

Prayer of Consecration

Kim Miller

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

Communion Music

Let Us Break Bread Together

arr. Tom Birchwood

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. 621

"Are Ye Able," Said the Master (vs. 1, 4)

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

Postlude

Postlude on "Cwm Rhondda"

Marc Jordan

David Williams, organ

**All who are able, please stand*

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Sunday, August 23, 2026

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *Are Ye Able*
arr. Larry F. Pugh
David Williams, organ

Words of Welcome Melinda McDonald

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 622
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (vs. 1, 3)

*Responsive Reading Ellen Hearn
Leader: We throw open the doors of our hearts to God and
**People: discover that God has already thrown open the door of
eternal grace and peace to us.**
Leader: We find ourselves standing
where we always hoped we might stand —
People: out in the wide-open spaces of God's grace and glory!
Leader: We stand tall and shout our praises,
People: even when troubles hem us in.
Leader: We persevere because God pours into us
the strength and courage to continue onward.
**People: Others before and alongside us serve
to inspire us along The Way of 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 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand (vs. 1, 3)* No. 628

Pastoral Prayer Michael E. Karunas

(8:00) Prayer Response
(10:30) Special music, Diego Rivera

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Diego Rivera
(10:30) Anthem *Come Share the Lord* arr. Roland Tabell

Scripture Reading Romans 5:1-5 Pg. 155 NT

One: The Word of God for the People of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *The Power of Perseverance*

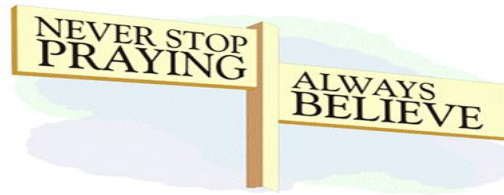
Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn No. 425
Let Us Break Bread Together
*(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 Krista Rohrscheib

Words of Institution

Prayer List



Last updated 08/21/2026

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
Gary Jackson
Leon Bolin
Bill Moutray
Jim Nuernberger

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.)
Yvonne Purcell (Mt. Zion Health & Rehab Center)
Karen McFadin (Mt. Zion Health & Rehab Center)
Leona Bray (Tanglewood)

Friends & Family

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)
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)
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)
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)

Worship Extras
August 23, 2026

Romans 5:1-5, NRSVUE

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,** ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, **and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.** ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ **and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,** ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts **through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.**

Notes:

Serving Schedule

Today, August 23, 2026

Elders: Kim Miller, Krista Rohrscheib

August Prep Deacons: Nancy Hanover*, Jud Pease

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Gail Prince, Sid Rohrscheib

10:30 - Jeannie Backes, Luke Kirby

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 - Dianne DeVore, Carolyn Sunderlik

10:30 - Jeannie & Keith Backes

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Jordan Backes

Liturgist: Ellen Hearn

Next Sunday, August 30, 2026

Elders: Angie Ingram, Shirley Swarthout

August Prep Deacons: Nancy Hanover*, Jud Pease

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Gail Prince, Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Keith Backes, Cole Shartzter

Ushers:

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

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

Greeters:

8:00 - Charlotte Ballance, Donna Dash

10:30 - Gregg & Linda Foltz

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Ellen Hearn