

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Gretchen Kirby

*(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. 688

*When, in Awe of God's Creation (vs. 1, 3, 4)*

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

Postlude

*Gavotte*

J. Ph. Rameau

Dee Dee Gain, organ

*\*All who are able, please stand*

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# Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)  
Decatur, Illinois

Sunday, February 22, 2026

Central Christian Church

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.*

Prelude *Après un Réve* Gabriel Fauré  
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome Michael E. Karunas

\*Introit

\*Opening Hymn No. 565  
*If You Will Trust in God to Guide You* (vs. 1, 3)

\*Responsive Reading Linda Rowden

Leader: Come, all you who are looking for hope, for truth,  
for something more.

**People: We come, seeking the Lamb of God  
who invites us to follow him.**

Leader: Come, all you who seek to have your lives  
changed and transformed.

**People: We are ready to accept the invitation  
to follow the one who can make us whole.**

Leader: Come, all you who are looking for the Messiah.  
For he is here.

**People: We have found what we are looking for and are ready  
to worship the one who can lead us into life.**

\*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. 687  
*In Christ There Is No East or West* (vs. 1, 3, 4)

Pastoral Prayer Melinda McDonald

(8:00) Prayer Response  
(10:30) Special music, Jocelyn Bettarelli

Offertory Invitation

\*Doxology No. 46

\*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Jocelyn Bettarelli  
(10:30) Anthem *You are Mine* arr. Mark Hayes

Scripture Reading John 1:35-46 Pg. 92 NT

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *You Are Invited*  
Michael E. Karunas

Invitation to Discipleship

\*Communion Hymn No. 180  
*Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* (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 Rebecca Monroe

# Prayer List



Last updated 02/20/2026

## 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  
Bob Smith  
Jean Maggioncalda

## 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 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)

## 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)  
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)  
Sebastian Smallwood (great-nephew of Bill & Nanette Frank)  
TJ & Paulette Jackson & family (friends of Donna Dash)  
Sheena Green (friend of Jim & Pamela Bednar)

Worship Extras  
February 22, 2026

John 1:35-46, NRSVUE

<sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup> **The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.** <sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" <sup>39</sup> He said to them, "Come and see." **They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.** <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> **He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).** <sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup> **Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.** <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup> **Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"** Philip said to him, "Come and see."

Notes:

Serving Schedule

Today, February 22, 2026

**Elders:** Gretchen Kirby, Rebecca Monroe

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

**Offering Deacons:**

8:00 - Doug Blakey, Mike Munos

10:30 - Mary Little, Christine Lyman-Harm

**Ushers:**

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

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

**Greeters:**

8:00 - Sandy Garver, Karen Penn

10:30 - Dale & Judy Ford

**P.A. Operator:**

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Mike Kirby

**Liturgist:** Linda Rowden

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Next Sunday, March 1, 2026

**Elders:** Jeannie Backes, Linda Foltz

**March Prep Deacons:** Mary Jane Linton, Lea West, Linda Zinn\*

**Offering Deacons:**

8:00 - Dianne Devore, Betsy Tietz

10:30 - Christine Lyman-Harm, Linda Thomas

**Ushers:**

8:00 - Team 5 - Mike Munos, Capt., Gerri Munos, Brad Munos, Brittney Moran, Blair Moran, Bobby Munos, Julia Munos

10:30 - Team 10 - David Martin, Capt., Stephani Martin, Gretchen Kirby

**Greeters:**

8:00 - Al & Chris Fagin

10:30 - Larry & Michele Bafford

**P.A. Operator:**

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Keith Backes

**Liturgist:** Ellen Hearn