Do not press me to leave you,
to turn back from following you!

Where you go, I will go;
where you lodge, I will lodge;
your people shall be my people
and your God my God.

¹⁷ Where you die, I will die,
and there will I be buried.

May the LORD do thus to me,
and more as well,
if even death parts me from you!”

¹⁸ When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she
said no more to her.

¹⁹ So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. When
they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of
them, and the women said, “Is this Naomi?” ²⁰ She said to them,

“Call me no longer Naomi;
call me Mara,
for the Almighty has dealt bitterly with me.

²¹ I went away full,
but the LORD has brought me back empty;
why call me Naomi
when the LORD has dealt harshly with me
and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?”

²² So Naomi returned together with Ruth the Moabite, her
daughter-in-law, who came back with her from the country of
Moab. They came to Bethlehem at the beginning of the barley
harvest.

Serving Schedule

Today, February 8, 2026

Elders: David Martin, David York

February Prep Deacons: Christine Lyman-Harm, Denise* & Matthew
Swarthout

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Nancy King, Patti Swinford

10:30 - Keith Backes, Cole Shartzter

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 - Debbie & Jim Hoffert

10:30 - Brett Swallow

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Luke Kirby

Liturgist: Janet Lyman

Next Sunday, February 15, 2026

Elders: Christine Lyman-Harm, Gail Prince

Communion Outreach Elders: Angie Ingram, David Martin, Kim Miller,
Krista Rohrscheib, Shirley Swarthout, David York

February Prep Deacons: Christine Lyman-Harm, Denise* & Matthew
Swarthout

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Gary Horvath, David King

10:30 - Scott Bicknell, Andrea Shartzter

Ushers:

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

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

Greeters:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Gail Prince

10:30 - Martha Fast, Suzie Miller

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Bobby Munos

10:30 - Jordan Backes

Liturgist: Linda Virgil