

Communion Music

arr. David Paxton

*Breath on Me, Breath of God*

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. 518

*This Is a Day of New Beginnings* (vs. 1, 3, 4)

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

Postlude

*How Firm a Foundation*

arr. Terry Kirkland

David Williams, organ

*\*All who are able, please stand*

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# Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

Decatur, Illinois

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Pastor for Spiritual Formation  
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**Dr. Benjamin Hawkinson**  
Director of Music

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Central Christian Church

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.*

Prelude *Sweet Hour of Prayer* arr. Franklin Ritter  
David Williams, organ

Words of Welcome Melinda McDonald

\*Introit

\*Opening Hymn No. 618  
*How Firm a Foundation* (vs. 1, 2, 5)

\*Responsive Reading Ellen Hearn

Leader: We gather to worship God, who is Holy.

**People: With great expectation and overflowing JOY, we come.**

Leader: Ready to hear again the good news,  
like the shepherds so long ago

**People: Who were greeted by a host of angels proclaiming,**

Leader: "We are bringing good news of great JOY for all people"

**All: We join the angels, offering our praise,  
"Glory to God in the Highest Heaven."**

\*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 *Sweet Hour of Prayer!* (vs. 1, 3) No. 570

Pastoral Prayer

(8:00) Prayer Response  
(10:30) Special music, Ben Hawkinson

Offertory Invitation

\*Doxology No. 46

\*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Ben Hawkinson  
(10:30) Anthem arr. Max Kiser

*Breathe on me, Breath of God*

Scripture Reading Luke 2:8-20 Pg. 58 NT  
1 Kings 19:5b-13 Pg. 326 OT

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Encountering the Holy* Vicky Woolridge

Invitation to Discipleship

\*Communion Hymn No. 494

*They'll Know We Are Christians* (vs. 1, 2, 3)

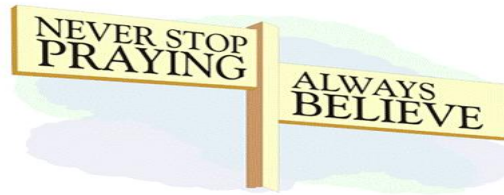
*(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)*

Meditation Tom Spry

Words of Institution

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

# Prayer List



Last updated 07/24/2026

## Members

Evelyn Sanders  
Debbie & Jim Hoffert  
Gene Guthrie  
Jim & Diane Denzer  
Carole Holbrook  
Linda Kuhns  
Jack Dixon & Sue Burckham  
Dave Withrow  
Larry & Debbie Foster  
Shane Garver  
Bob Smith  
Jean Maggioncalda  
Gary Jackson  
Leon Bolin

## 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)  
Dave & Nita Phillips (Primrose)  
Eleanor Pritts (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)  
Bill Moutray (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)  
Yvonne Purcell (Mt. Zion Health & Rehab Center)  
Karen McFadin (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)

## Friends & Family (continued...)

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)  
Jeff & Sally Brown (friends of many CCC members)  
Lynne Clark (daughter of Bob Sarver)  
Lucy Rapp (granddaughter of K & J)  
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)  
Dee Dee Gain (organist)  
Tony (brother of Angie Ingram)  
Maks (friend of Angie Ingram)  
Rev. Dr. William Crowder & Dr. Stephanie  
Buckhanon-Crowder & Will Crowder

**Worship Extras**  
**July 26, 2026**

**Luke 2:8-20, NRSVUE**

<sup>2</sup> Now in that same region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup> Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: <sup>11</sup> to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup> And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" <sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup> So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the child lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup> When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child, <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them, <sup>19</sup> and Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told them.

**1 Kings 19:5b-13, NRSVUE**

<sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup> He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. <sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." <sup>8</sup> He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. <sup>9</sup> At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>10</sup> He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." <sup>11</sup> He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake, <sup>12</sup> and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup> When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

**Serving Schedule**

**Today, July 26, 2026**

**Elders:** Tom Spry, Lea West

**July Prep Deacons:** Stephani Martin, Krista\* & Sid Rohrscheib

**Offering Deacons:**

8:00 - Doug Blakey, Mike Munos

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 - Debbie & Jim Hoffert

10:30 - Bob & Mary Jane Linton

**P.A. Operator:**

8:00 - Bobby Munos

10:30 - Jordan Backes

**Liturgist:** Ellen Hearn

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**Next Sunday, August 2, 2026**

**Elders:** Julie Martin, Matthew Swarthout

**August Prep Deacons:** Nancy Hanover\*, Jud Pease

**Offering Deacons:**

8:00 - Dianne DeVore, Carolyn Sunderlik

10:30 - David Martin, Rick Thomas

**Ushers:**

8:00 - Team 2 - Bruce Campbell, Capt., Liz Campbell, Charlotte Ballance

10:30 - Team 7 - George Virgil, Capt., Linda Virgil, Hugh & Linda Rowden

**Greeters:**

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Gail Prince

10:30 - Andy & Theresa Fulk

**P.A. Operator:**

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Mike Kirby

**Liturgist:** Janet Lyman