

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. 677

Let There Be Peace on Earth

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

Postlude

Fanfare

Jacques Lemmens
Dee Dee Gain, organ

**All who are able, please stand*

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(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois

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Sunday, May 10, 2026

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *Serenade*
Charles-Marie Widor
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome Vicky Woolridge

*Introit

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

*Responsive Reading Janet Lyman
Leader: How shall we love the Lord our God?
People: Scripture teaches us: with all our hearts, minds, souls, and spirit.
Leader: How shall we demonstrate God's love?
People: We shall live that love in what we think, say, and do.
Leader: May God's Spirit of gracious love flow through us.
All: Praise be to God for the gift of the Holy Spirit!

*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

Prayer Hymn *O Breath of Life* (vs. 1, 3) No. 250

Pastoral Prayer Michael E. Karunas

(8:00) Prayer Response
(10:30) Special music, Jarrett Newsome

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication
(8:00) Special Music, Jarrett Newsome
(10:30) Anthem Jeff Wächter
My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Scripture Reading John 14:15-21 Pg. 109 NT
One: The Word of God for the People of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Called Alongside*

Invitation to Discipleship

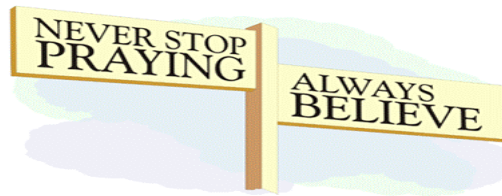
*Communion Hymn No. 330
Alleluia! Hear God's Story (vs. 1, 3)
(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)

Meditation Lea West

Words of Institution Melinda McDonald

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

Prayer List



Last updated 05/08/2026

Members

Evelyn Sanders
Debbie & Jim Hoffert
Gene Guthrie
Jim & Diane Denzer
Carole Holbrook
Linda Kuhns
Jack Dixon & Sue Burkham
Dave Withrow
Larry & Debbie Foster
Shane Garver
Bob Smith
Jean Maggioncalda
Mark Kincaid

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)
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)
Nedra Brintlinger (Primrose)
Eleanor Pritts (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)
Bill Moutray (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)
Karen McFadin (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)

Friends & Family (continued...)

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)
Sheena Green (friend of Jim & Pamela Bednar)
Greg Barnes' father
Sharron and Wayne Coleman (relatives of the Barnes family)
Lisa Campbell (daughter of Bruce & Liz Campbell)

Worship Extras

May 10, 2026

John 14:15-21, NRSVUE

¹⁵“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷**This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.** ¹⁸“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰**On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.** ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

Notes:

Serving Schedule

Today, May 10, 2026

Elders: Linda Foltz, Lea West

May Prep Deacons: Beth Calvert, David & Nancy* King

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Doug Blakey, Mike Munos

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

Greeters:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Gail Prince

10:30 - Larry & Michele Bafford

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Bobby Munos

10:30 - Jordan Backes

Liturgist: Janet Lyman

Next Sunday, May 17, 2026

Elders: Gretchen Kirby, Julie Martin

Outreach Communion Elders: Angie Ingram, Kim Miller, Krista Rohrscheib, Tom Spry, Shirley Swarthout, Karen Wade

May Prep Deacons: Beth Calvert, David & Nancy* King

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Dianne DeVore, Betsy Tietz

10:30 - Dale Ford, Tom Jones

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 1 - Carolyn Sunderlik, Capt., Dianne Devore

10:30 - Team 6 - Ron & Terry Grant, Mark Kincaid

Greeters:

8:00 - Sandy Garver, Karen Penn

10:30 - Dale & Judy Ford

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Shirley Swarthout